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## (FIELD) DAY FOR IT

THE 64th edition of the Riverland Field Days kicks off this Friday 15 September, with two days full of technology, entertainment, food and refreshments. Gates open at 9am both days, with first-time Field Days manager Emma Gwiazda "excited to see as many people as possible" attend.

Riverland Field Days chairman Warren Mudge and manager Emma Gwiazda are all ready to go for the Riverland Field Days this Friday and Saturday. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

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Riverland General Hospital in a bid to improve the safety of staff, patients and visitors.

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## 'No alarm' from levee breaches

RIVERLANDERS have been reassured that downstream levee breaches are isolated to the Lower Murray region.

Persistent strong winds late last week saw seven levee breaches, prompting the State

Liberals to warn that other areas along the SA stretch of the river were "at risk".

However, SA Water Minister Dr Susan Close late yesterday allayed any local fears.

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## NETBALL:



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# Riverlanders and RAAF to celebrate war vet’s 100th

**STEPHANIE THOMPSON**

LOCALS are invited to honour the 100th birthday of a Loxton WWII veteran next month.

Howard Hendrick DFC, OAM, Legion D’Honneur (France) will celebrate his 100th birthday on Monday 2 October, which coincides with the second day of the 103rd Loxton Show.

The birthday celebrations will feature a historic aircraft flying display and civic ceremony, along with speeches, cake cutting and the singing of Happy Birthday at 11.30am, led by the Australian Royal Air Force (RAAF) rock band.

Loxton Show president Ian Cass said it would be remiss to let Mr Hendrick’s milestone birthday go by without a celebration.

“To me, Howard is one of the most wonderful gentleman I’ve ever met,” he said.

“I think it’s a wonderful way to honour a very humble man.”

Mr Cass said the Loxton Show committee, along with the Loxton RSL sub-branch, District Council of Loxton Waikerie and the RAAF, collaborated to ensure a special occasion for Mr Hendrick and the Riverland community.

Mr Hendrick was a Bomber Command pilot, successfully returning from 31 missions across Europe in WWII.

He learnt to fly in a Tiger Moth aeroplane, but spent most of his war time in an Avro Lancaster – a British WWII heavy bomber.

A birthday celebration will be held for Loxton WWII veteran Howard Hendrick next month, coinciding with the second day of the Loxton Show. PHOTO: Courtesy of the Australian War Memorial

Mr Hendrick was a WWII soldier settler and in a testament to his service to the Loxton community, was awarded an Order of Australia medal in 2019 and Loxton Citizen of the Year in 2016.



A HAPPY 60: Renmark’s Bob and Judy Strachan celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last week. PHOTO: supplied

# New local fruit fly outbreak declared

A NEW Queensland fruit fly outbreak has been declared inside the Riverland and one outbreak area boundary has been extended in the last fortnight.

The Cooltong C outbreak area was declared on Thursday 7 September after gravid female fruit fly was discovered in a monitoring trap.

There has also been an extension to the existing Chaffey B outbreak area, with the boundary extension also affecting yellow suspension area boundaries.

The end date for all outbreaks is Monday 25 December 2023, but this may change if more fruit flies are detected.

Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) fruit fly officers will be visiting properties in the new outbreak area to provide advice, as well as apply bait and to check for signs of fruit fly in fruit.

PIRSA general manager of the fruit fly response Paul Dowsett said all growers and residents in the outbreak area will be receiving information from PIRSA detailing what part they need to play in preventing its spread.

“Fruit fly is posing a real risk to locally grown fruit – both commercially and in your backyard. Riverland growers and residents, please follow the fruit fly areas,” he said.

“Prune your trees and keep cleaning up any fallen fruit to lower the chance of fruit fly successfully breeding, especially as the weather warms up and flies become more active.



“We are calling upon our Riverland community to work closely with us and allow PIRSA fruit fly staff access to your property so they can do their work quickly and efficiently.”

Riverland Fruit Fly Committee chair Jason Size said everyone needed to play their part to prevent fruit fly from spreading.

“I urge growers as well as residents, particularly those in or near fruit fly affected areas, to follow fruit fly prevention actions and call 1300 666 010 if you suspect fruit fly,” he said.

“Pick ripe fruit, collect or treat fallen fruit and prevent opportunities for fruit fly to breed on your block or in your backyard.

“If you’re a grower now in a red outbreak area, I encourage you to contact PIRSA to register your interest in the self-baiting program, to protect your crops and support with eradication.”

The Sterile Insect Technology is currently operating at Lindsay Point, Murtho, Pike River and Pike River West.

For more information about fruit fly, self-baiting and the latest outbreak advice call the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 or visit the website (www.fruitfly.sa.gov.au).

# Remembering four airmen 80 years on

A MEMORIAL service to commemorate the 80th anniversary of an aeroplane crash, which claimed the lives of four men in WWII, will be held later this month.

On 24 September 1943, an Avro Anson aircraft undertaking night training from Nhill, crashed to earth on a farm about 20km east of Loxton, killing the four young airmen.



















Friends, relatives and community members are invited to the 80th Anniversary Commemorative Service at Mill Corner, Raymond Avenue, Loxton, on Sunday 24 September, at 2.30pm.

For enquiries, call Ray Edwards on 8584 5945.

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RIVERLAND WEATHER													
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LOXTON		 29 ° 6 ° MOSTLY SUNNY	 31 ° 9 ° MOSTLY CLOUDY	 28 ° 11 ° MOSTLY SUNNY	 30 ° 7 ° SUNNY	 33 ° 8 ° SUNNY	 35 ° 15 ° MOSTLY SUNNY						
WAIKERIE		 29 ° 6 ° MOSTLY SUNNY	 31 ° 9 ° MOSTLY CLOUDY	 28 ° 11 ° MOSTLY SUNNY	 30 ° 7 ° SUNNY	 33 ° 8 ° SUNNY	 35 ° 15 ° MOSTLY SUNNY						
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The inside of the Pyap Street house at Renmark which was destroyed by arson on Saturday 9 September. PHOTO: supplied

## Renmark duo charged with arson

TWO people have been arrested following a house fire at Renmark last Saturday night.

Emergency services responded to reports of a house fire on Pyap Street, in Renmark, just before 11pm on Saturday 9 September.

The two occupants of the house and their pets were uninjured.

The house was completely destroyed by the fire, with the damage estimated to be \$200,000.

Following investigations, the occupants of the house, a 26-year-old man and a 25-year-old woman, were arrested and

charged with arson.

They were refused bail and appeared in the Berri Magistrates Court on Monday 11 September.

Fire investigators attended the scene on Monday morning, with investigations into the fire continuing.

Locals who saw or heard any suspicious activity at the property on Saturday night are asked to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online at ([www.crimestopperssa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperssa.com.au)).



The outside of the Pyap Street house. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

## Hospital set for 24/7 security

**ALEXANDRA BULL  
and HUGH SCHUITMAKER**

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Twenty-four seven security will soon be in place at the Riverland General Hospital in a bid to improve the safety of staff, patients and visitors.

It is understood the recruitment of security guards is to begin immediately.

In the interim, the hospital will have contracted security guards during peak periods of demand.

Staff will also continue to be supported by contracted security guards that are available to respond when required, with assistance from SAPOL available when requested.

This follows a series of violent incidents at the Riverland General Hospital and active campaigning by the ANMF (SA Branch) members calling on the Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) to employ round-the-clock guards.

A survey launched by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (ANMF) (SA Branch) earlier this year calling for 24/7 security at the hospital, has now reached 1200 signatures.

However, after speaking with RMCLHN CEO Wayne Champion, Chaffey MP Tim

Whetstone said 24/7 security guards would take \$1.5m dollars out of the health network's health budget.

"I (will) send a letter to the Minister for Health calling on him to fund security for the hospital, not for it to come out of the existing budget," he said.

"I think the staff deserve a safe and secure workplace just like everyone does, but I would like to make sure that the minister is going to allocate the necessary budget to installing security officers at the hospital."

"This announcement is a great win for the safety of staff, patients and visitors of the hospital," AMNF (SA Branch) CEO/secretary adjunct associate professor Elizabeth Dabars said.

"We applaud the board of the RMCLHN for listening to members' concerns and we congratulate our members for their sustained campaigning, as well as the Riverland community for supporting our 10-Point Plan to End Violence and Aggression and our online petition for security guards."

The RMCLHN will commission an independent security review for the hospital in partnership with staff and unions, which will inform security arrangements.

RMCLHN CEO Wayne Champion said the health network will contract security staff for peak periods of demand in the first instance, while working to recruit security staff onto an ongoing 24/7 roster.

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"We are committed to providing a safe working environment for our staff, patients and visitors in our hospitals, and this is why the RMCLHN Governing Board have decided to put in place permanent security personnel as soon as possible," he said.

"The RMCLHN has listened to the concerns raised by unions and staff and made the decision to implement full-time security personnel at the hospital as soon as practicable.

"We look forward to working with staff and unions to implement the full-time permanent security staff and will keep the community updated on the details following the completion of the review."

Minister for Health and Wellbeing Chris Picton said he supports the RMCLHN's decision to boost security at the hospital.

"Nothing is more important than the safety of our healthcare workers, who do an amazing job in helping the community," he said.

"This comes after 24/7 security guards started at Wallaroo two weeks ago, and Port Pirie hospital is expected to start later this month.

"Staff should feel confident that they are safe and protected from violent and aggressive behaviour, and having on-site security staff available to respond immediately to incidents will help achieve this."



**CAR FIRE:** Emergency services were called to a car fire on Bookpurnong Road, near The Precinct in Loxton, just before 6pm on Monday. Smoke filled the area, with a number of passers-by stopping to assist and using fire extinguishers from nearby businesses until the Metropolitan Fire Service arrived. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

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This year's Loxton Show is fast approaching and has a program full of entertainment. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

# It's almost Loxton Show time

**STEPHANIE THOMPSON**

THE countdown to the Riverland's only remaining country show is now on, with organisers promising a fun-filled two days. This year's Loxton Annual Spring Show will be held on Sunday 1 October, and Monday 2 October, and president Ian Cass said this year's event was "jam-packed" with entertainment. "The stage is going to be full-on and will not be empty all day for both days," he said.

"There is going to be something happening continuously." Mr Cass said this year's entertainment co-ordinator Karen Tate had ensured there would be "something for everyone". There will be free face painting, an animal petting zoo and a roaming balloon clown for the children, along with a large range of live music, dancing and demonstrations. Last year's show was hailed a major suc-

cess and Mr Cass said organisers are hoping for another large turnout. "There was 7500 people over the two days last year," he said. Other attractions include exhibit halls, sideshow alley, food stalls and sheaf tossing. The show office is now open from 10am to 2pm, with opening hours increasing from Monday 25 September. For more information, visit the website (loxtonshow.org.au).

# More sterile flies to help Riverland fruit fly battle

THE Riverland's battle against fruit fly has received a significant boost, with a Riverland MP welcoming the expansion of an eradication strategy. A \$3m expansion to the world-leading National Sterile Insect Technique (SIT) was recently opened in Port Augusta, doubling the number of sterile Queensland fruit flies produced from 20 to 40 million per week. Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone said SIT was a major part of the eradication strategy. "We're going to double production, because eradication is the only way out of this," he said. "There is no other option. "We really need to ramp up our efforts and expand eradication measures, while continuing to be vigilant and engaging Riverland communities to be part of the solution." Mr Whetstone said discussions were continuing with neighbouring areas regarding the

support of eradication. "We have to deal with the outbreaks in the Riverland, but at the same time I've put an olive branch to Mildura MP (Jade Benham) and have asked her to negotiate with the Victorian Government in once again addressing the fruit fly problem they have," he said. The Port Augusta SIT facility expansion was funded under the Federal Government's \$30m Building Resilience to Manage Fruit Fly package, with additional contributions from PIRSA and Citrus SA. Most of the flies at Port Augusta will be sent for release in the Riverland as part of the response to the current outbreaks. There are currently 44 outbreaks in the area. The program reduces the fruit fly population by mating the sterile flies with wild flies, resulting in no fertile offspring. Citrus SA chairperson Mark Doecke said since 2016, the use of SIT in Queensland fruit fly

responses had played a "crucial role" in managing outbreaks. "This doubling of capacity will not only help to eradicate fruit fly within the Riverland, but will also help in ensuring South Australia keeps its all-important fruit fly free status, contributing significantly towards retaining market confidence in our premium produce," he said. Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Clare Scriven said the Port Augusta facility was at the forefront in Australian research into SIT for Queensland fruit fly. "Understanding the importance of the sterile insect operation to the outbreak response in the Riverland is why this expansion work to the Q-fly facility was undertaken as a priority and I am excited that the forthcoming SIT operations in the region will be able to take advantage of this boost in fly production," she said. "The South Australian

Government is committed to retaining South Australia's fruit fly free status and is using every tool at its disposal to eradicate the current outbreaks we are experiencing in the Riverland, and to protect our vital \$1.45b horticulture industry." Federal Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Murray Watt said strengthening the horticulture sector's resilience against fruit fly was a key priority. "Helping protect the horticulture sector from fruit fly impacts reduces costs throughout the supply chain from growers right through to the supermarket shelf," he said. "This expansion is also of national significance, supporting the important role South Australia plays in the ongoing fight to prevent the spread of Q-fly nationally. "Having more sterile flies available offers a long-term, sustainable management solution in managing this pest."

## "Snippets"

**by Loxton Garden Club**  
The Loxton Garden Club hold monthly meetings on the 4th Sunday of the month. Meeting will be held at The Loxton Club – Woolshed Room at 2pm. For further information contact Jacque Schulz 0402 158 759 or Ian Cass 0428 876 220. Email: loxtongardenclub@gmail.com



**Australian Blue Banded Bees**  
I have noticed here in the Riverland last year the increase of Blue Banded Bees. I just hope that the amount of spray that PIRSA are placing around all trees in our gardens to eradicate/ prevent fruit fly that these beautiful native bees have not been eradicated. Despite what the authorities say about the spray being organic it still kills honeybees. (Speaking from experience)  
The blue banded bee (Amegilla) is capable of a special type of pollination behaviour called 'buzz pollination'. In some plants, the pollen is trapped inside tiny capsules in the centre of the flower. The blue banded bee can curl her body around the flower and rapidly vibrate her flight muscles, causing the pollen to shoot out of the capsules. As she collects some pollen for her nest, she transfers some of the pollen to other flowers, successfully pollinating the flowers.

Only certain types of bees can perform buzz pollination. In Australia these include the blue banded bees and the carpenter bees. The introduced honeybees are not able to buzz pollinate flowers. In many overseas countries, bumble bees are used to buzz pollinate these crops. However, Australia does not have any native species of bumble bees and applications to import European bumble bees to Australia have been refused due to the significant harm these bees would cause to the Australian environment if they became feral. Some research has been conducted at the University of Adelaide on the use of Australian native blue banded bees to buzz pollinate our crops.

A range of technical problems still need to be solved to allow timely and large-scale production of these native bees to meet the massive needs of our greenhouse crop producers. However, the potential benefits would be huge if we could safely use one of our own native bee species to do this work.

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

## On track to eradication?

IT is often said good things take time. Riverland growers will be hoping this adage rings true when it comes to the goal of eradicating fruit fly from the region.

It hasn't taken long for temperatures to begin climbing as we bid farewell to another winter, and indeed we have already seen a new outbreak area recently declared as the pest becomes more active during the spring and summer months.

However, with that news also comes the restart and expansion of sterile fruit flies from Port Augusta, each week providing millions of tiny weapons for our horticulture industry to utilise.

Indeed, the use of the Sterile Insect Technique (SIT) flies may be harder to see than the PIRSA crews that have been checking our backyards – who now wear a uniform slightly less reminiscent than that of a prisoner – or the brightly coloured traps deployed on trees, but time continues to illustrate these sterile flies might be our most effective tool for combating the pest.

While the use of SIT is aimed at complete eradication and the generation of a long-term defence for the region, admittedly it is a strategy that will take some time yet to fully materialise.

This means increasing worry throughout our communities, and particularly from local growers, is understandable when you consider the rate of new outbreaks in early 2023 and the amount of Riverland area now included within quarantine zones.

Those in charge of the response effort reason that while each outbreak red zone covers 1.5km, the pest itself may only have been detected in small pockets of that zone, and pointed to lowering numbers of re-detections as evidence that the battle is slowly being won.

However, among the optimism, the concern among growers is still clearly evident.

For some whose commercial properties have been inside quarantine areas for years, the financial impacts of having to chemically treat fruit, or losing access to some markets, has brought the breaking point very close.

This combination of trying to minimise the number of new outbreaks by drumming home the message of clearing backyards and orchards, and not sharing fruit, combined with the need to maintain market access for growers, seems to make it difficult for PIRSA to progress forward with surety.

Any possibility of eradication will likely be many years away, as it becomes evident we will be stuck with this pest well into 2024 at least, and our growers losing a battle of attrition would be catastrophic for the region's fruit production.



**Brothers Jules and Ern Ohlmeyer in 1926, with 'Jigger', the car their father Albert built in 1904:** The boys were ready to leave Tanunda for Waikerie with dogs Spot and Mick, and a scythe tied to the side of the vehicle. Jigger is unique being the first car manufactured in SA. (The first assembled car was John Shearer's steam car, in 1897 at Mannum). Albert, a Barossa Valley jeweller, designed the chain-driven vehicle and employed tinsmith 'Tinny' Trotta to manufacture the radiator; a blacksmith to shape iron fittings; and a carpenter to shape the chassis, the clutch, and a brake that operated on the rear tyres. A 4.5hp single-cylinder petrol engine that had pumped water from the nearby Para River was mounted under the passenger's seat to power the quadracycle on motorbike wheels. Albert drove the car for many years. It had a top-speed of 32km/hr and needed re-oiling every 10 to 12km. In 1927, it was stored in their son Jule's shed at Waikerie. In 1965, Jule restored it and drove it to Casterton, Victoria, and back. Albert's aunt Anna had called the car, '...this-er-jigger thing', and the name stuck. Jigger is now displayed at the National Motor Museum, Birdwood. PHOTO: Jules and Ralph Ohlmeyer

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Jane Eliza development**

THERE is no doubt that Renmark urgently needs land for housing and the development of new industries.

This is especially relevant with the current discussion around water buybacks and the impact it may well have on the future of our community – in this generation and those which follow.

The development of the next stage of the Jane Eliza has been worked on for many years and Renmark Paringa Council's website has information about the proposed development – at this stage.

A significant feature of the development will be a marina with lifting facilities, boat repairs, boat building and the safe mooring of houseboats – all very badly needed.

Along with these new industries is the opportunity for tourism ventures, accommodation, restaurants and business development – quite apart from the housing development.

There are thousands of jobs within the build and many hundreds of long-term jobs with new industries.

It is not finalised, although we have a preferred developer and considerable interest shown regarding the marina, and the housing and tourism ventures surrounding the marina. Further investigations need to occur and these are happening right now, with the State Government considering a code amendment and the many intricacies of extending the current Jane Eliza.

It is worth noting that some of the safest, and highest, township land during the recent flood event was the current Jane Eliza development.

It is also worth mentioning the comparisons with the east coast of Australia and flash flooding is not a fair comparison with the floods we receive – they are very different 'beasts' and our recent experiences with managing the 2022/23 flood provide many lessons and learnings for this development as well as for future opportunities.

These learnings are all part of the State Government's delibera-

tions at the moment.

When the State Government returns to us with their recommendations and decisions there will be a more detailed proposal for consultation with the public, but only after due consideration is given to the multitude of factors behind such an expansion.

This is a complex but necessary venture for us all to seriously consider, for the future of Renmark and the broader Riverland.

PETER HUNTER  
Mayor  
Renmark Paringa Council

**Voicing development concerns**

WELL written Kristen Pitt ('Floodplain Concerns', Letters to the Editor, 6/9/23). Your letter summarises very succinctly the issue of further developing the floodplain at Jane Eliza and the risk this poses to the rest of Renmark during flood events.

We are also very concerned about this and have voiced this to many senior citizens in Renmark to gauge their response, as we believe that the current Jane Eliza and the infrastructure concerned was a major part of why the level of water around Renmark during the 2022/23 flood was a lot higher for the same flows compared to other towns in the Riverland.

These senior citizens all said there was no way anyone in their sensible right mind would further change the floodplain, as it was obvious what would happen: a further risk of flooding to the already-established town.

Therefore, we as long-term residents of Renmark would also like the Renmark Paringa Council to publicly reassure us that they can also see this danger and have shelved this proposal.

This Renmark Paringa Council needs to remember the platform on which it was elected: back to basics, and protecting and providing for the ratepayers who elected them.

It will not serve those ratepayers if they are all sandbagging their houses in the next flood – which will come – and are unable to insure their properties because the council has decided to chase big money to alter the landscape and place us all at risk.

It will also not serve the Renmark community to stick to the story that the contract has already been signed (as if this negates responsibility of those in charge), and therefore, we need to proceed, even if it means destruction for the community at large.

ANN-MARIE and ANTHONY WASLEY  
Renmark

**Awesome Daffodil Day effort**

THANK you to the Riverland people for supporting Cancer Council on Daffodil Day.

We raised the awesome sum of \$5999.80.

Thank you to the beautiful ladies who gave up their day to sell daffodils and merchandise at Barmera, Berri Plaza and Woolworths, and at Loxton.

It was a great effort and thank you all once again.

NANCY MURDOCK  
Secretary  
Cancer Council Riverland branch

**Buybacks 'decimate' communities**

NO one better understands the importance of a healthy Murray-Darling Basin than the farmers and communities that live along its banks.

It's our farmers who put the amazing fresh local produce on the tables of Australians every day.

It's our farmers who give Australia the international reputation as a world leader in food and fibre production.

So achieving a healthy river system is a goal that should be absolutely undeniable, no matter where you sit on the political spectrum or where you live – country or city.

Having been a primary producer in the Riverland, I know firsthand that it is our irrigators and farmers who stand to gain the most from the achievement of this goal.

This is why I have always been a strong supporter of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan.

However, the pathway to delivering the Plan has been seriously threatened by the Albanese Labor Government over the past few weeks.

In announcing that the cap

on buybacks will be lifted, the Minister for Environment and Water, Tanya Plibersek, has proven that Labor will always put their own political interests ahead of the best interests of our regional communities.

Because in this policy they have abandoned that incredibly important balance between achieving a healthy river system and supporting the viability of our river communities and our irrigators.

The very producers that stand between us being able to eat the best food in the world, or importing our food from countries who often struggle with meeting the same environmental and nutritional standards as Australia.

As someone who will always look at policy through a rural and regional lens, I cannot support buybacks because it is not possible for Labor to guarantee there will be no socio-economic detriment to our river communities.

Ripping a huge amount of additional water, via buybacks, from our irrigators will absolutely decimate river communities like my hometown of Renmark.

To put it in context, the buyback proposal on the table from the Albanese Labor Government would see 38GL recovered in South Australia, which is more than the entire Renmark Irrigation Trust annual entitlement.

With the huge increase in input costs and prices suppressed, things are tough out there for many irrigated agriculture industries right now.

In this economic environment, Labor's definition of a 'willing seller' or 'voluntary sales' ignores the reality faced by our irrigators.

A 'willing seller' is not someone whose bank is breathing down their neck.

A 'willing seller' is not someone who has to give up their water just to keep their business going or their family fed.

Labor has a pattern of making strong headline announcements that are light on detail and consultation, and this policy is no different. They either have not properly considered the implications of what they are proposing or they simply don't care.

“Thank you to the Riverland people for supporting  
Cancer Council on Daffodil Day...”

- NANCY MURDOCK



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This is why the Coalition has fought hard to secure a Senate inquiry into the government’s Restoring Our Rivers Bill.

But Labor’s contempt for our river communities is on full display with them refusing to hold hearings anywhere but Canberra.

We know that buybacks will harm river communities and the government should have the courage to face these communities before they pass legislation that will have significant and permanent consequences.

Or worse still, it could blow up the Murray-Darling Plan altogether, as already seen by Victoria’s refusal to sign up.

So, I encourage everyone to speak up and have their say by visiting (<https://tinyurl.com/ypyfc2hc>).

ANNE RUSTON  
Senator for South Australia

Examining our access

I RETIRED as the Riverland Disability Advocate but am still very interested in accountability.

What I would like Renmark residents to do is tell me about problems around their town.

These could be footpaths and roads, entrances to shops and businesses, the actual roads in general and other problems.

I have been in touch with a gentleman in Adelaide who is an expert on access matters and he is willing to come up and see our issues and do the necessary paperwork.

There are lots of ways for fellow Riverlanders to look for these annoying issues. You could ride in a wheel chair (not forgetting the carers), ride on a gopher, push a pram or a stroller, or just be getting from point A to B.

Different ways of contacting me are via landline on 8595 1560, or by mail to unit 3, 200 Fifteenth Street, Renmark.

One thing I would like to assure people of is that the information you give to the expert and myself – such as names and addresses – will not be given to any other person.

ROS FRAZER  
Renmark

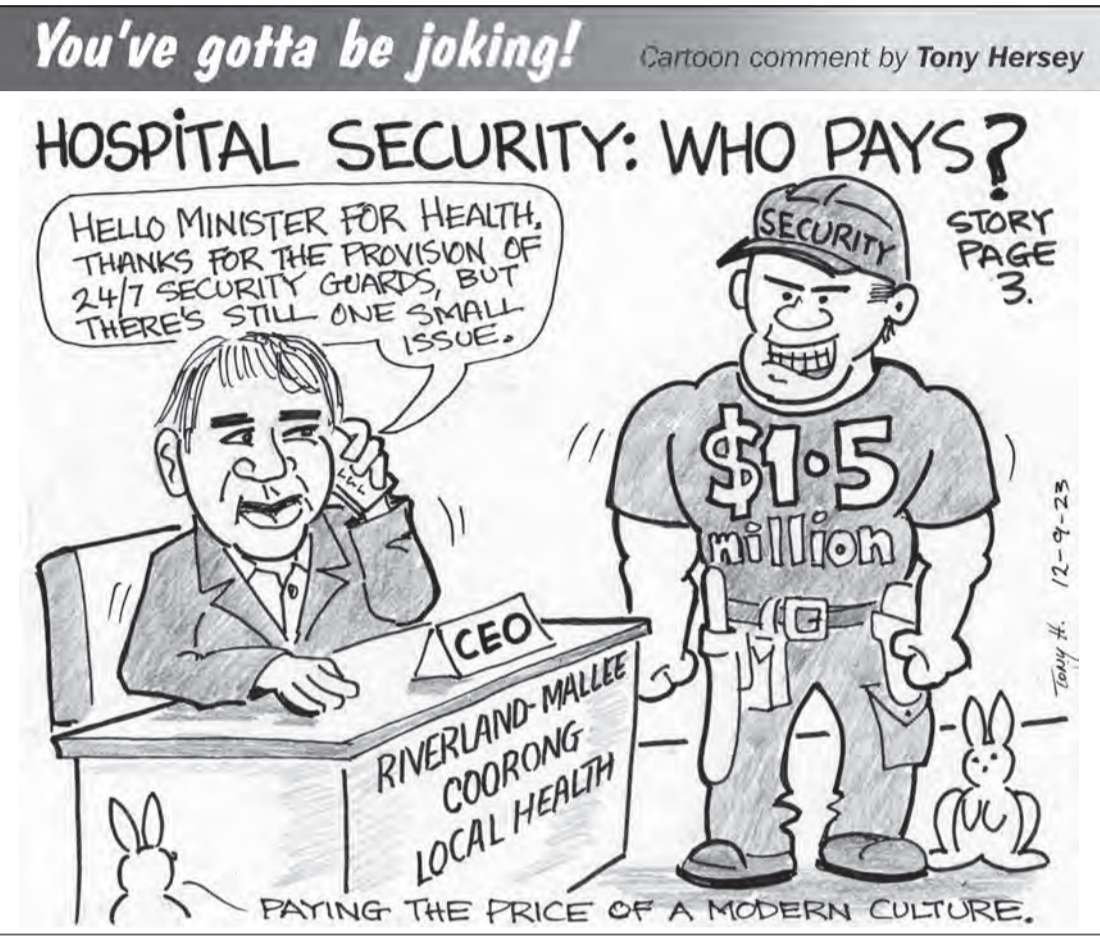
Who has the answers?

THE latest polls throughout the country show the Yes vote has slipped further behind the No vote.

This is mainly because we, the Australian public, have not been told why this referendum vote is so important, and why a constitutional change is required.

The fact is the Indigenous population of Australia is 745,000, or 3 per cent of the total population of more than 24 million.

Why do we need 24



Indigenous representatives scattered across the country to influence voting in all states and territories, to then end up federally?

Our Indigenous people get many benefits from the government now. I believe that relatives of the stolen generation in NSW get a grant of \$75,000.

In other states they get statutory royalty payments because we mine on their land.

Their native title claim throughout Australia is also 50 per cent of our land mass.

They even each get a payment to attend a funeral in WA, through that state’s Bereavement Assistance Program.

Unanswerable questions if the Yes vote is successful:

Who elects the 24 representatives? How much do they get paid annually? How long is their term of employment?

Who will be in charge of them, or who do they answer to?

How will the 35 regional and local Voice districts be allocated?

How will the districts be constituted? What areas will they cover throughout the states and territories?

I don’t think any of the above questions can be answered, even by the government of the day or the Indigenous people.

Let us be honest, how can we vote to change the constitution when there are no answers for questions about what we are voting for?

The Prime Minister should eat humble pie, forget and cancel the referendum, stay at home and put his and the Labor Party’s

time into running the country, as elected.

I thought as Australians we are the same regardless of race, gender, age or religion.

RON HARVEY  
Waikerie

A fiasco of more than \$1m

IF you vote yes for the Voice I believe Australia will become an apartheid country, which means we will be divided as a nation. Goodbye freedom.

Don’t allow change to the Constitution, otherwise Australia will become a banana republic.

To prevent this happening, vote no.

GARRY CORNISH  
Winkie

The journey to referendum

AFTER James Cook claimed Australia and colonised it for Great Britain, the Indigenous men, women and children were massacred in Tasmania.

Thankfully Christian Lutheran missionaries from Hermansburg, in Germany, migrated to South Australia in sailing ships from the 1830s.

These missionaries established the Lutheran Mission in South Australia, the Northern Territory and Queensland, instructing and ordaining Aboriginals and even translating the King James Bible into their various dialects.

The Albanese Government have announced a referendum

that will be held in October.

It is well-known that the Federal Government spends taxpayers’ money like it’s going out of fashion, as witnessed by the huge cost in advertising and conducting the referendum, urging electors to vote yes.

I believe this will enable Aboriginals to pressure courts for more billions of dollars than what they are receiving at the present time.

Indigenous former politician, and Nyunggai member, Warren Mundine is a key figure in the No campaign, and said the proposed referendum will divide Australians and not unite them.

Senator Jacinta Nampijinpa Price, a Wiripiri Indigenous woman from the Northern Territory Government, supports the No campaign and stated that we are not a separate entity, we are all Australians.

Having spoken to many people who have worked among Aboriginals, they have their own common law decided upon by a Council of Elders, which is the basic foundation in their community.

Having said this, I believe they would not agree with what the Voice is proposing, because that is not how their law functions.

If electors do not vote responsibly concerning the Voice then common sense, which is not common anymore, will unfortunately be taken over by political correctness.

HEDLEY SCHOLZ  
Eudunda

Looking back...

10 years ago 13 September, 2013



FEEL THE PAIN: A wage rise for apprentices will ultimately hit local consumers and could bring down the entire apprenticeship system, it has been claimed. New rates recently handed down by Fair Work Australia will see first and second year apprentice wages rise by about 20 per cent. Under the arrangement, first year apprentices – who have completed year 12 – will be paid about \$398 per week, in comparison to their current pay rate of approximately \$289 per week. The decision has sparked a mixed response from interested parties.

20 years ago 12 September, 2003



AMBOS VOW TO IMPROVE: Improving local knowledge among Adelaide-based ambulance staff will be the focus of a special taskforce to be formed in response to community concerns about emergency 000 calls. SA Ambulance chiefs gave an undertaking to establish the taskforce during a public meeting at the Berri Town Hall on Tuesday night. About 40 people turned out for the meeting, including representatives from Riverland and councils, Member for Chaffey Karlene Maywald and SES and MFS units. The meeting was chaired by a panel of ambulance officials and a senior police figure.

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

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TEXT LINE

How disappointing and alarming is the news that two of our state’s practicing GPs have been reported, one for allegedly self-prescribing opioids and the other for being unregistered. I have been treated by both. One would have to question the high discipline procedures

installed by our medical fraternity.  
GARY  
Waikerie  
Fantastic work to Hugh Hazelwood and the Hotel Renmark team on the opening of Temperance. The service and food are amazing and reminds one of a King William

Street restaurant.  
DANIEL  
Cooltong  
Crows missed the finals, Port probably out in straight sets. Tennis, anyone?  
SUE  
Renmark

Those. Responsible. Please. Take. Down. Those. Silly. Roadside. Grand. Final. Signs. They. Are. Distracting. And. The. Finals. Are. Over.  
ROB  
Berri



Hon. Tim Whetstone MP  
Member for Chaffey

Chaffey Community Column

Region on show at the Riverland Field Days

The Riverland Field Days return this week on Friday and Saturday. I will be relocating my Chaffey Electorate office to the site in what will be another fantastic event for the region. It is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the committee and many volunteers whose commitment and vision ensure its continual success. I'd also like to mention the individual and community organisations who help and support before, during and following the event. I am looking forward to chatting with constituents, industry and local businesses. I encourage you to get along and support this iconic event if you can and please feel free to drop in for a chat at my site 526B. See you there.

Swan Reach take Parliament.

Is there a future politician amongst these students? It was a pleasure to welcome students years three to six from Swan Reach Area School to Parliament recently. If your school is interested in touring the South Australian Parliament, please contact my Chaffey Electorate office to book a convenient time.



Agri Futures Rural Women's Acceleration Grant

I'm encouraging local women to apply for the AgriFutures Rural Women's Acceleration Grant program. This grant will offer seven Australian women a learning and development bursary (not cash) of up to \$7,000 for professional development to enable them to bring their idea, cause or vision to life. Applications will open on Wednesday, 13 September 2023 and close on Wednesday, 25 October 2023. To find more information about this fantastic opportunity visit [www.agrifutures.com.au/opportunities/acceleration-grant/](http://www.agrifutures.com.au/opportunities/acceleration-grant/).

Digital Donation Program now open

The Digital Donation Program assists South Australian community-based, not-for-profit organisations to access surplus government computers, laptops and devices. Applications for the next round of the program are open and will close at 5pm, Friday, 15 September 2023. For more information, please visit [www.sa.gov.au/topics/family-and-community/community-organisations/information-and-resources/digital-donation-program](http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/family-and-community/community-organisations/information-and-resources/digital-donation-program).

Governor's Multicultural Awards open

I'm encouraging you to consider an application to the 2023 Governor's Multicultural Awards. These important awards celebrate outstanding South Australians who promote multiculturalism and increase the understanding of the benefits of cultural diversity in our community. The awards are administered by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet through Multicultural Affairs. You can also nominate an individual, team or organisation that is passionate about making a positive contribution to multiculturalism and intercultural understanding and promoting our culturally diverse state. There are nine award categories with nominations closing at 5pm, Friday, 22 September 2023. To nominate online or for more information visit [www.dpc.sa.gov.au/responsibilities/multicultural-affairs/events/the-governors-multicultural-awards](http://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/responsibilities/multicultural-affairs/events/the-governors-multicultural-awards).

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# MP slams Close's buyback nod

THE latest steps towards a new agreement for more environmental flows has prompted a local MP to launch a withering attack on the SA Water Minister – and issue another warning about the potential cost to communities like the Riverland.

If passed, legislative amendments introduced last week into federal parliament will weaken social and economic protections for Basin communities, says Barker MP Tony Pasin, who claims both state and federal Labor are instigating the changes “regardless of the consequences for regional communities or cost-of-living impacts on Aussie households”.

SA Water Minister Dr Susan Close recently welcomed the changes, which effectively endorse controversial water buy-

backs, aimed at putting productive irrigation water out of use.

“By creating a new classification of water recovery under the 450GL target, against which the social and economic test will not apply, Labor is effectively admitting that buybacks hurt communities,” Mr Pasin said.

“But (Labor) are pushing ahead regardless, prioritising arbitrary numbers over environmental outcomes and city votes over the future of regional communities and the wellbeing of rural Australians.

“The fact that Susan Close can’t even be bothered to get economic modelling done before agreeing to the new plan is proof enough that the South Australian Labor Government have no interest in looking after our irrigators. “The fact that she fails to under-

stand how reducing the productive pool of water available will push the price of remaining water up is simply embarrassing.”

In endorsing the federal government’s plan, Dr Close described the additional 450 gigalitres as “the bare minimum we need to ensure the river’s ecology can withstand the next dry spell”.

“I welcome the stronger safeguards and legislative changes required to allow for voluntary buybacks that the Commonwealth have pledged to pursue,” Dr Close said.

Mr Pasin said Dr Close and Labor had failed to adequately consult with affected communities.

“Our basin communities deserve a Senate inquiry to directly engage with and hear the

concerns firsthand,” Mr Pasin said.

“This would be in stark contrast to Labor ministers standing on the banks of the River Torrens in Adelaide to announce a policy that will decimate river communities.

“When Adelaide households are wondering why they can no longer purchase Aussie-grown fresh fruit in the shops they can think back to that press conference on the banks of the River Torrens as the beginning of the end for our Basin communities and their farmers.”

Federal Water Minister Tanya Plibersek brokered the new deal to re-do the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, despite Victoria failing to agree.

The new plan sees NSW end its previous opposition to buybacks.

## Waikerie HS teacher named award finalist

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A WAIKERIE High School teacher has been named a finalist in the 2023 Public Education Awards for South Australia.

Music teacher Anne Leahy is a finalist for the Credit Union SA Excellence and Equity Education Award for “empowering learners through music and community connection”.

Ms Leahy, who has been a teacher at the school since 2013, said being nominated for the award was an honour.

“I am humbled by this recognition,” she said.

“I think like a lot of teachers there is always something I could be improving on and I’ll forever be learning and developing my skills.

“But it is really lovely for someone to have taken the time to nominate me and to have the work I’ve done so far acknowledged in this way.”

Ms Leahy said working with students, the band and community was “the highlight” of her role at the school.

She said music was becoming a popular activity for the area and it was important to connect local musicians.

Ms Leahy said music and the arts were a fundamental way of boosting a child’s development.

“There has been lots of research to back the



Waikerie High School music teacher Anne Leahy is a finalist for the SA Excellence and Equity Education Award.

PHOTO: Christine Webster

evidence that music assists students academically, socially, and emotionally,” she said.

Ms Leahy secured funding to establish an on-site music studio at the Waikerie High School.

“Her digital musical program has allowed learners to explore a diverse range of disciplines, from film scoring and musical soundscapes to DJ sets and instrumental proficiency,” a Department for Education spokesperson said.

“Ms Leahy connects her site to the broader community through music.

“Her innovative and nurturing approach has created stimulating and challenging experiences for learners and successfully unlocked musical talent across the entire school cohort.”

Ms Leahy has formed two bands that perform at primary schools, festivals, school assemblies and community events such as the Girls Rock- Rock Camp, and Gospilation.

## Early career teacher support recognition

ELYSE ARMANINI

A RIVERLAND network supporting early career teachers in the region has been announced as a finalist in the 2023 Public Education Awards.

The Berri portfolio (Riverland) local early career teachers (ECTs) network is one of three finalists up for the Excellence in Support of Early Career Teachers Award for its “dedicated support for regional ECTs through practice-focused mentoring”.

The network has been praised for its success in retaining first year teachers in the region, with all 13 from 2022 staying on for 2023 and nine out of 11 staying from 2021 to 2022.

Berri portfolio education director Brenton Chapman said the retention rate was all thanks to the support provided to ECTs in the region.

“Having a welcoming school environment and support provided as a network and portfolio for the teachers is what makes the difference,” he said.

“There are two significant parts that we focus on. The first is around ensuring connection to the community – welcoming them to the part of the community they’re in, and everything the Riverland has to offer.

“There are a whole number of things we do such as helping them to establish contacts and helping them find people or groups they can join.

“Secondly there is the professional work that is done to support them and there is a whole range of things that we work through with ECTs in the first three years to help them get kickstarted with their career.

“We want all of our ECTs to find the lifestyle, professionally and personally, fulfilling – we want them to stay. Anything we can do to help facilitate that the better.”

Mr Chapman said the portfolio – which encompasses all Riverland public schools except Waikerie – being named a finalist in the awards showed the “importance of public education in the Riverland”.

“Also, there is value we place on it in terms of bringing professional people into our communities as teachers and the impact that can have,” he said.

“In terms of our organising group, it’s also really great recognition for the hard work we put into planning and making it happen, to see the benefits we get from it.”

Two other Riverland-based educators are finalists this year, with Waikerie High School’s Anne Leahy up for the Excellence and Equity in Education Award, while Berri Regional Secondary College is vying for the Excellence in Collective Wellbeing Award.

The winner of each category – announced at an awards ceremony on 3 November – will receive \$10,000, while finalists are awarded \$2000 to undertake professional learning or to purchase resources for the school community.

“There has been lots of research to back the evidence that music assists students academically, socially, and emotionally...

- Anne Leahy, Waikerie High School music teacher



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District Council of Loxton Waikerie Mayor Trevor Norton speaking to attendees at the Loxton Historical Village’s 50th anniversary celebration earlier this month. PHOTOS: supplied



The anniversary event was held 50 years to the day since the village opened on 2 September 1973

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# Village marks 50th in style

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

THE heritage of a Riverland town was showcased at an event marking a local historical attraction’s major milestone.

The Loxton Historical Village earlier this month held its 50th anniversary celebration.

Village publicity co-ordinator Leanne Kaesler said approximately 700 attendees helped celebrate the milestone.

“It was an amazing day with perfect weather and heaps of people,” Ms Kaesler said.

“Everyone was really positive and excited about the special day. It couldn’t have gone better really.

“We had a lot of extra people come on board to help with things on the day. Everyone pulled together, did their bit and put together and amazing day.”

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, Barker MP Tony Pasin, District Council of Loxton Waikerie Mayor



Approximately 700 people visited the village for the celebration.

Trevor Norton, Riverland-based MLC Nicola Centofanti, and SA Governor Frances Adamson were all guests at the event.

Kiwi the Clown, the Riverland Community Choir and the Kool Strummings Ukulele group were among entertainers on the day, which also featured sheep shearing, blacksmithing and rope-making demonstrations.

Ms Kaesler said the village continued to play a key role in maintaining local history.

“It’s so important for younger children too, so they can take that step back in time and appreciate what our forefathers went through and experienced to bring us where we are,” he said.

“It’s a really good place to reflect on that history.”

Ms Kaesler said adding to the village’s displays was an ongoing goal for volunteers.

“We’ve got lots of ideas and things we’re looking at for the future,” she said.

“We want to enhance things, encourage more people to come and be part of this iconic attraction for Loxton.”

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Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone trying his hand at rope making



PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

# Flood inquiry gets the green light

RESPONSE efforts and impacts of the recent flood on Riverland communities are set to be examined in a Parliamentary inquiry.

A state Liberal Party move to establish a Parliamentary inquiry into the recent River Murray flood earlier this month passed the Legislative Council.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone said the process would ensure the Riverland was better prepared for future flood events.

“South Australia needs to make sure we are prepared as best we possibly can be for future flood events,” Mr Whetstone said.

“Despite a significant funding package on offer to those impacted by the floods, only a tiny amount has trickled to those that need it.

“I think it’s vital we take a deep dive into the grants process – as it’s important this kind of funding gets to affected businesses in a timely manner.”

Riverland-based MLC Nicola Centofanti



Riverland-based MLC, and opposition spokesperson for water resources and the River Murray, Nicola Centofanti, State Opposition Leader David Speirs, Hammond MP Adrian Pederick and Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone were part of the move to establish a Parliamentary inquiry into the River Murray flood event. FILE PHOTO

said an estimated 4000 properties along the River Murray were inundated during the flood event, with most requiring a complete rebuild or significant repairs.

“South Australia’s river communities have suffered immensely as a result of the recent floods and it’s critical these communities can have confidence in the (State) Government’s

response and recovery efforts,” Dr Centofanti said.

“By establishing a Parliamentary inquiry our aim is to fill the void left by Labor’s inaction and thoroughly investigate key aspects of the disaster – including the roles and responsibilities at all levels of government, the grants processes and river-flow management and modelling.”

Hammond MP Adrian Pederick said it was also necessary to examine how levee bank management could be improved.

“Levee banks play a critical role in protecting our communities and farming properties from flood damage and I think this inquiry will help better inform decision making for future flooding events,” Mr Pederick said.

“The management of levee banks is a mixed responsibility between government and private land holders and getting this balance right will be critical moving forward.”



Participants undertook a variety of activities during their time in the Riverland, including tree planting and a tour of the floodplains at Calperum Station. PHOTO: supplied

## Future leaders visit Calperum Station

**ALEXANDRA BULL**

CALPERUM Station recently hosted a leadership foundation program run by the Leaders Institute of SA.

Participants of the 2023 Governors Leadership Foundation Program, visited Calperum Station last month, with the program focusing on the development of holistic leaders.

Forty-two people attended the three-day program, which encompassed attendees from government sectors, not-for-profits, business and academia.

One of the main features of the visit to Calperum Station was a panel talk on the Murray Darling Basin and the Basin Plan.

“I don’t think people who aren’t in the Riverland would know all about the Basin Plan and I think it’s important for people to get a sense of

those things to understand that and understand the management and politics that are also behind the river,” Leaders Institute of SA CEO Cathie Brown said.

“On the panel we had an ecologist and a primary producer; what are their perspectives and how do they work together to make this work, and what about the other states and the politics behind that and what can we as ordinary people do to make that better.”

Ms Brown said the aim of the panel was to “widen participants perspectives and give them a different view of life”.

“We also had a panel with some young people on what it’s like to be a part of the LGBTQIA+ community in a regional area,” she said.

“We are also heard from other people about the flood and leadership

during the flood.”

The group also visited Nippy’s and Almondco during their time in the Riverland.

“We were just trying to get a bit of a sense of what makes the Riverland tick, what’s important and what’s different about living and working in a rural community in a rural area versus the city and the different ways that people work together too,” Ms Brown said.

“It’s a very diverse group and the reason for that is people develop more if they work with people who are different to them.

“That’s why we are keen to run programs like this; to help people be better leaders, and they also have got better self-awareness, and part of that self-awareness is being in a group of people and knowing how to work together.”

## Check in on your mates

TOMORROW marks R U OK? Day, with the organisation calling on Riverlanders to let others know every day of the year they care about them.

R U OK? have dedicated resources to help locals have a meaningful conversation with someone who is doing it tough in rural and remote areas.

The Mateship Manual is a simple guide with practical tips and is available online ([www.ruok.org.au](http://www.ruok.org.au)).

R U OK? community ambassador Paul Turner understands how important it is to have an authentic conversation with someone close to you, who makes time to take notice and really listen.

“Since I was a teenager, I have had thoughts of suicide,” Mr Turner said.

“In the last four years, I had a turnaround experience where someone asked me, in essence, ‘Are you okay?’ and it gave me permission to reflect on what had been going on in my life.

“Now I don’t hear those thoughts in my mind. I don’t experience those thoughts anymore and I am forever grateful that I was able to move through that.”

Mr Turner’s experience reinforces how showing genuine interest and concern when you ask someone, ‘Are you

okay?’ can encourage a meaningful conversation.

R U OK? CEO Katherine Newton said “you need to ask this question because you mean it”.

“If you really care and want to hear an honest answer, be genuine with your ask, make space to listen and let the person know you’re sticking around for whatever comes next,” she said.

“We know the positive impact an R U OK? conversation has when people know and trust each other.

“This usually means that trust has been built over time, they’re familiar with each other’s routines and behaviours, and they likely know what’s going on in each other’s lives.

“This trust, along with consideration of the where and when a conversation will take place contributes to making an R U OK? conversation truly meaningful.”


Free resources are available at ([www.ruok.org.au](http://www.ruok.org.au)) to help Riverlanders know when and how to ask, ‘Are you okay?’ in schools, the workplace and the community every day of the year.

For support at any time of day or night, Lifeline provides free and confidential crisis support. Call 13 11 14, text 0477 13 11 14 or chat online ([www.lifeline.org.au](http://www.lifeline.org.au)).

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MEMBERS of the community have the chance to contribute to a local school's future by recognising the past.

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As a tribute to the occasion, personalised pavers are available to purchase for \$60 to be placed in the school grounds.

Personalisation can be a name, message or inspirational quote, but buyers are warned to choose their words carefully as they will "speak to generations to come".

Orders close on 29 September. They can be made via the QkR app or a hard-copy form available at administration.

Contact the school (8580 8200) for more information.

## Rent bidding ban in effect

NEW statewide laws are aimed at making rental properties accessible for more Riverlanders.

A State Government ban on rent bidding came into effect earlier this month, with possible penalties of up to \$20,000 for landlords or agents caught soliciting higher rental bids.

Riverland landlords or agents must now advertise premises at a fixed amount and must not solicit or otherwise invite an offer for higher rent.

This means landlords are no longer able to advertise properties with a rent range, put properties up for rent auction, or solicit offers over the advertised rental price.

Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs Andrea Michaels said low vacancy rates had encouraged tenants to offer above the advertised price to secure a property.

"Creating a bidding war is completely unfair to tenants who are struggling to secure a rental home and wastes their time," Ms Michaels said.

"In the current market, people are going to look at 50 or more homes and they have the right to know that the price that property is advertised for, is the price it will be leased for.

Ms Michaels said the State Government "continues to act decisively to address the housing crisis".

# Outdoor art workshop popular at Waikerie

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

ART enthusiasts with all levels of experience took part in Country Arts SA's Drawing Country event at Waikerie's Rain Moth Gallery last Saturday.

The workshop was facilitated by Riverland artist mentor Susie Skujins, who is based at Qualco, northwest of Waikerie.

The event was partnered with Create4Adelaide to provide an opportunity for participants aged 30 and below to have their work exhibited as part of the 2024 Adelaide Festival.

Artists were encouraged to respond to the environment, climate change, and their connection to place.

Ms Skujins said the 14 participants mainly came from the Riverland West and Loxton.

"We started off with plain pencil drawings, I then showed them some watercolour techniques including watercolour palette pencils," she said.

"We also had some acrylic paints and charcoal."

Ms Skujins said a lot of those taking part in the workshop had never used charcoal or acrylic paints.

"One of the participants fell in love with using charcoal and enjoyed experimenting," she said.

Ms Skujins said the workshop also attracted some walk-in participants in the afternoon, including some children who she taught rubbing techniques using crayons.

"You put a piece of paper on something that is textured and then you apply medium pressure with the crayon and you can get the pattern and the texture."

Ms Skujins is hoping to run another workshop in partnership with Country Arts SA on a Saturday or Sunday next month.

She said the Rain Moth Gallery has become a popular venue for outside art workshops.



Carole Walker of Ramco was among those developing their drawing and painting techniques at the Drawing Country event at the Rain Moth Gallery on Saturday. PHOTOS: Christine Webster



Riverland artist mentor Susie Skujins, (front, left) demonstrating some painting techniques to participants of the Country Arts SA's Drawing Country event at Waikerie's Rain Moth Gallery.



SCHOOL SHOWDOWN: Barker won the Waikerie Primary School sports day on Friday with Flinders coming runners up. Eyre secured third place and Sturt fourth. Pictured are Waikerie Primary School's Barker captains Madison Palin (left) and Indy Venning, enjoying their team's victory on sports day. PHOTOS: Julia Golding



Barker team members celebrate their victory at Waikerie Primary School sports day.

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Winners of the Year 6 800m at Waikerie Primary School sports day were Jessica Cronin (left) and Ben Liebich.





The early stages of the racing-themed mural at the Halidon racecourse. PHOTO: supplied

# Racing mural down to a fine art

PAUL MITCHELL

AN emerging Riverland artist will add further character to the venue of this Sunday’s famous ‘Melbourne Cup of the Mallee’ race meeting.

A rising star within the fast-growing silo art world, Jarrod Loxton will put the final touches to an appropriately themed mural at the Halidon racecourse.

“I’m working on it this week, and I’ll be at the races on Sunday, when I’ll be finishing it off,” said Mr Loxton.

The ‘canvas’ being used is the sizeable track-facing wall of the joint toilet facility.

“It’s a racing scene and it gives a nod to the course’s history, being over a century old,” Mr Loxton said.

“I think it should look pretty cool and hopefully people think it’s a worthwhile addition.”

The Mindarie-Halidon Racing Club was established way back in 1916 and the club endured the biggest threat to its survival around 18 months ago, when Racing SA – the sport’s governing body in the state – deemed Halidon could no longer host meetings.

A massive and concerted effort by the club’s committee and volunteers, teamed with a media-driven awareness campaign, plus strong support from industry stakeholders, helped convince Racing SA to reverse its decision.

The community responded accordingly, with the 2022 meeting a sell-out and unanimously regarded as an overwhelming success.

“The meeting is iconic and I’m really pleased to contribute in this way,” Mr Loxton said.

“I’m sure it’ll be another great day on Sunday.”

Mr Loxton is no stranger to spreading his art across the Mallee, after recently being



Artist Jarrod Loxton surveyed his ‘blank canvas’ at the racecourse ahead of starting the racing-themed mural. Mr Loxton will piece the mural together this week, right through to Sunday afternoon. PHOTO: Paul Mitchell

engaged to paint privately owned silos in both Copeville and Galga.

Already well-known for his native wild-life artworks, Mr Loxton’s star is on the rise within the silo and/or mural art world, being in demand across SA, with Halidon his latest project.

Meanwhile gates open at 10am for this Sunday’s Cup meeting, with the first race set down for some time after midday. The meeting is offering \$157,000 in prizemoney, including \$40,000 for the Mindarie-Halidon Cup.

Attractions include live music, a jumping castle for under 12s, full catering (no BYO alcohol) and the popular Fashions on the Field.

Patrons are permitted to bring their own chairs and picnic tables, with seating limited.

For online bookings visit Moshtix.com.au and search for ‘Halidon’.

The Halidon racecourse is situated around 45 minutes out of Loxton, on the road to Karoonda.

PAGE 34 Off to the races

“It’s a racing scene and it gives a nod to the course’s history, being over a century old...”

- Jarrod Loxton

# Renmark Club welcomes new GM

ALEXANDRA BULL

A LOVE for customers and a country environment has brought the Renmark Club’s new general manager Michael Cahill to town.

Boasting over 40 years of hospitality experience, Mr Cahill is taking on the role of general manager at the Renmark Club.

“I grew up in a small town called Proserpine in North Queensland, which is not too different to this,” Mr Cahill said.

“I like this kind of environment, it’s one of the reasons I took the job other than the fact this club is quite outstanding and well-known in the area.

“The club has won SA club of the year previously, which tells you how outstanding this place is and how well it’s been run, so that’s what brings me to the area.”

After growing up in a hotel in Queensland, Mr Cahill said he has always been in the hospitality industry.

“I have been doing this for a long time because it’s something I love and I’m very passionate about,” he said.

“I am very customer focused. I love customers, whether they are the Prime Minister, the Premier, or whether they are like you and me they all deserve experiences beyond expectations.

“The thing is, I love what I do. I’m a country bloke and I’ve worked everywhere from Cairns to Alice Springs to Hobart. So, I’m lucky to have found a place like Renmark to work.”

Mr Cahill said he was looking forward to the opportunity to have an impact on the community through the Renmark Club.

“Because it is a community-owned club, and a successful club, we have got an opportunity to spend more money improving the club for the community,”



The Renmark Club’s new general manager Michael Cahill is looking forward to getting involved in the community.

PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

he said.

“That’s what I’m really excited about, the improvements that are going to happen over the next few years and how much further we are going to be able to improve this place for the community because it has a long history.”

“Lynn has really kept the place going well over the last few years despite the challenges like the recent floods and I intend to build on that good work.”

Moving forward, the board has got some really exciting improvements planned.

“We will be doing lots with the bar and cocktail area, and improving the café area,” Mr Cahill said.

“We are going to improve the facilities for the members because the members are the owners and that’s what I’m excited about, making a better facility for the community.”

Mr Cahill encouraged Renmark Club patrons to come up and have a chat with him if they see him around the place.

“What I’m all about is customer service and that’s what they are going to get,” he said.

“We just want to keep this club going and keep it going well for the community.”

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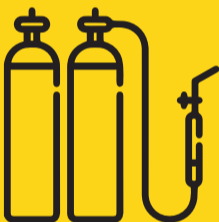
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Ian and Sharon Dick, from Riverland Welding and Tool Supplies, regularly visit their customers with their truck decked-out with a wide range of tools.

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## Our fond memories of the Show

AS a kid, we only ever saw the world from about three or four-feet high.

Even if you were a tree climber or shimmied up the poles of the apricot shed, our perspective of the world didn't change much.

That is until the wait was over, the attendant signals us in, and it was our turn to scramble into one of the Ferris Wheel cabins at the Royal Adelaide Show.

Once we're up high enough that we hang over nothing but empty space, excitement succumbs to anxiety. And when we're whisked to the top, I lean into Mum.

There's a glimpse of the hills far away and cars filing along crowded city roads, and swarms of people walking slowly below us, but my appreciation of detail is hampered by sensory overload.

I make a distant connection with the drive along Tarcoola Street, far away right now, with stomachs rising and falling as the enormous wheel drops us then picks us up again. It's faster than what it looks from below.

As we exit finally, I make out it was the best ride ever.

It'd been an early departure from Renmark this morning, leaving home in the dark, but when a Saturday at the Royal Adelaide Show is planned and the station wagon is loaded with mattresses and pillows, we're out of bed like a shot.

The adrenalin of the Ferris Wheel behind us now, the boys want to shoot metal ducks with slug guns and the girls prefer basketball shots, but there were no big teddy bears to be carried around the showgrounds that day.

We roam slowly through crowds and noise. The Haunted House howls and screams have no appeal, but Bumper Cars with poles sparking off the roof – and offering the added benefit of whiplash – did entice us.

Teasing sideshow attendants offer Mum a free shot at throwing a hoop over a \$5 note, but alas no luck.

Of all the Show's offerings



though, I could have been left at the woodchopping all day.

Men in white pants and singlets stand in the ring sharpening their axes. The commentator says the blades are so sharp the men can shave with them.

They stand feet astride on their blocks, and on the signal, wield their axes with prodigious power, woodchips flying everywhere. The world champion starts last and finishes first.

While some stay to watch the next drawcard, others drift off to find food – dippy dogs, cinnamon donuts, fairy floss and hot chips.

The tree-felling must surely be the most mesmerising event ever invented. Those hefty axemen cut a small wedge in the side of a pole and jam a wooden board into the hole. They climb onto the first board, then cut another pocket and so on. Once they're on the top board, 10 feet up, they proceed to cut the block at the pole's top.

Such pure skill is hard to leave. I refuse offers to visit animals, flowers, and cakes, but the selection of sample bags in the big pavilion awaits. On the way we stop at the main arena to watch cars tearing around in a smoke haze amid that addictive smell of rubber and oil.

The last highlight beckons. Weaving in and out of the pavilion crowds, and staring too long at too many boards of different samples, parents' patience is stretched by our indecision at the end of a big day.

Personally, the liquorice bag is non-negotiable, as are Cadbury and Wizz Fizz bags. The Life Savers bag promises several days of satisfaction and the inexpensive Bertie Beetle is low-lying fruit.

Happy to head home now. Thanks Mum and Dad.

Ramco Primary School Year 4 student Evan, who won his category at the Science Investigation Awards with his Worms and Plants project. PHOTOS: supplied



Ramco Primary School Year 5 student Harry (left) and Rupert, who won third place in their category of the Science Investigation Awards.

# Ramco Primary's budding scientists

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

RAMCO Primary School students demonstrated their outstanding abilities in the Science Investigation Awards at the Royal Adelaide Show.

Year 6 student Max Pfeiler won his category with his study 'Which biofuel produces the most methane?' and Year 4 student Evan Smyth won his category with his 'Worms and Plants' project.

The annual awards for students, from Years 4 to 10, encourage students to become involved in experimental design and scientific inquiry.

Six students from Ramco Primary School made it to the interschool Grand Final.

First prize winners received \$250.

Ramco Primary School science and technology teacher Danielle Mitton said being involved in the competition enabled students to learn about experimental design through a topic that interested them.

"The best part of the competition was the incredibly engaging learning," she said.

Ms Mitton said the students taking part in the awards initially presented their scientific findings as a poster, and shared this with Belinda Cay from AgCommunicators via video link.

"Students learn how to safely set up and conduct experiments, collect their data and analyse the results and share their scientific findings," she said.

Ms Mitton said the students chose their own topics of interest.

Topics explored included the effect different drinks have on eggshells to determine how they impact on our teeth, the acoustics of the classroom, how colour



Year 4 student Sophia Pfeiler with her presentation on tooth decay at the Royal Adelaide Show.

affects taste, and worms and plants.

Ms Mitton said grand finalists each won tickets to attend the Royal Adelaide Show for themselves and one parent or carer.

On grand final day students set up their project displays and spoke to two industry judges about their research and experiments.

Ms Mitton said judges came from a range of science and agriculture industries.

"They are experts in their fields," she said.

"They are always incredibly impressed with the work presented by young scientists of South Australia."

### RAMCO PRIMARY SCHOOL SCIENCE INVESTIGATION AWARDS GRAND FINALISTS

Max Pfeiler - Which biofuel produces the most methane? (First place, Year 6) \$250  
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Sophia Pfeiler - Tooth decay - Rethink what you drink (Grand Finalist, Year 4)  
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# Local aged care home looking to the future

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

A LOXTON aged care facility is looking to expand yet again due to an increase in demand for its services.

Riverview Lutheran Rest Home has engaged architects to increase its residential capacity, but to also capitalise on its riverfront location.

Riverview Lutheran Rest Home chief executive officer Nicolle Jachmann said the aim is to increase from a 60-bed to an 80-bed facility.

“At Riverview over the past two years, we have had over 97 per cent occupancy,” she said.

“That means most of the

time we generally are full and often we are turning away people.

“There’s always a few days between entry and exit of residents, therefore it is impossible to achieve 100 per cent capacity.”

The rest home has been a hive of activity in recent years, with the Kaesler Serviced Apartments completed at the end of 2016, while the Traeger Memory Support Unit opened in 2017.

The Lutheran Rest Home Chapel and Wellbeing Centre finished two years ago.

Mrs Jachmann said forward planning for the

town’s aging population was vital.

“The Riverview Lutheran Rest Home board is really keen to see that we are meeting the needs of the community,” she said.

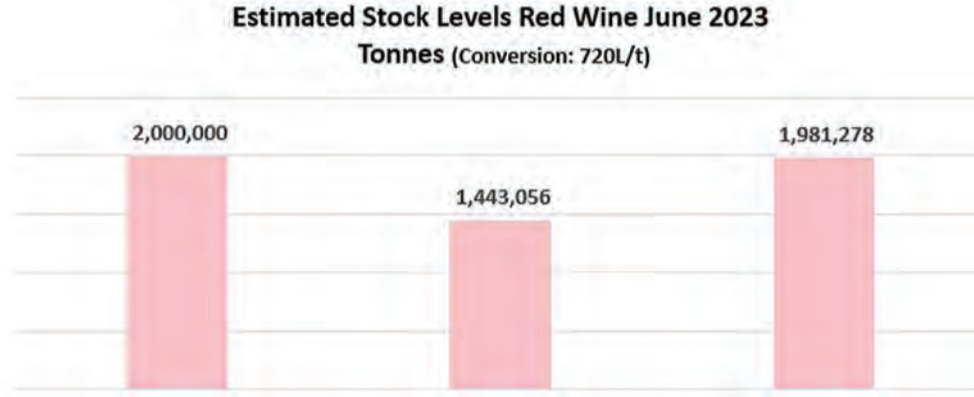
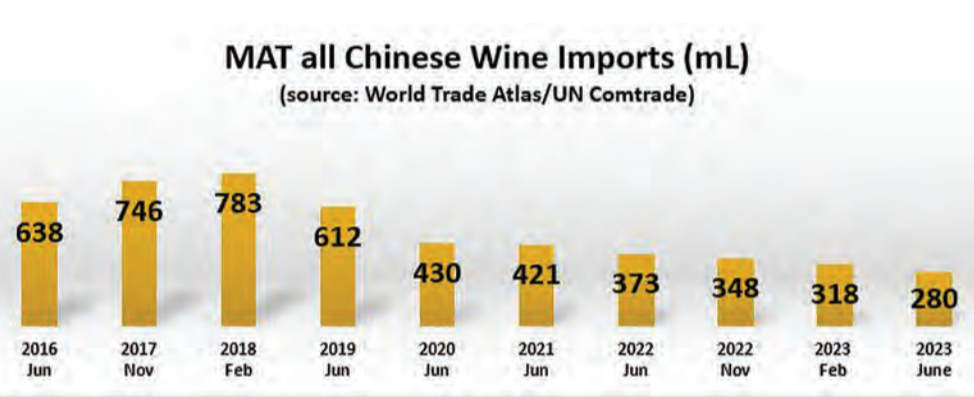
“We’ve got quite a bit of spare land here at Riverview and some lovely land down on the river front.

“The views across Katarapko Island in the evenings with the sunset are absolutely beautiful.”

Mrs Jachmann said once consultation is finished with residents, staff and board members and plans are finalised and approved, she hopes the build will begin in “the next couple of years”.



At the site of the proposed extension for the Riverview Lutheran Rest Home is director of nursing Lee Oddy (left) and chief executive officer Nicolle Jachmann with residents Rodney Schubert and Maureen Turley. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson



Chair of the Inland Wine Regions Alliance JIM CADDY has penned the following piece examining the impact ending Chinese tariffs on imported Australian wine would have on Riverland grape growers...

## Resumption of wine exports to China: will it be the answer?

**Jim Caddy**  
**Inland Wine Regions Alliance**  
**Chair**

THERE is a strong belief expressed by some in the wine industry that the tariffs imposed on Australian wine will follow barley and be lifted in the near future – possibly by the end of 2023.

This is creating an expectation among some growers that trade will immediately resume and bring the red grape supply back into balance.

The facts (presented below) do not support this. While it may help a little, it will not be enough to make a difference to the current oversupply of red wine and increase demand (and hence prices) for the major varieties of red grapes.

Any growers who are choosing to ‘hang on’ and wait for this to happen, rather than making the difficult decision to exit the industry based on the current situation, would be advised to think again.

### The evidence

There has never been a duty on Australian unpackaged wine entering China, however it is extremely difficult to get it into China. Despite there being no duty, Australian unpackaged wine has decreased in volume from 44 million Litres (mL) – or 23 per cent of total China bulk imports – in 2018 to 1.4mL (1.4 per cent) in 2022.

At its peak in 2018, total Chinese wine imports from all sources were 783mL/year (approximately 1.1 million tonnes grape equivalent). As the graph above shows, since February 2018 total imports of wine into China from all countries have steadily reduced to 280mL/year (approximately 395,000 tonnes grape equivalent) as of June 2023. Given the current economic situation in China, this is not expected to improve.

Australian wine exports to China were at about 168mL/year (approximately 235,000 tonnes grapes equivalent) during the peak period, of which 95 per cent was red. Shiraz and cabernet represented 75 per cent

of red exports. At that time Australian wine represented about 22 per cent of China’s total imports by volume. If the tariffs were removed, then even if we can get back to 22 per cent of China’s total imports, this would only mean exports of about 61mL to China (80,000 tonnes equivalent).

Meanwhile any increase in imports to China would be likely to result in a reduc-

tion in wine into Hong Kong to correspond with this. Taking this into account, the total increased sales could be about 60,000 tonnes equivalent. While that will be a help, the level of current red wine stocks is still very high despite the low 2023 tonnage.

If you are considering putting your grapes into a ‘hold’ mode, hoping that the situation in China will improve in the near future, you

need to reassess as all the signs are we have a longer-term, more structural over-supply problem, and China will not be the solution as it was previously.

There are no indications of increased prices or demand for the near future.

If you did not sell your fruit in 2023, the indications are that it will not be sold in 2024 or the near future.



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Lifeblood spokesperson Zoe Ross said “donating blood is an incredibly selfless and meaningful thing to do, and each donation can save up to three lives”. “We know one in three

people in Renmark will need blood at some stage – this could be you or someone you love,” she said.

“We’ve made it easier and more convenient to help those in need by bringing a Pop-up Blood Donor Centre to you.”

Cancer treatment, emergency surgery, road trauma and bleeding during childbirth are some of the most common uses for donated blood in Australia.

Blood donation takes approximately one hour and there are currently 30 appointments available.

Ms Ross said regular and

first-time donors were welcome.

“If you’ve given blood before, be a local legend and spread the word with your friends and family,” she said.

“The need for blood never stops and every donation provides hope.

“We are so grateful for the support of communities like Renmark and hope to see you at the Pop-up Blood Donor Centre.”

To book a donation visit (www.lifeblood.com.au/blood), or call 13 14 95.



The Barossa and Regional Lutheran Education Group’s chair Loyd Fyffe (back left) with principals Karen Leese (St John’s Lutheran School Eudunda), Brad Williams (Loxton Lutheran Primary School), Anne Marschall (Good Shepherd Lutheran School Angaston), Julian Helbig (St Jakobi Lutheran Campus Lyndoch) and Michelle Keller (junior school head, Faith Lutheran College Tanunda) took part in the Waikerie principals’ meeting. PHOTO: Christine Webster

# AED now at water compliance office

STAFF at a Riverland water resource management office have been provided access to improved emergency health equipment and training.

An automated external defibrillator (AED) unit was last month installed at the Inspector-General of Water Compliance’s Loxton regional office.

Field officers based in Loxton also underwent compulsory CPR training, which has been made an annual requirement of all staff.

Independent inspector-general of water compliance Troy Grant said the AED and training would be vital in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest.

“With a network of field officers travelling the length and breadth of the Murray-Darling Basin, sometimes in remote areas for extended periods, we have a duty of care to ensure their safety, and the safety of the community we meet with either the farm gate or the many towns we visit,” Mr

Grant said.

“Having the awareness and training to assist in an emergency is terrific, but having the right equipment can literally be a life saver.

“As part of the many skills these field officers possess, they are also trained in remote first aid and now have the added confidence of having an AED close at hand.

“The nature of our work and distances travelled by field officers means help might not just be around the corner, in fact, it could be quite some time and distance away.”

Mr Grant said staff at the Loxton office would also assist nearby emergencies that required access to, and use of an AED.

Using a defibrillator within the first minute of sudden cardiac arrest, can potentially bring the chance of survival rate up to 90 per cent.

# Waikerie hosts key education forum

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

PRINCIPALS from Lutheran schools from the Riverland, Barossa Valley and Mid North met at Waikerie last month to discuss ways to deliver best practice early childhood education.

The Barossa and Regional Lutheran Education (BARLE) Group chair Loyd Fyffe said the meeting, at the Waikerie Hotel, examined the value of a play-based curriculum and how it provided students with rich learning experiences.

He said schools in the group provide early years, kindergarten, primary school and secondary school education.

Consultants from the Association of Independent Schools of South Australia also spoke at the meeting.

“We were looking at play as it applies in its rich form from very early on, right until secondary school,” Dr Fyffe said.

He said play-based learning provided a much broader experience than rote techniques.

“It is a far fuller understanding of education and it is also intrinsically motivated,” Dr Fyffe said.

“When you want to do something you do it better and it is a fuller and richer experience.”

Waikerie Lutheran Primary

School principal Tania Fragnito said being part of the BARLE group enabled schools to “collaboratively explore, learn and grow”.

“The Riverland and Barossa Lutheran Education learning communities take it in turns to host the termly meetings, so it is held in Waikerie once every two to three years,” she said.

“Waikerie Lutheran Primary School is exploring the increased implementation of play-based opportunities for children.

“Engagement in play-based learning opportunities is high because play is adaptable to meet the needs and interests of each individual.”

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# Investigations into possible fish diseases

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER and STEPHEN FILES

NUMEROUS, potentially diseased, fish have been found in Renmark around the River Murray area recently.

A PIRSA spokesperson said the State Government was investigating reports from the public regarding the diseased fish, but so far had been unable to find any signs harmful algae or notifiable diseases.

“PIRSA has received a report of a fish-kill event involving juvenile European carp or carp hybrids in the upper-River Murray region,” the spokesperson said.

“This report was made by a member of the public via the FISHWATCH hotline in mid-August.

“PIRSA has collected water and fish tissue samples and are conducting an investigation into this event.

“Testing has so far returned negative results for notifiable diseases and harmful algae.

“If people do notice something unusual along the river, they are reminded to contact FISHWATCH on 1800 065 522.”

PIRSA is investigating reports of potentially diseased fish, which have been seen in Renmark. PHOTO: supplied

# Sustainable garden inspiration at Field Days

A LOCAL landcare group is set to demonstrate how to create a sustainable garden environment at this week’s Riverland Field Days event.

Through SA Water’s 2023-24 Community Partnerships Program, Berri Barmera Landcare aims to address the environmental challenges faced by the Riverland region, which is impacted by a changing climate, over the two-day event.

Berri Barmera Landcare general manager Sharon Schrapel said Field Days attendees would be “inspired” by the interactive display and conversations with industry experts to transfer their gardens with low water use plants and creative design.

“We will be showcasing two large-scale models of a typical quarter-acre rural housing allotment,” she said.

“One model will repre-

sent a traditional poor environmental design, while the other will demonstrate an innovative design incorporating features like rainwater tanks and plants that have adapted to arid and semi-arid areas.

“By showcasing different garden designs and providing accessible solutions, we can help community members create cooler, greener environments in their own backyards.”



Disaster Management Australia has so far collected more than 12,000 tonnes of flood-affected waste. PHOTOS: supplied

## 12,000 tonnes of waste removed

**CHRISTINE WEBSTER**

AN organisation conducting the River Murray flood clean-up program has so far collected more than 12,000 tonnes of waste with help from the community, sub-contractors and volunteers.

Disaster Management Australia (DMA) has been engaged by Green Industries SA to conduct the operation, funded by the Federal and State governments.

As part of the program, flood debris is being removed along the river corridor from Overland Corner to Wellington.

This project began on 17 August.

DMA senior stakeholder manager Tom Radford said several barges have been used to collect the waste from the river corridor.

He said the aim was to remove environmental and navigational hazards.

Mr Radford said items such as caravans, baths, furniture, and general waste needed to be removed from the flood plains.

"There is a whole spectrum of amazing things that got washed out," he said.

Mr Radford said as of Friday, the exercise had resulted in the removal of 2500 flood-debris items from the river, equivalent to 21 tonnes.

He said a survey of the waste was conducted earlier this year, travelling through the area by barge and also by using a drone.

"This was to understand the extent of the work required to clean up," Mr Radford said.

He said the first stage of assessment had involved collecting smaller items, with the second stage of collecting larger items expected to begin soon.

DMA will be utilising available public spaces in the Mid Murray area to store larger items of waste near boat ramps at Blanchetown, Swan Reach, Bowhill, and Mannum.

"To make it an efficient process, we need to stockpile waste at central locations for their removal," Mr Radford said.

"It is not an efficient process to transfer a full load of waste from a barge to a truck.

"At those sites the waste is getting sorted to some extent as well."

Mr Radford said the waste at these storage points would then be taken to the rubbish



Disaster Management Australia has so far helped demolish 50 homes damaged by the River Murray flood.

dump and other required sites.

DMA also offers free structural assessments, demolition and hazard reduction of flood-affected structures.

Mr Radford said 50-full demolitions of homes had also been completed as of Friday.

He said a broad cross-section of people had their premises demolished due to the damage caused by the summer flood.

"You have permanent residents, shack owners who are part of the transient population, primary producers, and owners of small businesses and shops," he said.

"We have supported all of them."

Mr Radford said more than 1800 people had registered so far for the clean-up program, but according to the SES, 3500 properties had been impacted by the flood.

He encouraged those who had not taken up the fully funded service to do so.

"We think the main people who have not registered are the holiday communities," he said.

"We have case managers that are allocated to every registrant and there is daily interaction with people."

Mr Radford said flood-affected property owners who were insured would also be able to receive support to enable them to "maximise their insurance payment for rebuilding, instead of costly demolition."

To register for the River Murray flood waste clean-up program phone 1800 302 787, or visit ([greenindustries.sa.gov.au/floods](http://greenindustries.sa.gov.au/floods)).

Registrations close on 13 October.



Thousands of people made their way through the Riverland Field Days event last year, including through the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board tent where there was plenty to see. PHOTO: supplied

## MRLB ready for questions at Field Days

THE region's landscape board will be onsite in Barmera at this week's Riverland Field Days to provide information, advice and activities to the community.

The Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board (MRLB) will be set up at site 202/204 on Second Avenue with board representatives available to provide advice and resources on a range of issues such as pest management, soil health and sustainable agriculture.

A native animal zoo will also be on display – set up by Animals Anonymous – with a number of activities for children, or the whole family, to take part in.

Young Riverlanders will be able to test their observation skills in the "find our frog" competition and go in the running to win a prize.

MRLB general manager Andrew Meddle encour-

aged the community to use the Field Days event as an opportunity to find out what is being done to improve the condition of the region's landscapes.

"Our staff can help out with a diverse range of topics from weed identification and management through to soil health and remediation strategies," he said.

"We'll also have staff from our wetlands team who can talk about the impact the floods have had on native biodiversity, and how environmental watering will enhance conditions over the coming months and years.

"Kids are welcome to get involved with the native animal zoo and play-based activities, and there's even a competition for adults to test their knowledge of common weed species."

Free soil analysis will be available, with landholders encouraged to bring along

a matchbox-sized soil sample to be analysed under the microscope by MRLB soil extension officer Barrie Williams.

"Looking at soil under the microscope gives a good indication of what type of soil life you have under your feet," Mr Williams said.

"We can see the make-up of bacteria, protozoa and fungi in soil which gives a basic health check of soil function and helps to identify the best ways to improve soil performance."

Exhibitions by the Murray Darling Basin Authority, the Department for Environment and Water, and Nature Glenelg Trust will also be on offer in the marquee.

Riverland Field Days runs this Friday and Saturday, from 9am to 5pm each day.

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UNLEMON AT RAIN MOTH: Alison Mitchell's exhibition *Unlemon, the meandering story of citrus* continues at the Rain Moth Gallery until the end of September. Pictured are Anne Fulwood and Kirsty Sargesen viewing one of the 24 citrus paintings on display. PHOTOS: supplied



TAKING IN THE HISTORY: Renmark National Trust members Heather Everingham and Neil Munday, with Murray Pioneer journalist Alexandra Bull at the unveiling of the Rankin grave, in Lyrup, earlier this month. PHOTO: supplied



Karen Richardson and Karen Tale at the exhibition opening.



SWAN IN THE RIVERLAND: Ex-Collingwood player and Brownlow Medallist Dane Swan (second left) was guest speaker at the Whillas Medal count last month. He is pictured with locals Dale Lellmann (left), Blake Wierda and Lachlan Lellmann. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

## COMMUNITY DIARY

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

### WEEKLY

Guided tours of **The Pines Historic House** are held every Sunday at 2pm, at 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. Extra tour inquiries to Helen (0421 601 903).

### WEEKLY

**Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery** in the Bonney Theatre complex open for sales Tuesday to Friday 10am to 2pm, and Saturday 9.30am to 11.30am. Inquiries to Ruth (0428 899 506).

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

**U3A Riverland** yoga in the CWA rooms, Loxton. Every Wednesday from 9.30am.

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

The **Renmark Senior Citizens Club** meet every Tuesday at their clubroom, 75 Ral Ral Avenue. New members welcome. Please call Marina (8586 3331).

### WEEKLY

**AA meetings** throughout the Riverland. Kingston Institute Hall, Sunday, 2pm. Loxcare, Tuesday, 8pm. Chaffey Community Centre, Wednesday, 7pm. Loxton Uniting Church Hall, Thursday,

12.30pm. St Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Berri, Thursday, 8pm.

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

The **Berri Community Men's Shed** is open from 8am to 12 noon on Mondays and Thursdays. New members welcome. Inquiries phone 0428 215 114.

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### WEEKLY

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

### MONTHLY

**Zonta Club of the Riverland** meets on the first Tuesday of the month at the Berri Hotel from 6.30pm. New members welcome. Phone Dianna (0419 834 804) or Merylyn (0457 460 799).

### MONTHLY

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

### MONTHLY

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

### MONTHLY

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

### THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

**Charity for All Bingo** at the Loxton Club. Raising funds for the Women's and Children's Hospital. Doors open at 6pm, seated by 6.30pm for eyes down at 7pm. Don't be late to join in the fun.

### TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

**Renmark Garden Club** meeting in the clubrooms at 7.30pm. Guest speakers, Murray and Cynthia, will share with us their visit to the Keukenhof Garden in the Netherlands. Members please bring a plate of supper to share, one cut flower to be judged and items for the trading table. Visitors are most welcome.

### WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

**Riverland Community Suicide Prevention Network** meeting at the Berri Hotel from 5.30pm. Anyone in the community interested in attending is most welcome to join us. For more information phone 0466 278 511.

### SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

Community meeting to discuss the future of **Lyrup CFS**. We need your help to find volunteer firefighters. Join us at Lyrup CFS station, 7 Wilson Parade, Lyrup from 2pm. Sausage sizzle to follow.

### TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

**Get Creative** with the Barmera Theatre Gallery, 4pm at the Barmera library. Explore different styles of art, learn new techniques and create original artworks. Bookings appreciated, call 8588 2872.

### SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

**Renmark Lions Club** 'fundraising bazaar' 8am to 12 noon at Renmark No. 2 Oval - W. E. Wood Hall. Many bargains. EFTPOS available, barbecue, hot doughnuts. Contact Colin (0419 801 996).

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NEARLY SHOWTIME: Rosie Clark Dance Studio will this weekend hold its annual performance at the Chaffey Theatre. This year's performance, titled Dream Dancing, brings audiences joy, colour and dancing through magical stories of a child's dreams. PHOTOS: supplied

## 800 birthing kits assembled in Berri to be sent overseas

A SUCCESSFUL day was had by a group of people who gathered in Berri on Sunday to help assemble 800 birthing kits.

Held by the Zonta Club of the Riverland, the assembly day was the club's 18th in 38 years, with kits sent internationally to women in under-developed countries.

Zonta Riverland secretary Merylyn Rowe said it was "a fabulous day".

"There was lots of social time while putting together the kits, finishing with an afternoon tea provided by the members of the Zonta Club of the Riverland," she said.

"Three members from Zonta Clubs in Adelaide joined us. They were Zonta District 23 area 2 director Lesley Seigloff, vice area director Jenni Foreman and Mount Barker Zonta Club president Robyn Page."

Berri Lions Club donated \$500 to the purchase of the kits – which include gauze, a plastic sheet, soap, umbilical cord ties, a sterile blade and gloves – and several members joined the group for the assembly day.



The group at the Zonta Club of the Riverland birthing kits assembly day in Berri on Sunday, with the 800 kits they helped put together, boxed and ready to be sent overseas to those in need. PHOTOS: supplied



Members of the Berri Lions Club and Zonta Club of the Riverland worked together to hold the successful day. Pictured are Nita Thom (left), Ann Wilson, Vicki Beech, Rob Cook, Rosie Cook, Jenny Thiele, Jenny Boyd, Elma Mason and Dianna Schulz.



Zonta Club of the Riverland past member, current vice area 2 director and member of the Adelaide Torrens Zonta Club, Jenny Foreman, with Zonta Club of the Riverland member and organiser of the birthing kit day, Jenny Boyd, counting the kits prior to packing into boxes of 100.



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The restored grave is located at Old Bookmark Station in Lyrup. PHOTO: supplied

**Historic grave finally restored****ALEXANDRA BULL**

AN official opening for one of the Riverland's oldest graves was held at the start of September.

The grave, located at Old Bookmark Station, Lyrup, is that of Margaret Gunn, who was one of the first woman settlers in the Riverland.

The restoring of the gravesite was facilitated by volunteers from Olivewood Historic Homestead and Museum.

"This grave has been known to a lot of people over several decades and that was when the original fence was on it," local historian Heather Everingham said.

"The last known sighting of the origi-

nal fence was about 1955 and then it was removed.

"Few people had ever seen the plaque which was originally brass, until a couple found the plaque on their property at the back of Berri and gave it to the National Trust.

"Neil Munday had been interested in the site for the last few years and had done some research on the plaque, and thought that it would be a good idea to restore it as it is now."

Margaret Gunn emigrated to Australia with her second husband and her four children in August 1854, and died in 1863.

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**RIVERLAND CREATIVE WRITING GROUP****A patch in time, a poem written by Di Turton**

SOMETHING is tickling on my nose

caressing down my cheek  
I take a wobbly swipe,  
it comes back  
struggling from the abyss of sleep.

I swat again at that cold wet fly  
and roll over,  
my swag grabs and squeaks  
I push up

and stagger to the flap  
bare feet sense a cold wet floor.  
Zipper stuck  
outside is a mess  
nestling in the dead coals  
kettle on its side  
the tripod tipsy drunk  
one leg has sunk  
squishing into the ooze.  
A mug full of yellow booze  
beer cans standing up alert

leaves grey and damp  
the trees are chuckling  
the tent is buckling  
ready to fall in.  
I look at the other tents  
standing in the rain  
no one else has stirred  
they are snug and dry  
and asleep content.  
I should have patched that hole  
before I packed my tent.

**Just an ordinary day, a short story by Jenny Sanders**

IT was an ordinary day, like any other Monday – Jess woke up, showered, had breakfast and then thought about the rest of the day.

Just then a white van pulled into her drive and a man in overalls climbed out. She was expecting a gardener from the local gardening centre – her lawns needed doing and there was quite a lot of pruning. Her big garden was great, but it did need a lot of maintenance and she tried to keep to a once-a-month tidy up.

She answered the door with a smile on her face, but it wasn't her usual man.

"Hello – I can see you need my help," the tall, rather scruffy man offered.

"Yes, I certainly do, but where is Sam today?" asked Jess.

"Gone down with the flu, poor sod, so I'm it."

"I'm sorry he's sick, but you'll find everything you need in the shed."

She looked out of the window a little later and could see the new man going in and out of the shed. She thought it was a little strange as Sam usually brought everything with him, but perhaps he was used to working this way.

Just then her phone rang.

"Good morning, it's Peter

Bolton here from the garden centre – I'm sorry Jess but we've had a drama here this morning with our suppliers and consequently are very short staffed. I'm wondering whether it will be all right if we could send Sam tomorrow morning instead of today."

"But there must be some mistake Peter – I already have a man here taking Sam's place because he's sick with the flu."

Jess was becoming more confused by the moment.

"What are you talking about? Sam's right here – he's not sick and we haven't sent anyone to you either."

Jess looked out of the window – she couldn't see the other man at all, although his van was still in the drive.

"So who is he – I've never seen him before – what should I do?"

"Look Jess, I'll send someone around but if you are at all worried, call the police – I don't like the fact that he just rocked up – don't open the door – in fact lock your doors and we'll get someone there as soon as we can."

Jess put down the phone and turned to find the stranger standing in the hall.

"Now I wonder just who you were talking to," he said. "Hope you weren't getting worried

about me."

He laughed unpleasantly. "I'm sure I could find much more in the house – you look as though you're not short of money – if you just let me have a look around we can both get on with our day without any bother, but I'll just take care of your phone in case you get any ideas."

This was a nightmare – she would have to show no resistance and hopefully he would just go, but in her heart she knew that she was in a very bad situation.

"Now I think it's time we had a guided tour – looking at you I reckon you're the kind of woman that would have lots of little trinkets and I really like your taste in silver – how about you show me around and I can make a selection."

His arrogance was overwhelming, and Jess stopped being afraid and began to burn with fury. How dare he – hell would freeze over before she showed him anything.

Her plan of action was carried out immediately. She cried out, clutching her chest and staggered towards the table, finally letting herself slip down to the floor – she lay still with eyes closed.

She heard the man's rapid breath as he stood over her.

**Men's Probus Club of Renmark update**

AT our August meeting the guest speaker was Wayne Howell, who gave a most excellent, interesting and absorbing presentation providing an overall description of operations at the Renmark Paringa Community Museum.

Following Wayne's presentation, we then travelled to the Paringa-based museum for a site visit, after which we adjourned to the Paringa Hotel for a very delicious lunch. The next meeting is set down for Monday 18 September, with the guest speaker being our very own president Strat Iosefellis.

As an added bonus our club arranges day trips visiting various places of interest, or other events are arranged on a day other than the usual meeting days.

Several of these events have already been organised in conjunction with other Probus clubs.

One of these was the recent, and very successful, Combined Friendship Get Together, held at the Barmera Club with all the other Riverland men's and women's Probus clubs.

This included present and former club members, partners, spouses, and prospective members in attendance.

If any of these activities sound interesting to you and you are retired, then feel free to contact one of our members for further information, or come along to the Hotel Renmark Entertainment Room at 10am on the third Monday of the Month.

- Allan Maddocks  
Publicity officer

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6:00 The Drum  
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10:55 TBA  
11:30 Death In Paradise



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6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 The Block; 1:15 Kenan; 1:45 9honey - He Said, She Said; 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 The Block  
8:35 Luxe Listings Sydney  
9:45 Footy Classified  
10:45 Nine News Late  
11:15 The Equalizer  
12:10 The Gulf  
1:10 Tipping Point  
2:00 Getaway  
2:30 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 A Current Affair



6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 To Be Advised; 3:00 Entertainment Tonight; 3:30 Judge Judy; 4:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 Thank God You're Here  
8:30 Inspired Unemployed  
9:00 Five Bedrooms  
10:00 So Help Me Todd  
11:00 FBI  
12:00 The Project



5:00 World News; 7:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Destination Flavour China; 10:10 Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 10:15 Employable Me; 11:05 Matched; 12:00 World News; 2:00 Dateline; 2:30 Insight; 3:30 Destination Flavour China; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Michael Mosley Secrets Of The Supragers  
8:30 Keeping Hope  
9:35 Wolf  
10:40 SBS World News Late  
11:10 Trom  
12:00 Reyka

THURSDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 That Pacific Sports Show; 11:00 Escape From The City; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Hard Quiz; 1:30 Would I Lie To You?; 2:00 Parliament Question Time; 3:00 Restoration Australia; 3:55 Tenable; 4:40 Long Lost Family; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 Foreign Correspondent  
8:30 TBA  
9:20 Grand Designs New Zealand  
10:05 Art Works  
10:35 ABC Late News  
10:50 The Business  
11:05 TBA  
11:40 Lily's Life Hacks

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Pablo; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Circle Square; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Interstellar Ella  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:40 Hey Duggee Songs  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Karma's World  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 QI  
8:30 Would I Lie To You?  
9:00 Hard Quiz  
9:30 WTTFAQ  
10:00 Penn And Teller  
10:45 Tomorrow Tonight  
11:15 Why Are You Like This

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 TBA; 1:45 Surveillance Oz; 2:00 Heartbeat; 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 Air Crash Investigations  
10:30 Seven News  
11:00 TBA  
12:45 The Resident  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 The Block; 1:00 The Hundred With Andy Lee; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News  
6:00 Nine News  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 Rbt  
8:30 Emergency  
9:30 Casualty 24/7  
10:30 Chicago Med  
11:20 Nine News Late  
11:50 The First 48  
12:40 New Amsterdam  
1:30 Tipping Point  
2:30 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 A Current Affair  
5:00 Nine News Early Edition

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly; 3:00 Entertainment Tonight; 3:30 Judge Judy; 4:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 Gogglebox Australia  
8:30 The Gold  
9:30 The Cheap Seats  
10:30 Law & Order  
12:30 The Project  
1:30 Home Shopping

5:00 World News; 7:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Destination Flavour China; 10:10 Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 10:15 Employable Me; 11:05 Matched; 12:00 World News; 2:00 Destination Flavour China; 2:10 How The Nazis Lost The War; 3:05 Mastermind Australia; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:35 Great Australian Walks With Julia Zemiro  
8:30 Eva Longoria  
9:20 Kin  
10:15 SBS World News Late  
10:45 Max Anger

FRIDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Makers of Modern Australia; 11:00 Back To Nature; 11:30 The Pacific; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 The Newsreader; 1:55 WTTFAQ; 2:25 Nigella's Cook, Eat, Repeat; 2:55 Restoration Australia; 3:55 Tenable; 4:45 Long Lost Family; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 Gardening Australia  
8:30 The Control Room  
9:30 Midsomer Murders  
11:00 ABC Late News  
11:15 TBA  
11:50 Innocent  
12:35 Harrow  
1:25 rage  
5:00 rage

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Pablo; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Circle Square; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Interstellar Ella  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Hey Duggee Songs  
7:05 Gardening Australia Junior  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 Hard Quiz  
8:30 Across The Universe  
10:40 Noughts + Crosses  
11:40 Killing Eve  
12:25 Unprotected Sets  
1:20 Last Night Of The Proms  
2:45 ABC News Update

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 A Stolen Past; 2:00 House Of Wellness; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 TBA  
10:30 Armchair Experts  
11:30 TBA  
1:15 12 Monkeys  
2:30 Home Shopping  
4:00 Million Dollar Minute  
5:00 NBC Today

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 A Honey-moon To Remember; 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 Tba  
1:00 Cold Sweat  
2:50 Talking Honey  
3:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Postcards  
4:30 Home Shopping  
5:30 Skippy - The Bush Kangaroo

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 To Be Advised; 3:20 Entertainment Tonight; 3:30 Judge Judy; 4:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 Have You Been Paying Attention?  
8:30 The Graham Norton Show  
10:30 Just For Laughs  
11:00 The Project  
12:00 Home Shopping

5:00 World News; 7:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 8:00 World News; 10:00 Destination Flavour China; 10:10 Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 10:15 Employable Me; 11:05 Matched; 12:00 World News; 2:00 Mastermind Australia; 3:00 Nltv News - Nula 2023; 3:30 Destination Flavour China; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 South America With Simon Reeve  
8:40 Ancient Egypt  
9:40 Tony Robinson  
10:35 SBS World News Late  
11:05 Unseen  
12:00 Romulus

SATURDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 rage; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:25 Midsomer Murders; 1:55 The Control Room; 2:55 Landline; 3:20 River; 4:30 Becoming Frida Kahlo; 5:30 Lily's Life Hacks  
6:30 Kitchen Cabinet  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 Shakespeare And Hathaway  
8:20 Vera  
9:50 The Newsreader  
10:40 TBA  
11:15 rage

5:00 Moon and Me; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Circle Square; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Interstellar Ella  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:40 Hey Duggee Songs  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Safari Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
8:55 Dilruk Jayasinha  
10:00 Unprotected Sets  
10:40 Staged  
11:05 Days Like These with Diesel  
12:00 The Romantics And Us  
1:00 Blunt Talk

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Seven's Horse Racing; 5:00 Seven News Adelaide; 5:30 Discover With RAA Travel  
6:00 Seven News  
6:53 TBA  
12:15 12 Monkeys  
1:15 Travel Oz  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 Get Clever  
5:00 House Of Wellness

6:00 Getaway; 6:30 A Current Affair; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Today Extra - Saturday; 12:00 Surfing Australia Tv; 12:30 Mega Zoo; 1:30 Talking Honey; 1:40 The Block; 4:30 The Garden Gurus; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Getaway  
6:00 Nine News Saturday  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 He's Just Not That Into You  
9:30 Tba  
11:30 Just Mercy  
2:00 The Incredible Journey Presents  
2:30 The Garden Gurus  
3:00 Home Shopping  
5:30 Helping Hands

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 Leading The Way With Dr. MichaelYoussef; 7:00 Reel Action; 7:30 My Market Kitchen; 8:00 iFish; 8:30 What's Up Down Under; 9:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 9:30 Farm To Fork; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Luxury Escapes; 12:30 Well Traveller; 1:00 10 Minute Kitchen; 1:30 Healthy Homes; 2:00 The Traitors; 3:20 Farm To Fork; 3:30 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:00 My Market Kitchen; 4:30 Food Trail; 5:00 10 News First  
6:00 Luxury Escapes  
6:30 Bondi Rescue  
7:00 The Dog House  
8:00 Thank God You're Here  
9:00 Daddy's Home 2  
11:00 The Cheap Seat  
12:00 Home Shopping

6:00 World News; 7:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 10:00 The Eco Show; 11:00 Curious Traveller; 12:00 World News; 2:00 Destination Flavour China; 2:05 En' Coda; 3:25 Going Places With Ernie Dingo; 3:55 Trail Towns; 4:30 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 5:30 No More Spectators; 5:40 Secret Nazi Bases  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo  
8:30 Queen Victoria's Royal Mob  
9:25 Worlds Most Scenic Railway Journeys  
10:15 Tony Robinson's History Of Britain  
11:05 Rex In Rome  
12:55 Suspect  
2:35 UFOs  
3:40 Destination Flavour  
4:10 Going Places With Ernie Dingo

SUNDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 Insiders; 10:00 Offsiders; 10:30 The World This Week; 11:00 Compass; 11:30 Songs Of Praise; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Landline; 1:30 Gardening Australia; 2:30 Shakespeare And Hathaway; 3:15 TBA; 4:10 Grand Designs New Zealand; 5:00 Art Works; 5:30 Antiques Roadshow  
6:30 TBA  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 Death In Paradise  
8:30 The Newsreader  
9:30 Mother And Son  
10:00 Total Control  
10:50 Talking Heads  
11:35 rage Vault  
2:00 Escape From The City  
5:00 Insiders

5:00 Moon and Me; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:35 Kiri and Lou; 5:40 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Circle Square; 5:55 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom  
6:10 Interstellar Ella  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:40 Hey Duggee Songs  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Andy's Safari Adventures  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 You Can't Ask That  
8:30 Louis Theroux  
10:30 Vera  
12:00 Universe With Brian Cox  
1:00 Last Night Of The Proms  
2:30 Enslaved  
3:30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 11:30 House Of Wellness; 12:30 2023 AFL Women's; 2:30 Surveillance Oz; 3:00 SANFL  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 The Voice  
8:45 Con Girl  
11:00 Born To Kill?  
12:00 Repco Supercars Highlights 2023  
1:00 The Inbetween  
2:00 TBA  
3:30 Million Dollar Minute  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Fishing Australia; 6:30 A Current Affair; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Sunday Footy Show; 12:00 Sports Sunday; 1:00 Explore; 1:10 Missing Persons Investigation; 2:10 The Block; 4:30 Outdoors Indoors; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Hello Sa  
6:00 Nine News Sunday  
7:00 The Block  
8:30 60 Minutes  
9:30 Nine News Late  
10:00 Under Investigation  
11:00 Killer At The Crime Scene  
11:50 Chicago Med  
12:45 Rugby World Cup  
3:30 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 Fishing Australia  
5:00 Nine News Early Edition

6:00 Mass For You At Home; 6:30 Sydney Marathon; 9:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 10:00 Studio 10; 12:00 pm To Be Advised; 1:10 My Market Kitchen; 1:30 Three Blue Ducks; 2:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 3:00 Destination Dessert; 3:30 Exploring Of The Grid; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 Farm To Fork; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Sunday Project  
7:30 Dogs Behaving  
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9:30 NCIS  
10:30 Five Bedrooms  
11:30 The Sunday Project  
12:30 Home Shopping

5:00 World News; 7:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 8:00 World News; 10:00 The Eco Show; 11:00 Curious Traveller; 11:30 APAC Weekly; 12:00 World News; 12:30 Speedweek 2023; 1:30 Volleyball 2023 Australian Super League; 4:00 Motorsport - Aus-Moto Show 2023; 4:30 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 5:30 My Life In Clay; 5:40 Secret Nazi Bases  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 The Body On Somerton Beach  
8:20 Incas - The New Story  
10:00 Egypt - Exploring The Largest Museum  
11:00 24 Hours In Emergency  
12:50 My Childhood, My Country  
2:30 Could Hitler Have Been Stopped?  
3:25 Patriot Brains

MONDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Landline; 11:00 Antiques Roadshow; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Vera; 2:30 The Cook And The Chef; 2:55 Restoration Australia; 3:55 Tenable; 4:40 Long Lost Family; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 Australian Story  
8:30 Four Corners  
9:15 Media Watch  
9:35 Q+A  
10:35 ABC Late News  
10:50 The Business  
11:10 Space 22  
11:40 The Wimbledon Kidnapping  
12:25 Our Brain  
1:20 rage

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Pablo; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Circle Square; 5:55 PJ Masks  
6:10 Interstellar Ella  
6:20 Bluey  
6:30 Pffirates  
6:40 Hey Duggee Songs  
6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Karma's World  
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9:00 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces  
9:45 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery  
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11:15 Escape From The City  
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12:45 Louis Theroux

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 TBA; 1:45 Surveillance Oz; 2:00 The Rookie; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
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7:00 Home And Away  
7:30 My Kitchen Rules  
9:15 The Rookie  
11:15 Seven News  
11:45 Chicago Fire  
12:45 The Village  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

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7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 The Block  
8:40 Missing Persons Investigation  
9:40 Footy Classified  
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2:30 Global Shop  
3:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 A Current Affair

6:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 6:30 My Market Kitchen; 7:00 Farm To Fork; 7:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 8:30 Entertainment Tonight; 9:00 Judge Judy; 9:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 10:00 Studio; 12:00 10 News First; 1:00 Dr Phil; 2:00 pm To Be Advised; 3:30 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 4:00 The Bold & The Beautiful; 4:30 Neighbours; 5:00 10 News First  
6:30 The Project  
7:30 The Masked Singer Australia  
8:45 Have You Been Paying Attention?  
9:45 To Be Advised  
10:15 FBI  
11:05 NCIS  
12:00 The Project

5:00 World News; 7:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights; 8:00 World News; 10:00 A World Of Calm; 10:25 Employable Me (USA); 11:15 Matched; 12:10 World News; 2:00 Destination Flavour China; 2:15 Hear Me Out; 2:30 Amplify This; 2:50 Deafying Gravity; 3:05 Mastermind Australia; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy!; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling - La Vuelta 2023 Highlights  
6:00 Mastermind  
6:30 SBS World News  
7:30 Finding Your Roots  
8:30 Britain's Most Expensive Houses  
9:25 World's Most Luxurious Holidays  
10:20 SBS World News Late  
10:50 My Brilliant Friend  
11:45 War Of The Worlds

TUESDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Foreign Correspondent; 10:30 Ask The Doctor; 11:00 Becoming Frida Kahlo; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Call The Midwife; 2:00 Poh's Kitchen Lends A Hand; 2:30 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery; 3:00 Restoration Australia; 3:55 Tenable; 4:45 Long Lost Family; 5:30 Hard Quiz  
6:00 The Drum  
7:00 ABC News  
7:30 7.30  
8:00 Kitchen Cabinet  
8:30 The Whiteley Art Scandal  
9:30 Makers of Modern Australia  
10:30 ABC Late News  
10:45 The Business  
11:00 Four Corners  
11:45 Media Watch  
12:05 Barrenjoey Road

5:00 Kiddets; 5:10 Pablo; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:30 Kiri and Lou; 5:35 Fireman Sam; 5:50 Circle Square; 5:55 PJ Masks  
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6:45 The Adventures Of Paddington  
6:55 Shaun The Sheep  
7:05 Karma's World  
7:20 Bluey  
7:30 Spicks And Specks  
8:00 Would I Lie To You?  
8:30 Ghosts  
9:00 Starstruck  
9:25 Mother And Son  
9:55 Blunt Talk  
10:25 Would I Lie To You?  
10:55 Red Dwarf

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 TBA; 1:45 Surveillance Oz; 2:00 Heartbeat; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia  
6:00 Seven News  
7:00 Home And Away  
7:30 My Kitchen Rules  
9:15 RFDS  
10:15 Ambulance  
11:15 Seven News  
11:45 Chicago Fire  
12:45 The Arrangement  
2:00 TBA  
4:00 NBC Today  
5:00 Seven Early News  
5:30 Sunrise

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6:00 Nine News  
7:00 A Current Affair  
7:30 The Block  
8:40 The Hundred With Andy Lee  
9:40 Love Triangle  
10:55 Nine News Late  
11:25 Chicago Med  
12:15 Court Cam  
1:15 Tipping Point  
2:05 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything  
3:00 Home Shopping  
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory  
4:30 A Current Affair  
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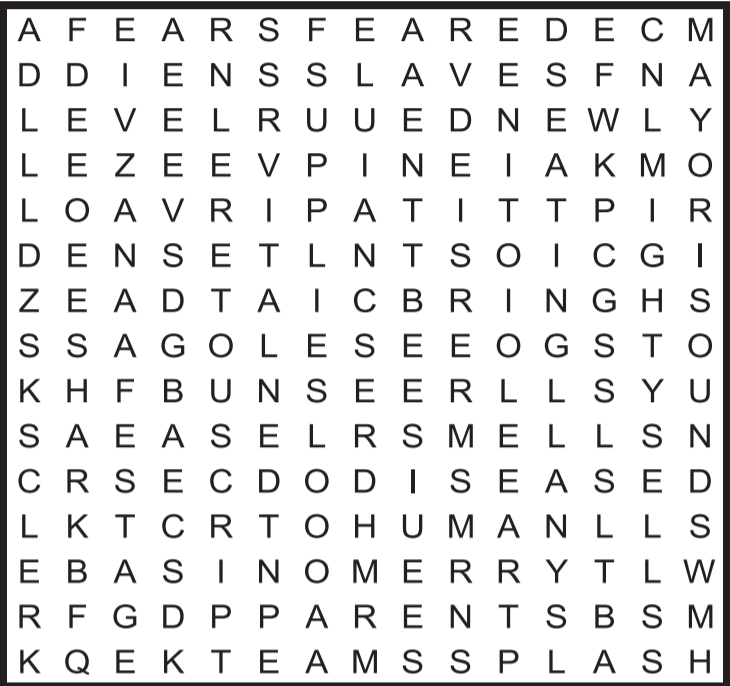
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8:40 The Cheap Seats  
9:40 NCIS  
11:30 The Project  
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert

5:00 World News; 9:00 A World Of Calm; 9:25 Make Me A Dealer; 10:15 Living With The Boss; 11:05 Matched; 12:00 World News; 2:00 It Takes A Village; 3:05 Mastermind Australia; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Every Family Has A Secret; 5:05 Jeopardy!; 5:30 Letters And Numbers  
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7:30 Great British Railway Journeys  
8:30 Insight  
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4:20 Destination Flavour

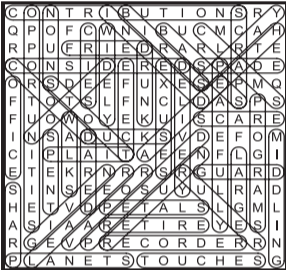
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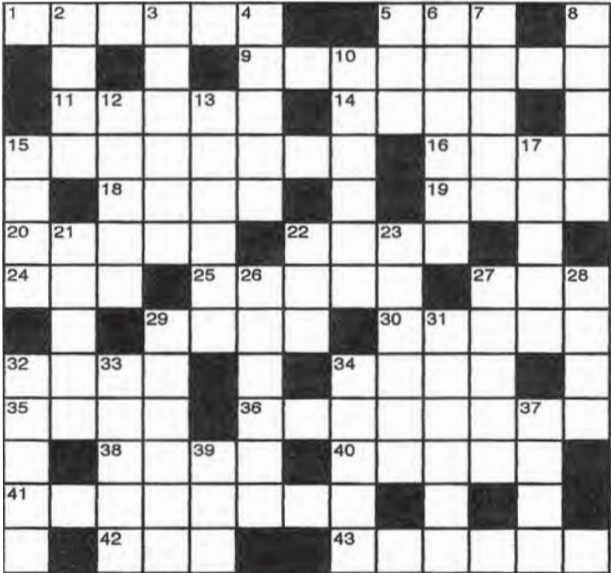
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34. Empty  
35. Engrave  
36. Trust  
38. Sediment  
40. Inner  
41. Straits  
42. Australian state (abbr.)  
43. Thoroughfare

DOWN  
2. Press down  
3. Increase  
4. Town in Wales  
5. Colour  
6. Somewhat elderly  
7. Web-footed birds  
8. Property  
10. Fervour  
12. Eldest  
13. Type of flower  
15. Location  
17. Spear  
21. Turn inside out



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



22. Matter discharged by open sore  
23. Overstrain  
26. Scanty  
27. Genus of oat  
28. Authentic  
29. Greek goddess of wisdom  
31. Public speaker  
32. Bring  
33. Splendour  
34. Consecrate  
37. Hint  
39. Printers' measures

## September 2023 Horoscopes: week 2

**ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)**  
The Moon/Jupiter Midpoint moving through your sign will signal an improvement in your fortune. Take advantage of a lucky break: it won't come again for a long while! **Romance.** Make sure that you use your excess energy wisely. You will become frustrated if you feel that you are being held up by others.

**TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)**  
A challenging aspect to Neptune is making it hard for you to concentrate on getting tasks completed. Something which you have been putting off for too long will have to be tackled: the situation may get worse if you don't act now. **Romance.** This will be a good time for romance, provided you can be a little more consistent in the way you express yourself.

**GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)**  
Be particularly careful of accidents over the next few days. Don't drive if you are tired, and certainly not if you have been drinking! **Romance.** A person whom you have known for many years may come back into your life. You will have to make a fast decision about what to do next!

**CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)**  
This will be an excellent time to make progress on jobs which you have been putting off. Your energy levels will be very high over the next few days. **Romance.** You may want to find out whether a recent offer is as genuine as it seems. If something looks too good to be true, then it probably is!

**LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)**  
A decision will not be any easier if you worry about it. Put your mind at rest, and the matter will soon sort itself out. **Romance.** You will be very dynamic at the moment. You may find it a little difficult to get the co-operation you need from the people around you, however.

**VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)**  
Your pet may be a little difficult to handle at the moment. He might have picked up a feeling of anxiety from you which you are not aware of. **Romance.** Someone whom you would like to get to know is being ambiguous about their feelings for you. A long chat with a friend will put your mind at rest.

**LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)**  
You might be getting fed up with being the centre of attention. You need to spend more time by yourself this week. **Romance.** Your partner will be with you all the way. You will be surprised how much you can do together. Don't let a minor disagreement over money come between you.

**SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)**  
You will have to be slightly more cautious than usual over the next few days. A negative aspect to Saturn will create limitations for a while. **Romance.** You probably won't feel like going out this week but don't worry – your romantic life will take a turn for the better very soon.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)**  
A powerful aspect to Neptune is making you more dreamy than usual this week. It may be a little hard to stick to something which requires discipline. **Romance.** Your love-life will soon be in better shape than it has been for some time. Your patience is going to be rewarded!

**CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)**  
A member of your family may cause trouble for other people. Your listening skills will be in demand, and your calm approach will be appreciated. Don't forget to take care of yourself as well. **Romance.** Your partner will appreciate your confident mood. They will not be the only one who notices.

**AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)**  
A chance encounter with a dog or cat may be more significant than you realise. It is especially important to be kind to all animals this week. **Romance.** A fleeting encounter with a person you have met before will prove interesting. You may find that this person is not all they seem.

**PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)**  
A memory from a childhood incident will come back to you this week and may unsettle you. Do your best to resolve your feelings about this once and for all. **Romance.** You will need a lot of emotional support from your partner at the moment. You will be glad that they are there when you need them.

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# Excelling in the Riverland’s history

ROSEMARY GOWER

I WOULD like to express my heartfelt congratulations to the Loxton Historical Village committee and their volunteers, who with the ongoing support of the Loxton Waikerie council, put on the most fantastic 50th anniversary celebrations at the village recently.

Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of SA, was in attendance to officially launch the proceedings and unveil the plaque dedicated to the occasion.

Her speech and that of the other dignitaries were well researched, most interesting and very well received.

A large crowd turned out and it was lovely to see so many families with small children enjoying the sunshine, looking around the village, participating in games and activities and being entertained.

In the institute theatre was a display on the 1956 floods, and black and white movies were shown on the screen.

There were also other old photographs on display, and I was lucky enough to sit in the audience and listen to the Riverland Community Choir performing

popular favourites.

The organisers had a very full program, and the catering was terrific, with the bakery providing fresh bread and pastries cooked on the premises, while the Pie Cart sold pie floaters and sangers, and there were Devonshire teas and fresh sandwiches on sale in historic shops and businesses.

Demonstrations of sheep shearing, whip cracking, blacksmithing and printing were conducted around the village.

I was fortunate enough to meet the governor and told her about Loveday, which boasted the largest group of internment camps in Australia during WWII, and housed civilian German, Italian and Japanese prisoners.

She had no knowledge of its existence, but found the stories quite fascinating, particularly the growing of opium poppies for morphine.

The police superintendent who escorted Ms Adamson and her husband to the anniversary celebrations grew up in Loxton. His father was Rex Fielke.

Ms Adamson had attended the Mardi Gras in Loxton last year, so was familiar with the great pride felt within the local community,



SA Governor Frances Adamson speaks to attendees at the Loxton Historical Village’s 50th anniversary event. PHOTO: supplied

and of the major events they put on, which makes Loxton so very special and quite unique.

I attended the official opening of the village 50 years ago, when Sir Donald Dunstan, then SA Premier, launched the opening. I still have the bottles of lemonade and port sold on the day.

I visited the site before it opened when Cliff Stanitski and his brother were building the little church on site. Cliff was the father of my sister-in-law Cherry Shueard, but sadly neither she or her sister, Peta Papst, were able to attend.

To add to the atmosphere people wearing delightful period costumes travelled up from Adelaide to join the volunteers, who dressed appropriately to serve in the shops and for demonstrating a wide range of activities from the past.

There were so many exhibits I could relate to that my grandparents had in their home when I was a child.

The school room particularly brought back memories, as when I started we used pencils until we gravitated to using the inkwells in our desks, and had to learn to write with a pen and nib. We had our knuckles smacked with a ruler if we did not hold our pencils or pens correctly.

We had flying objects in our classroom too. They were chalk dusters that were thrown by the teacher if a student was doing the wrong thing.

There was so much going on and so much to see at the village that I did not get to see all the events, or enjoy a horse and cart ride.

However, I got to chat with a

lot of people, and the one subject which came up all the time was people’s disgust with the closure of the Cobdogla Irrigation and Steam Museum.

Tim Whetstone and Trevor Norton raised the matter with me too, knowing that I was a member of the executive of the Cobdogla Steam Friends for a long time.

It is because of my involvement with tourism and local history that I can appreciate how many man hours are dedicated to running our museums, which are devoted to acknowledging and honouring the early pioneers who settled our region.

The Loxton people have earned my deepest respect for the community investment in their town. At the anniversary they excelled themselves with living history.

## the quiz



1. According to the McDonalds nutrition calculator, how many calories are there in one of their cheeseburgers: 200, 300 or 400 kcal?  
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2. What is the national currency of Romania?  
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3. According to the proverb, "A heavy purse gives to a ..." what?  
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4. How many sides has a tetradecagon?  
.....
5. A United States President may be elected for a maximum of how many terms?  
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6. Which 1984 pop song starts with the lyrics "I made it through the wilderness"?  
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7. The names of how many US states begin with the letter 'I'?  
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8. Which is the last book of the Old Testament?  
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9. What nationality is Ernő Rubik, inventor of the Rubik's Cube?  
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10. In Sergei Prokofiev's 'Peter and the Wolf' which instruments represent the wolf?  
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11. Who wrote the 1951 short novel 'The Old Man and the Sea'?  
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12. What is Samuel L. Jackson's middle name?  
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13. In which profession might the Stanislavski Method be used?  
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14. What is the capital of the Seychelles?  
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15. A cube has how many edges?  
.....
16. What are the three yellow properties in the original version of Monopoly?  
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17. Which English singer who turned 100 in March 2017 earned herself the nickname 'The Forces' Sweetheart'?  
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18. The 'Durand Line' is a border between which two countries?  
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19. What is the scientific name for caustic soda?  
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20. Which American singer has recorded albums entitled 'Glory', 'Femme Fatale' and 'Blackout'?  
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BONUS QUESTION:

In a standard pack of playing cards, what do the Queens hold in their hands? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Answers on page 32

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TOM TRIFONOFF

Riverland historian HEATHER EVERINGHAM has submitted the following piece regarding the history of Margaret Rankin’s grave, which was recently restored...

# An iconic grave now deservingly restored

MARGARET Rankin (formerly Budge nee Gunn) lived in SA less than 10 years, but her descendants had a far-reaching impact on the pastoralist industry of Australia.

Her grave is situated in the cemetery area of the former Bookmark Station. It has been restored, and a replica plaque replaces the original brass one housed at Olivewood National Trust Museum, in Renmark.

Margaret Gunn was born 26 February 1819, the seventh child of fisherman Donald and Alexandrina (nee Manson) Gunn near Wick, Caithness, Scotland.

Her brothers were fishermen and also pilots, bringing larger vessels safely into port. In the mid-19th century, Wick was the largest herring port in Europe.

Margaret’s first marriage was to seaman Kenneth Budge, son of a shipmaster of Wick, on 19 June 1840 in the parish church of South Leith.

In 1852 Kenneth Budge was captain of the schooner Mary Rodgers, carrying a cargo of herring from Wick, when he died on board of cholera before the vessel reached its destination of Elsinore, Denmark.

Kenneth and Margaret had five children, Daniel in 1841, Kenneth in 1844, Alexandrina in 1844-51, Margaret in 1845, and Alexandrina in 1851.

Margaret re-married on 10 June 1854, to carpenter Ewin Rankin, and one month later the family emigrated as assisted passengers on a new vessel, Dirigo, which had been launched that year.

However, after only one month at sea the Dirigo turned back to Cork with seven dead of cholera and many ill. The vessel sailed on to Liverpool where a total of 57 died of cholera.

The Dirigo once again set sail for Australia on 9 August, one month behind schedule, and arrived 107 days later on 22 November 1854, with 482 passengers.

Margaret’s children were then Daniel, aged 13, Kenneth, aged 12, Margaret, aged 9, and Alexandrina, 3.

Both boys were of ages to be employed and in the 1850s Adelaide was facing economic hardship, as many men had deserted their jobs to go to the Victorian goldfields.

Ewin, as a carpenter, would have been in demand and possibly his stepsons may have assisted him. It is not known how long the family were at Bookmark Station before Margaret Rankin died in 1863.

Ewin Rankin was overseer of the station and its lessees were William Finke and John Chambers at the time of his wife’s death.

Much is made of the isolation factor of European women living in the outback, however Margaret’s situation was not one of total social isolation. The great river race in 1853 between Captains Cadell and Randell saw many paddle steamers built, and the competitive river trade was in full swing during

the 1850s and 60s.

Woodcutters and their families kept woodpiles along the length of the river system. Station homesteads were always on the river frontages because of the availability of fresh water, and stock was driven in from out back when there were no dams or wells.

Margaret’s home would have been of pine and pug, with huts around of station workers and their families.

Rivers steamers, each identifiable by their whistles, were regular visitors bringing food staples and taking away wool, skins and tallow. Some steamers were floating stores, stocked with everything from needles and bolts of cloth for women, and saddles and stock boots for men.

Margaret’s closest neighbours were the occupants of Paringa and Chowilla stations.

Paringa run had been in the hands of the Cudmore family since 1859. William Hughes was managing the Chowilla run when government-appointed stock inspector Glenie arrived in 1863, with wife and eight children.

Downstream was the Overland Corner Hotel, built by the Brand family in 1859, and formerly of Chowilla in 1856, when they rented river flats for dairying.

Also living at the Corner in 1859 were four-mounted police troopers and one wife. The police station was erected in 1855.

At Lake Bonney, William Napper and William Parnell had built a hotel in the late 1850s and Parnell held the license in 1860.

At Cobdogla, James Trussell was managing this run for the Chambers brothers in the 1850s and many stockmen were employed here. Stockmen, yard builders, and shearers moved between stations as the need arose.

Margaret’s death certificate in 1863 records her cause of death to be liver disease, and it is unlikely that she sought medical treatment when the closest doctor or hospital was at Burra and Wentworth.

She was 41 years of age and her daughters Margaret and Alexandrina were aged 18 and 12. They must have remained at Bookmark because daughter Margaret Budge, aged 21, married four years after her mothers’ death to James Francis Cudmore (1837-1912) of Paringa Station, on 26 March 1867, at Chalmers Church (Scots North Terrace – the second oldest surviving church in SA).

This was a fortuitous marriage for the Budge siblings. Margaret Cudmore’s (nee Budge) brothers, Daniel and Kenneth, found work and later partnerships with their brother-in-law and also William Gunn (Margaret Rankin’s brother), plus family who emigrated the year after his sister’s death.

William Gunn was at a Cudmore run called Middle Yards in the Wentworth district when he was kicked by a horse and died in 1869.

Alexandrina may have lived with her sis-

ter Margaret at Paringa, Elizabeth Teschner (nee Schueard), who before her marriage, worked at the Ral Ral mail change in 1869 doing household duties.

It was recalled “Miss Budge, a sister of Mrs Cudmore’s, often riding across for the mail from Paringa. This arrived on Tuesdays and Saturdays, and it was pleasant to have someone to talk to for a little while. Miss Budge was a good horse woman.” Alexandrina, aged 31, married James Mansfield Niall – aged 22 and cousin to her brother-in-law – on 2 October 1882, at St Paul’s, Adelaide.

Margaret Cudmore’s first home once married was a stone cottage surrounded by the slab huts with thatched roofs of the run’s station workers.

Husband James was often away visiting his stations where cattle were replaced by sheep, and in time he was one of the wealthiest pastoralists in SA. After the great Flood of 1870 – when water rose to the sills of the home and the workers’ huts washed away – a spacious stone homestead was built on top of the hill.

Margaret bore eight children at Paringa between 1867 and 1879. The stone cottage and nearby pine and red gum shearing shed were demolished in 1924 in preparation for the building of the Paringa Bridge.

James Cudmore eventually tired of travelling between stations and commissioned a London-trained architect, Edmund Wright, to design a home to be built at Somerton, a farming district outside of Adelaide.

The family moved to Adelaide, c1881, and in 1882 moved into their two-storey, 20-room mansion with a three-storey tower, from which it was possible to see ships arriving into the port.

Margaret and James had five more children – making a total of 13 – with 11 surviving infancy.

Daniel Budge was stock/station agent, grazier, newspaper owner and finally gold miner. He died of typhoid fever in Coolgardie in 1895, aged 53. Kenneth Budge unmarried, died in 1878, aged 36, of heart disease, and was buried at Gooyea station in Queensland. Two years later his body was exhumed and re-interred in West Terrace Cemetery.

Alexandrina Niall died in 1911 and her husband James grazier, racehorse breeder/owner and wool broker, died in 1941, aged 81. At the time of death he was managing director of Goldsborough, Mort and Co Melbourne.

Their sister, Margaret Cudmore, and her husband James both died in 1912. Their fortunes had waned and their house and contents were sold.

In 1914 the Marist Brothers took over the premises. Today this home is the focal point of Sacred Heart College, one of the



Rankin brass plaque. PHOTOS: supplied



A survey map of 1894 showing the cemetery. The Bookmark homestead was built in the late 1870s after Rankin occupation of the area.



The Ral Ral mail change, a stone building with thatched roof. Watercolour painting of 1890.

largest of Adelaide’s senior co-educational Catholic colleges.

Margaret Rankin’s descendants – Budge, Cudmore and Niall – all made their mark on the pastoral industry owning vast stations in South Australia and Queensland, and their names are commemorated on streets, church windows and by the mansions they left – Paringa Hall (Somerton), and Adare (Victor Harbor) – and also their exploration of new grazing country in far north SA.

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# A year in review: Waikerie

**BEN LENNON**

FEW teams better represented the topsy-turvy season that was RFL 2023 than Waikerie, with the Magpie army experiencing the full range of emotions during Mick Kilsby’s first year in charge.

The Pies started life under ‘Killa’ like a house on fire, knocking off bitter rival and reigning premier Renmark in round one by 16 points.

After five rounds the side was sitting second, behind only Loxton North, and had registered wins against four of their five RFL opponents.

But, injuries and unavailability throughout the rest of the season left Waikerie wanting, as Kilsby and company scratched and clawed their way into the top four.

After its fast start, Waikerie accrued just seven wins for the year, edging out Loxton for fourth spot on percentage alone.

The Magpies were gallant in defeat against eventual premiers Barmera-Monash in the first semi-final, but would go no further in season 2023.

“It was a bit of a roller coaster,” Kilsby said.

“It was a bit of up, down and sideways here and there.

“We came out of the blocks flying, but then we had our injuries and people went away, and then we were in a bit of a slump.

“We tried our best to get out of the slump, but I don’t think we did.

“We’ve got to learn from it and become better mentally. It’s just that mental toughness I reckon.”

Despite winning just two games in the second half of the campaign, Waikerie managed to keep its 38-year streak of finals appearances alive, if only just.

Jack Burgemeister was a shining light in the first half of the season before suffering an injury, returning just before finals, while key players Tim Bevan and Steven Braun

also spent extended periods off the park.

Their void was filled by a host of inexperienced locals, and the approach of the youngsters under extreme pressure was a source of great pride for the first-year coach.

“The youth of the club was probably the most positive part about the year,” he said.

“The relationships I can build with these young fellas moving forward is definitely a good thing for sure.

“I think we just need a little more time to get it right.”

Vice-captain Tristan Geehman enjoyed another standout campaign across the backline, while Noah Hyde lit up the competition on the wing when not on SANFL duty.

Also impressing throughout the year was Jarrad ‘Buzzy’ Bee, who was named best in the Riverland’s interleague win at the Eastern Zone carnival.

“Young Buzzy put his hand up to be a leader this year and he was a big standout for me,” Kilsby said.

“Stephen Hausler as well, just to get up every week and play at a high level, to be a good footballer at any level you’ve got to be consistent, and I think he showed that this year.”

A move into the midfield could be on the cards for Hausler, as the club looks to reload this off-season in order to contend for the RFL premiership.

Kilsby believes the side is capable of going further than their 2023 output, and highlighted a couple of performances as examples of what they can do.

“In round one against Renmark, no one backed us in,” he said.

“We had our own members saying we would be lucky to win a few games this year.

“It really rattled me a bit, but to get up round one and just get the buzz around the club and get off to a great start is just an absolute highlight.

“Then when we played Loxton at home in the middle of the year, that’s where I saw



Jarrad Bee (above) and Stephen Hausler, who played his 100th A grade game for the club this season, enjoyed strong campaigns for the Magpies in 2023. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

that we were capable of playing some really good footy.

“I think we just need to get better at what we are trying to achieve, and I reckon we’ll

be all right.

“I think Barmera is a great example of not needing absolute A grade talent to win the flag, you’ve just got to get it right.”

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The Pies did achieve club success, with its RWFL team lifting the premiership cup for the first time ever.

## Reserves Whillas Medal votes

<b>Barmera-Monash</b> Saxton Mitchell (5) – 3,2 Mitch Wellington (5) – 3,2 Dillon Millard (4) – 2,2 Jacob Trudgian (4) – 3,1 Zak Galvin (3) – 3 Austin Karpany (3) – 3 Jesse Stemberger (3) – 3 Justin Bonney (2) – 2 Lincoln Hoare (2) – 2 Jed Millington (2) – 2 Max Pietrolaj (2) – 2 Joe Ricketts (2) – 2 Jack Sullivan (2) – 2 Brody Watson (2) – 2 <b>Berri</b> Sam Atkins (2) – 2 Ondre Hunyadi (2) – 2 Scott Milburn (2) – 2 Ben Tanner (2) – 1,1 Layton Dack (1) Jamie Milburn (1) Michael Toogood (1) Michael Voigt (1) <b>Loxton</b> Jasper Hoffmann (15) – 3,3,3,1,1,2,2	Braden Falting (11) – 2,3,3,3 Brodie Rollins (7) – 3,2,2 Luke Pontt (5) – 2,1,2 Jonathan Jay-Campbell (4) – 1,3 Talyn Eagle (3) – 3 Bradley Stone (3) – 3 Mark Thiele (3) – 2,1 Maison Warner (3) – 3 Joshua Elliot (2) – 2 Josh Mann (2) – 1,1 Bradley Yeomans (2) – 2 Nathan Flight (1) Mitchell Guidolin (1) Ben Wehrmuller (1) <b>Loxton North</b> Keenan Wilksch (12) – 3,3,3,1,2 Jonah George (10) – 2,2,3,1,2 Jai Drake (5) – 1,3,1 Shaun Steer (5) – 3,2 Bradley Bestwick (4) – 3,1 Justin Proud (4) – 3,1 Marc Jealous (2) – 2 Brandon Martin (2) – 2 Jack Obst (1) Will Schultz (1) <b>Renmark</b> Steven Kahlon (9) – 3,3,3	David Strongman (8) – 1,3,1,3 Caiden Gartery (6) – 2,3,1 Nicholas Stockman (6) – 3,3 Josh Howard (3) – 3 Liam Jackson (3) – 1,2 Rhett Perry (3) – 3 Jayden Bonner (2) – 2 Alex Haynes (2) – 2 Matt Smith (2) – 1,1 Liam Harrington (1) Ollie Pearce (1) Oscar Taylor (1) <b>Waikerie</b> Mitchell White (10) – 3,2,2,3 Luke Exton (8) – 1,2,2,3 Aaron Thompson (8) – 1,2,1,3,1 Craig Miller (7) – 3,2,2 Harvey Dearman (6) – 3,3 Ben Venning (6) – 2,1,3 Louis Gava (3) – 1,1,1 Stuart Liebich (3) – 3 Ben Smith (3) – 3 Matthew Briggs (2) – 2 Nathan Lloyd (1) Lance Twigden (1) Tasman Wood (1) <b>NEXT WEEK: UNDER 18S</b>
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# RFL duo locked in

**BEN LENNON**

A PAIR of RFL A grade coaches have put pen to paper, indicating they will coach again at their respective clubs in 2024.

Waikerie coach Mick Kilsby and Renmark playing coach Josh Vater will both take on the top job next season, as the two clubs look to feature prominently in the race for the premiership.

For Vater, who has been no stranger to success since taking over from Matt Martinson in 2019, the decision to jump on board with the Rovers was an “easy” one.

“It was (easy) in the sense that I was keen once everything in my mind was ticked off, but at the same time it’s a fair commitment and it’s not a decision I take lightly,” he said.

“It’s the seriousness that I see in the position and the time required to do it well, but it’s not just the time, it’s the mental load as much as anything.

“I still had to go through the process myself as to whether I was keen.

“I have four key criteria that I go through, which is if I’m keen, my family is keen and supports me, if the club wants me to do it and if the players want me there.

“It’s really those four things. If all those are a yes then I’m keen to coach.”

Vater completed a hat-trick of premierships in 2022, but his side fell at the final hurdle against Barmera-Monash in the 2023 decider just under a fortnight ago.

He said that while he “would have coached again” if the Rovers had come out on top that day, the loss has added some extra motivation for both himself and his players.

“In all honesty, you lose a grand final and everyone probably does have a bit more fire

in the belly,” he said.

“It’s fresh still, but it’s unearthed a bit more motivation in players in some conversations I’ve had.

“It’s probably more around the fact, and I’m similar, you start to realise that what we’ve had has been so special, but we haven’t had that this year and jeez we want it back.

“We’ll do whatever we can to get that back.”

A similar sense of unfinished business awaits Kilsby in 2024, after his Magpies crashed out of the finals at the first time of asking just under a month ago.

Waikerie began the season like a house on fire, before injuries and a lack of availability from a number of senior players left the side severely undermanned in the middle of the season.

The Magpies scraped into the finals, but ‘Killa’ has greater ambitions than a first-round exit for his second year in the job.

“At the start of the year we flew out of the blocks so that’s a good sign for the future and what we’re capable of,” he said.

“Once the list is healthy I think with those young guys going through, we’ll be in a good position to challenge for it for sure.”

Kilsby was pleased to have received a vote of confidence from the Waikerie board, and is keen to get going again for the second time in black and white.

“I’m pretty excited about what we can do next year,” he said.

“It was absolutely an easy call. I enjoyed it and I really loved the way the league goes about it so it was a pretty easy decision.

“It’s all been good and it’s a pretty professionally run club. You can’t be that successful for that long without being run well.



Mick Kilsby will coach Waikerie’s A grade side again in 2024. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

“It’s a tight unit and I feel pretty lucky to be a part of it.”

Vater shared his adversary’s sentiment, and says he and his family have found a home since joining Renmark as a player in 2018.

The family environment at the club was a key part of his decision to return, as it was for Kilsby at Waikerie.

“I just love footy and everything that goes with it,” Vater said.

“I speak to Pete Morath about this a lot in terms of what footy does for individuals.

“It’s not just the physical competition but it’s the connection with like-minded people, building trust and respect and loyalty with each other, working for a common purpose, having positive community interactions...

“That’s something that I’ve seen amazing growth in since I’ve been at the club.

“Our family has felt so welcomed and supported. Even on a Thursday night I’ve got two young kids and they’re at the playground and they’re watching training.

“They’re kicking the footy with people and there’s so many people around that make it such a good place for a family to be.”



Reigning RFL Coach of the Year Josh Vater will take the reins again next season.

Half of the RFL A grade clubs have now confirmed who will lead them in 2024, with Barmera-Monash premiership coach Fraser Sampson also locked in for next season alongside Kilsby and Vater.

Loxton, Loxton North and Berri are all yet to formally announce a head coach for the upcoming season, but the rumour mill is in full swing following the end of a memorable RFL campaign this year.

# Stunning semi-final shootout

A THRILLING finish saw all eyes fixated on a semi-final soccer contest on Sunday afternoon at Renmark.

After 90 minutes of women’s Top Four Cup action, perennial challengers Barmera and Loxton United were unable to be separated.

Both teams were locked at 3-3, with penalties set to decide who would advance to the 2023 final.

Patty Fournaros-Carney was the hero in between the sticks, as Loxton emerged victorious in the shootout 4-3, securing its spot in the big dance for the first time in almost a decade.

On the other side of the pitch this Sunday at Loxton will be league champions Renmark.

Olympic defended well against Berri, holding the River Rangers scoreless, with goals from Amelia Koumbarakos and Angela Pavloumanolakis enough to secure the win.

The Renmark men’s team enjoyed similar fortunes, putting eight goals past Loxton to advance to the grand final.

Chris Miller was at his best once again, scoring five times, while Alessandro Lippi was also impressive for the home side.

The competition’s top two sides in the regular season will meet in the decider after Barmera comfortably accounted for Berri on Sunday.

Skipper James Wallace was named best as the Pelicans advanced, with doubles to

Anthony Ielasi and Dimitri Kanakaris helping to secure the win.

Berri and Renmark advanced in the under 16s, while Olympic ran rampant in the under 14s, putting 19 goals past Loxton in a ruthless performance.

Bedirhan Altundag netted seven of his own, while Noah Meimetis, Jacob Cartwright and Ivan Atsaves combined for the remaining 12 goals.

Berri continued its stellar under 14 girls form with a win over Renmark, and will take on Barmera in the final, following the Pelicans’ 2-0 win over Loxton.

Meanwhile, as the soccer season begins to reach its crescendo, preparations are beginning for the upcoming Riverland futsal season.

The association will hold its AGM tomorrow night and teams can now be entered via emailing ([futsalriverland@gmail.com](mailto:futsalriverland@gmail.com)), with the season set to commence sometime in October.

## RESULTS TOP FOUR CUP SEMI-FINALS MEN

**Renmark 8 d Loxton 3.**  
Best: Renmark – A. Lippi, C. Miller. Loxton – T. O’Shaughnessy, L. Psarakis.  
Goals: Renmark – C. Miller 5, S. Clark, J. Gadaleta, S. Kritikos. Loxton – L. Psarakis 2, S. DiCocco.  
**Barmera 6 d Berri 2.**  
Best: Barmera – J. Wallace, A. Ielasi. Berri – M. Eleftheriadis.  
Goals: Barmera – A. Ielasi, D. Kanakaris 2, K. Kenefick, J. Wallace.



Patty Fournaros-Carney starred in goal for Loxton during the side’s penalty shoot-out win. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Berri – J. Sawyer, R. Bray.  
**WOMEN**  
**Renmark 2 d Berri 0.**  
Best: Renmark – K. Whiting, S. Kahlon. Berri – L. Quinn, E. Berlage.  
Goals: Renmark – A. Koumbarakos, A. Pavloumanolakis.  
**Loxton 3 d Barmera 3 (4-3 penalties).**  
Best: Loxton – whole team. Barmera – S. Lee, M. Mitchell.  
Goals: Loxton – M. Greer, M. Lockwood, LM. Perre. Barmera – M. Mitchell 3.  
**UNDER 16**  
**Berri 6 d Loxton 1.**  
Best: Berri – J. Krendl, D. Hronopoulos. Loxton – F. Perre, E. McKee.  
Goals: Berri – J. Krendl 4, D. Hronopoulos 2. Loxton – A. Flavel.  
**Renmark 2 d Barmera 1.**  
Best: Renmark – details not provided. Barmera – M. Muchenberg, Z. Pittas.  
Goals: Renmark – G. Tsolomitis 2. Barmera – J. Tsonis.  
**UNDER 14 GIRLS**  
**Barmera 2 d Loxton 0.**  
Best: Both nominated whole team. Goals: Barmera – S. Hashemi 2.

**Berri 4 d Renmark 1.**  
Best: Berri – G. Kaur, C. Muller. Renmark – S. Searle, S. Pitman.  
Goals: Berri – B. Kimberley 2, E. Isaacs, R. Wishart. Renmark – M. Lock.  
**UNDER 14**  
**Renmark 19 d Loxton 1.**  
Best: Renmark – I. Atsaves, B. Altundag. Loxton – J. Ingerson, A. Flavel.  
Goals: Renmark – B. Altundag 7, N. Meimetis 5, J. Cartwright 4, I. Atsaves 3. Loxton – J. Ingerson.  
**Berri 6 d Barmera 0.**  
Best: Berri – R. Quinn, Z. Hronopoulos. Barmera – J. Sweet, J. Garoufalas.  
Goals: Berri – Z. Hronopoulos 3, A. Kent, K. Krendl, D. Heuzenroeder.  
**UNDER 12**  
**Barmera 2 d Renmark 0.**  
Best: Barmera – A. Akawee, N. Drewett. Renmark – I. Atsaves, L. Clark.  
Goals: Barmera – Y. Kalogerias, J. Lewin.  
**Berri 2 d Loxton 0.**  
Best: Berri – B. Gates, C. Kregar. Loxton – S. Williams, B. Perram.  
Goals: Berri – C. Kregar 2.

## Westies are done and dusted for another SANFL season

FOLLOWING a defeat in the under 16s preliminary final last weekend, the West Adelaide Football Club’s 2023 season is officially over in an on-field capacity.

The junior Bloods bowed out one game short of the season decider, going down to Centrals by 44 points in the penultimate game of the season.

It was a disappointing end to an impressive season for the side, which boasts a number of promising Riverlanders in its ranks.

Lucas White’s five goals in the semi-final against North were a highlight, while Fletcher Dillon impressed across his 18 games, averaging just shy of 18 disposals.

Jesse Thackeray, Jordan White and Darcy Minchella all made their league debuts for the club this season after dominating in the reserves, while Jono Beech brought up his 200th game for the Bloods this year.

Club captain and former Berri player Kaiden Brand missed the entire season with an ongoing concussion problem, while in the women’s side, Renmark



duo Molly Petersen and Georgie Pater continued to impress.

Petersen made her league debut this campaign despite being just 15 years of age at the time, while Pater’s strong form earned her a spot on the Port Adelaide AFLW train-on list.

A plethora of young Riverlanders also made a strong impression in the under 18s this year, including former Renmark player Judd Hansen, who picked up his second consecutive Corey Siemers Memorial Award.

Hansen also placed third in the under 18s medal count, while Waikerie’s Kade Hilton was also a standout contributor, earning the Torrens University MVP Award in round 14 for his four-goal performance.

Jordan Gadaleta, Bailey White and Ayden Hodgson also all featured prominently both back home in the RFL and in red and black.



THE BEAUTIFUL GAME: Photographer Grant Schwartzkopff captured all the excitement of the Riverland Soccer Association's Top Four Cup semi-finals last weekend, which included a thrilling penalty shootout between the Loxton and Barmera women's teams.



PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE**

**ROADS (OPENING AND CLOSING) ACT 1991**

**Road Closing – Portion of Renmark - Wentworth Road – Chaffey**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 10 of the Roads (Opening and Closing) Act 1991, that the Renmark Paringa Council proposes to make a Road Process Order to close and merge with Section 465 Chaffey Irrigation Area the portion of the public road adjoining Section 465 in Chaffey Irrigation Area, more particularly delineated and lettered "C" on Preliminary Plan 22/40. Also, to close and merge with Allotment comprising Pieces Q100 and Q101 in D37498 the portion of the public road adjoining Allotment comprising Pieces Q100 and Q101 in D37498, more particularly delineated and lettered "D" on Preliminary Plan 22/0050.

The Preliminary Plan and Statement of Persons Affected are available for public inspection at the offices of the Renmark Paringa Council at Eighteenth Street, Renmark, and the Adelaide Office of the Surveyor-General during normal working hours. The Preliminary Plan can also be viewed at [www.sa.gov.au/roadsactproposals](http://www.sa.gov.au/roadsactproposals).

 **RIVERLAND FUTSAL**

**Annual General Meeting 2023**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 7pm Berri Hotel**

**Nominations for Executive positions: President | Secretary**

Nominations for the Executive positions to be received by email at [futsalriverland@gmail.com](mailto:futsalriverland@gmail.com) no later than COB Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

For more information contact Dafni 0488 122 106.



**THE RENMARK HOTEL INCORPORATED**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Public Notice is hereby given that the 125th Annual General Meeting of Members of the Renmark Hotel Incorporated will be held, pursuant to Rule 11, of the Constitution of the Renmark Hotel Incorporated, in the Board Room of the Hotel Renmark on ;

**Wednesday 20th September 2023**

**Commencing at 7.00pm**

The 2022/2023 Annual Financial Statements will be available from the Hotel Reception prior to the meeting.

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Chairman  
13th September 2023



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**BONUS QUESTION ANSWER (from last week):** The first team to successfully defend the soccer World Cup was Italy.

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### DIAMOND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



**MASON**, Chris and Ian.

Congratulations on your diamond 60th wedding anniversary, Mum and Dad, Chris and Ian, Oma and Opa.

Married in Adelaide, 18 September 1963, they met while Chris was nursing at Barmera Hospital.

An amazing achievement of a life-long partnership, you are an inspiration to us all.

With much love from your children, Darren, Steve and Elisabeth, daughters-in-law, Margie and Camilla, son-in-law Bob, and grandchildren, Rebekah, Christian, August, Isabel, Willem, Finn and Sophie.

### DEATHS

**ANDERSON**, Kerry Ann.

Passed away peacefully at Bonney Lodge, Barmera on Wednesday 6 September, 2023.

Aged 84 years.

Loved wife of Allan (deceased).

Loving mother of Martin (deceased).

Loved sister of Lauren.

Loving aunt of Simone, Gemma and Blythe.

Loved great-aunt of Edie, Arlo, Tavish, Carter, Luka, Felix and Archie.

Deep in our hearts you will always stay, Loved and remembered every day.

Kerry was privately cremated.



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### DEATHS

**HUME**, Gerry.

Passed away peacefully on 4 September 2023.  
92 years young.

Forever loved by his family and wife, Julie (deceased); sons, Trevor (deceased), Peter, Stephen and daughter, Debbie; daughters-in-law, Kaye, Cath, Vicki and son-in-law, Michael; 11 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

"Forever loved."

Gerry will be privately cremated as per his wishes.

Gerry will have a memorial in Renmark at a later date.

**KAWECKI**, Kas.

Died on 9 September 2023, in the Royal Adelaide Hospital, after a short illness.

Family and friends are invited to his service on Tuesday 19 September, at 10.30am at Riverland Funerals, 32 Hughes Street, Berri.

(Private cremation follows).

He will be missed, but is now in God's care.

**LAWRIE**, Sam Daniel Andrew.

Passed away peacefully in his sleep on 11 August 2023.

Aged 6 years.

Loved son of Tim and Katie.

Brother of Jarred and Daniel.

Our Super Sam, you made us laugh, you made us smile—we will miss you for the longest while.

Forever #lawriesby5xxxx

**REYNOLDS**, Richard.

Passed away peacefully, in his sleep at Hawdon House, Barmera on Sunday 10 September, 2023.

Aged 71 years.

Loved husband of Julie.

Loving father of Ian and Ashley.

Loved Poppy of Kairi and Lockie.

At peace in God's loving care.

### DEATHS

**STANITZKI**, John.

Passed away at Royal Adelaide Hospital on Friday 4 August, 2023.

Aged 84 years.

Son of the late Frank and Martha Stanitzki.

At peace.

### FUNERALS

**LAWRIE**.

Tim, Katie, Jarred and Daniel respectfully invite you to join them for a celebration of Sam's life to be held at the Riverland Funerals Chapel, Berri on Thursday 21 September, 2023. Children welcome.

In lieu of flowers, donations toward a memorial at the Berri Primary School in Sam's memory would be appreciated. Donations can be made at the service.

At the conclusion of the service the cortege will proceed to the Berri Lawn Cemetery.



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**REYNOLDS**.

The relatives and friends of Richard Reynolds are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funeral Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri on Monday 18 September, 2023 at 11am, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.

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



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### FUNERALS

**STANITZKI**.

The relatives and friends of the late Mr John Stanitzki are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Kaesler Cemetery, Bookpurnong Road, Loxton on Friday 22 September, 2023 at 11am.

In lieu of flowers if desired, a donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service in John's memory would be appreciated.

Donations may be made at the service.



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### IN MEMORIAM

**BATTAMS**, Barb.

30/11/1940 – 10/9/2021

It's been two years since you passed away.

We love you and miss you.

Jack, Trudy, Lisa, and grandsons Adam, Ethan and Riley.

### RETURN THANKS

**GLEN**.

David, John and Terry would like to thank family and friends for all their cards, flowers and condolences on the passing of their mum, Dawn Glen.

We would also like to thank the staff at St Catherine's nursing home. Please accept this as our personal thanks.

**HUCKS**, Allan.

Tony, Mick, Gayle, Karen, and families would like to thank everyone for expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and support on the loss of their dearly loved father and pa.

Dad was such a special person. We have treasured memories that will live on in our hearts forever.

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Berri 11am  
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**LOXTON**  
**Sunday 17 September**  
St Peter's 10am  
64 Bookpurnong Terrace  
Phone 8584 5522

**RENMARK | PARINGA**  
**Sunday 17 September**  
Renmark 9am  
Paringa 10.30am HC  
All Welcome  
Pastor Roland Adams  
Phone 0460 300 492

**WAIKERIE**  
**Sunday 17 September**  
Lowbank 8.45am  
Ramco 8.45am  
Waikerie 10am  
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**UNITING CHURCH**  
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**Sunday 17 September**  
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**LOXTON**  
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**RENMARK**  
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Renmark Avenue  
Ian Forsyth  
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**Our Lady of the River Catholic Parish**  
**WEEKS 1, 3 & 5**  
**Saturday**  
Morgan 6pm  
Renmark 6.30pm  
**Sunday**  
Berri 9am  
Loxton 11am  
Waikerie 11am  
Barmera 6pm

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

**One Voice CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**Sunday 17 September**  
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**Sunday 17 September**  
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St Edmund's  
9am - Loxton  
The Resurrection  
9am - Renmark  
St Augustine's  
11am - Waikerie  
St James  
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**Loxton Mardi Gras...** Loxton Mardi Gras Inc are seeking the volunteer services of a Secretary. Mentoring will be provided by our Secretary of many years. We are a small committee who will provide help and support when required. Please email [loxtonmardigras@gmail.com](mailto:loxtonmardigras@gmail.com) if you are able to help our 67th Annual Family Festival take place either as Secretary or a committee member or phone Liz 0418 803 650

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Some of SA's best thoroughbred trainers and jockeys will descend on the Halidon racecourse this Sunday for the 2023 Mindarie-Halidon Cup meeting. PHOTO: Paul Mitchell

# Warm weather, \$157,000 and a unique setting... Off to the races

PAUL MITCHELL

BRILLIANT warm spring weather, \$157,000 in prizemoney, and a course in perfect condition are pointers to an outstanding 2023 Mindarie-Halidon Cup meeting this Sunday.

The club rebounded from a challenging period in spectacular style last year, with a sell-out crowd and overwhelmingly successful day providing an emphatic endorsement of its place on the racing calendar – and in the hearts of the local Mallee community.

“It’s become a bucket-list item,” said Krystina Durdin, Mindarie-Halidon Racing Club secretary.

“It’s been going for over 100 years and this year we’re looking forward to another good crowd, and that same community support for the band of club volunteers who stage the meeting each year.”

To be run over its traditional 1800m distance, the Swan Reach Hotel 2023 Mindarie-Halidon Cup is worth a healthy \$40,000 and is set to attract another strong field of SA middle-distance gallopers.

Each race on the strong sup-

port card is worth just under \$20,000 and the meeting has attracted many of the state’s top metropolitan jockeys and trainers.

“Industry participants love the meeting, because our track and course are just so good,” Ms Durdin said.

“They get quality racing, quality entertainment and catering, but it’s in this beautiful country setting.”

Free-to-air TV station Racing.com will again send a team to the meeting, headed by SA racing identity Terry McAuliffe, well-known to Riverlanders via his association with the Nippy’s Loxton Gift.

Club officials recommend pre-booking tickets via Moshtix ([visit Moshtix.com.au](http://visit.Moshtix.com.au) and search for ‘Halidon’) although tickets will be available at the gate on the day.

The meeting features full catering (no BYO alcohol, however patrons can bring chairs and picnic tables, with seating limited), with race one to be programmed for some time after 12 noon.

Halidon racecourse is located around 45 minutes southwest of Loxton, on the road to Karoonda.

# Finals set in motion

THE pointy end of the Renmark Table Tennis Association is well and truly here, with finals action now under way, highlighted by two thrilling semi-finals in week one.

The Shooters flew out of the blocks early to establish a commanding lead over Desperados, winning five of the six doubles matches.

But, Desperados refused to lie down and were able to narrow the gap with a spirited comeback.

However, The Shooters saw off the challenge posed by Desperados to run out two-game victors, booking their spot in the 2023 grand final in

the process.

The side has hit strong form at the right time this year, and will face the winner of this week’s preliminary final between Desperados and Crushers.

The latter kept its season alive with a strong win over The A-Team last time out, with Alda Ward and Chris Georg particularly impressive.

Rylan Coppin flew the flag for The A-Team, but Crushers proved too strong, with the side now just one win away from the 2023 decider.

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Sedan-Cambrai ruckman Christopher Rodriguez-Jamez was named Best on Ground in his side's win. PHOTOS: Ben Lennon



Brown's Well's quarter-time huddle. The Bombers led by five points at the first break.



BSR triumphed over Sedan-Cambrai in the A grade netball grand final. PHOTOS: Facebook



ABOVE: Murrayville took home the B grade netball honours in the side's first year of Riverland competition.

	SEDAN-CAMBRAI				BROWN'S WELL			
<b>MAGPIES</b>	2.2	6.6	11.9	13.13	<b>91</b>			
<b>BOMBERS</b>	3.1	4.3	6.4	8.5	<b>53</b>			
<b>BEST ON GROUND: C. Rodriguez-James (Sedan-Cambrai).</b>								
<b>GOALS:</b> Sedan-Cambrai - D. Harding, J. Le Couteur 3, C. Thompson 2, J. Grace, J. Hood, J. Kain, S. Kain, J. Schulz. Brown's Well - H. Chandler 5, B. Victor 2, M. Fitzgerald.								



Sedan-Cambrai triumphed over Brown's Well in the first ever Murray Valley Football Netball League grand final. PHOTO: Facebook

# Flagpies secure unbeaten season

**BEN LENNON**

THE red-hot favourite triumphed in the inaugural Murray Valley Football Netball League grand final in front of a packed house at Wunkar on Saturday afternoon.

Sedan-Cambrai capped off a memorable campaign by defeating Brown's Well by 38 points, completing the rare feat of making it through an entire season without losing a game.

The undefeated Magpies were relentless throughout 2023, winning half-a-dozen games by over 100 points, but suffered a major setback in the early stages of the 2023 decider.

Within just three minutes of play, Magpie stalwart Russell Loffler was left near-motionless after a mammoth collision with Brown's Well's Sebastian Cocks.

The pair collided on the edge of the centre square, with Cocks leaving the ground and catching Loffler high.

Cocks was subsequently issued a yellow card and sent to the bench, while Loffler eventually made his way off the ground and would take no further part in the contest.

The hush that fell over the ground following the collision was soon replaced by boisterous cheers, as the two sides properly began to crack in.

Jaden Schulz kicked things off for the Magpies, converting a snap from the pocket, before Dillon Harding opened his account with a major to put Sedan-Cambrai two goals to the good.

Brown's Well soon returned serve, as Harrison Chandler began to assert himself on the contest.

The clever forward booted three goals in the back end of the first quarter, turning the game on its head in the early stages and helping Brown's Well to a slender lead at the first break.

Coach Jeremy Miatke was full of praise for his side at quarter time and instructed them to breakeven in the second term.

However, Sedan-Cambrai had other ideas, as 2022 Duthie Medallist Cam Thompson commenced the scoring in the second quarter and the floodgates were beginning to open.

Sedan star and 2023 Duthie Medallist Jacob Grieger was having an influence around the ground with

his clean disposal, while ruckman Christopher Rodriguez-Jamez was proving a handful for Brown's Well veteran Brian Hampel.

The Magpies booted four goals to one in the second term to lead the Bombers by 15 points at the main break.

Brown's Well did everything possible to hang in the contest, but the strength and fitness of the top side was on show for all to see, as the goals continued to come for Sedan.

Highlight-reel goals to Steven and James Kain signified that it was all over for the Bombers, as the Magpies ran out the game well to end the season as undefeated champions.

Rodriguez-Jamez was named best, while Grieger's clean skills were a feature throughout the day.

The former Berri Demon returned to his boyhood club in 2023 and was pleased to help the side secure a flag after finishing second in three of the past four seasons.

"It's great to enjoy those moments and from that background of a small community club and two small towns together," Grieger said.

"Growing up being a part of that, it means a lot to so many people.

"On the weekend you saw people around the team so happy for us, and they grind it just as much as we do and want us to win as much as we do.

"It's pretty special to see that and everyone enjoyed that moment.

"It's probably some reward for effort for all of those lads that have been on that journey.

"They're not easy to win, so it does make it a bit more special after having a few goes at it."

Many touted the Magpies as flag favourites from the get-go this year, with the side setting the tone in round one by dispatching of 2022 premiers BSR by 129 points.

The Magpies went 12-0 in the regular season and boasted a percentage of 82, just shy of 20 greater than the second-placed Bombers.

Grieger believes the key to the side's success this year has been a well-balanced mix across the board.

"The bulk of the group has played a fair bit of footy together now, and everyone knows each other's game pretty well and just complements each other," he said.

"Even throughout the year I've felt it has been hard to select the

six best players, when it feels like everyone's doing their role out on the field.

"It's always an old cliché about playing your role, but I think especially in a competition like this, it's not about your best six players, it's more about your bottom six.

"I think over the years that's where we've been in front of other teams."

Following the match, the players rushed to the bench to congratulate the worse-for-wear Loffler, who had returned from the changerooms to watch his side triumph.

"He's just a fearless leader for us," Grieger said of Loffler.

"It was a massive hit and in terms of the game, he's a massive player for us.

"He would run through a brick wall for anyone and in that contest he didn't blink once, and he'd do it all again. He's such an inspiration for the team."

"He's probably our best backman and against Brown's Well, they've probably had the wood over us with their height in the forward line, so he was a big loss."

Although needing to shuffle the magnet board early to replace Loffler, Grieger said Sedan-Coach Chris Eaton's message remained clear and consistent throughout the contest.

"He was confident in the side we've got and the ability we had," Grieger said.

"We wanted to do the things we've done all season that got us there.

"Doing it for the club is a wonderful thing, but to the lads playing he said to do it for ourselves and to get the job done.

"We had to respect Brown's Well, but it was the belief that we were good enough in our own right."

The victory marks the second premiership for the club since it re-joined what was then known as the Riverland Independents in 2016.

Meanwhile, newcomers Murrayville triumphed in the reserves netball decider against Brown's Well.

A disappointing year on the footy field for BSR was offset by a memorable netball triumph, with the Redbacks knocking off reigning premiers Sedan-Cambrai in the big dance on Saturday.



Tim Jackson (middle) conducted an on-the-couch style interview with Richard Swinstead (left) and Brian Frost.  
PHOTOS: supplied



Barker MP Tony Pasin addressed the crowd at Saturday night's event.

# Golf club's centenary night a hole in one

BARMERA Golf Cub marked its centenary with a gala dinner and official opening of refurbished clubrooms on Saturday night.

Past and present members were on hand to witness Barker MP Tony Pasin pay tribute to the club's leaders for their vision and dedication to improving facilities. The club has received more than \$500,000 in government grants since 1997 to improve a range of facilities including the new clubrooms, the tennis courts and most recently the on-course paths.

Club stalwarts Meredith Williams, Brian Finn and Paul Keane were inducted as life members by club general manager Trevor Hansen and president Neville McPherson.

McPherson paid tribute to the commitment of a long list of dedicated club members who volunteer selflessly to make the club successful. The achievement of the three new life members was significant, given that the club had only inducted 13 life members in 100 years. McPherson quipped "there are not many of us left around, so it is fitting that the contributions of Meredith, Finny and Paul are recognised in this way".

Last year Golf SA named Barmera the state's Club of the Year.

"We pride ourselves on making visitors welcome and creating an atmosphere that brings people back," McPherson, and others, noted during the night.

"No-one can believe how one greenkeeper and volunteers consistently present the course in such wonderful condition. We have been very fortunate to have someone of Dave Hastwell's calibre as our

course superintendent."

Golf SA chairman Rod Phillips also paid tribute to the leaders of the club. Phillips said the sustained excellence under McPherson's leadership and his highly accomplished committee was a key consideration when judges named the club the best in the state last year.

He said that in 1998 the club was \$154,000 in debt but has been able to turn that around financially and to now have a strong balance sheet, and more than 250 members, is a reflection of the quality of people involved. "That sort of effort doesn't help without a lot of support and hard work by the local golfing community," he said.

Mr Pasin said the club's accolades had come "for good reason".

"It's a real tourism drawcard for the Riverland and the president Neville and his committee should be extremely proud of the work undertaken in the past few years to upgrade the club course and facilities," he said.

"100 years is quite an achievement, but to reach 100 years as one of the best golf clubs in the state is exceptional.

"Over \$300,000 has been invested into the club to upgrade the kitchen and bathrooms, not only making the club more attractive for members and tourists alike but it has also seen casual use of the facility increase, ensuring the club remains financially strong.

I'm so pleased to have supported the club in receiving these funding grants because it's helping to enhance the resilience of the Barmera community to manage current and future economic challenges. It's making Barmera an even better place to live, work and

raise a family."

Former club champion Lester Ellis was also among the many to pay tribute.

"I have been lucky enough to be travelling around Australia playing a lot of courses, and I can honestly say Barmera is the most progressive country club in the land," he said.

Former Renmark club champion Chris Teare said the Barmera club had prided itself on striking the right balance between golfing excellences and creating a warm and welcoming social atmosphere. "In my playing days, it wasn't the easiest club to leave after a game," he said.

The club's undisputed greatest player Richard Swinstead joined fellow club legend Brian Frost in a humorous trip down memory lane during the night, citing the 19th hole as the secret to the club's success.

Swinstead was a multiple SA Country champion and a Simpson Cup player for Kooyonga while still playing at Barmera. He recalled a range of people being involved in moving sprinklers every eight hours to water the fairways before the club installed an automatic watering system.

"Us blockies would do the 10pm shift and then two other groups would do 6am and 2pm," he said,

"One 24-hour stint would give the course two inches."

Frost arrived in Barmera in 1969 as a highly rated pennant player from Grange. "I must admit the first time I played at Barmera with no trees, saltbush everywhere and sand scrapes was a culture shock to say the least," he said. "To think what we have achieved since then



Golf SA Chair Rod Phillips (left) presenting Barmera Golf Club president Neville McPherson with a centenary plaque.

is a credit to everyone."

Swinstead and Frost formed a formidable team in those early years at the SA Country championships, winning the foursomes title and leading Barmera to the club title more than once.

"Richard was our star player. He is undoubtedly Barmera's greatest player over all those years. His ability to get out of trouble was one of his amazing traits along with an understated toughness. He'd never give in."

Club historian Leigh Krollig gave a brief insight into his research and a preview of a book he is writing on Barmera Golf's 100-year journey. He noted players in the early days purchased their golf balls from the Barmera

Bakery and the course had no clubhouse, and was only open in the winter after council regraded the fairways and renewed the sand on the greens.

In the early days the course was only nine holes but he noted that the one enduring feature of the course of the past century has been the notorious saltbush that lines most fairways.

When asked about the best way to get the ball out of the infamous bluebush, Frost joked that "picking it out and dropping in the clear while nobody was looking" was by far the most effective.

The night was capped off by a cutting of the centenary cake by club stalwart Joy Mules.

## RIVERLAND GOLF RESULTS

<b>BERRI</b> <b>Wednesday 6 September</b> Stableford: R. Keightley 35, G. Leyson 34, L. Campbell 34, C. Berry 33, P. Mudge 33. <b>Saturday 9 September</b> Stableford: A. Jealous 40, K. Tanner 38, C. Berry 36, R. Sully 35, R. Burn 35, P. Jealous 34, A. Wade 34, C. Smith 33, S. Breakwell 33, R. Knight 33, R. Day 33. <b>Sunday 10 September</b> Stableford: K. Wyman 36, B. Boon 35, P. Efthimiou 34, J. Charlestrom 34, G. Tognon 33.	<b>LOXTON</b> <b>Monday 4 September</b> Stableford: A. VanHaasteren 35. <b>Wednesday 6 September</b> Men: A grade – K. Martin 42, C. Sunderland (Beachport) 38, R. Paige 36, R. Koch 36, H. Kara-Ali 36, M. Lewan (Barmera) 36. B grade – B. Rollbusch 40, T. Williamson 39, D. Peberdy 37, G. White 34. Women: K. Wyman (Berri) 33, S. Pannell 32, C. Arndt 32. <b>Saturday 9 September</b> Men: A grade – S. Patching 39, R. Williams (Leongatha, Vic) 38, M. Maczkowiack 36, R. Paige 35, A. Lodge 35, P. Morris 35. B grade – T. Pannell 38, P. Steele 36, A. Ling 33, J. Wood (Berri) 33. Women: D. Harman 26, J. Patching 26. <b>Sunday 10 September</b> Riverland Golf Association four-somes Men: First – G. Morrison/S. Palat.	Runners-up – T. Shearer/D. Forbes. Nett: First – K. Traeger/S. Koch. Runners-up – D. Marsland/O Walkley. Women: First – S. Pannell/S. Grein. Runners-up – J. Sawade/M. Thomson. Nett: A. Thiel/M. Heuzenroeder.
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Loxton youngster Summer Smith wheels away in celebration after the final whistle blew in Friday night's A1 decider. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



# Tiger time in A1s

**BEN LENNON**

LOXTON fended off a spirited challenge from Renmark to be crowned 2023 Riverland A1 netball champions last Friday night.

Played at The Precinct, in Loxton, the grand final had fans on the edge of their seats from the first centre pass, as the competition's best two sides duked it out for four quarters.

It was a hard-fought two-goal win for Jill Lange's side, with the Tigers leading for the bulk of the contest.

Renmark pushed hard, particularly in the final quarter, but the Tigers held their nerve and were able to consolidate, largely through the expert play of Elise Foulds at centre.

She controlled the mid-court, while teammate Summer Smith made a number of interceptions from goal defence throughout the match to help curtail the influence of the Renmark shooters.

Foulds, crowned the A1 best and fairest under a fortnight ago at the RNA awards, described the win as reward for effort after a stellar 2023 campaign from her side.

"It was definitely pretty cool and a bit of a relief as well," she said.

"We worked so hard this season, so to top it off with a win was very exciting."

The Tigers managed to navigate the home and away season without sustaining a loss, but fell in the second semi-final against Renmark, meaning a win against Loxton North in the preliminary final was a necessity.

The side took care of business against North and was able to flip the result against Renmark, with Foulds looking back on that semi-final defeat as a turning point for her group.

"It was a bit of a loss that we needed," she said.

"If we were going to have it, that's when we wanted to have it."

"The way Renmark played in that game, I think we saw the best of them so we knew what we had to expect."

"But for us, we had more heights that we were able to reach, which we did in that first half on Friday."

"We got up early, maintained the lead and stayed calm, even though it might not have looked like we were calm, we knew we had processes in place to finish off the game."

Sonja Modlinski and Zoe Siviour performed well in defence for Renmark, partially nullifying the impact of star shooter Mackella Hogan.

Throughout the night Hogan remained a reliable target in the goal circle for the Tigers, and Renmark's focus on her left goal-attack Aimee Holmes open regularly.

Holmes provided a valuable link-up option between the mid-court and the circle, and was named best for her efforts on Friday evening.

"Aimee's abilities go a bit under the radar a bit, having such a tall, dominant goalie with her," Foulds noted.

"Sometimes people underestimate her ability and she does herself as well, but she plays the ball around the outside of the circle so well to help us midcourters get the ball into a good spot to help feed to Mackella."

"When she does have the opportunities to take the shot, she has such a beautiful long arc shot and she's very accurate, so she's a very hard goalie to stop."

The Tigers had to win the decider without the usual input of experienced wing-attack Hollie Bullock.

The veteran sustained a knee injury late in the regular season and didn't



Star goal-attack Aimee Holmes picked up the Best on Court Award.

feature in the previous two finals, but temporarily took to the court on Friday night.

Her stay in the game was short-lived, though, as she left the court in the first quarter with further knee troubles.

"She did a couple of trainings so we thought we would see how she went, but it was no good unfortunately," Foulds said of Bullock.

"It was definitely a lot of motivation for us as well, looking over and seeing her (barracking) so hard for us. It got us up and about a bit more to do it for her."

Reeni Blackley and Emma Stockman provided solid options up forward for Renmark, while Ash James, Kierra Schumann and Shenae Rucioch were reliable contributors in the mid-court.

Both sides provided ample pressure and caused a plethora of turnovers, but Lange's Loxton was able to sustain the high level of play for longer periods of the match.

"We were really just trying to cling on (in the last quarter)," Foulds said.

"We had a couple of turnovers, but then they turned it back, so we had to keep digging that little

bit deeper to try and find something."

"In that last minute when we had the ball we just really protected it and made the right decisions."

"Jill had a famous saying of 'just one more' at training."

"She would say 'just one more' and we'd end up doing five or six more, so the message at the start of the game on Friday again was 'this is just one more', and I think it really stuck with us."

The curtain-raiser to the A1 contest also provided plenty of excitement for those packed into The Precinct, with Renmark triumphing over Barmera by two goals, with Tegan Moldovan named best.

Saturday saw the juniors and lower grades take centre stage, with the day capped off by a thrilling 17A contest.

Berri went into the clash as underdogs but threw everything at the undefeated Barmera and even led for periods of the match.

But, the Lakesiders managed to get over the line in a thriller, running out one-goal winners, with Berri's Malina Sapinski-Keightley named best.

## RNA A1 RESULTS

### 2023 Grand final

	LOXTON	V	RENMARK	
LOXTON	13		24	40
RENMARK	9		21	34
Best on Court: Aimee Holmes.				

- A2**  
Renmark 42 d Barmera 40.  
Best on Court: Tegan Moldovan.

**B1**  
Berri 50 d Loxton North 49.  
Best on Court: Kristy Reid.

**B2**  
Barmera 52 d Renmark 43.  
Best on Court: Lara Ambaras.

**C1**  
Renmark White 41 d Renmark Blue 33.  
Best on Court: Tori Le Cornu.

**17A**  
Barmera 47 d Berri 46.  
Best on Court: Milena Sapinski-Keightley.

**17B**  
Renmark White 47 d Barmera 34.  
Best on Court: Summer Tippet.

**15A**  
Barmera 41 d Loxton North 37.  
Best on Court: Meg Kassulke.

**15B**  
Waikerie 40 d Loxton North 32.  
Best on Court: Anila Kafexholli.
- 15C**  
Loxton North 40 d Loxton 19.  
Best on Court: Matilda Wyatt.

**13A**  
Loxton North 43 d Berri 37.  
Best on Court: Layla Hutchinson.

**13B**  
Loxton 47 d Loxton North 30.  
Best on Court: Georgia Aggeletos.

**13C**  
Barmera 29 d Renmark 16.  
Best on Court: Maicey Hughes.

**11A**  
Loxton 48 d Renmark 35.  
Best on Court: Adelin Angeleski.

**11B**  
Loxton 20 d Renmark 11.  
Best on Court: Evie Hondow.

**11C**  
Loxton North 25 d Loxton Black 6.  
Best on Court: Sienna Uren.

**MVFNL A Grade**  
BSR d Sedan-Cambrai.

**B Grade**  
Murrayville d Brown's Well.



Injured Loxton mid-courter Hollie Bullock received her premiership medal from Wendy Gambling following Friday night's game.



The Loxton crowd exploded to life after their team was crowned A1 premiers.



A2 premiers: Renmark - Back: Ann Noack (Coach), Denika Thorpe, Stella Esam, Lauren Gardner, Melody Haynes, Bessa Kafexholli and Lara Telfer. Front: Kyesha Watkins, Tegan Moldovan, Jade Crook, Paityn Martinson and Jessie Mellington. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



B2 premiers: Barmera – Back: Georgia Hauptman, Pamela Tsorotiotis, Danielle Foster, Esther Maleki, Kiralee Jury, Emme Sauerwald and Susan Fox. Front: Jorjina Kasparian, Allysa Brauer, Lara Ambaras and Claudia Shearer. PHOTO: Ben Lennon



15B premiers: Waikerie – Back: Nikki Liebich (coach), Matilda Coombe, Hailey Arnold, Gemma Gay, Taylah Liebich and Jayde Stevens. Front: Ceara Salt, Anila Kafexholli, Kiara Gore, Tessa Pfeiler.



13B premiers: Loxton – Back: Anna Cozens (coach), Claire Kaesler, Georgia Staben, Alexis Williams, Montanah McDougall, Zahli Duthie (assistant coach) and Naomi Ageletos (team manager). Front: Gracie Wagner, Grace Schofield, Millie Cozens, Ruby Lister-White and Georgia Ageletos.



C1 premiers: Renmark White – Back: Hannah Brown, Niamh Graney, Tori Griggs, Tori Le Cornu and Elisha Hinge. Front: Hannah Manning, Emma Cheers, Danielle Fisk and Chelsea Greer.



15C premiers: Loxton North – Back: Tahlia Abell (coach), Amelia Semmler, Abbey Hughes, Scarlett Hall, Abbey Francis and Bailey Charles (assistant coach). Front: Amelia Miller, Matilda Wyatt, Lily Virgo, Sophie Ingerson and Kuljeet Bhatti.



13C premiers: Barmera – Back: Kirsten Kubank, Addison Drewett, Grace Trigg, Laila Kelly, Kaitlin Schmidt, Gemma Edwards and Rachael Symens (coach). Front: Michelle Passmore, Eden Piltz, Emily Golding, Brooke Randall and Maicey Hughes.



17B premiers: Renmark White – Back: Michael Young (coach), Kayla Thiele, Emma Smith, Summer Tippet, Jemma Haines, Alana Young and Wendy Matulic (assistant coach). Front: Maya Neve, Jocelyn Garbutt, Maddison-lee Perry and Sarah Phan. PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson



B1 premiers: Berri – Back: Jacinta Coombe (coach), Molly Murphy, Nicole Pitt, Nicole Philp, Alicia Thackray and Christian Grigg. Front: Zali Pankhurst, Nicola Bryan, Natalie Meuret, Jenna Ingerson and Kristy Reid.



11A premiers: Loxton – Back: Leah Uren (coach), Amberly Bullock, Nellie Edwards, Hollie Edwards, Sienna Uren and Shivarni Blaser (assistant coach). Front: Mollie Thiele, Taylor Ogle, Ilse Vowles, Millah Schwarz-da Silva and Elyse Tootell.



11C premiers: Loxton North – Back: Benita Paull (coach), Scarlett Freeman, Emily Munn, Chloe Lynch, Matilda Vowles, Madison Mangelsdorf, Isla Stone and Ava Lange (coach). Front: Stella Noack, Lara Paull, Molly Schulz, Adelin Angeleski and Holly Paull (coach). PHOTO: Ben Lennon



11B premiers: Loxton – Back: Taya Schlein (assistant coach), Ivy Cozens, Estelle Schofield, Charlotte Andriske, Harper Webb, Nora Schmaal, Elsie Thiele and Carly Thiele (coach). Front: Ashlyn Curtis, Sofia Santini, Evie Hondow and Lacey Rudd. PHOTO: Ben Lennon

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17A premiers: Barmera – Back: Lyn Wutke (coach), Emily Doughty-Casey, Emily Jordan, Jemma Kassulke, Hallie Hodgson and Caitlin Prior (coach). Front: Adele Hoffman, Meg Mitchell, Chelsea Wutke and Amelia Koumbarakos. PHOTO: Ben Lennon



15A premiers: Barmera – Back: Renae Bourton (assistant coach), Ayla Gilgen, Mia Nagy, Layla Moore, Macy Bourton, Poppy Steinert and Jodie Moore (coach). Front: Miley Mitchell, Sophie Sampson, Meg Kassulke and Shaya Whitbourne. PHOTOS: Stephanie Thompson



13A premiers: Loxton North – Back: Sara Lloyd (team manager), Matilda Williams, Sophie Tullett, Lila Thiele-Butterworth, Macey Paull, Anwen Dalzell and Kerri Hutchinson (coach). Front: Tilly Groth, Layla Hutchinson, Mia Lloyd and Adele Simes.

## WOMEN'S EIGHTBALL RESULTS

WAIKERIE Club picked up a massive win in last week's round of Riverland women's eightball.

The side ran out 14-game victors, while Bonnie Pelicans, Roses and Lyrup

Odd Bunch all managed wins. Waikerie Club 15 d Lyrup Club 1. Best: Waikerie Club – J. Mackereth, K. Wilson. Lyrup Club – J. Geue, E. Hoffmann. Bonnie Pelicans 11 d Cue-Ts 5. Best: Bonnie Pelicans – G. Dyer, G. Lally. Cue-Ts – D. Stocker, C.

Jansen. Roses 10 d Unpredictables 6. Best: Roses – N. Cameron, E. Carter. Unpredictables – S. Bini, K. Warnett. Lyrup Odd Bunch 9 d DV8s 7. Best: Lyrup Odd Bunch – C. Knight, K. Thiele. DV8s – T. Stieler, D. Marshall.

# Riverland sport's night of nights

A HIGHLIGHT of the Riverland sporting calendar is again on the horizon, with this year's event set to be "bigger and better than ever".

The 5RM Natural Fractions Berri Hotel Sportsperson of the Year Awards night is a staple of the Riverland sporting landscape, and nominations are now open for the 2023 edition.

The usual plethora of awards are up for grabs again this year, with nominations now being received for the 5RM Natural Fractions Berri Hotel Sportsperson of the Year, the Almondco Steve McFarlane Contribution to Sport, the Almondco John Ormsby Coach of the Year and the Magic 93.1 and Gallard Group Peter Frankcom Junior Sports Star award.

Organisers have now allowed for online nominations to take place, making for a



smoother process for those interested.

"It was well and truly time to get nominations into the digital age to make the process quicker and much simpler," said 5RM and Magic 93.1 general manager Greg Bakker.

"Both the 5RM and Magic websites have the entry form for all the awards. It's just point and click."

Nominations close 11.59pm, Sunday 8 October, 2023, with the awards night to be held just over a month later on Friday 10 November at the Berri Hotel.

## Award receives local boost

**BEN LENNON**

THE 2023 edition of a local sporting event has been aided by the generosity of a Riverland business with a deep connection to the region.

Gallard Group has come on board as a naming rights sponsor at the 5RM Natural Fractions Berri Hotel Sportsperson of the Year night, set to be held in mid-November.

The group will sponsor the Peter Frankcom Junior Sports Star Award this year, and Gallard Group marketing and business development manager Alexandra Gallard said "it was an easy decision".

"Our boys have grown up in the region, and sport and getting outside has been such an important part of their upbringing," she said.

The Gallard family has a long-standing history with the event, with group founder John Gallard a recipient of the night's top award in 1984.

"It was a big year for me," Mr Gallard said.

"I won a few awards in that period of time and unfortunately after that I had an accident that stopped it all.

"We are Riverland people and we like to support the Riverland as it goes on. We love our sports, with both of our sons playing football and rowing, and we're still involved in sports now.

"It's always a good night and it brings great encouragement to the Riverland."

Mr Gallard has fond memories of the man the sponsored award is named after, with Peter Frankcom playing a significant role in his upbringing.

"What Peter Frankcom did for young junior sportspeople... is recognised with the award, but he was more than just that, he was a passionate Riverland person," he said.

"I attribute a lot of our success to being



John Gallard took out the 1984 Sportsperson of the Year Award. PHOTO: supplied

nurtured by someone like Peter Frankcom, and not just as a sportsperson. I can remember when I was young and working, he'd always give you the time of day."

John's son Sam is a former recipient of the Peter Frankcom Award, and is happy the group is involved in the night as he regards it as a major moment in his childhood.

"At the time it was quite a highlight in my rowing career," Sam said.

"It was definitely a pretty exciting time. I was there on the night and I was in the running with my now brother-in-law back then.

"For Dad to win that award in the mid-1980s, then for me to win it as well and get the opportunity to be a part of it in 2023 is quite cool."

## RIVERLAND EIGHTBALL RESULTS

FOLLOWING 19 Riverland eightball rounds, one side sits clear above the rest at the top of the division one table.

Shut up and Shoot has won 16 of a possible 19 matches and drawn once, establishing a seven-point lead over next best side Lyrup Odd Bunch.

That lead was extended last week after Shut up and Shoot took care of Monash Club by two, while Lyrup

Odd Bunch suffered a rare defeat against 10th-placed side Jocar Hill.

Glen Carter leads the way in the individual stakes this campaign for Shut up and Shoot and continued his stellar season last time out against Monash.

### RESULTS

Division one Shut up and Shoot 9 d Monash Club 7; Loxton Allsorts 8 drew with Rock Out with your Chalk Out 8; Loxton RSL BC 9 d Loxton

RSL 7; Lyrup Club Crazy 8s 11 d Mundic Yabbies 5; Jocar Hill 9 d Lyrup Odd Bunch 7; Paringa Pub Bushed 9 d Cobbers 7.

Division two Bonnie Pelicans 9 d Lyrup Club 7; Loxton Black 9 d Grumpy Old Barstards 7; Lyrup Club Lions 12 d Loxton RSL Stingers 4; Bourbon Legends 9 d Titko Radlyanko 7.

Division three Pocket Rockets 14 d Monash Rascals 2; Lyrup Club Blues 10 d Renmark Aces 6; Cobby Roos 10 d Scorpions 6; Cobby Club 12 d Lyrup Lost and Found 4.

# Loxton and Berri top the hockey charts

**BEN LENNON**

A STUNNING upset headlined Saturday’s Riverland Hockey Association grand final day at Glassey Park, with premiers crowned in each of the association’s eight grades.

Waikerie went into the men’s A grade contest undefeated for the season and were deserving favourites against a Loxton side that scraped past Berri in the preliminary final.

But, the Tigers got the jump on the Knights and were resolute in the second half, running out 2-1 victors in a physical contest.

Loxton playing coach Haiden Button said his side was aware of the “under-dog” tag, and that they came prepared to take on the Waikerie juggernaut.

“There had been some pretty big score differences throughout the year so we knew we had to come out with everything going our way,” he said.

“We got one early on in the first quarter and then

scored again in the second. “We tried to lock them down as best we could and in the last quarter they were pushing pretty hard for an equaliser.

“It was pretty intense trying to hold them out, but also trying to push for another goal as well.

“It was good defending on our part for sure and it was a hard, physical game from both sides.”

The Knights comfortably triumphed over Loxton in the semi-final two weeks ago, but Button believes the result helped prepare his side for the grand final.

“They got something like eight goals in the first half of that game and we only got one,” he said.

“At half time I spoke to the boys and tried to work out how we could slow them down and at least take a quarter away.

“We managed to get three goals to one in the second half which was promising, so it was a big loss but we came away thinking we were a chance at taking it to them in the final.”

Caleb Schaefer was named best in the win, while association best and fairest Liam Richardson was also a standout contributor.

Meanwhile in the women’s A grade, an undefeated side capitalised on their home and away form to win a memorable premiership.

Despite falling behind early against the combined Sunraysia and Mildura side, Berri was able to overcome the deficit to run out 4-1 victors.

Coach Dan Shawyer said his side “did all right”, but could have scored more goals if not for some ineffective play in the goal circle and a standout performance from Sunnies keeper Melissa Gardner.

“Considering she conceded four goals, she was probably in the top three players of the match,” Shawyer said.

“She’s a very aggressive keeper that comes at you, and we didn’t use the ball well laterally in our attacking circle.

“Had we done that there probably would’ve been a lot more goals.”

Maddy Spano was best afield and netted two of her side’s four goals.

She played a pivotal role in negating the attacking play of the Victorian opponents, and was also instrumental in launching her side forward.

“Mildura took a serious game-pace into that game which I wasn’t planning around and it sort of changed the dynamic,” Shawyer said.

“But Maddy Spano coming in, she’s just someone you can throw on the pitch and you know she’s just that much better than everyone else.

“She’s got great speed and physical strength and the ability to find space.

“We run her through the spine so when the other team comes back inside they have to try and beat her.

“When she makes that tackle or interception against their best players, you get them exposed with space behind.

“She makes that tackle and runs with serious speed into open spaces and just

distributes to our strikers.”

Shawyer said he wasn’t concerned by the early deficit, and that his side didn’t panic after being “slow starters” throughout the campaign.

The B grade divisions were both won by Waikerie outfits, with the men defeating Berri 5-2 and the women taking down Loxton by a single goal.

Jay Botten put on a masterclass for the combined Loxton and Renmark side in the under 18s, leading the team to a 5-2 win over Waikerie, while Berri triumphed in the women’s under 18s decider by two goals.

Berri took the honours in the under 14s, while the under 12s trophy was shared between Berri Blue and Berri Red after the sides remained locked at 0-0 for the duration of the match.

## RESULTS MEN

### A GRADE

**Loxton 2 d Waikerie 1.**  
Best on Ground: Caleb Schaefer.  
Goals: Loxton – C. Schaefer, C. Morgan. Waikerie – J. Smith.

## B GRADE

**Waikerie 5 d Berri 2.**  
Best on Ground: Andrew Nitschke.  
Goals: Waikerie – R. Edwards 3, C. Willoughby, C. Thiele. Berri – L. Hayer, A. Segui.

### UNDER 18

**Loxton/Renmark 5 d Waikerie 2.**  
Best on Ground: Jay Botten.  
Goals: Loxton/Renmark – J. Botten 4, H. Cooper. Waikerie – K. Schiller, C. Thiele.

## WOMEN

### A GRADE

**Berri 4 d Mildura/Sunraysia 1.**  
Best on Ground: Maddy Spano.  
Goals: Berri – M. Spano 2, A. Herbert, A. Kelly. M/S – B. Wakefield.

### B GRADE

**Waikerie 2 d Loxton 1.**  
Best on Ground: Carlye Waye.  
Goals: Waikerie – V. Schmidt, C. Waye. Loxton – S. Robinson.

### UNDER 18

**Berri 2 d Waikerie 0.**  
Best on Ground: Sarah Kroehn.  
Goals: Berri – A. Kelly, C. Camilleri.

## MIXED

### UNDER 14

**Berri 2 d Renmark 1.**  
Best on Ground: Logan Bowers.  
Goals: Berri – L. Bowers 2. Renmark – D. Everett.

### UNDER 12

**Berri Blue 0 drew with Berri Red 0.**  
Best on Ground: Amalia Bowers and Blake Walkley.

# RIVERLAND HOCKEY PREMIERSHIP PHOTOS



A grade men premiers: Loxton – Back: Cooper Morgan. Middle: Robin Schaefer, Fletcher Hayes, Isaac Schaefer, Liam Richardson, Mathew Wheeler, Sam Carr, James Lange, Jai Mickan, Jay Botten and Karl Hennig (team manager). Front: Haiden Button, Caleb Schaefer, Kobi Villis, Connor Heinrich and Cody Hennig.PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



A grade women premiers: Berri – Back: Hayley Crowhurst, Talitha Gollan, Dan Shawyer (coach), Maddy Spano, Alex Herbert, Immy Santos, Madi Martin, Madi Watkins, Ella Rothe and Alhannah Kennedy. Middle: Krista Schmidt, Dakota O’Callaghan, Amahli Kelly, Ash Hibberd and Kristen Hibberd. Front: Chelsea Smart and Tracy Townsend.

Under 18 men premiers: Loxton/Renmark – Back: Fletcher Hayes, Cooper Morgan, Toby McDonald, Tom Berends, Harrison Keyne, Cody Hennig and Karl Hennig (coach). Middle: Ethan Schubert, Tayte Botten, Harrison Cooper, Jay Botten, Jayden Everett, Archie Pruesker and Darcy Everett. Front: Dallas Fitzpatrick and Isaac Schaefer.



Under 18 women premiers: Berri – Back: Matt O’Callaghan (team manager), Ella Kassebaum, Chelsea Smart, Dakota O’Callaghan, Alex Herbert, Ella Rothe, Annasia Dale, Yvette Kroonand Brooke Kelly (coach). Middle: Charlize Camilleri, Mia Stokes, Amahli Kelly, Layla Vallenga and Paige Day. Front: Alhannah Kennedy.

# RIVERLAND HOCKEY PREMIERSHIP PHOTOS

B grade men premiers:  
Waikerie — Back: Ethan Rayner, Cody Thiele, Brenton Kroehn, Andrew Nitschke, Stephen Lawson, Mathew Wenske, Clayton Elliot (team manager) and Tim Fridd. Middle: Ryan Edwards, Steve Traeger, Kaden Schiller, George Matulick, Chris Willoughby, Nick Gogoll and Cohen Gogoll. Front: Lachlan Ebert.



B grade women premiers: Back: Vicki Schmidt, Madi Merrett, Sarah Schiller, Sophie Demarco, Anna Kroehn, Sophie Kroehn, Amali Nitschke, Miriam Kroehn, Bethany Smith, Penny Kroehn, Rebecca Leske and Carlye Waye. Front: Alana Matulick.



Under 12 tied premiers: Berri Red and Berri Blue.



Under 14 premiers: Berri — Back: Mick Gray (manager), Declan Schmidt, Ryan Hill, Eli Bascombe, Xander Day, Will Stokes, Logan Bowers and Lachlan Stokes (coach). Middle: Peyton Boon, Annasia Dale, Amalhi Kelly, Ella Rothe, Layla Vallelonga and Lachlan Gray. Front: Blake O'Callaghan.

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Riverland A1 netball premiers - Loxton. Back: Megan Frost (assistant coach), Hollie Bullock, Aimee Holmes, Mackella Hogan, Leah Uren, Summer Smith, Carly Thiele (co-coach) and Jill Lange (head coach). Front: Michelle Pannell, Skye Beauchamp, Bailey Hahn, Elise Foulds and Regan Lambert. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

# TIGER TIME

**BEN LENNON**

LOXTON fended off a spirited challenge from Renmark to be crowned 2023 Riverland A1 netball champions last Friday night.

Played at The Precinct, in Loxton, the grand final had fans on the edge of their seats from the first centre pass, as the competition's best two sides duked it out for four quarters.

It was a hard-fought two-goal win for Jill Lange's side, with the Tigers leading for the bulk of the contest.

Renmark pushed hard, particularly in the final quarter, but the Tigers held their nerve and were able to consolidate, largely through the expert play of Elise Foulds at centre.

She controlled the mid-court, while teammate Summer Smith made a number of interceptions from goal defence throughout the match to help curtail the influence of the Renmark shooters.

Foulds, crowned the A1 best and fairest under a fortnight ago at the RNA awards, described the win as reward for effort after a stellar 2023 campaign from her side.

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