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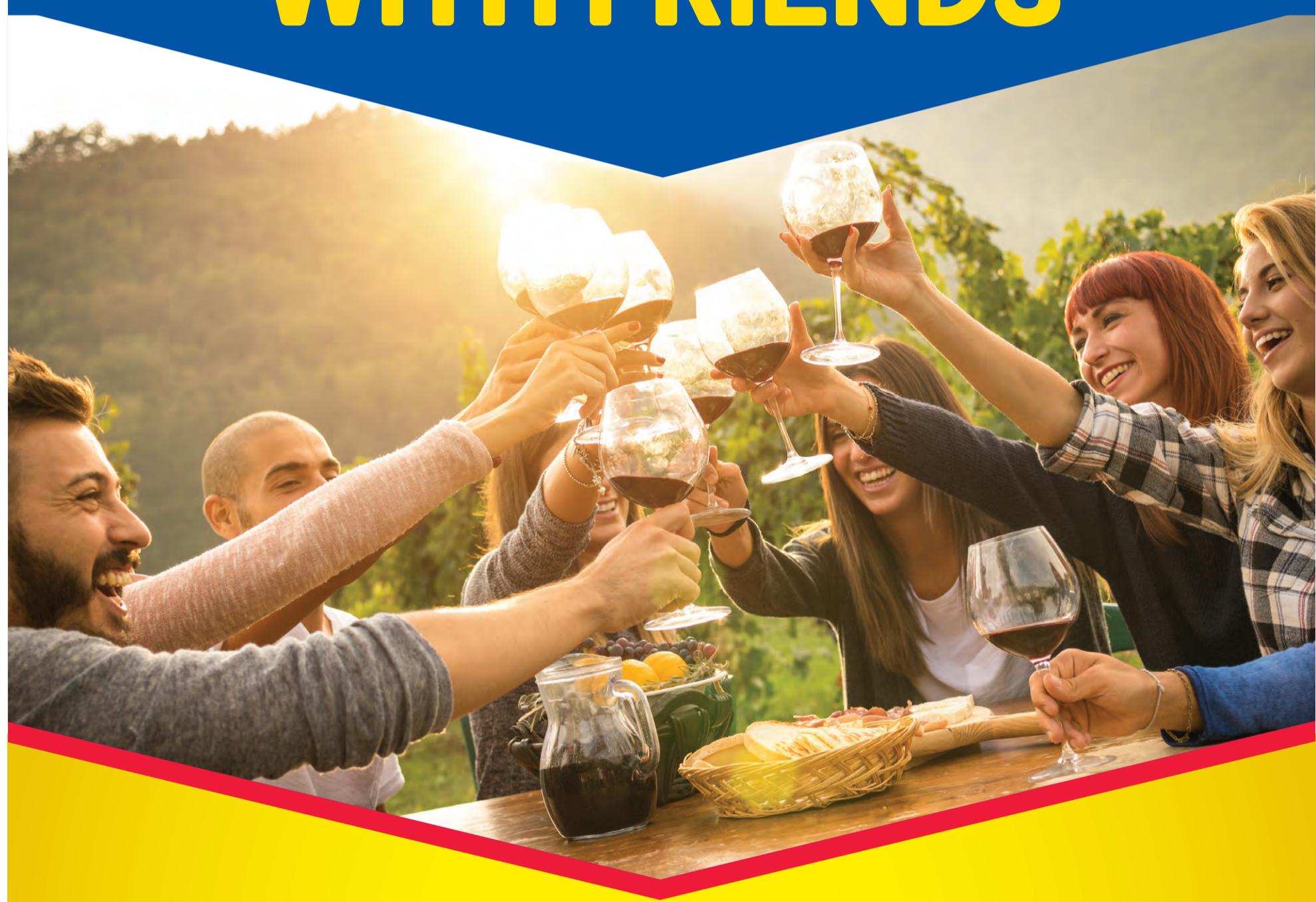
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Storm cash coming for growers?

INCOME supplements could be on the way for local growers impacted by two devastating hailstorms that wreaked havoc on the region over the past three weeks.

Clean-up money for councils and property owners is already approved, however growers – particularly of wine grapes – who watched their crops be destroyed on October 28 and November 6 are now sweating on government financial aid to replace income lost in the storms.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone has today hinted support could on the way.

Meanwhile Riverland small grower Meta Sindos (pictured), who lost 60 per cent of his pumpkin, broad bean and melon crop, says the emotional cost of the storms is just as significant as the economic burden.

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PHOTO: Josh Brine



Wonderland's final Christmas

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Myocarditis claim dismissed by Tim

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Under 15 girls footy in 2022

LOCAL girls who have dreamed of becoming the Riverland’s first AFLW player received a boost this week, with confirmation of an under 15 girls competition next year.

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MP says location makes Riverland more vulnerable to Covid-19

RISK MANAGEMENT

A LOCAL politician has urged Riverlanders to remain vigilant, as the region faces a higher risk of Covid-19 spread than other areas of the state once state borders reopen next Tuesday.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone said locals should “not be complacent”

By
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with Covid-safe practices, after a roadmap of restriction changes was unveiled earlier this week by the

state government.

“My concern with the Riverland is that we are a border community, on a federal highway and are a thoroughfare from the eastern seaboard into or through South Australia, so we need to stay vigilant if we are to keep our commu-

nities as safe as possible,” he said.

“If there are still people giving consideration to vaccination, please get an informed opinion from your GP or your doctor. Don’t listen to anti-vaccination groups.

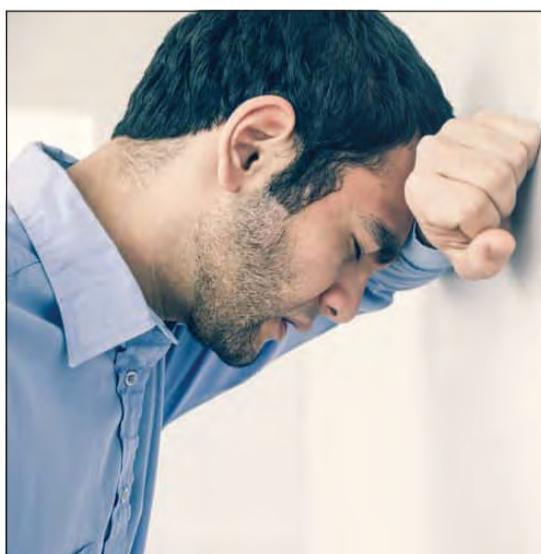
“Listen to professional medical advice and make your decisions based

on the best available information.

“To keep our region in the best situation is first and foremost vaccination, continuing to wear masks, social distancing, regular hand-washing and QR code check-ins.

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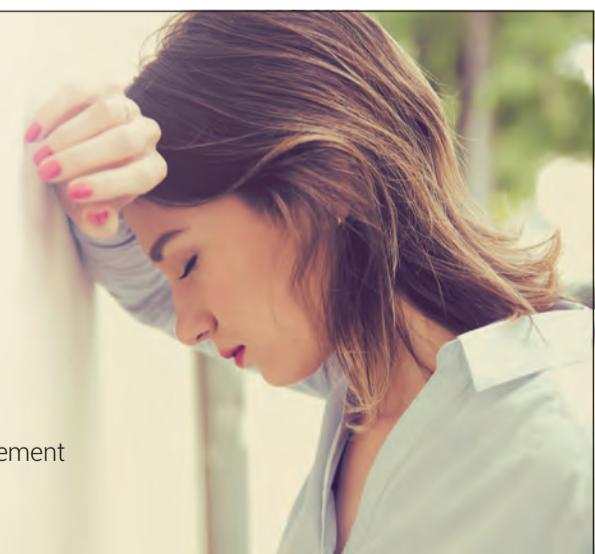
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The seven and one guernsey numbers plastered over Allan Scott Headquarters at Alberton Oval yesterday as SA footy legend and Riverland product Russell Ebert was farewelled. PHOTOS: Jack Hudson

Ebert's fitting farewell

JACK HUDSON

FOR the final time, Russell Ebert drew a significant crowd of thousands to Alberton Oval as South Australians packed the traditional home of the Port Adelaide Football Club to say farewell to a great yesterday.

Riverland product Ebert passed away earlier this month after an 11-month battle with acute myeloid leukemia.

Family, friends and fans packed into Alberton Oval and paid tribute to the four-time Magarey Medallist, three-time premiership player and for-

mer captain and coach of Port Adelaide.

Ebert's Loxton-based older brother Bill opened the tributes with stories from their childhood growing up, reflecting on Thursday afternoon phone calls and stories about getting up to no good.

Ebert's three children, Tammie, Ben and Brett, all remembered their dad and what it was like.

"Russell, Russ, Herb, Ebo, God," Tammie said.

"But to us we had the privilege of calling him our dad."

Growing up in the Ebert household was surrounded by love, sport and Port Adelaide."

The Port Adelaide club chaplain, the reverend Brandon Chaplin, led the attendees in prayer, while Rachael Leahcar sang Amazing Grace.

Former teammates Max James and Peter Woite reflected on stories from their playing days for both the Magpies and South Australia, before a highlights package was played over the big screens.

Port Adelaide chief executive Matthew Richardson and

former premiership captain Tim Ginever read out the final speeches before Ebert made his final trip around Alberton Oval.

Ebert was given a lap of honour and a standing ovation from the crowd, while past and present Port Adelaide players gave a guard of honour along the boundary line.

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The legend from Alawoona



Riverland water gets tapped out

RIVERLAND drinking water has been beaten in a national water tasting competition for the first time since 2017.

The Water Industry Operators Association of Australia (WIOA) hosted the 2021 Best Tasting Tap Water in Australia competi-

tion, with state winners announced yesterday afternoon.

Anstey Hill took out the win for South Australia, beating several towns in the Riverland, including entries from Woolpunda, Morgan, Renmark, Loxton and Swan Reach.

Big bucks to Loxton Waikerie

PROJECTS aimed at "supporting local jobs, businesses and boosting the economy" in a Riverland council have received new funding under an ongoing initiative.

The federal government yesterday announced \$1.65m in funding for the Loxton Waikerie council for projects through phase 3 of

the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program.

A total of \$825,615 has been allocated to complete upgrades to Taplan Road.

"Every single project we support makes a huge difference to our local community," Barker MP Tony Pasin said.

Our Covid risk management

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"Those are the staples we have been using for many months now and we need to continue to keep our community as safe as possible while enduring what I would consider a higher than average threat of Covid-19."

Premier Steven Marshall said from November 23 fully vaccinated South Australians will only need to quarantine for seven days after coming into close contact with a confirmed case, while unvaccinated people will need to quarantine for 14 days.

"Achieving high vaccination rates is a key part of our strong plan to be Covid-ready and South Australia's pandemic control going forward," he said.

"Not only will it reduce time in quarantine, it is the best way for people to protect themselves, their loved ones and the community from this nasty disease."

Updated testing and quarantine requirements will also redefine who is classified as a close and casual contact, with fully vaccinated casual contacts only isolating until they receive their first negative test result.

Mr Whetstone said the release of the roadmap just over a week before borders were set to reopen was due to officials only receiving Doherty Institute modelling late last week.

"SA Health, SAPOL and the Transition Committee have been working around the clock to make sure we get a roadmap released," he said.

"We could always say we need more information sooner, but people now need to focus on what they can do to play a role in South Australia standing the best chance of minimising Covid-19 spread."

"We'll continue to see the rollout of the roadmap and what it means for people, what it means for border communities and... how we best prepare ourselves for that."

Morgan movie money

THE Morgan and Districts Lions Club has received \$2000 from the Mid Murray Council for a movie night in December.

President, Laura Williams, said full details of the event will be released at a later date.

Barmera pageant correction:

A DETAIL in an article in the November 3 edition of the Murray Pioneer was incorrect.

An article headed 'Christmas cheer returns to Barmera' stated the Barmera Christmas Pageant and Fireworks Spectacular would be held on December 12, 2021.

It will in fact be held on Friday, December 10.

RIVERLAND WEATHER

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
RENMARK	27° 8° MOSTLY SUNNY	35° 16° MOSTLY SUNNY	25° 14° MOSTLY SUNNY	25° 15° POSSIBLE SHOWER	21° 12° MOSTLY SUNNY	24° 8° MOSTLY SUNNY
WINDSPEED	9am NE14 3pm N13	9am NNE26 3pm NW38	9am S13 3pm SSE10	9am ESE13 3pm E12	9am SSW22 3pm SW25	9am SSW15 3pm SSW16
LOXTON	26° 7° MOSTLY CLOUDY	33° 15° CLEARING SHOWER	22° 12° POSSIBLE SHOWER	23° 12° SHOWERS INCREASING	24° 12° CLEARING SHOWER	25° 10° MOSTLY CLOUDY
WAIKERIE	26° 7° MOSTLY CLOUDY	33° 15° CLEARING SHOWER	22° 12° POSSIBLE SHOWER	23° 12° SHOWERS INCREASING	24° 12° CLEARING SHOWER	25° 10° MOSTLY CLOUDY
WATER REPORT	TEMPORARY ALLOCATION: \$125 PER MEGLITRE					
LEVELS (METRES)	LOCK 6 19.23	LOCK 5 16.74	LOCK 4 13.21	LOCK 3 9.89	LOCK 2 6.21	LOCK 1 3.27
SALINITY (EC UNITS)	LOCK 6 151	LOCK 5 149	LOCK 4 168	LOCK 3 179	LOCK 2 172	LOCK 1 185
FLOW INTO SA	34622 MEGALITRES PER DAY					
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Tim calls out ‘false’ myocarditis rumours

JOSH BRINE

A RIVERLAND politician has refuted rumours of a cluster of Covid-19 vaccine-related myocarditis cases in the region, calling them “false and misleading”.

In a post on his Facebook page last Wednesday, Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone responded to claims circulating online that a group of Riverland students had experienced inflammation of the heart after receiving Pfizer Covid-19 vaccines, warning against the spread of misinformation.

“Claims of myocarditis in a group of young students in the Riverland are false and misleading,” he said.

“SA Health have confirmed that there are no known cases in the Riverland, and I have personally spoken to all of the relevant leaders in SA Health and the Education Department.

“These claims circulating in the Riverland are simply falsehoods.”

In a statement issued to The Murray Pioneer, an SA Health spokesperson said the department was not aware of a group of myocarditis cases in the Riverland, and that regulators continue to advise that benefits of the vaccine outweigh any risks.

“Getting vaccinated against Covid-19 is the best way to protect your loved ones and the community, and the benefits of the Covid-19 vaccines far outweigh, the potential very rare side effects,” they said.

“Myocarditis is a known, but rare side effect of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines and it is usually mild, with most people getting better within a few days.

“It is very important to note, myocarditis is seen much more commonly and more severely in people who are infected with Covid-19 than people who have been vaccinated against Covid-19.”

Myocarditis and pericarditis – inflammation of the membrane surrounding the heart – are described as “rare” side effects of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) with cases occurring in about one in 100,000 people.

The rate is slightly higher for young men and teenage boys after the second dose of an mRNA vaccine, at four to seven cases per 100,000 people.

A report released earlier this year by the American Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) found the rate of people



Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone says rumours regarding a cluster of Covid-19 vaccine-related myocarditis cases in the Riverland are “misleading” and “falsehoods”.

with Covid-19 developing myocarditis was about 150 cases per 100,000 people.

According to the Mayo Clinic, most myocarditis cases will resolve quickly without long-term complications, though rare severe cases may cause permanent damage to the heart muscle which, if left untreated, can

cause arrhythmia, heart failure, heart attack or stroke.

Anyone can report a suspected side effect directly to the TGA, through a health professional, or by calling the NPS MedicineWise Adverse Medicine Events phone line (1300 134 237).

Lights out on iconic Loxton Xmas display

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

AFTER 37 years, Loxton North man Peter Mangelsdorf will pull the plug on his iconic and much-loved Christmas display following the 2021 festive season.

Mr Mangelsdorf said this year’s Fairweather Avenue display – which spans 250m – would be his last.

“I haven’t been well for the past three months,” he said.

“I’ll be sad to see it go.”

Working bees will be held in coming days to help Mr Mangelsdorf erect the displays, with the main one this Friday from 4pm until 7pm, followed by barbecue tea.

However, Mr Mangelsdorf said talks are under way to house his mammoth Christmas collection elsewhere in Loxton.

“I will remain on the Christmas Lights Committee and be part of my Christmas Wonderland, just not at my place,” he said.

“People have learnt from what I’ve done and copied things. It’s been an encouragement to other people and that’s what I’ve really liked.”

Mr Mangelsdorf said he drew inspiration from the West End Brewery Christmas lights in Adelaide.

“Christmas Wonderland is a complete Christmas story, starting off with Bethlehem



Peter Mangelsdorf has announced this year will be the last year of Christmas Wonderland at his Loxton North home. PHOTO: Loxton News

and going through all aspects of Christmas,” he said.

“It’s a flowing story of everything that happens at Christmas time.”

The final Christmas Wonderland will be available for viewing from 8.30pm to 11pm every day from Saturday, November 27 to Friday, December 31.

Jabs mandated for teachers and childcare workers

ALL Riverland teachers and early childhood educators will need to be vaccinated against Covid-19, the state government announced yesterday.

Under a new direction, anyone who works or volunteers at an SA school, preschool, childcare centre or early learning centre will need to have received at least one dose of a Covid-19 vaccine by December 10, and have made a booking for a second dose.

The direction also applies to building contractors, parent helpers, Education Department employees and contractors, governing council members, OSHC and vacation care providers, bus drivers and family day carers.

Not included in the direction are students, parents who do not work/volunteer at the school, preschool or childcare centre, playgroups or play centres off site, delivery drivers, people responding to urgent maintenance tasks or an emergency situation.

All eligible students aged 12 and up are also “strongly encouraged” to be fully vaccinated.

- JOSH BRINE

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

The people who built Barmera

THE polite way of describing Barmera's status is that the town is evolving.

In part thanks to an ageing demographic, but also due to the general state of retail businesses, its main street will never recapture the bustling vibe it had as recently as the 1990s.

In that regard, it cannot and will not compete with Renmark or even Berri.

But it still has plenty to offer, and its shining jewel, Lake Bonney, will remain a strong point for years to come – provided it is never again blocked off from the main river channel.

But in 2021, it is hard to imagine any young locals – who are growing up in any Riverland town – will ever have the same connection to their home town as several seniors who attended Barmera's centenary dinner on Saturday night.

That's mainly because everything is already established, and sporting and community groups are in fact dropping off, not starting up – as evidenced by the malaise currently facing the RFL Independent football competition, and other community groups struggling with membership and volunteer numbers.

A handful of the folk at the Barmera Hotel on Saturday night played key roles in setting up some of the pillars upon which towns like Barmera are built.

Former Barmera mayor Brian Caddy's astonishing connection to so many of the town's important milestones and achievements was highlighted. His family's pride in seeing him talk about a few of them was obvious.

Mr Caddy lost his wife, Wendy, only weeks ago and while being interviewed by current Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt, reflected that he was standing in the exact spot where his wedding table was 56 years ago.

The event was a veritable who's who of Barmera's living history.

From Robert Drogemuller speaking about his memories of the town and entertaining the gathering in his trademark no-fuss manner, to Barmera Primary School icon Glenys Frost's typically bright contribution – which could have gone on for much longer.

Typically understated John Beech, who has lived his entire life in Barmera and together with wife, Betty, brought up a large family in the town, had a short stint on the mic. Mr Beech in fact led the fight to have Lake Bonney reconnected to the River Murray in the 2000s and on the weekend one of his children stated that he "bleeds for Barmera".

Julie Krollig spoke passionately about a centenary window display, while others also like Glenys Matthews and Mary Ridley added their parts to what was a worthwhile evening.

Pasin's conviction on mandates

FOR the second time in three weeks, Barker MP Tony Pasin has expressed his concerns over vaccine mandates, this time via a letter to the editor in today's Murray Pioneer, and sent elsewhere across his electorate.

We will all be asked to vote at three elections next year: federal, state and local.

At a time when pro-vaccine stances are not only fashionable, but pretty much wall-to-wall, anything even approaching straying from that line is bold.

As Mr Pasin stresses again today, he is pro-vaccine, but given the black and white nature of current debate, being against vaccine mandates is often conflated with being an anti-vaxxer.

Convictions are malleable in modern politics, as Mr Pasin's boss showed last week when backflipping on his previous election stance by suddenly endorsing electric vehicles.

Other politicians might also oppose vaccine mandates, but with an eye to the upcoming polls, are likely to keep their opinions to themselves. Kudos then to Mr Pasin for speaking up, unprompted, simply because he believes it is the right thing to do.

THE YEARS GO BY



Opening day, Loxton Swimming Pool, 2pm, February 16, 1963: D. Ridley (left), Hal Mason, Lorraine Pope, of Kingston-On-Murray, Harry Tickle, Allen Hosking and Roy Glatz at the Loxton Swimming Pool's opening day on February 16, 1963. Twelve days later, Lorraine (later Mrs Malcolm Kroeger), sponsored by the Loxton Swimming Club, was crowned Loxton Mardi Gras sixth queen. In the late 1950s, Loxton's Amateur Swimming Club was formed, with locals the reverend F. Willoughby the inaugural president, and Dr Malcolm Samuel the first patron. The 22-member pool committee had constructed a "river pool" in the Murray with a pontoon (wood-decking) for diving but the 1956 flood had prevented its use. When Harry Tickle became club president he envisaged an "inland swimming pool" in Loxton. Funds came from many directions, including Loxton's Mardi Gras. The first event (1958) raised \$2400, the second (1959) \$4000, and to February 1978, Mardi Gras had raised \$16,548. Another source was the "buy a tile for the pool" scheme. Land for the pool was purchased from the Lands Department in December 1959. The Murray Pioneer reported: "The culmination of a magnificent community effort saw the official opening on Saturday of the Loxton Olympic Swimming Pool, which at this stage represents a (\$60,000+) project." PHOTO: LHV

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

Time to fix this 'dangerous' building

I REFER to temporary repairs carried out to make the old bakery in Waikerie safe.

As of Friday, November 5, 2021, I have written to Loxton Waikerie council asking for a review under Section 270 of the Local Government Act regarding the council's decision that this burnt-out building is safe.

I quote from correspondence received from the council dated October 12, 2021:

"I confirm my advice that the repairs to the building located at 18-22 McCoy Street, Waikerie, whilst not a permanent fix, have made the building safe from danger to the public and adjoining properties."

I consider the above statement is inaccurate by omission and therefore misleading.

The most dangerous section of this site is the roof, something the Loxton Waikerie council refuses to identify or confirm. Is this therefore avoiding its responsibility?

I also believe council's inaction is not only negligent, but also a serious breach of the Code of Conduct, in that:

- The sheets of iron are loose, buckled, deteriorated, split and collapsed, due to burnt-out purlins.

- A section of the roof that has been covered by a tarp – which has holes – has also collapsed.

- The extended vent on the roof is no longer secure as it has lifted from the loose and buckled sheets of iron that have collapsed.

- The wires holding this vent are broken apart from one.

This dangerous site has been a death trap for three years and continues to be dangerous to this present day. It should be investigated by the appropriate authorities.

The photographs that I have taken on June 27, 2021 will confirm the dangers and immediate threat exposed to the public.

I have suggested that Loxton Waikerie council view the

carnage on the Sturt Highway caused by signage and sheets of iron that became flying missiles due to hazardous weather conditions – during the recent storm – and not by sub-standard, temporary repairs.

I have also stated in my latest correspondence that Loxton Waikerie council and the owners of this dangerous site should consider this disastrous weather event as a reprieve.

ROSlIE REISS
Waikerie

Consequences of forced vaccinations

AS the vaccine rollout gathers pace and we look to opening Australia's international and domestic borders, more and more emphasis is being put on the requirement to be vaccinated in order to participate in society.

In this regard, I am becoming increasingly concerned by the approach being taken by state governments to effectively mandate vaccinations. I expressed my concerns with this approach last month in the federal parliament.

While I am fully vaccinated against Covid-19, I made this choice freely. I was not coerced or made to take the vaccination against my will. I am grateful to live in a country that values freedoms.

Vaccine mandates, indirect or otherwise, threaten this principle.

Individuals must be free to choose and as individuals, they are responsible for the consequences of those choices.

Living with Covid-19 should not involve the need to flash our vaccination status around to get about our daily lives. Outside of an aged care setting you should not need a vaccination to get a job, sit in a café or watch your favourite sporting team.

To be clear, I am a pro-vaxxer. I encourage all Australians to roll-up their sleeves and get vaccinated, but importantly, I want a post-Covid society that does not impinge on our freedoms and a community that remains inclusive, regardless of an individual's

vaccination status.

As a society we need to stop and think about the consequences of, effectively, forcing vaccinations on the unwilling and what this means for our fundamental freedoms.

TONY PASIN
Member for Barker

I'm with Pasin on vaxx mandates

READING the November 3 edition of The Murray Pioneer, you can see the contrast of the right and the left of the Liberal Party.

Barker MP Tony Pasin is from the right, like me, and believes in the constitution, freedom of speech and freedom of choice.

Tony has said clearly the individual has the right of choice whether they want to be vaccinated or not.

If you are scared of Covid-19, get vaccinated. If not, then don't.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone says the same thing, but says if you do not get vaccinated business will not allow you to enter.

Is he trying to coerce businesses into rejecting unvaccinated people?

Tony is right and Tim is wrong.

Tim is pushing for compulsory vaccination from a different angle, which is what the left does because of what I consider to be their communist beliefs.

Most people who don't want to be vaccinated are not anti-vaxxers, but would rather wait to see what happens – and there are lots of them starting to appear.

People who don't want to get vaccinated have equal rights to doctors and hospitals if they need them and world-class doctors are saying quite healthy people will recover without vaccinations.

Which brings me to the real point: money.

A friend of mine had been told by his friend in Adelaide, who works in the medical scene, to buy as many shares as you can in anything to do with Covid-19 as you will make a killing.

Why is the SA Premier and the SA Police Commissioner pushing for mandates?

What I would like to see and support is people marching against compulsory vaccinations.

For the past 18 months unvaccinated nurses have been working with Covid-19 patients and haven't passed it on or spread Covid-19.

The panicked prophecies of doom and fear mongering is coming from our woke leaders.

I would like to hear from a police man or police woman who doesn't want to get vaccinated, as there is no evidence they spread Covid-19 either. If they are stood down, they remain an officer of the law.

If nurses, general public and police officers want to march on parliament house, I am more than willing to join you.

As with Mr Pasin, I hate left-wing looneys and communists.

On Remembrance Day last week we honoured the 60,000 soldiers who lost their lives to give us our freedom.

That respect must be upheld and not taken away by woke tossers in parliament.

RALF NOBILE
Berri

Pasin's each-way bet on mandate?

TONY Pasin can't seem to make up his mind – how can you trust a man who is so confused?

In one statement he says:

"I do not endorse mandatory vaccinations, and I do not support mandating vaccines by stealth. Individuals should be free to choose (and) as individuals, they are responsible for the consequences of those choices."

But then he says:

"I agree with compulsory vaccinations for those working with our most vulnerable, such as aged-care workers and those working in quarantine facilities..."

What the?

He is pro-choice only if and when.

Has Mr Pasin forgotten that force or coercion or threats are not acceptable?

Has he forgotten that this drug – which is a vaccine – is very experimental and has

caused multiple health issues, as well as deaths?

No one should be forced to be a lab rat in an experiment that is not FDA approved. It should always be an individual choice.

No one should be threatened with loss of income if they choose to wait until the experiment is over or until the FDA approve it.

People of Australia, while you are complying to this tyranny in 2021, you pave the way for allowing the government to experiment on all of us for the rest of our lives, our children's lives and our grandchildren's lives?

Stop complying, folks.

If the jab works, why do I need to be jabbed?

If the jab doesn't work, why do I need to be jabbed?

It's really that simple.

ZARA BELLA
Loxton

School's fantastic fashion parade

I WAS so fortunate to attend the Riverland Special School fashion parade at the Berri Town Hall on November 4.

We are lucky to have a great school like this for our kids in the Riverland.

Many thanks to the school principal, staff and volunteers for that extra effort to put this show on.

Good on Vinnies and Millers for supplying the outfits, but especially the kids whose beaming smiles and obvious delight was so humbling and a pleasure to be part of. Thank you.

TONY ELLIS
Renmark

Facts on council's Dinghy Club support

I WOULD like to acknowledge and congratulate the Riverland Dinghy Club on a fantastic event held on Renmark's river front on November 5, 2021.

It has come to my attention

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Why is there always talk of moving the Visitor Information Centre in Berri? It is in the perfect place next to the river and cafe. I often see tourists taking photos of the big cod on the side of the building and our beautiful river front. Why not make it even better and add a fountain or some other things for visitors to enjoy? Leave it where it is.

BJ
Cobdogla

A big thank you to the caring staff at Waikerie Foodland. An elderly friend was denied entry to Woolies as she couldn't remember her mobile number and refused to give her email. She went to Foodland and became faint. Staff found her a chair and gathered the items on her list. David helped her to her car and drove her home. He then gave her Foodland's number in case she needed help in the future. How lucky are we to have people like this in our town.

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Waikerie

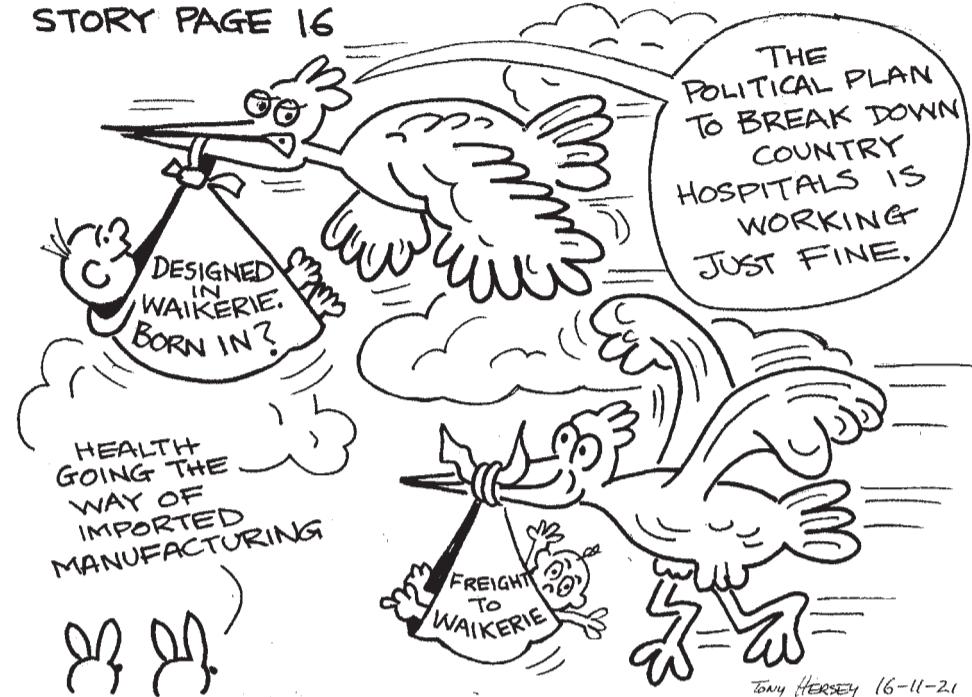
Zara Bella (Letters to the editor, 10/11/21), you won't be kicked out of venues for not being

You've gotta be joking!

Cartoon comment by Tony Hersey

DEATH KNELL CHIMES FOR WAIKERIE BIRTHING

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TONY HERSEY 16-11-21

that some members of the community were dissatisfied and sought to blame Remark Paringa Council for its lack of support to the Riverland Dinghy Club's Dash 4 Cash event.

The event expected to attract over 1000 people and as such a Covid-19 management plan was required by SA Health.

The Riverland Dinghy Club required additional resources on top of what council provided, so it charged a nominal fee to patrons to cover costs.

Council staff worked with the Dinghy Club in preparation for the event to provide financial and in-kind support to ensure that the event could occur – and that it was an exciting and safe event for spectators.

The community may not be aware of the financial and in-kind support Renmark Paringa Council has provided to the Riverland Dinghy Club:

□ 2017/18 - \$5000 to upgrade the Riverland Dinghy Club radio system.

□ 2018/19 - \$3000 for club shed upgrade with an air conditioner.

□ 2020/21 - \$4000 fencing for new shed storage area.

□ 2021/22 - \$5000 cash plus in-kind support for the Dash 4 Cash event

Council is very proud of the Riverland Dinghy Club and will continue to support it in the future.

NEIL MARTINSON
Mayor
Renmark Paringa Council

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Under-insured bushfire victims

I'VE been thinking about those unfortunate people who lost their homes in NSW bushfires and who are still living in very

temporary accommodation two years later.

Our insurance company increases the replacement values and premiums every year.

But after the experience of people who lost their homes and discovered that they were underinsured, it must make others wonder about their insurance cover for which they are paying thousands of dollars in premiums a year.

And for those who were unable to afford insurance it's even harder.

Would it be too much for governments to negotiate with builders of transportable homes to aid some of these people? They could be delivered complete and possibly use the previous undergrounds.

Or could governments establish housing co-op societies with standard loans again?

JEANETTE STAEBHR

TEXT LINE

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RAY
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Lyrup

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GM
Barmera

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K. DATSON
Waikerie

vaccinated. You will be denied entry in the same way a venue can enforce a dress code, age restriction and the like. Contact your lunatic fringe lawyers and get an option on that.

PETER
Loxton

Well said, Zara Bella. I never thought I'd see the day where Australia would be what it has become today.

BB
Barmera

The best part of reading the pioneer is the "Opinion" section. Someone has a problem with the Truro toilets. You gotta laugh.

RED T
Renmark

I thoroughly enjoyed Jakob Gamertsfelder's very accurate – and humorous – description of the Truro toilets ('World's worst toilets on our doorstep', 10/11/21). I also think they're disgusting. They are the only toilets that after using them, I don't wash my hands, because I feel like I'll pick up more germs – not less – by doing that.

SUE
Renmark

Good toilets to avoid if you're driving to Adelaide.

PETER
Loxton

Has Jakob ever been to the toilets at Blanchetown? They are bad. The new Truro toilets are excellent now and will be better once landscaping finishes.

PETER
Loxton

There is a difference between opinion, and corporate-funded propaganda ('Free speech in The Murray Pioneer, 10/11/21'). The cries of "free speech" are a cheap defence for such propaganda, and only serve to fuel the misinformation that is spread by these campaigns.

LILY
Renmark

I guess most people would have had to deal with Centrelink at some time. Anyway, my wife needed bank statements from Bendigo Bank (free), BankSA (free) and People's Choice (\$10 per statement). Guess who our choice of investment excludes now.

GARY
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Looking back...

10 years ago November 18, 2011

\$1.9 MILLION BOOST FOR ALMONDCO - PAGE 5

The Murray Pioneer

Class of '11 dismissed

Mid-year immediately after scrapping up the year for another year, students at Almondco High School were offered to receive a collection of books.

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IT'S OVER: Glasson High School Year 12 students Formula Stevens (left), Natalie Rousell, Rudy Stegeman, Taylor Schramm (back) Megan Dabppos and Jessie Ordman (right) celebrate after completing their final exams. The final exams for 2011 were held in March.

Real estate surge

By VANESSA BLICK

According to November's Financial Times, the real estate market in all of South Australia's major cities is on the up, with the APRA's latest figures showing the market in Renmark is the most active.

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"Snippets"

by Loxton Garden Club

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

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

Companion planting is the careful placement of plants (especially vegetables and herbs) which have been shown to have beneficial effects on one another. ... Some plants make good companions because their roots grow to different depths, so simply do not compete with each other for water and nutrients.

Sometimes, this comes down to simple physical reasons – taller plants provide shelter from sun and wind for plants that need protection. Climbing plants can be trained up over taller plants to maximise production in small spaces. Some plants make good companions because their roots grow to different depths, so simply do not compete with each other for water and nutrients.

Plants in the legume family (eg. Peas and beans) promote growth in nearby plants with their nitrogen fixing ability – nodules on the roots enable plants to convert atmospheric nitrogen into a form used by plants. Also they tend to be deep rooted, which promotes aeration of the soil, thus benefiting their neighbours.

The shape of some plants and their flowers can visually confuse insect pests. Other plants, especially herbs, contain strong smelling substances released by their leaves. These scents can swamp odours emitted by other plants and confuse insects seeking out a target.

Still other plants emit chemicals from their roots which can act as growth stimulants for other plants, or can act negatively to retard germination of seeds.

- **Basil** helps repel flies and mosquitoes.
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- **Chives** grown beneath apple trees will help to prevent apple scab; beneath roses will keep away aphids and blackspot.
- **Garlic** helps keep aphids away from roses.
- **Mint** repels cabbage white moth. Dried and placed with clothes will repel clothes moth.
- **Rosemary** repels carrot fly.
- **Sage** protects cabbages from cabbage white moth.

Quote of the month

"It's amazing how many worries are lost while gardening"

**HUGH SCHUITEMAKER
and JOSH BRINE**

RIVERLAND councils and property owners will have access to financial support to recover from storm damage – and a local MP expects further resources will soon be directed towards impacted local growers.

It was announced last week financial assistance for those affected by recent hailstorms in the region would be provided through the Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone expected further support – specifically for impacted horticultural growers – to be announced in the coming days.

"We are looking to tailor the level of government support," Mr Whetstone said.

"I met with (Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development) David Basham...

and they have put a support package to the Commonwealth.

"We have to know what the storm has meant to our economy, what infrastructure has been damaged, and what it's meant to individual people who have been impacted by the storm.

"I'm envisioning further support will be announced either later this week, or early next week, so we can make sure we're covering our bases."

Mr Whetstone said the two hailstorms were believed to have caused more than \$100m in damage to the region.

"It's important everyone register with their commodity groups, or with PIRSA, because the support agencies can't help if they don't know your current situation," he said.

"It's important we have a clear picture of how the region has been impacted. We know the region has suffered over \$100m in losses, and that needs

to be recognised.

"Those businesses that have been storm-affected should be able to access a level of support. They need to deal with the financial burden, but we also need a level of financial support for mental health."

Barker MP Tony Pasin said clean-up and repair works to be conducted by Riverland councils would also be supported.

"This disaster assistance will provide a range of practical measures, including debris removal from properties and access to personal and financial counselling, to help... locals get back on their feet as soon as possible," Mr Pasin said.

"There have also been significant volumes of debris from the storm that have left many locals in an incredibly difficult position. Barossa, Murraylands and Riverland councils will also be supported with the costs of their clean-up and the restoration of

public infrastructure, including roads."

Mr Basham said it was crucial for Riverland growers to report damage suffered from the storms.

"We are working closely with industry and the Federal Government to understand the extent of the damage and provide support for South Australians impacted by the recent storms," Mr Basham said.

"We anticipate we will know more about those shortly but in the meantime, I encourage those impacted to call the hotline on 1800 931 314 so we can get detailed damage assessments done as quickly as possible."

Further information regarding the financial support measures can be found by visiting the website (www.disasterassist.gov.au), or by calling the Financial Counselling Helpline on 1800 007 007.

Growers pick up the pieces after storms

JOSH BRINE

RIVERLAND small growers are counting the emotional and financial costs of recent storms that devastated local crops.

Barmera grower Meta Sindos said he lost 60 per cent of his crop, which included pumpkins, broad beans and melons, when hail "pulverised" his property on Saturday, November 6.

"It was like snow out there – the whole block was white," he said.

"I've never seen anything like it.

"What's survived now will come back, but the smaller stuff was more vulnerable."

Mr Sindos said while growers would bear a financial loss, the emotional cost of the storms was also significant.

"It is sad, and trying to get motivated to go back out there is the worst part about it," he said.

"I went out on the block the next day and thought I'd take a bit of a break and not go out there for a while.

"It was pretty devastating, especially for grape growers who can't get a crop until next year.

"It is depressing in a way, having every-



A view of the hailstorm that hit parts of the Riverland on Saturday, November 6, from Barmera grower Meta Sindos' property, where an estimated 60 per cent of his crop was destroyed.

PHOTO: supplied

thing happening at once."

Mr Sindos said although financial support from government was appreciated, some small growers believed the process of applying for compensation was too difficult.

"People think there are that many hurdles

to jump through once you get to the end it's not worth it," he said.

"It's hard because they can't bail out every business, but everyone around here is pretty resilient. You just get on with it because you can't do much about it."

It is sad, and trying to get motivated to go back out there is the worst part...

- Meta Sindos

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Record-setting Run ‘for Russell’

By
**JOSH
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AN annual ‘floating fundraiser’ raised a record figure of more than \$700,000 for South Australians living with disability as it travelled through the Riverland last week.

The 15th Mighty River Run wrapped up in Berri on Friday, ending a six-day journey along the Murray River from Mannum.

Travelling aboard a near-record number of boats, entrants raised \$719,000 for Novita – a figure that is expected to rise as final receipts come in.

Event ambassador and co-founder John Riddell said participants had shown “great spirit” despite poor weather throughout the run.

“The people who go on this just adapt and they know what they’re doing it for – I can’t talk highly enough of them,” he said.

“When me, Russell Ebert and Jason ‘Snowy’ Carter came up with the idea we thought we would do four.

“The first one raised about \$120,000, so to have raised \$700,000 is remarkable.”

Mr Riddell said he believed the level of fundraising was a tribute to his “great mate” Ebert, who died earlier this month.

“I sent him a message, and I know that he got it before he

passed, saying ‘Russell, I think they’re doing it for you,’ he said.

“You’ve got to think why did this one end up at \$700,000? It’s got to be something to do with Russell.

“They all love him, so I think they just gave and gave.

“The result is phenomenal... you’d have to put this down as our biggest success so far.”

The fundraiser included the traditional Novita Client Day lunch held at The Precinct in Loxton on Thursday, with River Run participants dressing up for the occasion.

Local Novita client Bryce Westbrook said the lunch, which included a range of games and activities, was “really fun”.

“I enjoy everyone’s company from the River Run and they are fun to do stuff with,” he said.

“It’s amazing all the costumes and the boats and all the fundraising they do.

“Some people have different abilities, but we don’t worry about it and we all just have fun.”

This year’s event follows the opening of a new Berri service hub for Novita in June, and the launch of a new transition-to-work program.

Novita Berri staff member Heather Robertson said several clients had already joined the program, which began in October.

“They’re learning social skills and getting out and about and also



Local Novita client Bryce Westbrook (second from right) with Mighty River Run participants Tim Watts, dressed as Captain America, Andrew Tully, dressed as Deadpool, and Steven Johnson, dressed as the Hulk, at the Novita Client Day lunch in Loxton last Thursday. PHOTO: Josh Brine

learning practical working knowledge in the industries around the local region,” she said.

“Bryce has been working in a local pet shop because he wanted

to work with animals.

“Another participant is going to the Berri kindy because she wanted to work with children, so they’ve kindly supported us as well.

“With the money raised by things like the Mighty River Run, Novita is bringing more services up to the Riverland which is just incredible.”



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Loxton Waikerie council will consider removing all the jacaranda trees surrounding the East Terrace rotunda when it meets this Friday. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Bye bye jacarandas?

A LOCAL council will consider the removal of long-standing main street trees at this Friday's meeting.

The Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee recommended Loxton Waikerie Council consider removing all 13 jacaranda trees surrounding the East Terrace rotunda.

Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee chairperson David Kimber said the ill health of the trees was the premise for the recommendation and caused "considerable discussion".

"There was a lot of debate," he said.

"We thought after discussion (that) the best thing was to remove them all, plant quite

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STEPHANIE THOMPSON

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expensive mature trees and finish off the main street."

The recommendation to council is that the jacaranda trees be replaced with established Chinese elm trees, using surplus street tree funding to the value of \$20,000.

Loxton's main street currently consists of plane trees, Chinese pistachios, jacarandas and claret ash trees.

Red Cross coming to Riverland next month

THE Red Cross Lifeblood is calling on locals to roll up their sleeves and donate blood, with the organisation's mobile donor centre set to visit the Riverland next month.

A pop-up clinic will be set up at the Berri Town Hall on Wilson Street on Monday, December 13 from 1.30pm to 6pm, and Tuesday, December 14 from 10.30am to 6.30pm.

The Lifeblood team will then be at the Greek Orthodox Community Hall on Twentyfirst Street in Renmark on Wednesday, December 15 from 11.30am



to 7.30pm and Thursday, December 16 from 7.30am to 12 noon.

Lifeblood said with one in three Riverlanders expected to need blood in their life-

time, it was important for locals to take time to donate.

To pre-book a spot, use the Red Cross Donate Blood app, visit donateblood.com.au, or call 13 14 95

Red Cross Lifeblood will bring its mobile donor centre to the Renmark Greek Orthodox Community Hall in December.

Ultra event in Loxton this weekend

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

COMPLETING a 6.7km loop around town on the hour, every hour – by foot – will be the challenge for 60 people taking part in a unique event coming to Loxton for the first time this weekend.

Loxton will host the Hysterical Carnage Backyard Ultra, which will get under way this Friday at 10am.

Ultra Series SA and former local Shaun Kaesler said the beauty of the event is its unknown finishing time, given it only ends when one competitor remains.

"You don't know whether it's going to go for 24 or 48 hours," he said.

"The current Aussie record is 51 hours."

The route will start near the Loxton Riverfront Holiday Park, go up the side of the hill known as 'Heaven', down Sophie Edington Drive, through a trail, around the Loxton Historical Village and back along the river near Grant Schubert Drive.

Riverlanders Annette Aston, Nadene Gillett and Naomi Miatke will take part in the event alongside competitors from Adelaide, Western Australia and Tasmania.

"This is an affiliated event and part of a world



About 60 competitors will take part in an inaugural event in Loxton this weekend. The Hysterical Carnage Backyard Ultra will see runners or hikers complete a 6.7km loop around town every hour until only one competitor remains.

PHOTO: Marco Noe/Astrid Volkze

series, so people from all over the world will follow this live," Mr Kaesler said.

"We have at least two of the top three runners in the country coming over for it."

Mr Kaesler said the event poses a similar mental and physical challenge.

"Backyard Ultra is open to so many different abilities – you can just be a fast hiker and go a lot further than a fast 5km runner might be able to," she said.

"A 5km runner could be

exhausted in five laps, (so) this whole format is a mental game."

As a former Riverlander, Mr Kaesler said he was looking forward to bringing the event to Loxton and watching it grow each year.

"At every opportunity we can... we try and take as many into the regional areas as possible," he said.

"Loxton has a good piece of my heart there and I wanted to bring something back to the economy."

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The annual Riverland Toy and Tucker Run will be held on Sunday, December 5. Last year, the event attracted about 200 motorcycles. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Toy run weeks away

STEPHANIE THOMPSON

THE roar of 200 motorbikes will be heard throughout the Riverland again in less than a month as riders embark on a special Christmas run.

The Ulysses Club Mallee Branch will hold the Riverland Toy and Tucker Run on Sunday, December 5, collecting toys and donations for the Riverland Christmas Appeal.

Ulysses Club Mallee Branch secretary David Moore said the event is enjoyable for all ages.

"It's a good chance for

people to get out," he said.

Riders have the opportunity to start at either end of the Riverland, departing from Renmark and Waikerie.

All riders will gather at Loxton before stopping at Berri and continuing on to finish at Barmera.

Last year, about 200 motorcycles took part in the event and raised \$4000, in addition to a vanload of toys and non-perishable food.

Riders are expected to arrive at the Barmera Main Street Markets at about 11.30am.

The Ulysses Club Mallee Branch is open to riders aged 40 years or over and the group meet each Sunday morning, with organised rides throughout the year.

For more information, about the branch contact Mr Moore on 0438 839 998.

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- Waikerie: Waikerie Hub
- Renmark: Chaffey Community Centre
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How Cancer Council SA's new integrated cancer building will look upon completion.

Riverland Water's Cancer Council SA donation

THE Riverland Water Project – which delivers drinking water to approximately 150,000 people – has made a \$10,000 donation to Cancer Council SA's new, integrated cancer building.

A once-in-a-generation project for Cancer Council SA, the building will – when completed in August 2022 – combine cancer research, prevention and support alongside 120 rooms of supportive accommodation for regional and remote South Australians impacted by cancer.

The \$10,000 donation will fund the building's ground floor kitchen, which provides meals to guests staying in Adelaide for cancer treatment.

Riverland Water chair, Vincent Tremaine, said the consortium was proud to be able to support "such an important project for regional South Australians impacted by cancer".

"We know that Cancer Council SA provides more than 3000 nights of accommodation to Riverland residents every year which just shows how crucial this service is to those in our community," Mr Tremaine said.

"This visionary new project from Cancer Council SA will ensure that Riverland residents impacted by cancer receive the services and supports they need for generations to come."

Cancer Council SA chief executive Kerry Rowlands said the kitchen was a vital support service for guests during their stay.

"At times during treatment, guests who would normally like to cook their own meals are simply too exhausted to do so," she said.

"The main kitchen allows guests to have a meal prepared for them which they can share with others in a welcoming and supportive environment. Through doing something as simple as sharing a meal together, guests can find support and connection and share experiences with others who know what they're going through."

Located at 202 Greenhill Road, Eastwood, and supported by a \$10 million state government donation, the building will be the state's first integrated cancer centre.

Ms Rowlands thanked Riverland Water for its donation.

For more information on the project visit the website (202greenhill.com.au).

Labor promises a \$2m nature-based tourism boost

A LABOR government would provide grants to small nature-based businesses to boost tourism and experiences in South Australian national parks.

The grants – valued between \$10,000 and \$50,000 – would be offered to businesses looking to expand their current offerings, train staff to engage with people about the natural world, increase marketing reach and invest in transport infrastructure.

The vast majority of SA's tourism operators are small to medium businesses, which would have been hit hard by the travel restrictions during the pandemic.

SA Labor Leader, Peter Malinauskas, said South Australia was "blessed" with world-class nature-based tourism offerings and Labor wanted to see the sector booming once again.

"After a tough couple of years, it's important that we offer a helping hand to SA's small and medium-sized businesses so they can capitalise on the re-opening of borders and the return of interstate and international tourists," Mr Malinauskas said.

"This won't only help support local businesses but support local jobs."

Opposition spokesperson for environment and water, Susan Close, said tourists look for unique experiences in South Australia.

"South Australia has an unrivalled offering when it comes to nature-based tourism," Ms Close said.

"But we want to make sure local businesses can put their best foot forward when it comes to attracting as many visitors as possible to see our natural wonders."

Storage levels

DARTMOUTH DAM

Current storage: 83%
This time last month: 81%
This time in 2020: 61%

HUME DAM

Current storage: 98%
This time last month: 97%
This time in 2020: 78%

LAKE VICTORIA

Current storage: 99%
This time last month: 90%
This time in 2020: 97%

MENINDEE LAKES

Current storage: 111%
This time last month: 114%
This time in 2020: 24%



Flows into SA

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THIS TIME LAST MONTH

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THIS TIME IN 2020

10,100ML per day



Royal Australian College of General Practitioners rural chair Dr Michael Clements with Berri Medical Clinic partner GP Dr George Dalamagas during Dr Clements' visit to the region recently.

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Dr Clements speaking with Dr Dalamagas, Berri Medical Clinic partner GP Dr Kevin Stanton, RMCLHN executive director of clinical innovation Professor Paul Worley, and Waikerie Medical Centre GP Dr Ken Wanguhu.

Riverland leads way in combating GP shortage

JOSH BRINE

THE rural chair of a national college of general practitioners has been "inspired" by the Riverland's efforts to combat doctor shortages and improve local medical training.

Dr Michael Clements, of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, met with GPs and other medical staff in Waikerie and Berri last week to discuss local issues with the health system while preparing a submission for an ongoing Senate inquiry into the provision of rural and remote health services.

Dr Clements said the Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network's (RMCLHN) new Riverland Academy of Clinical Excellence (RACE) initiative was "very exciting and very promising".

"The RMCLHN is launching a new integrated training curriculum where they give very junior doctors long-term placements within rural general practices and they are encouraging the GPs to work with the hospitals in a part-

ner arrangement..." he said

"Where there's been good leadership and good understanding of how to work with the state government and the GPs, we are seeing pockets of inspiration and good news stories, and the Riverland is absolutely a good news story for South Australia.

"I'm quite inspired, to be frank."

Dr Clements said the region was also leading the way when it came to arrangements for GPs working in local hospitals, despite ongoing contract negotiations with SA Health remaining a "hot topic" for Riverland doctors.

"SA Health has a very unusual approach to rural hospital management where each different region can have a different arrangement," he said.

"What that means is some towns are doing really well while others are struggling.

"The Riverland model is excellent and I think they are onto a good thing.

"They are working with GPs,

instead of in competition with them, and I think that's going to do well for the Riverland.

"But SA Health needs to listen and learn from this region and apply those lessons elsewhere, because the contracts really are underpaying GPs compared to what a rural GP would expect when working in a hospital interstate."

Dr Clements said recruitment of the "next wave" of Riverland GPs was an important issue for the local healthcare workers he had spoken to.

"As a general rule, many rural GPs are approaching retirement and we don't have enough influx of medical students and junior doctors choosing general practice as their career," he said.

Dr Clements said general practices were still feeling the impacts of the freezing of indexation on Medicare funding by the federal government in previous years.

"Medicare from the federal government is what usually funds general practice and sometimes we charge gaps

on top of that, but the federal government has been holding funding back with the Medicare freeze," he said.

"Year on year they've been putting less money into general practice and more money into hospitals.

"When there's underfunding it's very hard to recruit.

"The new doctors look at the pay on offer and they look at the lifestyle.

"If the pay and conditions are far below what they could get by staying at the Royal Adelaide Hospital, it's very difficult to compete.

"With less and less people coming out and wanting to fill those rosters and to contribute to those general practices and hospital work, general practices are relying on locums more which ironically is more expensive..."

"I met with a group of very junior doctors who talk of their enjoyment and love of the Riverland region, but we need to keep them inspired and we need to have flexible arrangements that enable that."

Organic award continues Angove's recent run of success

A RIVERLAND winery was recognised as an international exporter via a major win in an industry awards night on Friday.

Family-owned, fifth-generation Angove Family Winemakers is one of only a handful of wineries in major global markets to be certified organic.

With strong growth in sales and recent expanding market opportunities, the winery was awarded Exporter of the Year at the Australian Organic Industry Awards.

Angove joint managing director, Richard Angove, said the family was thrilled to win the award.

"The extra time and effort the team have put into growing the grapes, crafting the wines, packag-

ing and then distributing them to global markets has been truly worthwhile," Mr Angove said.

"Being recognised like this means the industry is acknowledging that what we are doing is beneficial to the organic sector, we know it is beneficial for our vineyards and the environment."

Now in its 15th year of farming and making wine under the organic certification, Angove is certified to Australian, US, Canadian, European Union and Chinese organic standards.

Mr Angove explained that certified organic grape growing and winemaking meant going "over and above" what others in the wine industry are doing.

"As well as crafting

wine made from grapes grown without synthetic chemical intervention, being certified organic also means we adhere to strict organic protocol standards every step of the way and are independently audited each year," he said.

"Most importantly holding organic certification means we are preserving and improving our precious resources for future generations."

The award comes on the back of Angove's other recent award successes, winning Distiller of the Year for St Agnes Distillery at the Tasting Australia Spirit Awards, and the Icons Award for the Medhyk Shiraz at the McLaren Vale Wine Show.



Angove Family Winemakers was once again recognised as a top-quality winery, winning Exporter of the Year at the recent Organic Industry Awards. Pictured is Angove managing director Richard Angove. PHOTO: supplied

Lake works to close campsites

JOSH BRINE

CAMPSITES around Lake Bonney are being progressively closed as the Berri Barmera Council undertakes major upgrades of camping infrastructure around the lake.

Contractors Altitude Earthworks commenced work on the campsites on October 18, with works to continue through to mid-March 2022.

Apex Park, which is being used by contractors to store

equipment, will be off limits to the public for the duration of the works.

Council CEO Karyn Burton said workers would move around the lake undertaking track rationalisation and campsite formation works.

"As far as I know everything is going according to plan," she said.

"That will be great once that all gets done."

While the project was still awaiting Section 21 and 23

approval from the state government as of the last meeting of the Lake Bonney Caring for Country Advisory Group, it was granted permission to begin works by the River Murray and Mallee Aboriginal Corporation (RMMAC).

The upgrades to camping grounds will be accompanied by a new booking management system.

The Lake Bonney Caring for Country Management Plan also covers vegetation, weed and pest

management and cultural heritage conservation.

Last month, council applied for about \$1.3m in federal government funding through the Murray-Darling Healthy Rivers Program for stage two of its management plan.

If successful, the grant would fund a range of actions including more than \$400,000 in trail construction, about \$230,000 in contractor costs and \$190,000 in fencing.



The Waikerie Bowling Club's new dome was officially opened last month.

Watts up? Night summer sport in the Riverland

CONDUCT BECOMING
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LAWN bowls at night is not new – most clubs have conducted social "night owls" competitions during the week for years.

It is a way to attract newcomers to the sport and at the same time boost club coffers.

But last Friday night a fair dinkum round of Riverland pennant bowls was played under the new dome at the Waikerie Bowling Club.

Pennant bowls has long been a Saturday staple, even if the flannels and the natural tifdwarf or tifgreen couch are a thing of the past.

The latter two have been replaced by coloured clothing and slick artificial surfaces; a bit like World Series Cricket but without Kerry Packer.

While conditions were unseasonably cool on Friday night the LED lighting under the dome was exceptional, aimed at the roof, diffused and casting little or no shadow.

This venue will become even more significant when our hot summer days arrive.

If such a traditional sport as bowls can evolve from the days of Sir Francis Drake at Plymouth, Hove, in 1588 to Waikerie in 2021 then it should be a snip for other Riverland summer sports.

And that it is.

Basketball in my time has come from being played under swinging lights strung over outside concrete courts to state-of-the-art, air-conditioned indoor stadiums that have multi-use capability.

Tennis will move next month to play on Friday nights under lights to also escape postponement of rubbers due to excessive heat.

The cut-off is 38C and many summer Saturday afternoons exceed this limit.

It seems only the flannelled fools at the wicket on the village green are lagging, but this too may soon change.

Loxton Oval is now lit to night cricket standards for regional play – illuminated to 200 lux in the outfield and 300 lux at the wicket.

For comparison, lighting in a well-lit office is 300-500 lux – not that I am encouraging anyone to play cricket at work, but you get the picture.

Junior cricket is set to trial mid-week night cricket at Loxton in the near future and with Renmark Oval soon to be lit to the same standard who knows what will follow.

However, with two venues, it would seem to be a natural progression to night matches, or twilight fixtures, or both.

Weekend summer sports in the Riverland have long been threatened by the sweltering summer sun and the siren song of our beautiful stretch of the Murray River, but with so much on offer during the week we can have the best of both worlds.

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



Organisers of the Glossop Comes to Barmera display Heather Shearer (left), and Annie Berriman, both of Glossop, with Marg Staker, of Winkie.

Glossop spirit comes to Barmera

ORGANISERS have hailed a 'Glossop comes to Barmera' display last week as "a tremendous success".

Up to 70 people visited the Barmera Soldiers' Memorial Hall during the three-day display, which ended on Saturday.

The exhibit – timed to coincide with Glossop's centenary – was originally intended to be staged at Glossop Primary School earlier in the year, before

Covid-19 restrictions forced a cancellation, then re-programming.

"We were thrilled with the number of people who visited in the three days it was open..." said spokesperson Annie Berriman.

"And the majority of people spent a lot of time looking at the display and chatting to others, not just in and out with a cursory glance.

"We even had two sets of people come from Adelaide to specifically see this, which blew us away."

The display featured a range of old photographs of Glossop's schools, community events and landmarks, plus information and newspaper clippings covering the town's history.

"We may only be a small committee but we aimed high and achieved more than we

could have imagined," Ms Berriman said.

"Special thanks for this display must go to Marg Staker, as without her dedication this would not have been what it is."

Several of the people involved in display, including Ms Berriman, backed up by attending a Barmera centenary dinner at the Barmera Hotel on Saturday night.



Debbie Lawson, of Glossop, Meredith Green, of Loveday, and Andrew Lawson, of Glossop.



Heather Shearer, of Glossop, and Graham Nitschke, of Barmera.

Barmera's living history on dinner menu

PAUL MITCHELL

KEY figures in Barmera's civic history were among those to attend a one-off centenary dinner last Saturday night.

Held – fittingly – at the Barmera Hotel, the dinner attracted about 80 people, and was hosted in an informal manner by Berri Barmera Mayor, Peter Hunt.

It was the latest in a series of events being staged during 2021 to mark the milestone.

Mr Hunt invited a long list of significant locals up to speak about their involvement with the town, including former Barmera mayors Brian Caddy and Mary Ridley.

Mr Caddy initially mentioned his election contest against fellow well-known locals Rocky Page and Syd Fletcher, his involvement with Donald Campbell's world speed record attempt on Lake Bonney in 1964, and other Barmera memories. Later in the night, flanked by his daughter Monique Gillespie, he talked about his involvement with the local water ski, yachting and Apex clubs, and the Lake Bonney Advisory Committee.

"I wouldn't want to live anywhere else," Mr Caddy said.

Beloved former Barmera Primary School administrator Glenys Frost spoke about her school years, while town servant Robert Drogemuller covered a range of topics, including the Barmera Town Improvement Committee, his time as a Barmera councillor, Guy Fawkes Day and "the Laffer Street kids".

Lifelong Barmera resident John Beech, who was born at Lady Weigall Hospital in 1938, followed Mr Drogemuller and spoke about town identities, and his family's involvement with Barmera.

Barmera Centenary Committee chair-



Members of the Barmera centenary window display organising group, back (from left) Leigh Krollig, Helen Barney, Peggy Germein, Julie Krollig and Graham Matthews. Front: Glenys Matthews with two of the paper mache figures used in the shop-front displays this year. PHOTOS: Paul Mitchell

person Helen Barney was next on the mic, outlining the centenary planning and celebrations through the year. She also paraded a Berri Barmera Sports Shield, restored for the centenary year.

Berri Barmera Council library manager Peter Ison and the council's centenary project officer Christine Webster each made brief speeches, before co-ordinator of the centenary windows display, Julie Krollig, gave a rundown of how the windows project – which has involved previously vacant shop fronts in Barmera – came about and was delivered.

Mrs Krollig said the project involved over 50 adults and up to 350 school children, and that the displays would remain in place until January 2022.

Barmera Primary School stalwart Glenys Matthews was next up, while Ms

Ridley, who was Barmera's final mayor, was the last of the guest speakers.

Ms Ridley spoke about her memories of Loveday World War II prisoners picking fruit on local blocks and of Barmera's annual Easter carnival.

Throughout the evening Mr Hunt shared some of his own memories of Barmera, often touching on his local government experience.

He also thanked representatives from Glossop's centenary celebrations for attending the Barmera event, and acknowledged all those who played a part in organising Barmera's centenary events.

Berri Barmera deputy mayor Ella Winnall, along with fellow elected members Rhonda Centofanti and Meta Sindos were among those to attend the dinner.

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THREE MAYORS: Former Barmera mayors Mary Ridley and Brian Caddy, with current Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt.



Barmera Primary School living treasure Glenys Frost with Judy Lines.



Enjoying the centenary celebrations were Rita Trumper, of Queensland, Liz Buhler and Pam Rapisarda, both of Barmera.



Former Barmera mayor Brian Caddy with his children Monique Gillespie (left), Paula Burns and Scott Caddy.



Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt interviews lifelong Barmera resident John Beech.



Robert Drogemuller had some funny and engaging stories about his life in Barmera.

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Resident's roof rage in Waikerie

A WAIKERIE woman is continuing her campaign to have work carried out on a local building's roof, which she believes is unsafe.

Rosie Reiss claims the currently unused building, located on McCoy Street, is "dangerous", in particular its roof.

Ms Reiss has made multiple submissions to the Loxton Waikerie council about the building, which formerly housed a bakery.

"The most dangerous section of this site is the roof, something the Loxton Waikerie council refuses to identify or confirm," she says in a letter to the editor in today's Murray Pioneer.

Ms Reiss claims sheets of iron



The McCoy Street building that Waikerie woman Rosie Reiss claims is unsafe.

are "loose, buckled, deteriorated, split and collapsed" and says last month's storm that swept through Waikerie, and caused some damage to buildings, should serve as a

warning about the building.

The Murray Pioneer was this week unable to gain comment from the council about the building.

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Blanchetown's last surviving World War II veteran, Clyde Wilson, with Blanchetown RSL Committee's history member, Anthony McLean, on Remembrance Day last week. PHOTO: supplied

Town honours its last WWII veteran

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

BLANCHETOWN's last surviving World War II veteran, Clyde Wilson, was the guest of honour at the local RSL's Remembrance Day service last Thursday.

The Blanchetown RSL Committee's history member, Anthony McLean, came up with the idea of inviting Mr Wilson to the service, which was attended by 30 people.

Mr McLean said the town previously had about 12 World War II veterans and sadly Mr Wilson was the only one still alive.

Among those who attended the Remembrance Day service in Blanchetown were local primary school students and Mr Wilson's son Grant and daughter-in-law, Margaret, of Adelaide.

The 98-year-old's grandchildren and great grandchildren from Clare also attended, as did former Blanchetown business operator, 91-year-old Aileen Herrmann.

Mr McLean presented Mr Wilson with a Department of Veterans Affairs Certificate, which acknowledges his service to the Royal Australian Airforce in World War II.

The returned soldier was born in Swan Reach, and now lives in a nursing home in Adelaide, where his son Grant – who also served in the RAAF – resides with his wife.

Mr McLean said it was important Australia's former World War II veterans who are still alive are honoured and recognised.

"As I presented the certificate to Clive, I spoke to him and said 'We acknowledge, we honour and we thank you for your service,'" he said.

Mr McLean said World War II veterans like Mr Wilson rarely spoke about the trauma they experienced while serving their country in conflict.

"They came home and they came home silently," Mr McLean said.

Mr Wilson enlisted in the RAAF on June 1942, at the age of 18.

He trained in bases and airfields across Australia, in South Australia, Victoria and Queensland and served in the Asia Pacific region.

His first overseas active duty service was with the 5th Airfield Construction Squadron in March 1943 and his second active duty tour was with the 7th Airfield Construction Squadron.

Mr Wilson served in Labuan in Malaysia, Morotai in Indonesia and in Papua New Guinea.

He volunteered to continue his service until January 10, 1946, when he returned to Australia and was discharged on February 19, 1946.

Mr Wilson returned to live and work in the Riverland, where he met his wife Betty who he married in 1951, before they settled in Blanchetown.

Betty died in 2016.

Mr McLean said Mr Wilson has become the Blanchetown RSL's patron.

He said the WWII veteran had unintentionally let his RSL membership lapse, but this will be rectified by the Blanchetown RSL.

"I have filled in a form for Clyde to be a member again and have an RSL membership," he said. "So, I have sent that to the president and we are going to fund that and have that rushed through."

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Renmark woman Sherrie Axon (left), who co-ordinated two displays of handmade poppies for Remembrance Day, St Joseph's School Renmark students, and Renmark RSL sub-branch president Peter Higgs (centre) following last Thursday's ceremony at the Renmark Institute.

PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Remembering the fallen

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

UNFAVOURABLE weather failed to stop Riverlanders from commemorating their past and present military servicemen last week.

More than 100 locals attended Renmark's Remembrance Day service held at the Renmark Institute last Thursday, while other Riverland towns also hosted successful commemorations.

Renmark RSL sub-branch president Peter Higgs said the ceremony was held indoors due to strong winds and cold temperatures.

"There was a last-minute change due to the weather... but otherwise we were happy to be inside," Mr Higgs said.

"We have a lot of elderly people who attend the ceremony, I didn't want them

outside in this weather.

"We made the call early in the morning to do it inside."

Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson said ensuring annual Remembrance Day services could be held was crucial for local communities.

"When we take events away due to Covid-19, it makes it harder to pick them back up afterwards," Mr Martinson said.

"It's important we keep the tradition going, especially for the young kids. We've got a lot of kids coming from the schools and as (RSL member) Ray Hartigan said they will be running the show in the future."

Displays of handmade poppies – co-ordinated by local woman Sherrie Axon – were also set up at

the Cross of Sacrifice and Taylor Riverfront Precinct in Renmark.

Mr Higgs said local youth played an increasingly important role in Renmark's military commemorations, with Renmark Primary School student wellbeing leader Renee Smith giving an address, and students from local schools laying wreaths.

"It was great to hear Renee's observations about how the students worked leading up to Remembrance Day," Mr Higgs said.

"As the years go on, you actually notice the youth attending more and more."

"It's important the younger generation have an understanding and continue to carry on Remembrance Day traditions in the future."



Three new members joined the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board team recently, including Riverlander Ilyth Burton (left) and Alice Woodward. PHOTOS: supplied

Local joins landscape board team

A RIVERLAND local is among three new members to join the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board (MRLB) team recently.

Joining the team are Ilyth Burton, Julie Schofield and Alice Woodward.

Ms Burton, who moved back to the region for the role, has joined the education team and will be based at the MRLB office in Berri.

After volunteering in youth engagement roles, Ms Burton – who studied Environmental Policy and Management at the University of Adelaide – said she felt fortunate to build her career in the region she grew up in.

"I'm enthusiastic about sustainability and working alongside young people in an educational role," Ms Burton said.

Ms Schofield – based in the Murray Bridge office with Ms Woodward – also joined the education team and said she was "lucky to work on a lot of different environmental jobs".

"During this work I realised how important clear communication is in the environmental field," she said.



Also joining the Landscape Board's education team with Ms Burton is Julie Schofield, pictured with a quokka.

"I'm looking forward to combining my two passions of communication of science and conservation/sustainability."

Ms Woodward will work with the citizen science team and said she was looking forward to working with the community in projects across the region.

The education team is supported by the MRLB through landscape levy funding, while the citizen science team is supported by levies and the South Australian Museum citizen science grant.

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Renmark woman, and widow of Vietnam war veteran Trevor Smith, Marianne Smith (left), and Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson, both laid wreaths during the ceremony.

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At Our Lady of the River School, Berri, we are so excited about our 'Bright Start' transition to school program. Mrs Bonnie Singh, a fully qualified teacher, supports our group of soon to be Foundation students, by providing them with many rich learning experiences every week. If you have a child or know of a child that is turning five soon or will be four next year, please let them know about OLOR's BRIGHT START.

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Birth service worries mount

WORRY is growing among doctors in Waikerie that birthing services, which have been suspended for nearly a year, may never return to the town, it has been claimed.

Rural chair of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners, Dr Michael Clements, said belief that an ongoing suspension of birthing services at the Waikerie Health Service, which began in January, would become permanent.

"The GPs are quite concerned that the birthing services have stopped for so long," he said.

"Sadly, what we've seen elsewhere around the country is that the longer a service stays closed the harder it is to reopen."

"It's very worrisome that unless we see some action soon to reinstate the service – and I understand it's

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mainly a workforce issue, particularly midwifery – then actually it may never reopen."

The temporary suspension of birthing services at the health service due to staff shortages was initially expected to run until March, but this was extended indefinitely by the Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) following difficulties with recruiting specialist staff.

In February, RMCLHN CEO Wayne Champion said the low number of births at the service – about 30 per year – could have been impacting the ability to recruit mid-

wifery staff.

In September, Mr Champion said the network was exploring "alternative" birthing models of care.

"The Covid-19 pandemic and unprecedented demand for health-care workers across Australia has provided additional challenges in our ability to recruit appropriately trained staff to support the provision of health services," Mr Champion said.

"A recruitment process is underway to attract the specialised staff that are needed to provide safe birth-ing services at Waikerie Hospital."

The hospital continues to provide antenatal and postnatal care, plus a range of other health services including acute services, emergency services, mental health support, community health services and residential aged care.



RACGP rural chair Dr Michael Clements (centre) met with health care workers in Waikerie during a recent visit to the region. PHOTO: supplied

Meat to please you: Proud Riverland butchers recognised at SA awards

ELYSE ARMANINI

A NUMBER of Riverland butchers were recognised at the recent meat industry state awards held last month, with one named as South Australia's top regional retailer.

Riverland Country Style Meats, Plaza Quality Meats, Berri North Meat Store, Warburton's Butchers and Rollbusch Quality Meats all received awards at the Australian Meat Industry

Council's SA Industry Awards on Saturday, October 30.

Riverland Country Style Meats operator Brett Gebhardt – whose shop won the regional Retailer of the Year award – said he was proud of the achievement.

"I can't believe we actually got the best regional butcher in South Australia," he said.

Riverland Country Style Meats also received gold for its lamb shank pie – for the

second year in a row – plus two bronze awards for a maple-infused smoked leg ham, and cheesy kabana.

"To be honest, the leg ham is a big accolade," Mr Gebhardt said.

"I've only been smoking leg hams for the last 12 months, so to get third best in South Australia is quite a step forward for me."

Mr Gebhardt said he was "quite proud" of all Riverland butchers that received recognition.

"In our region, we've got a whole consortium of great butchers who are really passionate about their jobs," he said.

"It's a step in the right direction for us (butchers) in the Riverland and I am really proud to be part of that."

Berri-based Plaza Quality Meats received silver in its first-ever entry for a beef and pork bratwurst sausage, while Berri North Meat Store received silver for its parsley, onion and pepper

poultry, and mild pepperoni salami entries.

Warburton's Butchers Renmark received silver for its traditional pork sausage and, in the open gourmet category, its pork belly and apple cider sausage.

Rollbusch Quality Meats – based in Waikerie and Barmera – received gold for its rind-on bacon rasher, claiming the title of best bacon in the state, as well as bronze for its Memphis turkey burger.

Rollbusch Quality Meats owner Nigel Rollbusch said he and his team were overjoyed to win against "massive companies" from across the state.

"I was seriously a little bit surprised... we definitely celebrated," Mr Rollbusch said. "It was pretty good for all of the Riverland butchers who made it to state."

"We didn't get to (give a speech), but I would've liked to congratulate all of the other butchers."

Riverland Country Style Meats was named as the regional Retailer of the Year at the latest SA Industry Awards. Pictured with the three awards won on the night is operator Brett Gebhardt.

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Jobs secure in radio acquisition

ALL jobs are secure at Riverland Broadcasters, soon to become part of the giant ARN metro radio network.

Riverland Broadcasters, which includes 5RM and Magic 93.1, is currently owned and operated by national company Grant Broadcasters, but a major acquisition deal – announced just days ago – will see Grants acquired by Australia's number one radio network.

ARN (Australian Radio Network) will acquire 46 of Grant Broadcasters' stations, comprising 38 FM stations and eight AM stations, including all Berri-based Riverland Broadcasters operations.

The \$307m acquisition effectively means an amalgamation of ARN and one of Australia's oldest regional radio companies.

Addressing the question of potential redundancies, ARN said integration planning would be undertaken in the coming weeks and months, but noted that the acquisition of Grants Broadcasters was "not a cost-synergy exercise" and that both businesses were "exceptionally well-run".

"The station brands Grant Broadcasters have created



RADIO SHAKE-UP: Riverland Radio will soon have a new owner, when ARN acquires Grant Broadcasters at the end of the month. INSET: Grant Broadcasters CEO Alison Cameron.

have served their local communities with great commitment for decades, playing a pivotal role in the lives of their audiences, and we look forward to continuing that tradition," said ARN CEO Ciaran Davis.

"(Our) commitment to live and local content is completely unwavering."

ARN said local breakfast shows and "talent in all markets" would be maintained.

Among other local offerings, Magic 93.1 currently airs the Brooke & Bob show each morning, while

Anthony Milich hosts 5RM's breakfast show.

Grant Broadcasters CEO Alison Cameron will join the board of HT&E, parent company of ARN, with Grants Broadcasters stakeholders taking a 20 per cent holding in HT&E.

"There is a strong cultural similarity between the two businesses, with both ARN and Grant committed to expertly creating great local content for the communities we serve," Ms Cameron said.

"Together we'll be a dedicated team of audio professionals, who live and breathe our local audiences.

Will & Woody.

ARN said Grants Broadcasters' networked shows, which are primarily from Nine Radio and Nova Entertainment, would be replaced by shows from ARN's content slate.

No stations will be rebranded in the acquisition, with the transaction set to be finalised by November 30.

Two Riverland Broadcasters employees are among nominees for the upcoming 32nd Australian Commercial Radio Awards (ACRAs).

Brooke Humble – half of



● Magic 93.1 breakfast duo Brooke & Bob and all other locally produced shows will be unaffected by the change of ownership.



● The popular Erin Phillips & Soda (Mark Soderstrom) show airs on Adelaide-based Mix 102.3, which is part of ARN's KIIS network.

the Brooke & Bob combination – has been nominated for Best Newcomer On-Air, while her colleague Chris Mueller has been nominated for Best Achievement in Production.

- PAUL MITCHELL

Tim's warning on river safety

A RIVERLAND MP has urged locals and holiday visitors to the region to ensure all safety measures are followed when using the River Murray.

Royal Life Saving Australia recently released its 2021 National Drowning Report, showing rivers remained the leading location for drownings across the nation.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone described figures in the report as "alarming", with a total of 294 drowning deaths occurring in Australia compared to 248 last year.

"The report demonstrates

the ongoing need to educate all age groups about the importance of water safety," Mr Whetstone said.

"As a community, water safety is at the forefront of safety messages, particularly in the Riverland."

"The River Murray can often be unpredictable, and it is vital that everyone, be it local or visitor, follows the instructions on signage along waterways."

"We are fortunate to be surrounded by the Murray River, and we want to encourage tourists and families to visit, but it's vital we continue to reinforce the

importance of being smart and safe around water."

Mr Whetstone said high water flows – of approximately 30,000ML/day into South Australia during October – increased the dangers associated with river use.

"It's vital we spread the message about water safety and awareness along the Murray River, particularly in this time of high river flows, as we head into summer," he said.

"I urge people to respect the river and to be aware that although it may look inviting on the surface, the flow and depth can be deceiving."

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Ian on board with Accolade

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

A LONG-time local winegrape expert's knowledge will continue to benefit the region's growers as part of the Riverland's largest winery.



Riverland, are a huge asset to Accolade Wines.

"Ian's appointment signals our sustained investment in the Riverland and across South Australia.

"He'll play an important role as a member of our broader viticulture team

that helps us deliver our award-winning portfolio of Australian wine brands, such as Hardys and Berri Estates, to the world."

Mr Macrae was the senior viticulturalist for CCW until his role was made redundant by the company in August.

It is understood Mr Macrae's availability to CCW growers is now restricted to matters directly related to Accolade Wines at Berri Estates.

An Accolade Wines spokesperson said Mr Macrae's knowledge of Riverland winegrape growing techniques would be crucial for the local industry.

"We're delighted to have Ian join our viticulture team based in Berri Estates," the spokesperson said.

"His many years of experience, particularly in the

CCW: Tension mounts between co-op and its grape-grower members
'IT'S A SHAMBLES'

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

WORRIED Riverland grape growers are calling on the region's major co-operative to reverse

At least 80 CCW-contracted growers recently wrote to the co-operative's president, Mr Schuitemaker, to express their concerns about the future of the organisation – that CCW members had experienced a lack of communication from the board, and that recent decisions from the board were "unacceptable".

in the dark so much, we can't really put our fingers on it," they said. "It's not sustainable what they're doing..."

Mr Schuitemaker said the CCW membership have wanted Mr Macrae to remain with the group.

- **The Murray Pioneer** from September 22, when news of Ian Macrae's departure from CCW was announced publicly.

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Concept designs of the proposed memorial plinths for musicians and ex-Riverland residents Ruby Hunter and Archie Roach.

Lake Bonney plinths for indigenous pair

A PROPOSAL to build plinths – costing around \$5000 – in Barmera memorialising two prominent indigenous singers and former Riverland residents will go to the Berri Barmera Council after being endorsed by the town's improvement committee.

Two memorials dedicated to the late Ruby Hunter and her widower Archie Roach, who both used to live in Barmera, are proposed to be placed on the Lake Bonney foreshore.

The Ruby Hunter Memorial Committee will also create a fundraising account to "help pay for the memorials and their continued upkeep".

Ms Hunter and Mr Roach's plinths will each feature their totem animals, the pelican and wedge-tailed eagle respectively.

At its November 4 meeting, the Barmera Improvement Committee voted to endorse and recommend the project to council.

In a letter to the committee on behalf of the Ruby Hunter Memorial Committee, local historian Rosemary Gower said Ms Hunter and Mr Roach's advocacy and volunteer work, as well as their musical careers, made them worthy of memorials.

"Over the years, Ruby and Archie became volunteer carers for over 30 young Aboriginal boys who were at risk, providing a roof over their heads, food on the table, and clothes on their backs, all out of their own pockets," she said.

"They gave them a sense of security and a



• Archie Roach

pride in their heritage...

"Ruby's dream was to help young indigenous boys and girls to achieve success in the entertainment industry.

"As a consequence, after her death, her family established the Ruby Hunter Foundation, to raise money to help young talented Aboriginal people reach their full potential and achieve their goal.

"Ruby has been widely acknowledged for her unique talent in the entertainment industry by being presented with many awards, some of which were posthumous, and inducted into numerous halls of fame."

A Ngarrindjeri woman, Ms Hunter was born in Renmark and years later returned to the region, living in Barmera and Monash before moving to Victoria.

Ms Hunter died of a heart attack in 2010, aged 54.

Ruby and Archie became volunteer carers for over 30 young Aboriginal boys who were at risk, providing a roof over their heads, food on the table, and clothes on their backs...

– Local historian Rosemary Gower

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Local teacher's top state honour

ELYSE ARMANINI

THE Riverland officially has the best secondary teacher in South Australia, with the winner announced at the annual education awards recently.

Renmark High School (RHS) teacher, Jodi Long, was named Secondary Teacher of the Year – together with a teacher from Brighton Secondary School – at the 2021 South Australian Public Education Awards on Friday, November 5.

The awards recognise the achievements of teachers, leaders, allied health professionals and corporate staff across the state.

Ms Long has taught secondary students for 18 years, spending the past 13 years at RHS as a visual art and digital media teacher, which she was inspired to become by her high school art teacher.

Her award nomination came from RHS

principal Mat Evans, followed by multiple support statements from Ms Long's colleagues and former students in the lengthy application process.

"We had to provide evidence of what we've done in the past couple of years to really open up learning opportunities for students," Ms Long said.

"A lot of that, for me, was about future pathways and providing students with the skills and knowledge to be industry professionals."

Ms Long said she hoped to use the \$10,000 prize money to expand her skills in the Adobe app suite and graphic design.

"There's an Adobe summit that they run each year and it varies where it is each year," she said. "I would really like to attend because there are some really amazing keynote speakers and workshops they run on the Adobe apps."

"I'd also like to work with a local entre-



Renmark High School teacher, Jodi Long, received the Secondary Teacher of the Year award at the SA Public Education Awards this month. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

preneur, Ebony Forsyth. She runs her own graphic design business and she's recently just started a business course where she works with young students."

Ms Long said her students are "her passion" and what she enjoys most about being a teacher.

"Just seeing them come into the space and

seeing their creativity grow," she said.

"I am so lucky because I normally pick them up in year 8 and see them through to year 12."

"Just watching that growth and seeing them build their passion for what they're doing – that's what I'm most passionate about."

New principal appointed at Riverland Christian school

A RIVERLAND school recently announced its new leadership structure for next year.

Jessica Richards will take on the role of principal at Rivergum Christian College, commencing in January.

Ms Richards said she was excited to join the school community next year, after being an educator for 15 years and a principal for nine years in both government and Christian schools.

"I'm convinced that a learning environment which provides high-quality teaching and learning, as well as one which partners with parents in helping to form a child's identity and character, is a school which provides young people with the very best starting life," Ms Richards said in a video statement posted on YouTube.

"I believe Rivergum Christian College is that school. I look

forward to meeting each of you and getting to know you as we journey together to see your children enter their full God-given potential."

Current acting principal, Christian Grigg, will take on the role as deputy principal.

Rivergum chairperson, Garry Pinnington, congratulated Ms Richards and Miss Grigg on the new appointments.

"Jessica has significant expe-

rience in educational leadership and is a passionate and skilled educator, with a heart for education in regional centres," Mr Pinnington said.

"I honour Christian for the exceptional skill and expertise she brings to teaching and learning, staff development and educational leadership, and thank her for the capable leadership she has exemplified under challenging circumstances."



Jessica Richards will take on the role as principal at Rivergum Christian College, starting January next year. PHOTO: supplied

Year 12 formal celebrations beginning this week

SENIOR students across the Riverland will dress up in fancy frocks and suits to celebrate the end of the year in style, starting this week.

Year 11 and 12s from Rivergum Christian College will celebrate at a formal dinner with parents and staff members at Banrock Station on Friday night.

Starting the year 12 formals, Loxton High School will celebrate at the Loxton Sporting Precinct on Wednesday, November 24.

Renmark High School will follow with its prom at 23rd Street Distillery on Thursday, November 25.

Finishing off the week, Glossop High School will – for the last time – hold its year 12 formal at the school in the gym on Friday, November 26.

Riverland Special School holds its formal on alternate years and will not have an event this year.

- ELYSE ARMANINI



Riverland year 11s and 12 will be ready to celebrate with proms set to begin this week.

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Fire danger dates locked in

RIVERLANDERS have been urged to clear their properties of bushfire risks after the fire danger season began on Monday.

The CFS last month declared the new fire danger season would run from November 15 to April 15, 2022, in the Riverland.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone said ensuring fire risks were removed from homes, vineyards, and orchards, was crucial to protecting the whole community.

"Riverlanders need to prepare their property and make sure they have a bushfire management plan in place," Mr Whetstone said.

"Vacant properties can present a risk if not appropriately maintained, and it is important that we as

a community work with local government to ensure we reduce the risk of fire as much as possible."

"An unprepared property is not only a danger itself but can also present an increased threat for neighbours, and a well-prepared home can be easier for you or firefighters to protect."

"We have all seen the devastation bushfires cause and how quickly they can destroy homes, businesses and life. A bushfire would be devastating in our region, so we need to be vigilant as a community to prevent this from happening."

CFS deputy chief officer Rob Sandford said wet conditions during winter meant no early start was needed to the fire danger season.

"While parts of South

Australia had wetter than average winters, the vegetation around the state will start to cure, bringing fire potential," Mr Sandford said.

"With no need for any district to start early, as in previous years, there should be no surprises for residents in these districts who have been preparing their properties."

Mr Whetstone also encouraged any locals seeking to "make a contribution to our community to consider signing up to be a CFS volunteer".

Further information regarding the South Australian fire danger season can be found by visiting the website (www.cfs.sa.gov.au/bans-and-ratings/fire-danger-season-dates/).



STORM SHOT: Winkie resident Pam Griffin took this photo of the first spring storm that swept over mainly Waikerie and Loxton last month. Pam is also a member of the Riverland Camera Club.



Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone has urged Riverlanders to support local small businesses impacted by recent hailstorms during the upcoming holiday season.

Storms place extra focus on 'shop local' message

THE impacts of devastating storms on the Riverland have made shopping local this Christmas even more important, a local MP says.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone has called on Riverland and Mallee residents to support small business and bolster local jobs by shopping local this Christmas, noting that businesses were "relying on the community's support".

"This year has been particularly difficult with the pandemic, the recent damaging storms and the seasonal commodity prices," he said.

"It is our responsibility to support local business owners, many of whom are our neighbours, by committing to shop, eat, and spend locally when possible, especially during the upcoming festive season."

"We have so many locally-owned businesses with

amazing products, services, food, and experiences to offer and these businesses will only survive if we get behind them."

The region's economy has taken a hit over the past month with two wild storms – featuring damaging hail and winds – all but wiping out some fruit growers' crops.

"Every dollar spent at a local business in the lead-up to Christmas is important for the region's economy," Mr Whetstone said.

"During this festive season, I am encouraging locals to support small business in the region wherever they can and provide an important financial injection into the local economy."

"Small business owners are the heart and soul of our local communities and many in the Riverland and Mallee are owned and managed by

small families and employ local people."

Mr Whetstone said other opportunities exist to order products in the Riverland and Mallee.

"Many businesses in the region are happy to price match and it's always worthwhile asking the owners to order in what it is you're looking for if it's not on the shop floor," he said.

"Whether you're making a start on the Christmas shopping, sending a bottle of wine to a friend or buying a gift voucher, supporting local businesses makes a big difference in our community."

"The positive effects of shopping local are extensive, and the money received by local businesses for their goods or services, for the most part, goes right back into our local community."

Bringing support to Riverland veterans

VETERANS SA will undertake a two-day outreach visit to the Riverland this week.

The visit has been organised in partnership with local councils and organisations to connect veterans and their families in the Riverland with support services.

The Veterans SA team will be joined by representatives from Australian Partners of Defence (APOD), the Legacy Club of South Australia & Broken Hill, Open Arms, the Partners of Veterans' Association, Plympton Veterans' Centre, RSL South Australia and Soldier On, who will be available to local veterans and their families to provide services and support.

The program will also include a Veterans Wellbeing Workshop, with a focus on aged care and planning ahead, presented by RSL Care.

"Our team is excited to connect with

and support veterans and their families in the Riverland, as well as local businesses, organisations and the local community," said Veterans SA director, Catherine Walsh.

"These outreach visits, in partnership with veterans' organisations and the community, help increase awareness about the opportunities, advice and information available to veterans and their families that best suit their needs and circumstances."

"It is also an important opportunity for Veterans SA to hear feedback directly from our community and to explore areas for improvement in the support offered to the veteran community across the state."

The Riverland visit begins in Berri tomorrow and will continue in Loxton on Friday.

To find out more about the Veterans SA Riverland Visit, visit the website (veteranssa.sa.gov.au/regional-support).

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Take a step to stamp out abuse

DEIRDRE GRAHAM

RIVERLAND men are being urged to call out abuse as the region marks White Ribbon Day, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, plus the 16 Days of Activism initiative.

White Ribbon Day will be held this Friday.

Meanwhile the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women is on November 25, which is also the commencement of the 16 Days of Activism that runs until December 10 – also Human Rights Day.

Life Without Barriers Riverland spokesperson Anne Wall said everyone can take a step to stamp out abuse – which she says is on the rise locally.

"There has been a 10 per cent increase in reported cases of domestic violence in the last financial year (across Australia)," Mrs Wall said.

"You would assume from that, given that services have been shut down or working from home, that that real increase is possibly much higher than that."

"Locally, we are certainly hearing from local service providers, through the Riverland Domestic Violence Action Group, that there is an increase in demand for services."

Mrs Wall said it was time for men to step up.

"Men in general can absolutely contribute to some of our campaigns by calling out abuse," she said.

"There is a whole lot of work happening around workplaces and assisting people in the workplace around domestic violence."

"Be aware of colleagues who might be getting a lot more phone calls than usual, their partner might be waiting for them when they finish work."

"You might notice different behaviours. You might – apart from the more physical

We need to teach (students) what respectful relationships look like...

– Life Without Barriers spokesperson Anne Wall

signs such as bruising – see subtle changes in a person's behaviour that might suggest that something is not quite right at home."

Mrs Wall said men who are perpetrators, or fear they may become one, can also make the decision to receive help.

"What we aim to achieve as a domestic violence action group is to encourage men who are concerned about their behaviours or concerned about their relationships to get help from a local service provider such as Relationships Australia," Mrs Wall said.

Life Without Barriers and other service groups are holding a breakfast at the Berri Hotel on Thursday, November 25, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

The event will also showcase the artwork of Glossop High School students who have been involved in the Expect Respect program – a joint initiative run by Zonta, SAPOL, Headspace, Riverland Domestic Violence Action Group, and Life Without Barriers.

"If we are going to prevent the scourge of violence that is happening in the community, we need to start with young people," Mrs Wall said.

"We need to teach them what respectful relationships look like, what is respectful behaviour, and what expectations you should set for yourself and others."

"That was the aim of the program, to give kids some tools and resources around where to get help if they have mental health concerns, if they were concerned about behaviours, or if they had concerns about witnessing inappropriate behaviour or relationships."

"It was about giving them the tools for that, and giving them some tools around resilience – and then they produced some artwork with anti-violence messaging within it."

The pieces are set to be judged by an art therapist, with 12 to be collated into a 2022 calendar.

The art will also be on show at the November 25 breakfast at the Berri Hotel before being transferred to the Berri Town Hall to be displayed until December 1.

"I believe the project we have been doing at the school is a fantastic step in the right direction," Mrs Wall said.

"I have been reading quite recently a quote from Desmond Tutu that says 'we need to stop pulling people out of the river and go upstream and figure out why they are falling in' which is absolutely what we need to do."

"I feel like we are constantly triaging crises, where if we actually looked at early intervention and prevention we will be much better placed to tackle any of these social issues in comparison to what we have done in the past."

"I feel like the Expect Respect program is a really good thing, and we hope that other schools will come on board and we can do it for years to come."

Tickets to the Thursday, November 25 breakfast are \$20 per head.

It starts at 7.30am and proceeds will be split between Zonta's Expect Respect program and the White Ribbon movement.

Bookings can be made at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/white-ribbon-breakfast-riverland-tickets-198672784647>.



Team members at McDonald's Renmark wearing casual clothes to help fundraise for McHappy Day on Saturday, Maddison Sanford (left), Alice Esam, Stella Anderson and Lilly McDonnell. PHOTO: Elyse Armanini

Big Macs for a big cause

ELYSE ARMANINI

TEAM members at a Renmark fast-food restaurant worked to help raise money for a national fundraising event on Saturday.

Renmark McDonald's was among more than 1000 outlets nationally to celebrate the 30th year of McHappy Day and fundraise for Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC).

Customers had options for contributing, including a donation bucket in the restaurant and \$2 from every Big Mac sold on the day going directly to RMHC, plus the option to purchase socks and helping hands since October 20.

Renmark McDonald's licensee, Emma Burgess, said she hoped this year's event would raise more awareness for RMHC.

"This is the biggest fundraising initia-

tive for the charity and it's really important that people understand the reasoning behind McHappy Day and what it does," Mrs Burgess said.

"RMHC helps seriously ill and injured children and their families stay together."

The Ronald McDonald House in South Australia is near the Women's and Children's Hospital in North Adelaide.

"If one of our kids gets sick and it's serious, everything stops and you need to race down to Adelaide," Mrs Burgess said.

"The accommodation, where your next meal is coming from, even the support of other families that are going through something similar, they're the additional things that RMHC offer."

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MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH: At the Loxton Club's recent Melbourne Cup luncheon were Faye Taylor, Glenda Cass and Tricia DeCaux, all of Loxton.

PHOTOS: supplied



At the Loxton Club's Melbourne Cup function were Mark DeCaux, Chris Sheahan, 'Gundy' Schmaal, Tony Rann, Vince Motlik, David Pocock and Peter Kennedy.



LADIES PROBUS: Nita Thom, Beverly Latham-Stephens and Sharyn Schlein at the Ladies Probus Club of Loxton's November meeting. Nita and Sharyn were inducted into membership of the club by president Beverly.
PHOTO: supplied



Enjoying a trip on board Rivergum Cruises earlier this month were Keith and Joyleen Wagenknecht.

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Gwen (back, left), and Julie Webber, with Meredith (front, left), and Mike Arnold.

COMMUNITY DIARY

A guide to what's on in the Riverland and Northern Mallee for community non-profit events.

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WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

The Palms Bingo Club hold a bingo session every Tuesday at the Monash Club. Doors open at 11am and eyes down at 11.30am. Lunch and drinks available from the bar. Please make sure you sign in under the Covid-19 rules.

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Loxton Charity For All Bingo at the Loxton Club will be held for Loxcare. Eyes down at 7pm and your support is appreciated. Supper and raffles available. For more information phone Mandi on 0408846124.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

100-year celebration - St Edmund's Anglican Church at Barmera. Morning service at 9am. History display and

morning tea to follow. Saturday 20th a reunion dinner to be held at Cobdogla Club at 6pm followed by train ride at steam museum, Cobdogla. Covid-19 rules will apply. For more information contact Marg 0417 857 232.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

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LOXTON REUNION: At the Loxton Area School year 7 class of 1953 reunion, to celebrate 80th birthdays, last month were back, (from left) Jim Wright, Jeff Westbrook, John McCann, Richmond Jones, John Petch, Bob Weaver and John Aldman. Front: Deidre Fogden (nee Westbrook), Bev Wade (nee Mayger), Laurel Ziersch (nee Dorward), Gloria Pluckhahn (nee Scadden), Marian Woodberry (nee Heinrich), June Atkins (nee Jones) and Mary Koch (nee Milich).
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Loxton Area School's year 7 class of 1953 recently had a reunion to celebrate their 80th birthdays. Pictured with the cake are Gloria Pluckhahn (nee Scadden), Bob Weaver, Laurel Ziersch (nee Dorward) and Mary Koch (nee Milich).



PLAY ME I'M YOURS: Playing the recently installed Play Me I'm Yours piano on the Berri river front was 91-year-old Sylvia Valetti, who has lived in Berri for most of her life. Her daughter said she was "so happy to sit and tinkle the ivories".
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WHEELCHAIR SPORTS: Rivergum Christian College year 5 student, Seth, making his way around the cone obstacle course during wheelchair sports last month.
PHOTOS: Elyse Armanini



RIVERLINK CAMP: Ranger Owen finding macro invertebrates for students from Barmera Primary School on the boardwalk at Banrock Station during the Riverlink Camp with Kingston-On-Murray Primary School earlier in October. PHOTOS: supplied



Kingston-On-Murray Primary School students Kane and Lillian present their River Fish workshop to Barmera Primary School students on the Riverlink camp.



RIVERLAND SPECIAL SCHOOL: Students from the Riverland Special School participated in the school's biannual fashion parade – with clothes donated by Millers and Salvos – at the Berri Town Hall, on Thursday, November 4. Pictured is Ethan.
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Berri shed's grand opening

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MEMBERS of the Riverland community are invited to attend the official grand opening of a new community building in Berri this month.

Members of the Berri Church of Christ and the Berri Community Men's Shed will officially open the brand-new building, housing the Men's Shed, on Sunday, November 28.

Berri Church of Christ minister, Clinton Wardle, said the two-and-a-half-year project and final building completion was thanks to a combined church and community effort.

"We had fundraisers and

markets, where people were very generous and donated good amounts," Mr Wardle said.

The church received \$22,000 in funding from the federal government for the building project, as well as \$55,000 from "close friends" in Tasmania.

Special guests of honour to cut the ribbon and declare the building officially open include the oldest male and female members of the church, as well as a 93-year-old lady who has been a member of the church "for the longest time".

Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt and Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone will also be in

attendance.

Mr Wardle thanked all who "worked hard to get this (project) to this point".

"Thanks to everyone in the community, as well as the church, for contributing to this project financially, by donating goods and labour," he said.

Mr Wardle said the Men's Shed is community-run and focuses on mental health and comradeship.

"It's really (about) men getting together and supporting each other," he said.

The Berri Community Men's Shed group will be officially launched in the new building at a later date.



The building housing the Berri Community Men's Shed will be officially opened at a ceremony involving Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt and Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, on Sunday, November 28.



The large crowd enjoying Devonshire afternoon tea at Helga Halupka's home.

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Rose Festival fashion show a hit

A FULL house, two dozen models and \$1750 raised for Greenhill Lodge.

A fashion parade staged last month as part of the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival was a success by any measure.

Sponsored by Berri Barmera Garden Club, the Second Hand Rose event was held in the garden of Helga Halupka, near Monash, on Sunday, October 24.

Twenty-four models – male and female – across different age groups strutted the runway under the shade of a large Norfolk Island pine tree, showcasing clothing available at the Berri Salvos store.

The fashion parade was divided into different segments, including autumn/winter, spring/summer, and 'after-5 wear'.

"Many models were hesi-

tant about strutting the runway," said organiser Murray Harvey.

"(But) most had a change of heart after the event and wanted to know when the next fashion parade would be and could they put their names forward to participate."

Mr Harvey said he was thrilled with the event's success.

"I could not have been more pleased with all tickets sold, weather suited to being in a garden, and a beautiful garden to wander through after the fashion parade while waiting for Devonshire afternoon tea," he said.

"Helga's garden was full of roses in bloom and an abundance of irises in their peak."

"Devonshire afternoon tea was supplied by the catering members of the Berri

Barmera Garden Club.

"White tablecloths set off a lovely tranquil setting to sit and enjoy afternoon tea. Live music by Bianca Feher was played throughout the afternoon."

MC Joella Crossfield provided a description of fashion worn and a running commentary of each of the models.

Mr Harvey thanked Helga and Gary Halupka for helping him organise the event.

"Generous donations by our local businesses throughout the Riverland helped to keep our expenses low and as a result \$1750 was raised for Greenhill Lodge, the country accommodation for cancer victims who need to stay in Adelaide while having treatment," he said.

"A big thank you to all who helped to make this event such a big success."

Scott and Pam Main in some formal/after 5 fashion wear at last month's Second Hand Rose fashion parade, held as part of the 2021 Riverland Rose and Garden Festival. Hosted by Helga Halupka, the event acted as a fundraiser for Cancer Council SA's Greenhill Lodge accommodation service.



Nellie and Elisa Jeffries dressed in some formal/after 5 fashion.



Sam Atkins and Michelle Kuchel's winter fashion.



Scott and Pam Main displaying some summer fashion.

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Tony takes fruit fly issue to national stage

MAINTAINING the Riverland's fruit-fly-free status is a key aspect of new legislation currently in development, according to a local federal MP.

The federal government announced last week the National Biosecurity Committee would develop a strategy aimed at forming a framework for national biosecurity until 2030.

Barker MP Tony Pasin said the consultation would highlight the need for national action to protect the Riverland's pest-free status.

"The rising complexity of Australia's biosecurity environment requires new and



innovative approaches for handling biosecurity into the future," Mr Pasin said.

"As the Riverland continues to hurt from fruit fly outbreaks I want to see a nationally co-ordinated strategy in place to protect our nationally important pest free region."

"The national strategy will seek to align collective efforts towards a common purpose and provide a clear commitment to prioritised action and investment."

"We need to ensure Australia's biosecurity system remains fit to meet the

challenges of the next decade including against fruit fly here in the Riverland."

Mr Pasin said increased measures were needed to prevent biosecurity threats entering Australia once international boarders were opened.

"Strong and efficient biosecurity is even more important as we, and the rest of the world, respond to emerging challenges and recover our economy post-Covid," he said.

Riverlanders can provide submissions for the first phase of consultation until 5pm on November 26 by visiting the website (<https://haveoursay.awe.gov.au/>).

Covid claims another Christmas pageant

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

MORGAN's Community Christmas Pageant has been cancelled due to the uncertainty of SA's Covid-19 restrictions after November 23 and the financial impact of the pandemic.

It is the second year the annual event has been cancelled due to Covid-19.

The SA Government is opening the border on November 23 to vaccinated people from all states and territories.

SA Health has forecast when the state reaches a level of 80 per cent vaccination of those over 16, given current activity restrictions, testing and contact tracing capacity, SA will remain within the state's hospital ward and ICU capacity.

Morgan and District Lions Club president, Laura Williams, said not knowing what would happen in SA after opening the border led to the cancellation of the pageant, scheduled for December 11.

"This decision did not come

lightly," she said.

"We can't really predict what is going to happen, but SA Health are already predicting we will be getting cases."

Ms Williams said the Lions Club was also unable to afford to cover the hire costs of a portable fence, which was required to be erected around the river front to regulate attendance, along with a QR code.

She said hiring the fence would have cost about \$10,000 and sourcing one could have been difficult.

"Fencing costs a lot of money, so financially we were unable to provide this," Ms Williams said.

She said due to Covid-19, the 12-member Morgan and District Lions Club had also raised less money over the past year.

"We haven't been able to do as much fundraising as we would like," she said.

Ms Williams hoped an outdoor cinema would be held instead on December 11.

However, she said this would

depend on Covid-19 restrictions and whether the Morgan and District Lions Club was successful in obtaining a community event grant from Mid Murray Council.

Ms Williams said Santa was also expected to make his usual visits to the Morgan community and children on a CFS truck prior to Christmas Day.

"He visits all the kids at their homes," she said. "Usually the CFS puts the truck's siren on so they know he is in the area."

The legend from Alawoona: Russell Ebert 1949-2021

Well-known Riverlander JOHN GLADIGAU, executive director at Bulla Burra Operations Pty Ltd, near ALAWOONA, has penned the following reflection on ex-local and champion Aussie rules footballer RUSSELL EBERT, who was farewelled with a state funeral in Adelaide yesterday.

RUSSELL Ebert is a legend in an era when the term is thrown around way too loosely.

Four-time Magarey Medallist, three premierships, six best and fairest awards.

Probably the greatest player in the history of SA footy – and in the week before his death rightfully elevated to legend status in the SA Sport Hall of Fame.

And he played for the most hated or loved sports team in the country, depending on where you sat. But even if you hated Port Adelaide with a passion, you still loved Russell Ebert. He was a true champion in every sense of the word. And he was ours.

And everyone claimed him. Berri says he is theirs because he was born there. Loxton claim him because that is where he played his junior footy.

He is "Waikerie's own" because that's where he played senior footy before being picked up by Port Adelaide, who then rightly claimed him for the rest of his life.

Well, they can all claim him as much as they like – but Russell Ebert will always be an Alawoona boy.

It may be just a tiny town in the northern Mallee, current population of about 10 (if they are all home at the same time) and we

don't have too many claims to fame – but we can claim to have produced four Magarey Medals.

As Russell himself said on ABC radio earlier this month: "Alawoona used to be a bustling town – but today if a magpie swoops it would be classed as a highlight..."

Yes, we claim him because Alawoona is where he spent his childhood. He lived on the farm next door to ours, and speaks fondly of rabbit trapping, bird nesting and riding his bike on the farm and into town. His father coached the Alawoona footy club to a premiership in 1953, so it's only right to assume that he first picked up a footy and learnt all his early skills that propelled him into being one of the greatest players our country has ever seen in – of all places – Alawoona.

We have a large stone tank on our farm right next to our house, which kind of became the de facto Alawoona swimming pool. It developed cracks and eventually became unusable in the 1960s, which my grandfather apparently put down to "those bloody Ebert kids always coming over and doing dive bombs into it when I wasn't around to tell them off".

It's a great story – and one which I always thought was just an urban myth leveraging off the Ebert name (which I'm happy to perpetuate).

However, several years ago Russell attended a reunion at Alawoona where he spoke fondly of his early days in the area and how it had shaped his life. And during that interview he said something along the lines of: "We sometimes used to sneak over



to the Gladigau farm when we knew old Mr Gladigau wasn't home, and we would do dive bombs into their stone tank. I actually think we were the ones who wrecked that tank."

But Russell Ebert isn't just a legend for his sporting prowess. He is a legend for who he was.

Social media is awash today with stories of his community involvement, his kindness, his availability – and his passion to make people see the best in themselves.

And his humbleness. He never sought individual recognition. He was so embarrassed to see a statue of himself in full flight at the gates of Adelaide Oval. It was not his want to be put on a pedestal. He always elevated the achievements of others above himself.

He rightly spoke with passion and pride of his brother Bill, a Loxton icon, who is the

absolute epitome of someone completely dedicated to community service and promoting good in others.

Brothers in arms. Bill and Russell owned a houseboat together. It was nothing flash, and not that big.

But it was Russell's hideaway from the city. And, in between time Bill used it to take the oldies from the local retirement home on little river cruises, some who would otherwise never have the opportunity to be on the river.

All voluntary. At no cost. No fanfare. No recognition. That's the Eberts. That's how they roll.

I don't claim to know Russell at all – though I feel I know him well. In many ways, I think that's how most South Aussies would see him.

You can hate Port Adelaide but love Russell Ebert. If you bumped into him, he'd be happy for a chat.

But he would be the one asking about you, what you are doing, and what gives you passion. He still has family connections in Loxton, and occasionally would turn up at our church for a baptism or family gathering – and he was always just one of the crowd. Happy for a chat, but always with the focus on you, not on him.

We have lost a good one.

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Morgan CFS Lieutenant William Seton, (left), with Morgan CFS cadets Dustin Osborne, Peyton Nixon and Glacia Kroschel, all 11, and Morgan CFS cadet co-ordinator Sarah Reusch at the Region 3 CFS cadet championships at Waikerie last month. PHOTOS: Christine Webster



Morgan CFS Captain, Simon Reusch (far left), with Morgan CFS cadets, Oliver Seaford, 13, and Hayden Barty, 14, who performed a drafting drill at the Region 3 CFS cadet championships at Waikerie.

CFS cadets demonstrate their prowess at Waikerie

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

THE future of the CFS Region 3 branch looks to be in safe hands if it is measured by the performance of participants in the recent cadet championships at Waikerie.

Six teams of four cadets representing Waikerie, Morgan, Tailem Bend and Mannum took part in the annual competition, which was held in Waikerie this year on October 31.

CFS Region 3 state cadet representative, Haylee Campbell, said cadets – ranging in age from 11 to 16 – demonstrated a high standard of skills during the event.

"We had quite a large age dif-

ference in a couple of places," Ms Campbell said.

She said some of the 11-year-old cadets who had only recently joined competed against older cadets who had been involved in the CFS for three or four years.

"Everyone competed really well, we were happy with the events of the day," Ms Campbell said.

The CFS cadets were assessed on three drills.

The first was a host drill, which required the cadets to connect two lengths of hose from the back of a fire truck and simulate extinguishing a fire, which was represented by orange cones.

The next exercise was a drafting drill involving the location of a water source, which was represented by a collar dam on the Waikerie Pony Club oval.

Water from the collar dam was then used to put out a simulated fire, represented by a drum.

An elephant walk and burn-over drill completed the competition for the cadets. This involved using a sideline hose on the side of a fire truck to extinguish a simulated fire.

The cadets then sheltered down low in the truck, with the fire blinds down, to demonstrate what needs to be done during a danger-

ous period when the wind changes direction and a fire heads towards them.

The Mannum CFS cadets were the overall winner of the CFS Region 3 Cadet Championships, coming in just ahead of Waikerie.

Ms Campbell said being involved in the CFS cadets program provided young people with valuable life skills.

She said it enabled them to develop skills in working as part of a team, communication and in leadership.

"It is great to have them there and learning off the senior members currently," Ms Campbell said.

"As you work your way up you can become a lieutenant or a captain or something along those lines."

From the age of 16, CFS cadets can then enrol in the basic firefighters' course and, after passing this stage, they can attend fires as a senior firefighter.

"Obviously we limit them depending on what the incident is," Ms Campbell said.

"We are not going to send them straight out into big jobs."

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Building approvals remain elevated

DETACHED building approvals continue to suggest there is still strong demand for housing six months after the HomeBuilder stimulus ended in March, according to HIA economist Tom Devitt.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics recently released its monthly building approvals data for detached and multi-units data covering all states and territories.

"Detached building approvals in the three months to September 2021 remain up by 15.5 per cent on the same quarter in 2020 and 32.2 per cent up on the same time in 2019," Mr Devitt said.

"This will continue to support a healthy pipeline of on-the-ground home building work to the end of next year."

"Leading indicators, including HIA's new home sales data, suggest that the detached market remains robust despite lockdowns."

"Sales in the three months to September 2021 were not as high as they were a year earlier, when HomeBuilder was gaining momentum, but are still 7.4 per cent higher than at the same time in 2019 and 0.6 per cent higher than the same time in 2018."

"These sales will flow through to approvals data in the coming months and

will continue to create employment opportunities into the second half of 2022."

"Approvals for multi-units also strengthened in September. The last three months are now 34.3 per cent up on a year earlier, reflecting an improved trend in 2021."

"Apartment approvals have been improving over the last year or so, led by New South Wales and, to a lesser extent, Queensland and Western Australia. This suggests investors are looking through the haze of the pandemic to a brighter outlook on the other side."

"There has also been increased activity in medium density housing, suggesting this market is also enjoying some of the shift in preferences towards lower density housing."

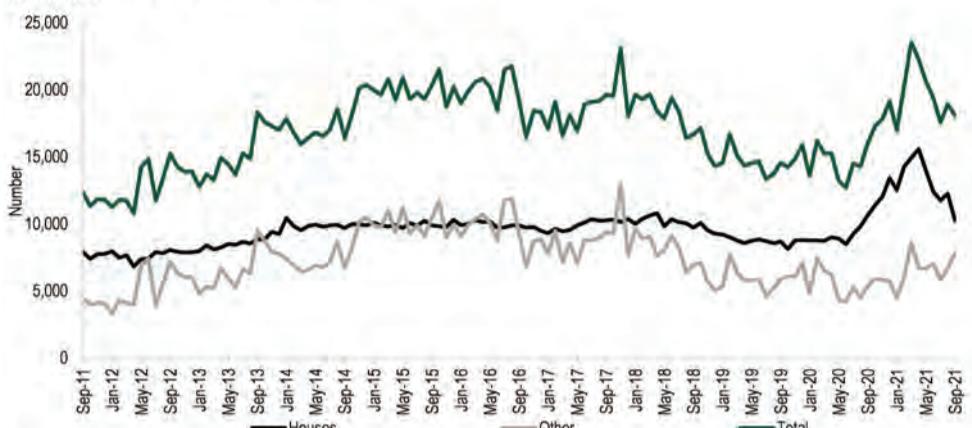
"Strong growth in detached house prices may also be adding to the popularity of medium density living."

"Approvals for renovations also remain elevated. Despite a slight decline in September, the value of these approvals is still up by 10.6 per cent on September 2020, and the last 12 months is still up by 37.5 per cent on the previous year."

"In addition to HomeBuilder, this has been driven by shifts in spending from

Monthly Building Approvals - Australia

Source: ABS 8731



services like travel, entertainment and dining out, towards housing."

"With Australians spending more time at home and accumulating a significant amount of savings, an increase in demand for larger living spaces is unsurprising."

In seasonally adjusted terms, total residential building approvals increased in the three months to September 2021 compared to the same time last year in

almost all jurisdictions.

New South Wales led the pack (+38.5 per cent), followed by South Australia (+30.5 per cent), Western Australia (+28.6 per cent), Queensland (+22.7 per cent), Victoria (+9.7 per cent), and Tasmania (-11.3 per cent).

In original terms, building approvals increased in the Australian Capital Territory (+9.3 per cent) and declined in the Northern Territory (-31.7 per cent).

Price still key, but Covid-free states popular

THE value of new loan commitments for housing fell 1.4 per cent in September 2021 (seasonally adjusted), driven by a 2.7 per cent fall in new owner-occupier loan commitments, according to statistics released by the Australian Bureau of

Statistics (ABS).

Real Estate Institute of Australia (REIA) president, Adrian Kelly, said new loan commitments to owner occupiers fell while investors increased their interest in Covid-zero states.

"The figures show the number of new loan com-

mitments to first home buyers saw its eighth consecutive fall, down to 5.6 per cent in September 2021, with the number 11.4 per cent lower than the previous year," he said.

"Covid-hit Victoria saw a massive drop of 12.7

per cent in the value of owner-occupier lending due to their sixth extended lockdown but saw a slight rise of 1.4 per cent to investors."

Mr Kelly said housing affordability had been on the decline for the past 20 years and will continue to be an issue if inflation rises and household income fails to increase.

REIA's Housing Affordability Report: the past 20 years shows that access to the market for first home buyers has declined over the past two decades.

Mr Kelly said the average home loan had skyrocketed over the past two decades, inflating from \$150,271 to \$500,219, and this continued to rise.

Mr Kelly said the ABS found the average loan size for owner-occupier dwellings (construction, purchase of new dwellings and existing dwellings) rose slightly at the national level and across most states.

"New South Wales recorded the largest rise, reaching a record high of \$750,000," he said.

According to ABS, the value of new loan commitments for owner-occupier housing fell for the fourth month in a row, to \$20.7b in September, however this was 21 per cent higher compared to a year ago and 49 per cent higher than pre-Covid levels in February 2020.

Mr Kelly said investors were back, with the figures showing increased commitment levels across Australia, with South Australia seeing the highest rise of 16.4 per cent.

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6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 Gardening Australia Presents; 11:00 Prince Charles Inside The Duchy Of Cornwall; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Hard Quiz; 1:30 Roger Swainston; 2:00 The Cry; 3:00 ABC News Afternoons; 4:10 Think Tank; 5:10 Grand Designs Australia
6:00 The Drum
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7:00 ABC News
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8:00 Exposing The Illegal Organ Trade
8:30 Q+A
9:35 Doctor Who
10:25 You Can't Ask That
10:40 ABC Late News
10:55 The Business
11:15 Pilgrimage

5:05 Five Minutes More; 5:10 Sarah And Duck; 5:20 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Fireman Sam
6:10 Hey Duggee
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Shaun The Sheep
6:40 Andy's Safari Adventures
7:00 Dino Dana
7:15 Odd Squad
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:30 TBA
9:00 Hard Quiz
9:30 Gruen
10:10 Doctor Who
10:50 You Can't Ask That
11:25 David Attenborough's Galapagos
12:15 rage 30
1:10 Community
1:35 Parks and Recreation
1:55 Reno 911!

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 If There Be Thorns; 2:00 Criminal Confessions; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Home And Away
8:30 America's Got Talent
11:30 World's Deadliest Weather
12:30 Black-ish
2:00 Home Shopping
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Her Son's Secret; 1:45 Explore; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News
6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 RBT
8:30 Paramedics
9:30 Love Island Australia
10:30 Love Island Australia Afterparty
11:00 Nine News Late
11:30 The Fix
12:30 Destination WA
1:00 A Current Affair
1:30 TV Shop - Home Shopping
2:30 Global Shop
3:00 TV Shop - Home Shopping
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
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6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Bachelor Australia Encore; 2:10 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
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6:30 SBS World News
7:35 Devon & Cornwall With Michael Portillo

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6:00 The Drum
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6:25 Shaun The Sheep
6:40 Andy's Safari Adventures
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7:15 Odd Squad
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 Hard Quiz
8:30 Nick Cave Alone At Alexandra Palace
10:00 Doctor Who
10:50 Art Works
11:15 Anh's Brush With Fame
11:45 Live At The Apollo
12:30 Would I Lie To You?
1:05 Sick of It
1:25 Community

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Sex And The Single Mom; 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 Better Homes And Gardens
8:30 The Holiday
11:10 Big Brother VIP
12:40 Harry's Practice
2:00 Home Shopping
4:00 Million Dollar Minute
5:00 NBC Today

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6:00 Monty Don's Japanese Gardens
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6:30 Thomas And Friends
7:00 Grace's Amazing Machines
7:15 Sir Mouse
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8:20 Live At The Apollo
9:05 Ross Noble
9:50 Sammy J
9:55 TBA
10:25 Schitt's Creek
11:10 Mystify Michael Hutchence
12:50 Unprotected Sets
1:15 Red Dwarf
1:45 Escape From The City
2:45 Halal Gurls
2:55 Nightwalkers

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sun-rise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Seven's Motorsport Classic; 12:30 Seven's Horse Racing; 4:30 Border Security; 5:00 Border Security - Australia's Front Line; 5:30 Seven News Adelaide
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Harry Potter And The Deathly Hallows
9:35 Venom
11:40 Surveillance Oz
12:10 Repco Supercars Highlights 2021
1:40 Harry's Practice
2:00 Home Shopping
4:00 Get Clever
5:00 House Of Wellness

6:00 Animal Tales; 7:00 Weekend To-day; 10:00 Today Extra - Saturday; 12:00 Animal Embassy; 12:30 Destination WA; 1:00 Good Food Kitchen; 1:30 My Way; 2:00 Talking Honey - Relationship Specials; 2:10 Parental Guidance; 4:30 The Garden Gurus; 5:00 Nine News; First At Five; 5:30 Getaway
6:00 Nine News Saturday
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Top Gun
9:40 Battleship
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6:00 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day
6:30 Isuzu UTE A-League Men
9:30 Ambulance
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12:30 Home Shopping
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6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Celebrity Letters And Numbers
8:30 Tutankhamun - Life, Death And Legacy

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 Pilgrimage; 3:30 Rick Stein's Secret France; 4:30 Everyone's A Critic; 5:00 Art Works; 5:30 The Sound
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9:30 Tick F***ing Tock
10:30 Nick Cave
12:00 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces Northern Lights Adventure
12:45 China Love
1:45 Unprotected Sets
2:15 In The Long Run
2:35 ABC News Update

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sun-rise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Repco Supercars Championship 2021; 5:00 Out Of The Blue; 5:30 Seven News Adelaide
6:00 Seven News
7:00 TBA
9:00 7NEWS Spotlight
10:00 S.W.A.T.
12:00 Repco Supercars Highlights 2021
1:30 Harry's Practice
2:00 Home Shopping
3:30 Million Dollar Minute
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Animal Tales; 7:00 Weekend To-day; 10:00 Sports Sunday; 11:00 The Xtreme Collixtion; 11:30 Fishing Australia; 12:00 Ultimate Rush; 12:30 Rocky; 2:50 Parental Guidance; 4:00 SA Variety Bash 2021; 5:00 Nine News; First At Five; 5:30 South Aussie With Cosi
6:00 Nine News Sunday
7:00 Lego Masters Bricksmas Special
8:30 60 Minutes
9:30 Nine News Late
10:00 The Killing Of Breonna Taylor
11:15 The First 48
12:05 Cold Case
1:00 The Xtreme Collixtion
1:30 TV Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Take Two
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
5:30 Today

6:00 Mass For You At Home; 6:30 Hillsong; 7:00 Joseph Prince; 7:30 Joel Osteen; 8:00 Three Veg And Meat; 8:30 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 9:00 Destination Dessert; 9:30 Studio 10; Sunday; 12:00 Celebrity MasterChef Australia Encore; 1:10 Farm To Fork; 1:30 Healthy Homes Australia; 2:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures; 4:00 My Market Kitchen; 4:30 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn; 5:00 10 News First
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7:30 The Graham Norton Show
8:30 CSI
9:30 FBI
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6:30 SBS World News
7:30 DNA Family Secrets
8:40 The Assassination Of JFK
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10:50 Addicted Australia
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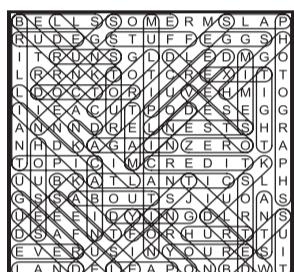
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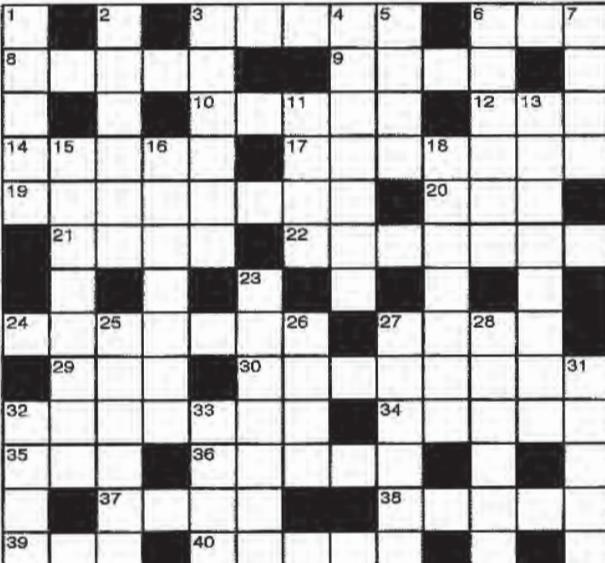
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- ACROSS
 3. Backward scholar
 6. Electrical unit (abbr.)
 8. Healing ointment
 9. Greedy
 10. Laminated rock
 12. Chop
 14. Furnish
 17. Declare unfit for use
 19. Total sales made in a given period
 20. Prior to
 21. Kiln for drying hops
 22. Genuine
 24. Australian river
 27. Treaty
 29. Boring tool
 30. Illustrious
 32. Act of shutting
 34. Divert
 35. To be spoilt by wet
 36. Children's nurse
 37. Send out
 38. Live
 39. First shoot of a leaf
 40. Singer



- CROSSWORD**
- DOWN
 1. Useful resource
 2. Chest cavity membrane
 3. Tyrant
 4. Unit of heat
 5. Flat
 6. Cling
 7. Chess piece
 11. Top fighter pilots
13. Honourably retired
 15. Fit for citing
 16. Affronts
 18. Harangue
 23. Ungrateful person
 25. Disturbed the peace
 26. Man's name
 27. Supplication
 28. Relative
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ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)

A challenging aspect to Saturn may make it harder for you to see the positive side to a recent change. Don't get so immersed in the problems that you miss an important opportunity. **Romance.** An unselfish gesture will go a long way towards making up for a recent indiscretion. Your partner will forgive you sooner than you think!

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)

Try to relax a little before you make an important decision. A dream later in the week will give you the guidance you need to make the right choice. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Venus will help your relationship to go well. A romantic trip later in the week may not go as smoothly as planned, however!

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)

This should be an excellent time for dealing with long-standing issues. You will have a lot of patience and should manage to finally follow through with a matter which you have been doing your best to put off. **Romance.** A meeting at work will have repercussions which won't be obvious at first. Look before you leap!

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)

Following a friend's advice may take much more will-power than you actually have available. Do your best to follow through as best you can but don't be too upset if you have to give up before the end. **Romance.** A phone call from a member of the opposite sex could make your partner jealous. This person's interest in you may be less innocent than you suppose.

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)

A friend who thinks along the same lines as you do will help to push you in the right direction. There are some areas of your life where you will have to make your own decisions, however. **Romance.** It might be better to reject a recent romantic offer. The person concerned is genuine, but you might prefer to just stay friends.

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)

Disagreements at work may spill over into your family life. Be careful not to let them get dragged in any further than is absolutely necessary. **Romance.** This will be an excellent time to get to know a new friend. When you understand what makes them "tick" you may find out that they are more interesting than you originally thought!

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)

Don't say the wrong thing! You know what you mean, but a difficult aspect to Mercury later in the week could create misunderstandings which are hard to rectify later. **Romance.** Rather than trying to stop your partner's bad habits you must put up with them. This is not the best time to get them to change.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)

Stress has been piling up recently: you need a chance to get everything sorted out. Don't be afraid to ask for help from someone whom you have helped a lot in the past. **Romance.** You are normally a very sociable person; however this week you may prefer to spend time by yourself relaxing.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)

An acquaintance whom you meet later in the week will want to know much more about you. Listen carefully to this person's advice, as they have a lot to tell you in return. **Romance.** Time spent looking back over the events of the past few weeks will help you to feel more in touch with present events.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)

A challenging aspect to Saturn could make you quite negative at times. Do your best to see things from a more positive angle – it will be easier for you to move towards a situation which you want than away from a situation which you don't want. **Romance.** Your partner may find your excess energy a little overwhelming at times.

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)

An honest email from a friend will help you to understand this person much better. You will be hearing much more from this person over the coming weeks. **Romance.** A relative whose views are quite different from your own will nevertheless be able to give you some useful advice. Don't ignore everything that this person says.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)

At times you may feel that your situation is worse than it really is. This is just a minor set-back, however, and you should not give up completely. **Romance.** A difficult aspect to Mars could make you a little tense at times. You will have a lot of excess energy, and must be careful to avoid conflict.

SUDOKU

No.353

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

9	7	4	3	2	6	1	5	8
8	2	5	7	1	9	4	6	3
1	6	3	5	4	8	7	2	9
4	5	7	6	8	2	9	3	1
6	3	1	9	7	4	5	8	2
2	9	8	1	5	3	6	4	7
3	4	6	2	9	7	8	1	5
5	8	9	4	3	1	2	7	6
7	1	2	8	6	5	3	9	4

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

Level of Difficulty:
Easy

2	7							8
	9			5		4	1	
		3	6					7
	8	5	4	2				
9								7
	8	7	9	2				
5					3	1		
	7	6		2		3		
9					5		2	

Solution No. 352

THE Christmas festive season is with us. Groups are beginning to organise their get-togethers and, as we know, Father Christmas arrived in South Australia on Saturday at the Adelaide Oval and is taking up residence here until Christmas Eve. We are so pleased that Santa will be able to share some time at our Waikerie Santa's Cave this year. Santa's helpers have been planning for months, not knowing what the outcome would be until now and we give thanks that it is working out for them. If you have any spare time and would like to volunteer at Santa's Cave your support would be appreciated by the committee.

It will be full-on next Monday when the trees begin arriving at Federation Park behind the Rain Moth Gallery in Waikerie. We appreciate the support by council staff and volunteers, who all bring this special display together for our community. We look forward to when the lights adorning the big pine tree are turned on, heralding the message that Christmas is here.

The display will be enhanced by an addition to the Waikerie District Historical Society building when Waikerie's original Garford fire truck goes back to its original home after many years. This follows an upgrade to the building that will allow the Garford to be on display. The old fire station had glass bifold doors installed almost a year ago. Recently the concrete floor has been replaced and new LED lighting installed, while the inside has been freshly painted from top to bottom, and security has been installed. The Garford is having a few minor repairs, and if all goes to plan we are hoping it will be on display in a couple of weeks. Over the years our Garford has been the leading vehicle at our Christmas pageants. Without a pageant again this

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year, Waikerie we will have the pleasure of seeing this historic vehicle in all its glory in a new environment. Thanks to our local CFS volunteers.

Members of the Riverland West Chamber of Commerce presented a successful careers information event at the Waikerie High School recently. I am sure it was a beneficial introduction for those students who attended, and met business owners and managers of various companies within the region.

Next Tuesday, November 23, the Riverland West Chamber of Commerce will meet at the Waikerie Hotel Motel at 6pm for its AGM. Congratulations to those businesses who are finalists in the Best Business Awards for 2021: Irrigear Waikerie, Agritech Irrigation, Nays Place, Soul Essence-Life Coaching, Caudo Vineyards, Rollbusch Quality Meats, Rotary Club of Waikerie, Waikerie Bowling Club, Cordola Camping and Recreation. The winner will be announced at the meeting.

Congratulations and best wishes to Tia and Andrew Nitschke and family upon the announcement of their new business venture in Loxton. This family group already has its successful Woody's Variety Store on the Sturt Highway and the excellent No1 Gifts in McCoy Street. Loxton residents will now have something special to look forward to with this new business in their town.

As Christmas approaches our regional communities have access to their local businesses and we encourage the 'shop local' message, as local businesses are the ones who support sporting groups, and community projects within your towns. Service with a smile is a well-known message that has been proven over the years and we give thanks for the warm and friendly staff members in our communities.

The Waikerie Cancer Care Group advise that next week's 'cuppa and chat' get together on Friday, November 26 will be held at The Carpenter's Daughter coffee shop in Francis Street at 10am. This will be the last meeting of the group for 2021, so we would like to see you there.

The Loxton Club will be the venue for the Adelaide Crows Riverland Supporters Group AGM this Sunday, November 21 at 11.30 am. The 2021 AFL season was a difficult one for all clubs, especially the players, with continual changes due to Covid-19. We trust there will be less confusion next year, but whatever is decided by AFL we will work out the best we can for our Riverland Supporters Group, as we endeavour to do every year. It's been an interesting and long journey since we began our supporters group in 1999, and we give thanks to our Crows supporters in the Riverland. We also warmly welcome back former members to our group.

Thought for the week:
"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."
- Winston Churchill

P.S. Thanks for the kind words I have received from many readers.



The Barmera reflection seat unveiled by the Riverland Community Suicide Prevention Network in 2019. A new bench will be unveiled at the Waikerie silos on Saturday.

New place to sit and reflect

THE Riverland Community Suicide Prevention Network is set to unveil the region's fifth reflection seat this weekend at the Waikerie silos.

The seat, donated by the Rotary Club of Waikerie, will provide locals a place to remember family and friends, and help people who have been bereaved through suicide to reflect.

The official unveiling ceremony will be held this Saturday, November 20 at 10am, coinciding with World Survivors of Suicide Loss Day.

Following the ceremony, the network will host a 'Convoy for Suicide', visiting the region's four existing reflection seats.

The convoy will visit the Barmera seat near the Bluebird Café, at 12 noon, the Renmark seat in the Jarrett Memorial Gardens at 2pm, the Berri seat at Martin Bend at 4pm, and finish at the Loxton seat on the riverfront near Snake Island at 6pm.

Activities and food will be available at various stops on the convoy, and bus transport will also be available.

Those interested in taking part in the convoy are asked to RSVP for catering and transport by emailing rspnetwork@gmail.com.

the quarantine quiz

- 1. What monkey is friends with the Man in the Yellow Hat?
- 2. In what play would you hear the quote "Something is rotten in the state of Denmark"?
- 3. What is the only city in England whose name starts with Y?
- 4. What is the common English word for a "synchronous diaphragmatic flutter"?
- 5. In what country would you find the region of Bohemia?
- 6. What three letters can be found on a large percentage of the world's zippers?
- 7. Semaphore is a method of communication that uses what?
- 8. Who had "a corn cob pipe and a button nose, and two eyes made of coal"?
- 9. Who wrote "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"?
- 10. What rock musician's genome was sequenced in 2010 in an effort to understand how he has survived decades of drug abuse?
- 11. What type of bird is it bad luck for sailors to kill, according to "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner"?
- 12. What is the second biggest city in Switzerland?
- 13. What is the key ingredient in a Molotov cocktail?
- 14. What airline had two high-profile plane crashes in 2014?
- 15. Who is the President of France?
- 16. What code is named after the inventor of the telegraph?
- 17. What country's intelligence agency is known as Mossad?
- 18. According to Shakespeare, who was told to "beware the Ides of March"?
- 19. What constellation has a "belt" of three bright stars?
- 20. What religious group renounces modern inventions, and also speaks "Pennsylvania Dutch"?



BONUS QUESTION:

Which musician wrote the music for the 1971 Cat Stevens version of 'Morning Has Broken'? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Answers on page 36

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QUIZ MASTER
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WELL, one could hardly say that we have had "fair weather".

As an ex-grower my heart goes out to all who have lost crops and infrastructure as well as the many businesses that lost stock and custom.

We can all do our bit by buying locally and just being there.

Now, onto happier things.

I hope you had a chance to attend the many open gardens and functions during the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

Once again nature did its own thing and put on a magnificent display.

Gardens in the towns were magnificent, so congratulations to all who care for them.

If you missed it, there are still beautiful displays in the town gardens.

Looking around you may notice the busy town gardeners dead-heading the roses, always a good sign to get into your own garden.

Dead head and fertilise for another flush of blooms over summer.

This will remind you to mulch your garden, ready for the extreme heat that we are sure to experience.

HARDY PERENNIALS

Last time I wrote about four hardy perennials suitable for our conditions.

Here are a few more to enhance your garden. If you can't find them in your garden centres, remember they are usually happy to order them in for you.

There are also many online nurseries for the harder-to-find plants, if you are in the position to order online.

Penstemons

These are short-lived perennials. They grow easily in any fertile, reasonably moist, free-draining soil. They

grow in full sun or light shade and are best planted in mid to late spring.

They can be grown from seed but can take up to 21 days to germinate. Plants are readily available in most nurseries.

Snails and slugs don't show any interest in them, and they are tolerant of both rain and drought.

They come in many shades, from pure white, to candy pink, red and many in between. Some start at 15cm while others may reach 90cm. They can flower for up to six months, proving their value in your garden.



Day lilies

As their name suggests, the flowers only last one day, but the flowering is so continuous and prolific that this goes unnoticed.

There are two types of these plants.

The older variety dies down in winter and flowers mainly in yellow hues.

The evergreen variety has the same strappy leaves, but comes in an amazing array of colours.

Many were available for sale at the recent festival market in Renmark's Jarrett Memorial Gardens.

It has the same flowering cycle as the older variety, is fairly drought tolerant and thrives in our heat. However,



it will do well in part shade too.

Coreopsis

This amazing plant will add glow to your garden.

Their bright, cheerful, yellow flowers are a joy to behold.

They are known to grow wild in areas of Western Australia and NSW.

Some are perennial and others are annual, living for only one year but seeding readily.

They are drought tolerant, long blooming and happy to grow in poor, sandy or rocky soil.

They are often referred to as 'tickle seed', due to the unusual shape of their seed capsules.

Pair with some contrasting blue and purple flowering plants such as lavender and the many purple and blue salvias. I highly recommend this plant



to bring brightness to your garden.

Salvias

There is not much I can say about these plants that has not already been said in past articles.

They do so well in our climate, and are tough, hardy and prolific bloomers.

They tend to be the go-to plant for most rose growers as the two complement each other.

They range from ground covers to three to four metre high shrubby plants. These plants are readily propagated by cuttings.

So, if you purchase one that you really love or spot one in a friend's garden you can achieve many more plants in a short time.

You will need:

Potting mix
Salvia tip prunings – about 15cms

Pots

Possibly some perlite (I recommend the perlite as it prevents root rot and improves drainage. However, it is not essential).

Method:

Remove the bottom two nodes of leaves.

Fill the pot with potting mix.

Using your finger or a stick make a hole and fill with perlite.

Place the cutting into the hole up to the lower set of leaves.

Water and keep moist, but not too wet.

SUMMER FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

It is certainly time to get some summer fruits and vegetables into your plot.

I have had to do some downsizing



this year, however I have still found room in large pots for tomatoes, zucchini, cutting lettuce, chilli, chives, spring onions, radish and even the odd cucumber (a small variety called 'bebe Lebanese').

We are so lucky that there are many varieties of plants suitable for smaller gardens and plots.

The first plants that went in were my herbs, basil, coriander, parsley, oregano and thyme.

All are essential to enhance our cooking. They are thriving, possibly due to the extra rain in the past few weeks.

If you are pushed for space you can go up. I'm trialling pumpkins this way. I saw them growing successfully this way in China many years ago.

I will probably be challenged by making a strong enough support.

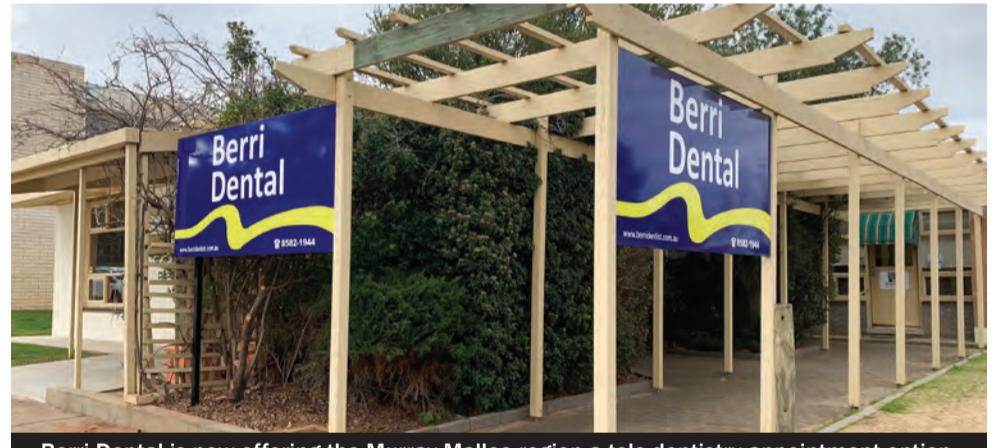
GLOVES, HATS ETC.

Wear gloves, hat and sunscreen when gardening, and wash your hands afterwards

Now that we all own masks, don't forget to wear one when mixing sprays etc.

In the meantime, stay safe and well.

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Berri Dental is now offering the Murray Mallee region a tele-dentistry appointment option.

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FRANTICALLY driving to the nearest hospital, GP or dental clinic for an after-hours dental emergency can now be considered a thing of the past.

Pain does not have a schedule and accessing a dentist quickly and easily across regional SA is considerably harder than in metro-Adelaide, particularly after hours, on public holidays and on weekends.

During these challenging times we face, Australian Dental Foundation (ADF), along with its local delivery partnership with Berri Dental, is proud to offer the Murray Mallee region a tele-dentistry appointment option made possible by Country SA PHN.

Country SA PHN funding has supported ADF to

establish a local tele-dentistry service for the Murray Mallee region joining the greater Eyre Peninsula and Outback regions across South Australia.

"The rapid rise of tele-health, tele-dentistry and extended after hours services has been one of the innovations, due to COVID-19 restrictions and lockdowns, that has proved to be a real benefit for rural and remote South Australians," said Country SA PHN chief executive officer, Kim Hosking.

Tele-dental is just like a normal, real-time dental consultation, only you will connect and speak to one of ADF's partnering dentists via phone or more-so video format to support effective triaging of a dental problem.

Importantly, it is not intended to replace a full dental examination, but rather a convenient solution for when you can't access a dentist in person.

Though tele-dental services are not yet funded by Medicare, through the generous support of Country SA PHN costs to patients accessing a tele-dental video consult service are greatly reduced.

For more information on tele-dental as an option for you and your family, please go to:

www.dentalfoundation.org.au

Otherwise, to request a tele-dental consultation for a dental concern and/or issue, call the tele-dental and emergency hotline number on 0437 733 350.

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Erin Jones
HR/Admin Coordinator
8541 0800
erinj@growerswinegroup.com.au

Applications Close:
Friday 26th November 2021



POSITION VACANCY

APPRENTICESHIP - ENGINEERING - MECHANICAL TRADESPERSON (FITTER)

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

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

Further information, including a Position Description, may be obtained by emailing: apply@rit.org.au

Applications close on Friday 7 January 2022



Farm Manager

Costa is Australia's leading grower, packer and marketer of premium quality fresh fruit and vegetables. On the land, in distribution centers, and out on the roads – Costa people work hard to bring the freshest produce to tables across Australia.

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Costa has an exciting and challenging opportunity for an experienced Farm Manager to join its farming operations in the Riverland district of South Australia. This challenging and varied role will suit a self-motivated individual who has demonstrable farm experience obtained from previous assignments in the horticultural sector.

Candidates will ideally have:

- Good communication and relationship building skills.
- Strong organisational skills
- Ability to supervise staff
- Good computer skills.
- Flexibility to adapt to changing priorities.
- Strong focus and commitment to Occupational Health and Safety, Food Safety and Quality is a key requirement.

Submit your application by going to <https://costagroup.currentjobs.co/Job> by the 3rd December 2021, then keep an eye on your emails (including your junk/spam folder).

Applications will close 3 December 2021

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Manager Corporate Services

Full time

Positioned on a sweeping bend in the idyllic Riverland region, Renmark Paringa Council is home to around 10,000 residents and is a renowned tourist destination for families seeking fun and adventure on the picturesque Murray River.

Renmark Paringa Council has a vision to create a liveable, prosperous, and sustainable community and we are seeking a Manager Corporate Services to lead our Corporate Services team to deliver effective services across Council.

About the Role and Areas of Responsibility

Reporting to the Director Corporate and Community Services, the Manager Corporate Services is responsible for the delivery of high-quality corporate services through the development and implementation of efficient management systems and processes.

The role oversees the areas of: Finance, Information and Communications Technology, Leasing, Customer Service, & Organisational Efficiency.

Key responsibilities of the position include:

- Develop and implement Council's Annual Business Plan and Budget process, ensuring that it's delivered within adopted timelines and in accordance with legislative requirements
- Provide financial advice to the Chief Executive Officer and Council on the development of Council rating strategies and long-term financial plan
- Management and improvement of Council's internal controls
- Provide leadership for Council's ICT strategy and exercise managerial responsibility for Council's ICT managed service contract
- Develop and negotiate Council leases and licences, ensuring that they are developed on time to deliver the required resources for Council to achieve its set objectives
- Ensure that Council's customer service excellence is delivered
- Manage the responsibilities of the Corporate Services team with regards to performance expectations and manage individuals in accordance with accepted practices, policies and procedures
- Comply with all relevant Federal and State Government legislation, Renmark Paringa Council By-Laws and policies and oversee WHS and Risk Management processes and compliance.
- Observe workplace procedures for risk identification, risk assessment and risk control.

About You

- Tertiary qualifications in Finance/Accounting/Commerce or a similar field (essential) plus relevant work experience, ideally in Local Government
- Demonstrated experience leading and developing teams to achieve key objectives
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills (both written and verbal)
- Above average computer literacy (especially Microsoft Excel) and experience with the preparation of high-level documents such as briefing papers and Council reports
- Ability to work through complex issues and find innovative solutions to problems
- Customer focused mindset and a commitment to establishing and maintaining mutually beneficial relationships with key stakeholders
- Excellent attention to detail with a focus on consistently achieving results
- Ability to work under pressure and meet tight deadlines.

This position requires a leader with a track record in successfully managing people, a commitment to working and living in a thriving regional area and the ability to align with Council's core values of accountability, honesty, respect, and unity.

In return for your commitment, Council is offering a permanent position, attractive salary package and relocation assistance for the successful candidate.

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The Committee of the
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from Organisations/Clubs
in the Barmera area
seeking funds for current
projects

Applications to:
The Chairman
PO Box 809, Barmera 5345
or by email to
martinhill1969@hotmail.com
Close December 3, 2021

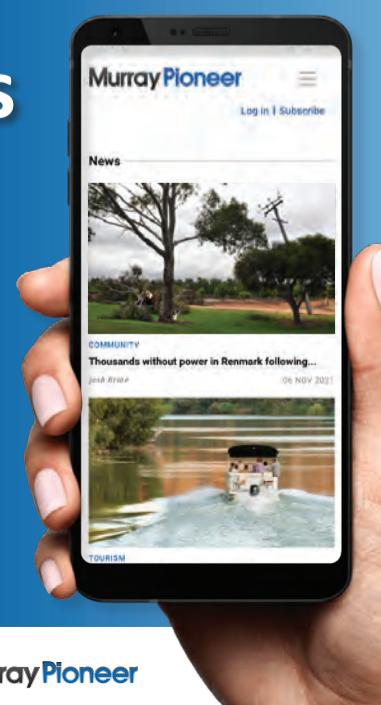
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Loxton RSL
ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING

Tuesday, December 14, 2021
8pm

Covid-19 restrictions apply.

RSL Club, Tobruk Terrace, Loxton
All financial members expected

Apologies:

Lorraine - 0414 382 806

Rob Manuel - 0407 602 140



Renmark Paringa
Council

Notice of Road Closure
Section 33 Road Traffic Act 1961

I, Tony Sivior, Chief Executive Officer, for, and on behalf of the Renmark Paringa Council, exercise the authority delegated by the Minister of Transport under Section 11 Road Traffic Act, and make the following order under Section 33 of the Act.

I declare that the 'Renmark High School Prom' is an event to which this section applies and that the following road be closed to vehicle traffic on Thursday 25 November 2021 between 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

Within the Renmark Paringa Council:

- Industry Road, between Twentythird Street and the service road between Twentyfirst and Twentythird Streets
- Twentythird Street, between Pyap Street and Sturt Highway

I direct that persons taking part in the 'Renmark High School Prom' on the above roads be exempted from all Australian Road Rules relating to pedestrian behaviour, wearing of seatbelts and the carriage of persons in or on vehicles.

Tony Sivior
Chief Executive Officer
P (08) 8580 3000

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QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER

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Public Consultation

Vitor Renmark Swimming Club

New Lease

The Vitor Renmark Swimming Club are seeking a lease for the swimming clubrooms and storage shed at the Renmark Swimming Pool. The leased area is situated within the Renmark Swimming Pool grounds and is comprised in CT 5840/317 and CT 5839/120.



The lease will be issued pursuant to the Local Government Act 1999.

In accordance with Council's Public Consultation Policy, interested persons are invited to make submissions about the proposed lease by no later than 5:00pm on Wednesday 8 December 2021:-

Renmark Paringa Council
Renmark Swimming Club New Lease
PO Box 730
Renmark, SA 5341

or by email to -
council@renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au
or by hand to -
61 Eighteenth Street, Renmark

For further inquiries please contact Council's Property Officer on (08) 8580 3000.

Tony Sivior
Chief Executive Officer

RZ10815

**the
quarantine
quiz
answers**

- 1.Curious George
- 2.Hamlet
- 3.York
- 4.Hiccup
- 5.Czech Republic
- 6.YKK
- 7.Flags
- 8.Frosty the Snowman
- 9.Victor Hugo
- 10.Ozzie Osborne
- 11.Albatross
- 12.Geneva
- 13.Gasoline (Petrol)
- 14.Malaysia Airlines
- 15.Emmanuel Macron
- 16.Morse Code
- 17.Israel's
- 18.Julius Caesar
- 19.Orion
- 20.Amish

BONUS QUESTION ANSWER (from last week): The first American President to win the Nobel Peace Prize was Theodore Roosevelt.

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LOXTON NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB & LOXTON NORTH SPORTS CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Junior Football Club AGM: 6.00pm onwards

Sports Club AGM: 6.30pm onwards

Football Club AGM: 7.00pm onwards

at the Loxton North Sporting Club

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HAPPY HOUR FROM 6PM-7PM

Enquiries or Apologies to:

Jnr Football Club to Leonie - 0428 255 896

Sports Club to Michelle - 0407 697 340

Football Club to Vicki - 0458 810 469



**Renmark
Club**

The Renmark Club Committee would like to announce the

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on

MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2021

commencing at 7.30pm sharp

at the Renmark club

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

RZ10791



**Mid Murray Council
Office Closures**

Residents and Ratepayers are advised that all offices of Council will be closed from 12 noon on Friday 3 December 2021, reopening Monday 6 December 2021 at 9.00 am.

During this period you can continue to call 08 8569 0100 for after hours services or refer to Council's webpage www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au

Ben Scales
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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WAIKERIE HOTEL MOTEL LTD.

**NOTICE OF
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the 58th Annual General Meeting of the Waikerie Hotel Motel Ltd is to be held at the Waikerie Hotel on

**Monday 22nd November 2021
at 8.00 pm**

The Financial Report for 2020/2021 financial year is available for collection by Members at the Hotel Reception desk between the hours 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

As there has been no nominations for vacancies on the board, no election will be held.

We would encourage ALL members to attend this year's AGM.

Please join us for drinks and nibbles after the meeting.

Richard Hall
Secretary Waikerie Hotel Motel

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District Council of
LOXTON WAIKERIE

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

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

(1) Pursuant to section 33 (1) of the Road Traffic Act 1961, hereby make an order directing that the following schedule of roads be closed to traffic between 8.00am and 4.00pm from Friday 26 November to Sunday 5 December 2021 for the Loxton Light Up events.

- Drabsch Street Crossover closed for the Loxton Light Up events Saturday 27 November 2021 from 9.00am - 7.00pm
- Murray Street Crossover closed for Ferris Wheel 12 noon Friday 26 November to 7.00pm Sunday 5 December 2021

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CRESP, Alice Margaret.
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Reunited with her beloved Joe, Michael and Kevin.

CRESP, Alice Margaret. Sadly we said our final goodbye to Mum on Sunday, November 14, 2021. A very special, loving and cherished mum, friend, nana and great-nana Alice to Anne, Max, Briony, Tim, Lilah and Rose. A life well lived.

CRESP, Alice Margaret. Treasured mum and best friend of Claire. Cherished nana of Nick and Margaret, Lauren and Tristan, and Ryan and Caroline.

So dearly loved by her great-grandchildren, Keeley, Phoebe, Alice and Lee. "My mind still talks to you. And my heart still looks for you. But my soul knows, you are at peace".

CRESP, Alice Margaret. 20/10/1922 – 14/11/2021

Mother and grandmother of Dot and Bob (deceased). Donna, Jay, Kellie, Jessica, Amy and families.

CRESP, Alice Margaret. Dearly loved mum of Mark 'Gus' and Di. Most-loving nana of Joanne 'Polly' and Nigel, Kerry and Anthony, and Anthony. Very special nana Alice to Eloise, Cameron, Emma, Caitlin and Harry. "When tomorrow starts without me".

DEATHS

HAWKER, Phillip Charles.

Passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, November 9, 2021. Aged 76 years. Loving husband of Gina. Loving father of Annette and Paul. Cherished grandpa of Cole, DJ and Bianca.

Forever in our hearts.

HONDOW, Veronica Elice.

Refer to funeral notice.

JARRETT, Robert James 'Sparky'.

Passed away surrounded by family, at Renmark Paringa District Hospital on Monday, November 8, 2021. Aged 63 years.

Loving husband of Lyndy. Proud father of Dwayne and Amanda, Brooke and Callum. Loved Jampy of Bailey, Keeley and Archie.

Words are few, Thoughts are deep, Memories of you, Are ours to keep.

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MORITZ, Peter Gregory.

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

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HAWKER.

The relatives and friends of Phil Hawker are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funeral Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri on Monday, November 22, 2021 at 2pm, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.

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HONDOW, Veronica Elice.

Relatives and friends are advised that Von's memorial service will be conducted at St Alberts Catholic Church, Loxton on Friday, November 26, 2021 at 2pm.

After the service, the cortège will proceed to the Loxton Lawn Cemetery for the interment of ashes.

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Always in our thoughts and miss you every day.

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SCORDO, Carmela.

One year has passed so quickly and our hearts remain broken.

You were such a caring and beautiful person and although our grief stays with us we were lucky to have you as our mum and nanna.

We will miss you forever.

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STOECKEL, Graeme Douglas 'Stoke'. 20/10/2021

Joy and family would sincerely like to thank our friends, neighbours and extended families throughout the world for their kindness, cards, food, flowers, support and so much love given to us during this difficult time.

Stoke touched so many lives with his skills and kindness.

He would have been overwhelmed that so many supported us to celebrate his life at 'Stokes' last smoke.'

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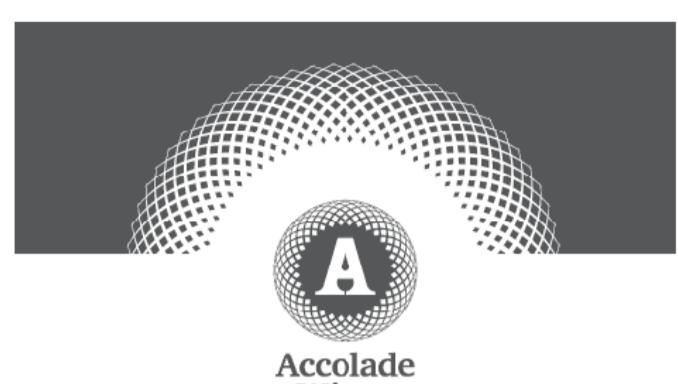
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At Accolade Wines, our purpose is to enrich everyday moments through our amazing wine brands. It goes without saying that everything we do as an organisation and as individuals is in service of fulfilling this purpose.

As one of the world's leading wine companies, our award-winning portfolio includes loved brands such as Hardys, Grant Burge, St Hallett, House of Arras, Petaluma, Banrock Station, Mud House, Jam Shed, Tatachilla, Brookland Valley and many more.

The driving force behind our business is our people, their expertise, their passion and their professionalism. With over 1,400 dedicated employees in Australia, the UK, Europe, Asia, South Africa, New Zealand and North and South America, it is our teamwork that sets us apart.

We currently have an exciting opportunity for an experienced Electrician to join our Maintenance Team on a full-time basis. This role is based at Berri, South Australia.

This position involves installation, maintenance and upgrading of plant and machinery, day-to-day breakdown maintenance, in the Packaging facility. This position requires some overtime and working a rotating shift roster.

If you are interested in working in an exciting industry, working with the latest Packaging technology and possess a positive attitude, demonstrating integrity, honesty and a strong work ethic, then you are encouraged to apply.

Further enquiries or requests for a copy of the Position Description can be directed to Adam Grovermann by email adam.grovermann@accoladewines.com

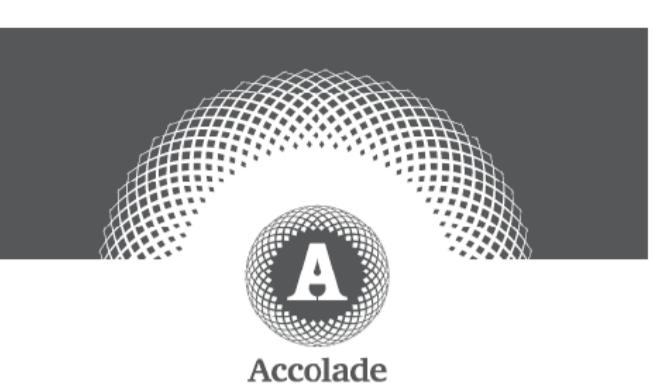
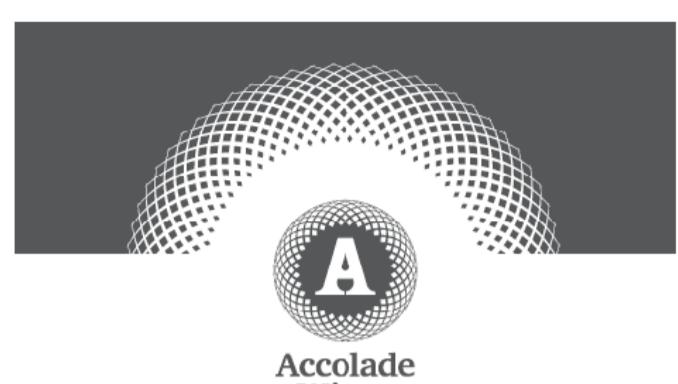
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Applications close **30th November 2021**

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Maintenance Fitter

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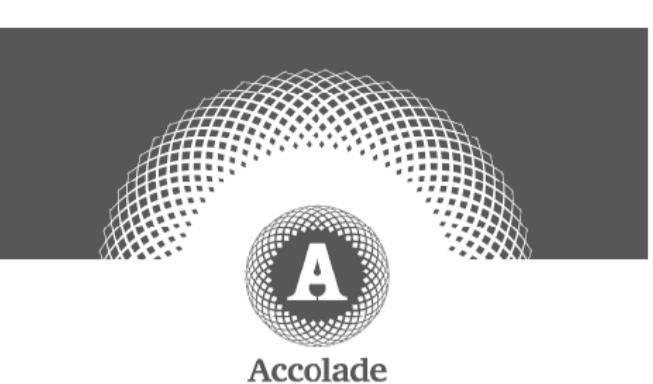
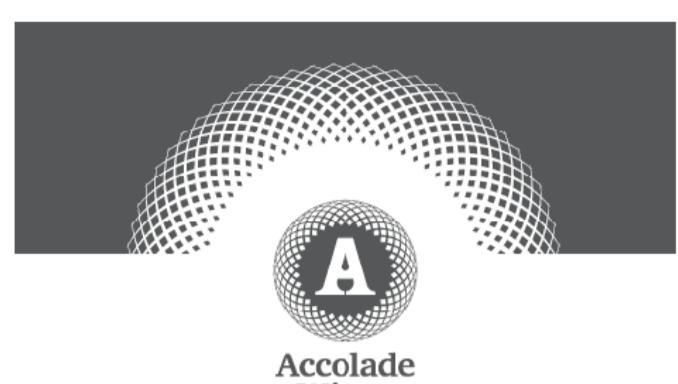
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Closing Date:
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Casual with the potential to become permanent 5 days a week for the right candidate. Predicted start date to be January 2022

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The role includes:

- Answering Telephones
- Booking appointments
- Over the counter sales
- Invoicing and payment of client accounts
- Client Relations
- Stock Control and some cleaning
- Ongoing Training Provided
- Above Award Wages

We are looking for someone who has:

- Ability to work by yourself or as part of a team
- Proficient in MS Office programs
- Exceptional customer service and strong communication skills
- Highly motivated, reliable, strong work ethic, empathetic, mature nature, and responsible with a can-do attitude
- Ability to take responsibility and follow tasks through
- Previous experience in Reception would be an advantage
- Any education in the Veterinary industry would be viewed favorably

To apply please send an email with your resume and cover letter quoting Job Number RVPAR0021 to Sandra at admin@rivvet.com.au

Applications close 26th November 2021

Drs. J.H. Hammond and Associates
63 Kay Avenue, Berri, S.A. 5343
Phone: (08) 8582 1222



Payroll / Accounts Assistant

Casual but looking to become part time, 3-4 part days a week, for the right candidate. Predicted start date to be December 2021

Riverland Veterinary Practice is looking for a Payroll/Accounts Assistant to help our Payroll Officer with our rapidly growing team. So, if you are organised with a methodical nature and eye for details this is the job for you!

The role includes:

- Data/Bill Entry
- Setting accounts to be paid
- Balancing EFTPOS
- Banking
- Processing Rosters and Time Sheets
- Ongoing Training Provided
- Above Award Wages

We are looking for someone who has:

- Ability to work autonomously
- Proficient in MS Office programs
- Sound understanding of Xero and MYOB will be highly regarded
- Strong communication skills
- Highly motivated, reliable, strong work ethic, mature nature, and responsible with a can-do attitude
- Ability to take responsibility and follow tasks through
- Previous experience in payroll or accounts would be a distinct advantage

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Mallee Regional Innovation Centre

The Mallee Regional Innovation Centre seek 3 people to join our energetic and close knit team. Headquartered in Mildura, the Centre is a partnership between The University of Melbourne, La Trobe University and SuniTAFE. The Centre is striving to prioritise and fast track projects to strategically address key challenges of the region, in the four focal areas of horticulture, water, energy and the environment. Find out more here - www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/mric/home

BUSINESS SUPPORT COORDINATOR MILDURA

• 12-month Fixed Term Appointment (Part Time – 0.8 FTE)

About the role:

We are looking for a creative, detail oriented and energetic team member to join our supportive and dynamic team. The Business Support Coordinator will report to the Centre's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and is expected to work collaboratively with Centre staff, partner organisations, local, state and federal Government agencies, and stakeholders. The Coordinator will be expected to provide high-level operational support for the Centre's CEO.

DROUGHT PROJECT COORDINATOR MILDURA

• 2-year Fixed Term Appointment (Part-Time 0.8 FTE)

About the role:

The Drought Project Coordinator reports directly to the Centre's CEO and will coordinate and lead activities in the region, engaging with the other regional Victoria Drought Hub Nodes in consultation with the Drought Hub team and Centre's CEO. The Drought Project Coordinator role is multifaceted as the position will also undertake knowledge broker tasks on behalf of the Centre and foster relationships with industry and external research partners. The Coordinator will need to effectively engage with stakeholders such as research partners, natural resource management groups, rural communities, primary industries, professional bodies, and government.

CENTRE PROJECT MANAGER (HYDROGEN LEAD) MILDURA

• 12-month Fixed Term Appointment (F/T)

About the role:

The Manager role has a dual function of developing the Centre's four focal areas and management of the Mallee Hydrogen Cluster activities. The Manager will identify opportunities to enhance sustainability of the Centre, facilitate potential projects for the benefit of the entire region, specifically, in horticulture, water, energy and environment, contribute to submissions, funding applications and proactively engage with internal and external stakeholders. While supporting the MRIC CEO in the delivery of the Centre's strategic plan, the Manager will identify emerging technology or opportunities, analyse industry needs and recommend how the Centre could add value and develop capability.

How to Apply

For position descriptions and online applications see <https://about.unimelb.edu.au/careers>

Applications close at 11:55pm 19 November 2021 (AUS EDT)

- Cover Letter – addressing all selection criteria
- Curriculum Vitae

PLEASE NOTE: You must be currently located within Australia. You will be an Australian Citizen; Permanent Resident or holder of an appropriate visa.

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- Must be able to work under minimal supervision

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Tasks will include steel cutting, drilling, sawing, spray painting and other general workshop duties in our steel production team.

- An opportunity to learn to weld may be available so a willingness to learn is appreciated.
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Ph: 8583 5262 office hours
E: danny@grantsheds.com.au



BE WISE ADVERTISE

Mountain bike test for local cyclists

THE Riverland Cycling Club is holding a mountain bike race this Sunday.

The race will be a detour from the usual track and road racing the club normally hosts. Sign in will be at 8.45am for a 9am start on the Sturt Highway opposite Wonuarr Road at Mundic Creek.

Interested riders can contact the club via its Facebook page for more details.

Meanwhile, Clint Bambrick won the club's criterium event at Monash last week.

Bambrick took out the A grade event from Brad Temple and Lee Stevens.

Phil Pfennig, Dave Liebich and Matt Ryan won the lower grades.

RESULTS

Criterium, Wed - A grade: 1. C. Bambrick; 2. B. Temple; 3. L. Stevens. **B grade:** 1. P. Pfennig; 2. S. Hardwick; 3. B. Anderson; DNF L. Rasheed. **C grade:** 1. D. Liebich; 2. K. Pietrolaj; 3. D. Temple. **D grade:** 1. M. Ryan; 2. R. Strout; 3. J. Stevens; 4. A. Ylia.

Testing conditions for Barmera sailors

CONDITIONS were testing for Lake Bonney Yacht Club sailors last Saturday, with capsizes in the cold, strong winds adding to the interesting course.

Kimberley Tonkin on his NS14 was forced to retire to the eastern shore with some damage to boom and sail.

Kirsten Thomas on her yacht Summer Breeze also retired after capsizing near the southern mark. All others survived the strong winds.

Competition this Saturday will be a re-sail/stern chaser race. Sail training will also continue with interested people urged to attend from 10am to 12 noon.

Meanwhile the club's history was a popular topic on Saturday night at a special Barmera centenary dinner, held at the Barmera Hotel.

RESULTS

Championship heat 3:
1. Fireball, On the Ball, Geoff and Chelsea Ling
2. Paper Tiger, Talisman, John Eshman
3. Mosquito, Cat-titude, Steve Thomas

Odd Bunch's big eightball win

LYRUP Club Odd Bunch posted the biggest win of the night in last week's round of Riverland women's eightball, beating Barmera Hotel Cue-Ts 12-3.

Waikerie Club stopped the run of the previously unbeaten Monash Club DV8s, winning 11-4, while Barmera Hotel Unpredictables also had a comfortable 11-4 win over Lyrup Lion Cubs.

Barmera Pelicans continued their winning run by edging past Lyrup Club 8-7.

Meanwhile in the second round of the Monash Club Knockout, Lyrup Club overcame a determined Barmera Pelicans 8-6, while Barmera Hotel Unpredictables had a clean sweep over Lyrup Lion Cubs 8-0.

Lyrup Club Odd Bunch defeated Barmera Hotel Cue-Ts 12-3 and Monash Club DV8s bounced back from a loss earlier in the week to defeat Waikerie 8-4.

RESULTS

Round six:
Lyrup Club Odd Bunch 12 (T. Knight, T. Altschwager) d Barmera Hotel Cue-Ts 3 (S. Thomas, A. Kreig-Owens).
Waikerie Club 11 (C. Cabot, J. Rohde) d Monash Club DV8s 4 (D. Marshall, L. Threlfall).
Barmera Hotel Unpredictables 11 (S. Bini, K. Flentjar) d Lyrup Lion Cubs 4 (C. Jansen, N. Angouras).
Barmera Pelicans 8 (G. Dyer, G. Lally) d Lyrup Club 7 (M. Thomas, K. Michael).

2nd round of Monash Club Knockout:

Lyrup Club d Barmera Pelicans 8-6; Barmera Hotel Unpredictables d Lyrup Lion Cubs 8-0; Lyrup Club Odd Bunch d Barmera Hotel Cue-Ts 12-3; Monash Club DV8s d Waikerie Club 8-4.

Waikerie christens Dome in style

WAIKERIE Bowling Club's \$1.3m Dome hosted its first Bowls Riverland Saturday pennants match under lights last Friday night.

The home side's division one side celebrated the occasion in appropriate style, lowering the boom on big improvers Barmera by 37 shots to move clear in second spot.

The win kept Waikerie in touch with top team Renmark and was built on three big wins skippered by Wayne Collins, Andy Fulwood and Gary Frahm.

The following day The Lawns Red took bragging rights in the intraclub clash against The Lawns, winning by 19 shots.

Sean Leesue skippered his rink to a 26-8 victory over Gary Heywood which was the difference between the sides in the end.

Renmark had a narrow six-shot win over Loxton RSL, with Mick Rice's four leading the way, while Berri moved back into the top four with a 10-shot triumph over Loxton.

RESULTS

DIVISION ONE

Berri 56 d Loxton 46.

D. Treloar 22 d D. Schliebs 15; K. Treloar 20 d R. Coombs 16; D. Badran 14 drew with B. Schubert 14. **Renmark 56 d Loxton RSL 50.**
M. Lacey 19 drew with J. Bodnar 19; M. Rice 22 d S. Roberts 12; B. Dopson 15 lost to L. Westbrook 19. **Waikerie 80 d Barmera 43.**
W. Collins 22 d A. Stagg 13; A. Fulwood 31 d J. Morena 16; G. Frahm 27 d R. Reynolds 14. **The Lawns Red 64 d The Lawns 45.**
S. Ivanovic 19 d M. Inglis 15; P. Lawton 19 lost to B. Lewan 22; S. Leesue 26 d G. Heywood 8.

DIVISION TWO

Waikerie 62 d Lyrup 52.

M. Boehm 17 lost to L. Recchia 18; D. Thompson 19 drew with J. Wrigley 19; R. Davies 26 d S. Munro 15. **Berri 69 d The Lawns 49.**
W. Couzens 29 d K. Knight 13; L. Knight 26 d K. Schopp 20; J. Cresp 14 lost to K. Smith 16. **Renmark 59 d Monash 54.**
M. Howe 22 d M. Wood 14; B. Knight 22 d S. Elsdon 21; E. Schulz 15 lost to S. Voigt 19. **Loxton 71 d Loxton RSL 50.**
P. Kimber 25 d E. Eagle 18; T. Thurston 24 d S. Charles 15; H. Appleton 22 d P. Smith 17. **Moorook 63 d Barmera 53.**
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DIVISION THREE

Barmera 72 d The Lawns 42.

G. Burns 28 d M. Hudson 10; P. Symens 25 d M. Woodham 14; I. Lloyd 19 d R. Ashworth 18. **Waikerie 88 d Berri Red 29.**

H. Hope 29 d B. Knight 11; W. Burns 35 d L. Seltitzas 3; G. Hall 24 d K. Tanner 15. **Renmark 52 d Monash 51.**

J. Thompson 18 lost to J. John 19; D. Beer 11 lost to C. Traeger 17; L. Warren 23 d G. Voigt 15. **Loxton White 68 d Berri Blue 67.**

D. Proud 18 lost to B. Bland 20; K. Brandsma 31 d L. Blades 22; T. Altschwager 19 lost to D. Piltz 25. **Loxton Red 72 d Lyrup 46.**

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DIVISION FOUR

Waikerie Regents 41 d Barmera 35.

C. Voigt 9 lost to K. Brown 25; T. Strauss 32 d T. Daelman 10. **Moorook 57 d Renmark 36.**

J. Rushby 21 lost to R. Minge 26; M. Smith 36 d T. Leonard 10. **Waikerie Hornets 53 d Loxton 23.**

E. Loughhead 23 d D. Vaughan 14; B. Nicholls 30 d J. Peters 9. **The Lawns Red 41 d The Lawns 24.**

L. Pinyon 26 d C. Haar 11; A. Eckermann 15 d M. McCauley 13.



Berri's Emma Treloar gets ready to bowl in her side's win over Loxton in Saturday pennants last weekend.
PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Loxton's Wayne Schulz in action against Berri.

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d C. Vriendt 14.

Moorook 51 d The Lawns 28.

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Dodd 13.

Waikerie 43 d Loxton RSL 42.

L. Burnett 20 lost to J. Smith 23; N. DellaZoppa 23

d A. Wall 19.



Action from last week's Riverland A grade baseball match. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

No safe hits? No problems

IT was a night of tough losses for the Berri Baseball Club, but terrific wins for their opponents in Riverland A grade baseball at Glassey Park on Friday.

Renmark defeated Berri Red by one run, despite not registering a safe hit for the night.

Some great base running saw Renmark take a 5-2 lead after one innings, before the Warriors brought the deficit back to one run after two.

One run each in the third and final innings in tough and windy conditions closed out the game with the Angels home by a solitary run.

Jesse Stemberger picked up the only safe hit for Berri Red.

The second game saw Riverland Pirates beat Berri Blue 5-3.

Pirates got the jump early, taking a three-run lead as the young team batted well in windy conditions.

The lead was extended to 5-0 after three

innings before Berri Blue started to get its batting game going.

A double play in the third innings gave Berri hope of containing the Pirates, along with an in-field home run to the lightning quick Damian Heinicke, but the Pirates had done enough early in the game with safe hits to Jon Pintilie, Deanna Campbell and Jamie Frazer.

RESULTS A GRADE

Inn	1	2	3	T
Berri Red	2	4	1	7
Renmark	5	2	1	8

Safe hits: Berri Red – J. Stemberger. Renmark – nil.

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Riverland Pirates	3	0	2	0	0	5
Berri Blue	0	0	0	1	2	3

Safe hits: Riverland Pirates – J. Pintilie, D. Campbell, J. Frazer. Berri Blue – S. Goldspink 2, D. Heinicke (HR).

Softball big hitters dominate

BIG wins were the order of the day as the Riverland senior softball season continued at Glassey Park on Saturday.

Loxton easily accounted for an undermanned Berri 12-0. The Redsox had their chances, but were unable to convert their hits into runs.

Deanna Collard-Campbell was the standout player for Berri Red, picking up a three-bagger.

However, outside of her efforts it was all Loxton as Evan McAllister hit a home run late in the fifth innings and Noah Paul picked up a three-bagger in the dominant win for the Strikers.

The late game saw top-of-the-table Cobdogla overcome Berri 12-4.

The Eagles won despite several players being out of action as the club's C grade team helped fill the gaps.

Consistent batting and fielding helped Cobdogla to victory, with Bron Smith leading the way.

Highlights of the C grade competition included a young Cobdogla team securing another draw, this time against Loxton Blue, Berri holding on for a thrilling high-scoring win over Loxton Green and Janiquha Cook nailing two home runs to lead Cobdogla Blue to a 14-11 win over Renmark.

RESULTS SENIORS

Loxton 12 d Berri Red 0.

Best: Loxton – E. McAllister, A. Halupka, N.



Berri Red's Jane Howe-Kruger makes good contact with the ball in her side's loss to Loxton.

Paul. Berri Red – D. Collard-Campbell, Z. Heinrich, K. Jesser.

Cobdogla 12 d Berri 4.

Best: Cobdogla – B. Smith, D. Passmore, C. Smith. Berri – K. Hibberd, L. Collard-Campbell, W. Nuske.

C GRADE

Berri 18 d Loxton Green 15.

Best: Berri – A. Sampson, S. Wade, B.

Cooper. Loxton Green – J. Hucks, K. Murdoch, L. Smith.

Lxton Blue 14 drew with Cobdogla 14.

Best: Loxton Blue – B. McAllister, L. Johnson, O. Johnson. Cobdogla – L. Wade, K. Swart, M. Nagy.

Cobdogla Blue 14 d Renmark 11.

Best: Cobdogla Blue – J. Cook, B. Cook, W. Leckie. Renmark – M. Morris, K. Robinson, B. Hawker.



Loxton's Cora Johnson hangs on to a spectacular catch in the outfield in Riverland softball on the weekend. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Renmark North dodges weather, sprinklers to beat Loxton

RENMARK North picked up a massive nine-wicket win over Loxton in Riverland A grade cricket on Saturday.

With the match looking likely to be abandoned after the covers were blown off the pitch on Friday, before sprinklers came on that evening, the match was agreed to be moved onto a hard wicket.

Loxton took full advantage, racking up a decent score of 6/157. Veteran Mick Gutsche compiled 72 not out as the North bowlers were unable to dislodge the star.

Jake Albrecht also contributed with 25, while the tidy bowling of Zakk Gallo (2/21) and Tarque Williamson (1/19) restricted Loxton at times.

In reply, North opener Ben Files took off for a quick single and pulled a muscle in his groin.

Rather than retire, Files decided to swing the bat and finished on 87 as North passed Loxton's total with five balls remaining.

At the other end, Liam Jackson compiled a patient and unbeaten 49 off 115 deliveries.

The match between Berri and Waikerie-

Ramco was abandoned.

RESULTS A GRADE

Renmark North 1/158 d Loxton 6/157.

Loxton – T. Hobby 2, W. Gutsche 6, J. Albrecht 25, B. Hoffmann 10, M. Gutsche 72no, L. Zdanowicz 11, T. O'Shaughnessy 11, J. Durdin 11no.

Bowling – Z. Gallo 2/21, T. Williamson 1/19, D. Mills 1/39, D. Aston 1/23, F. Sampson 0/33, C. Packer 1/22.

Renmark North – L. Jackson 49no, B. Files 87, T. Williamson 10no.

Bowling – L. Zdanowicz 0/31, J. Norman 0/29, J. Albrecht 0/9, B. Hoffmann 0/33, B. Lynch 1/27, J. Durdin 0/28.

Berri v Waikerie-Ramco.

Match abandoned.

B GRADE

Monash 6/82 (K. Gillespie 40no, M. Smith 28no, L. Harder 4/13, J. Evans 1/19) d Wunkar 79 (B. Falting 18, J. Evans 17, L. Evans 11, G. Potts 4/5, K. Gillespie 4/18).

Beri 3/96 (P. Dale 20, M. Foulds 19, R. Taylor 12, A. Singh 1/12) d Gerard 91 (J. Singh 20, A. Singh 19, M. Cawse 4/25, I. Woolston 2/7, M. Kumar 2/12).

Renmark North 6/183 (B. Blackwell 53no, J. Wood 51, D. Hill 41, L. Patterson 2/16, T. Victor 2/18) d Brown's Well – B. Hampel 69no, D. Ireland 44, J. Patterson 27, T. Wood 3/12, D. Hill 2/25, B. Blackwell 2/29.

Loxton's basketball dominance continues

LOXTON continued its dominant and unbeaten start to the Riverland division one men's basketball season last week.

The Supercats won the top-of-the-table clash with Waikerie by a whopping 39 points in a huge statement to the rest of the competition.

Brandan Tregeagle, Jack Oates and Jesse Will combined for 59 points between them, with Oates dangerous from in close and the others on song from long range.

Jack Parfitt led all scorers for Waikerie with 20 points, while Kyle Ling scored 10 for the Warriors.

Waikerie will need to regroup ahead of tomorrow night's clash with the in-form Renmark, after the Steamers rolled Berri by 49 points last week.

A huge 35-point opening term saw the game over quickly as Renmark asserted its dominance.

Declan Johnson was on fire for the Steamers, amassing 35 points to become the competition's leading scorer.

Judd Hansen was also in on the fun, scoring 22 points for Renmark.

For the Blazers, Joel Szalbot scored 22 points while Heath and Harry Campbell scored 27 between them.

Meanwhile mother-and-daughter combination Hannah and Sienna Lehmann nearly outscored Loxton on their own in Waikerie's big division one women's win.

Hannah scored 22 and Sienna 14 as Waikerie won the clash 59-38 after a close first half.

Summer Smith (nine points), Mackella Hogan (seven) and Anita Modlinski (seven) led the way for Loxton.

Berri easily accounted for bottom side Renmark by 25 points in Thursday's final division one game.

Lana Gregoric and Claire Schupelius scored 14 points in the big win, which would have been even larger if not for a final-quarter fightback from Renmark.

Paige Roberts finished with 16 points for the Steamers.

RESULTS

MEN

DIVISION ONE

Loxton	20	40	57	85
Waikerie	13	21	32	46

Points: Loxton - B. Tregeagle 21, J. Oates 20, J. Will 18, C. Lange 12, T. Wagner 12, L. Francis 2. Waikerie - J. Parfitt 20, K. Ling 10, K. Hahn 6, S. Smyth 4, D. Leuders 2, L. Exton 2, B. Fridd 2.

Renmark	35	60	84	107
Berri	10	28	42	58

Points: Renmark - D. Johnson 35, J. Hansen 22, R. Curtis 15, Z. Gartery 12, C. Gartery 9, A. Haynes 6, W. Stockman 4, J. Brine 4. Berri - J. Szalbot 22, H. Campbell 14, H. Campbell 13, P. Safralidis 5, O. Hunyadi 2, S. Cameron 2.

DIVISION TWO

Loxton 46 d Tigers 32; Allstars 50 d Waikerie Black 38; Barmera 59 d Supercats 33; Waikerie White 38 d Berri 33.

DIVISION THREE

Berri Red 29 d Berri 27; Warriors 36 d Chaffey 23; Steamers 63 d Waikerie White 37; Supercats 39 d Loxton 28; Blazers 37 d Waikerie Black 25; Barmera 31 d Renmark 27.



Renmark's Judd Hansen goes for a layup in his side's win over Berri last Thursday night.
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DIVISION FOUR

Supercats 34 d Barmera 17; Loxton 29 d Blazers 27.

WOMEN

DIVISION ONE

Waikerie	15	25	42	59
Loxton	12	19	30	38

Points: Waikerie - H. Lehmann 22, S. Lehmann 14, A. Curtis 11, K. Barnett 9, S. Campbell 2, C. Turner 1. Loxton - S. Smith 9, M. Hogan 7, A. Modlinski 7, B. Hahn 5, E. Foulds 4, A. Voigt 4, T. Tickle 2.

Berri	16	36	53	66
Renmark	7	13	17	41

Points: Berri - L. Gregoric 14, C. Schupelius 14, A. Westley 10, E. Eleftheriadis 9, C. Foulds 8, E. Westley 6, C. Gates 2, A. Morgan 2, D. Eleftheriadis 1. Renmark - P. Roberts 16, S. Modlinski 6, M. Petersen 6, E. Stockman 5, E. Rucioch 5, F. Rowett 2, D. Johnson 1.

DIVISION TWO/THREE

Barmera 71 d Loxton 23; Tigers 26 d Waikerie 21; Berri 41 d Allstars 22; Lakers 39 d Wildcats 14; Renmark 48 d Supercats 23; Cat Stars 54 d Steamers 23.

DIVISION FOUR

Supercats 39 d Allstars 26; Loxton 39 d Barmera 8; Waikerie 38 d Renmark 27; Berri 34 d Tigers 23.

BOYS

U18 (D1): Renmark 62 d Waikerie 30; Loxton 46 d Barmera 27.

U18 (D2): Berri 41 d Renmark 24; Loxton 45 d Barmera 35; Supercats 56 d Waikerie 38.

U16 (D1): Renmark 53 d Waikerie 36; Loxton 59 d Berri 18.

U16 (D2): Supercats 35 d Renmark 31; Loxton 62 d Waikerie 20; Tigers 47 d Barmera 24.

U14 (D1): Renmark 78 d Berri 26; Barmera 25 d Loxton 17.

U14 (D2): Lakers 19 d Renmark 12; Loxton 18 d Barmera 16.

U12 (D1): Loxton 29 d Berri 14; Waikerie 28 d Barmera 24.

U12 (D2): Waikerie 34 d Barmera 6; Loxton 15 d Supercats 12.

GIRLS

U18: Renmark 46 d Waikerie 11; Loxton 24 d Barmera 13.

U16: Barmera 63 d Berri 18; Loxton 64 d Waikerie 19.

U14 (D1): Barmera 42 d Waikerie 28; Steamers 18 d Supercats 17; Loxton 40 d Berri 21.

U14 (D2): Barmera 31 d Waikerie 29; Loxton 24 d Supercats 16.

U12 (D1): Berri 32 d Waikerie 26; Loxton 27 d Barmera 9.

U12 (D2): Supercats 10 d Waikerie 9; Loxton 16 d Barmera 2.

Comeback elevates Loxton up ladder

A COME-from-behind win for Loxton elevated it into second spot on the Riverland division one tennis ladder on Saturday.

Loxton trailed by one rubber heading into the final three doubles clashes, but claimed two to defeat Berri despite trailing on games.

Phil and Tasmin Smith defeated Phil Cresp and Georgia Tzanavaras 7-5, while Justin Lane and Ainslie Biggins overcame Shane McPherson and Kirsty Barnett 6-3 to seal the win for Loxton.

In the singles, Loxton won all four of the men's rubbers, while Maria and Georgia Tzanavaras were triumphant for Berri in the women's matches.

Cobdogla made it four from four with a comfortable win over Renmark.

Renmark got off to a good start with confident doubles victories to David Strongman and Warren Hill and John Pick and Dean Schumann.

However, Sophie Nettle and Hayley Drogemuller got on top to turn the contest in Cobdogla's favour.

Cobdogla led 4-2 before the sin-

gles and increased their lead to an unbeatable 9-3 ahead of the final doubles games.

RESULTS

DIVISION ONE

Cobdogla 11-81 d Renmark 4-48.

Doubles: S. Butterworth/H. Carter lost to D. Strongman/W. Hill 2-6; C. Battams/W. Swinstead lost to J. Pick/D. Schumann 3-6; S. Nettle/H. Drogemuller d K. Schumann/H. Poulish 6-4; S. Butterworth/H. Carter d D. Strongman/W. Hill 7-6; C. Battams/W. Swinstead d D. Bright/E. Sleep 6-0; S. Nettle/H. Drogemuller d K. Schumann/E. Reid 6-1; S. Butterworth/C. Battams lost to D. Strongman 5-7; H. Carter/S. Nettle d D. Schumann/K. Schumann 7-5; W. Swinstead/H. Drogemuller d D. Bright/E. Reid 6-3.

Loxton 8-69 d Berri 7-71.

Doubles: A. Waters/P. Smith d E. Day/P. Reid 6-4; J. Lane/J. Loxton lost to P. Cresp/S. McPherson 1-6; T. Smith/N. Kruger lost to M. Tzanavaras/K. Barnett 2-6; A. Waters/P. Smith d E. Day/P. Cresp 6-1; J. Lane/J. Loxton lost to P. Reid/S. McPherson 3-6; T. Smith/A. Biggins lost to M. Tzanavaras/G. Tzanavaras 4-6; A. Waters/J. Loxton lost to E. Day/P. Reid 2-6; P. Smith/T. Smith d P. Cresp/G. Tzanavaras 7-5; J. Lane/A. Biggins d S. McPherson/K. Barnett 6-3. Singles: A. Waters d. E. Day 6-4; P. Smith d. P. Reid 6-3; J. Lane d. P. Cresp 7-5; J. Loxton d. S. McPherson 6-4; T. Smith lost

to M. Tzanavaras 3-6; N. Kruger lost to G. Tzanavaras 4-6.

DIVISION TWO

Cobdogla 12-79 d Berri 3-46.

Doubles: S. Renfrey/J. Inglis d S. Vallelonga/J. Jia 6-1; T. Nettle/B. Burton d F. Vallelonga/M. Wenman 6-1; E. Carter/S. Bevington d E. Serwan/K. Reid 6-2; S. Renfrey/J. Inglis d S. Vallelonga/J. Jia 6-3; F. Burton/A. Myer d F. Vallelonga/M. Wenman 6-4; E. Carter/S. Bevington d E. Serwan/K. Reid 6-3; S. Renfrey/J. Inglis d S. Vallelonga/J. Jia 6-0; T. Nettle/E. Carter d F. Vallelonga/E. Serwan 6-2; A. Myer/S. Bevington lost to M. Wenman/K. Reid 2-6. Singles: S. Renfrey d S. Vallelonga 6-3; J. Inglis d J. Jia 6-2; T. Nettle d F. Vallelonga 6-3; A. Myer lost to M. Wenman 2-6; E. Carter d E. Serwan 6-4; S. Bevington lost to K. Reid 3-6.

Berri Red 10-79 d Loxton 5-65.

Doubles: H. Bagga/B. Reichelt lost to G. Staehr/R. Mason 3-6; T. Griffin/M. Roberts d R. Cresp/E. Wade 6-3; J. Pearn/D. Gibbs d C. Martin/K. Hayes 6-4; H. Bagga/B. Reichelt d G. Staehr/R. Mason 6-3; D. Reichelt/M. Roberts lost to E. Wade/S. Button 4-6; D. Gibbs/A. Taylor lost to C. Martin/K. Hayes 6-7; H. Bagga/B. Reichelt lost to R. Cresp/R. Mason 6-2; D. Reichelt/J. Pearn lost to E. Wade/C. Martin 6-7; T. Griffin/A. Taylor d S. Button/K. Hayes 6-4. Singles: H. Bagga d G. Staehr 6-3; B. Reichelt lost to R. Mason 2-6; T. Griffin lost to R. Cresp 4-6; M. Roberts lost to E. Wade 4-6; J. Pearn lost to C. Martin 2-6; A.

Taylor lost to K. Hayes 2-6.



Renmark's Joel Stoeckel in action during Riverland Saturday morning tennis last weekend.
PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

DIVISION THREE

Barmera 6-45 d Moorook 4-43.

Doubles: R. Harris/C. Cornelius d R. Thomson/F. Logos 7-5; M. Cornelius/D. Gilgen lost to O. Ackland/D. Hill 2-6; R. Harris/M. Cornelius lost to R. Thomson/D. Hill 0-6; C. Cornelius/D. Gilgen d F. Logos 6-4; R. Harris/C. Cornelius d R. Thomson/J. Logos 6-1; M. Cornelius/D. Gilgen lost to D. Hill/O. Ackland 2-6.

Singles: R. Harris lost to R. Thomson 3-6; M. Cornelius d F. Logos 7-5; C. Cornelius d O. Ackland 6-0; D. Gilgen d J. Logos 6-4.

Paringa 9-59 d Cobdogla 1-23.

Doubles: N. Rover/N. Spinks d J. O'Brien 6-0; O'Brien/C. Brown 6-3; N. Rover/D.

Roesler d C. Sharkey/J. Bowers 6-0; N. Rover/N. Rover lost to J. O'Brien 4-6; N. Spinks/D. Roesler d C. Sharkey/J. Bowers 6-0; N. Rover/D. Roesler d J. O'Brien/J. Bowers 6-2; N. Spinks/N. Rover d L. Bowers/C. Sharkey 6-3. Singles: N. Rover d J. O'Brien 6-0; N. Rover d C. Sharkey 6-4; D. Roesler d J. Bowers 6-0.

Loxton Smashers 7-51 d Renmark 3-32.

Doubles: S. Gillett/G. Amaechi d B. Coombe/A. Rajab 6-2; P. Jealous/G. Nunn lost to C. Leckie-Hefford/A. Sleep 5-7; R. Hentschke/G. Amaechi d B. Coombe/N. Stoeckel 6-3; W. Gillett/G. Nunn lost to A. Rajab/A. Sleep 0-6; S. Gillett/W. Gillett d B. Coombe/A. Sleep 6-2; P. Jealous/R. Hentschke d C. Leckie-Hefford/N. Stoeckel 6-1.

Talent session for junior tennis players

LOCAL junior tennis players are invited to a talent development session at the Berri Tennis Club this Sunday, from 9am to 1pm.

Hosted by Tennis Australia and local accredited coaches, the session aims to provide opportunities for talented players to come together and train in

Veteran visitor takes Barmera Spring Classic

REGULAR veteran visitor Dr Geoff White eclipsed the big names to win the open men's division of the Laser Electrical Barmera Golf Spring Classic on Saturday.

White carded a net 71 off his 22 handicap in windy conditions to beat Grange star Corey Baker by one shot for the lowest net score on a tough day for scoring. Baker and Barmera pennant star Peter Johns both carded 76 off the stick but could not overhaul the friendly doctor from the Eagles Golf Club.

White went out in 47 and home in 46, including a triple bogey 7 on the par 4 16th.

He praised the hospitality of the Barmera Golf Club and the condition of the course after being named the victor.

"We all love coming back to Barmera," he said. "We have played here three times this year. You can't fault the friendly atmosphere and the welcoming members. The course was in great condition as usual despite the wind and rain."

Swan Reach's Trevor Hancock and local Phil Selfe were equal third on net 73, one shot ahead of a group of seven on 74.'

Loxton golf legend Marlene 'Bonnie' Tyler headed a small women's field with a net 69 on her 12 handicap. However, she was made to work for the win with both Sheila Wickstein, on the comeback trail after knee surgery, and Willunga single-figure handicapper Jessica Reynolds scoring net 71.

Reynolds had 78 off the stick

after nines of 38 and 40, including birdies on the first and 12th holes.

A packed field struggled with the challenging conditions which were far from synonymous with this time of year. Only four players – White, Tyler, Wickstein and Reynolds – managed to break their handicaps for the day.

In the graded sections Brad Campbell won the men's A grade from Johns, while Hancock took the honours ahead of Selfe on a countback in the B grade.

Joffa Rosbergen won the C grade trophy from West Lakes visitor David Torley.

Sunday's stableford shotgun start was also a struggle in rainy and windy conditions. Young up-and-coming local Brandon Uren had 40 points to street the field and win from Hancock (38) and Berri club president Wayne Thiele (37).

Tanunda's big-hitting David Ryles was the star of the Classic's annual Skins shoot-out on Saturday evening, winning three holes. The shoot-out was moved from Sunday to Saturday this season and resulted in a lot more golfers hanging around to watch and enjoy a hearty meal at the club.

President Neville McPherson thanked his army of volunteers and greenkeeper David Hastwell for their hours of selfless work to make the event such a success.

"Putting on these events is very demanding, so we are blessed to have such a dedicated band of volunteers helping with the many aspects involved in making the



Winner of the open division of last weekend Barmera Spring Classic, Dr Geoff White, with Barmera Golf Club president Neville McPherson. PHOTO: supplied

event so popular," he said.

"We had a capacity field for the two days which just shows how well the course is regarded within South Australian golfing circles."

McPherson paid tribute to the overall winner Geoff White. "He is one of those people who comes to enjoy the experience and it is great to see him have a win," he said. "We seem to be getting more and more outsiders visiting regularly and that is down to the course condition and the atmosphere created around the club by a lot of the members."

RESULTS BARMERA SPRING CLASSIC

Best net scores, men: G. White (Eagles) 93-71, C. Baker (Grange) 76-72, T.

Hancock (Swan Reach) 90-73, P. Selfe 88-73, J. Rosbergen 95-74, B. Campbell (VFL) 82-74, D. Torley (West Lakes) 96-74, B. Deane (Eagles) 107-74, P. Johns 76-74, W. Thiele 87-74, P. Jericho 87-74, M. Jericho 83-75, B. Uren 94-75. Women: B. Tyler (Loxton) 81-69, S.

Wickstein 101-31, J. Reynolds (Willunga) 78-71, M. Williams 90-73, AM Crease (Berri) 92-74, K. Jericho 106-75. Best off the stick - men: C. Baker 76-, P. Johns 76, D. Pateyjohns (Willunga) 79-, D. Ryles (Tanunda) 80, J. Gumm (Tanunda) 81, S. Williams 81, D. Johns 81, G. Shields 81, B. Campbell 82, M. Jericho 83. Women: J. Reynolds (Willunga) 78-, B. Tyler 81, K. Michaelsen (The Vines) 88-, M. Williams 90, Sabine Grein (Loxton) 90. Handicap trophies: A gr: B. Campbell 74, P. Johnson 74; B gr: T. Hancock 73, P. Selfe 73; C gr: J. Rosbergen 74, D. Torley 74. Sunday stableford: B. Uren (19) 40, T. Hancock (17) 38, W. Thiele (13) 37, C. Panagaris (West Lakes) (20) 36, D. Johns

(4) 35, G. Millard (18) 35, D. Rebbeck (Eagles) (35) 35, G. White (22) 34, M. Jericho (8) 34, N. McPherson (15) 33, C. Jessup (VFL) (10) 33, P. Cummins (Berri) (17) 33, J. Gumm (Tanunda) (1) 33, T. Swanbury (3) 33, S. Williams (Willunga) (3) 33.

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Stableford, Wednesday, November 10: R. Knight 38 (cb), J. Parker 38, S. Wade 38, P. Cummins 36, S. Gore 35 (cb), M. Lewan 35, R. Keightley 35, C. Berry 34 (cb), G. Calgie 34, C. Foreman 33 (cb), L. Mudge 33, D. Forbes 33.

Stableford, Saturday, November 13: D. Gregoric 41, M. Clifford 40, B. Frahn 38, R. Knight 36, J. Parker 35 (cb), C. Berry 35, R. Keightley 35, J. Skinner 35, R. Day 35, T. Jackson 35, S. Renfrey 35, I. McHugh 34. Birdies L. Campbell 16th, S. Ormsby 1st.

Stableford, Sunday, November 14: P. Efthimiou 36 pts, G. Harris 35, S. Wade 34.

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Winning dinghy double for brothers

SCOTT and Zac Pogorecki claimed a winning double in the Riverland Dinghy Club's Dash 4 Cash and the Hoops Auto 4WD Renmark Enduro recently.

With a predominantly South Australian competitor base for the first couple of races of 2021, three teams travelled from Queensland to race, including one for the first time.

The Pogoreckis continued to demonstrate their high level of racing skill in their Mad Hueys boat, lodging times of 56.99 and 55.60 seconds to finish six seconds clear of nearest rivals Shaun Jenke and Ben Kaye in the Dash 4 Cash 30hp sports class held on the Friday night.

They backed it up on the weekend, this time outlasting Reece Yard and Shane Taylor by just one second to win the Enduro.

A club spokesperson said the Dash 4 Cash, which is usually held in February in conjunction with the Dinghy Derby, was well attended and supported despite the event being ticketed for the first time to adhere with the club's Covid-19 event management plan.

"Prices were kept extremely low and the club would like to thank all who attended," the spokesperson said.

"It is really important that events



such as the Dash 4 Cash, which activate the town river front and open spaces, are held.

The Dash 4 Cash round was supported, with event sponsorship funding from the Renmark Paringa Council.

"It was very rewarding after 18 months of planning to be able to host families to the event in ideal weather conditions," the spokesperson said.

The recent storm affected the Enduro, with sweeps of the creeks

and waterways conducted to ensure safety before the race.

The final round of the series is the Paul Hutchins Loan Centre Hunchee Run on December 11.

Over 50 interstate teams and competitors will be champing at the bit to get back across the border to compete going forward.

DASH 4 CASH

30HP SPORTS: S. Pogorecki/Z. Pogorecki 112.59; S. Jenke/B. Kaye 118.43; A. Kelckhoven/B. Phillips 119.60; K. Morena/D. Mowbray 119.88.

30HP ROOKIES: C. Price/L. Gordon 120/38; Z. Lochert/S. Lochert 123.21; D. Travaglione/J. Arnold 126.81; N. Burgess/B. Humphries 130.59.

30HP SUPER STANDARD: B. Baylis/L. Bacska 122.57; N. Gray/L. Sharrad 129.43; B. Phillips/C. Preen 129.99; S. Jenke/B. Kaye 130.98.

30HP STANDARD: A. Schulz/J. Porter 131.33; T. Wagenknecht/B. Gibbs 130.88; M. Pietrolaj/T. Whateley 132.01; B. Bruhn/T. Pilgrim 133.76.

300cc MODIFIED: N. Wilson/D. Weir 157.29; J. Chigros/R. Harmer 157.80.

25HP STANDARD: C. Jenke/K. Shaddock 146.76; O. Scarlett/C. Greer 151.06.

15HP STANDARD: J. Haslett/E. Haslett 172.93; H. Pearce/O. Pearce 170.80;

J. Ricketts/K. Ivanovic 204.86; C. Crossing/M. Courtney 183.05.

ENDURO

30HP SPORTS: S. Pogorecki/Z. Pogorecki 1:08.05.6; R. Yard/S. Taylor 1:09.08.0; A. Price/B. Martin 1:13.36.3; S. Jenke/B. Kaye 1:15.10.3. DNF - B. Pilgrim/J. Glover; A. Kelckhoven/B. Phillips; K. Morena/D. Mowbray.

30HP ROOKIES: C. Price/L. Gordon 1:20.05.9; Z. Lochert/S. Lochert 1:20.15.4; M. McKerlie/R. Foster 1:21.36.; M. Preen/S. Pack 1:21.45.8; D. Travaglione/J. Arnold 1:21.55.6; N. Burgess/B. Humphries 1:29.12.9.

30HP SUPER STANDARD: B. Baylis/L. Bacska 1:18.43.2; J. Morena/J. Bannear 1:24.33.9; B. Phillips/C. Preen 1:24.36.3; T. Cumming/R. Thomson 1:24.41.4; C. Zadow/M. Northcott 1:27.03.6; J. Rehn/J. Fuller 1:32.31.6. DNF - N. Gray/L. Sharrad; S. Toft/S. Manning.

30HP STANDARD: M. Webber/J. Woodrow 1:20.55.3; B. Bruhn/T. Pilgrim 1:21.12.2;

M. Pietrolaj/T. Whateley 1:21.29.9; T. August/B. Hocking 1:21.56.1; J. Morrison/P. Davidson 1:22.21.8; T. Wagenknecht/B. Gibbs 1:22.42.4; C. Newman/H. Nuske 1:23.39.1; A. Troake/B. Dowling 1:26.03.3; A. Schulz/J. Porter 1:27.11.2; H. Fish/J. Hogan 1:27.33.6; R. Penley/D. Penley 1:29.05.1; J. Ridley/T. Ridley 1:29.45.3; M. Sander/D. Sherry 1:30.31.7; S. Ellis/J. O'Connell 1:32.02.0; L. Stevenson/S. Toft 1:32.21.4; B. Boughen/H. Jericho 1:33.11.7; A. Pratt/J. Mullins 1:42.40.8. DNF - M. Irvine/J. Bonner.

300cc MODIFIED: DNF - J. Chigros/H. Harmer; N. Wilson/D. Weir.

25HP STANDARD: C. Jenke/K. Shaddock 1:33.26.4; O. Scarlett/C. Greer 1:33.59.3.

15HP STANDARD: H. Pearce/O. Pearce 52.24.9; J. Ricketts/K. Ivanovic 56.12.4; C. Crossing/M. Courtney 1:01.41.1.

Under 15 girls footy coming in 2022

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She played in the RFL's senior competition in 2021 against mature women as a 15-year-old.

"If there was an under 15 competition when I played it would've prepared me a lot better and given me more confidence before going to Adelaide and playing with girls my own age," she said.

"Playing with the boys helped me get used to the physicality and the bigger bodies, but the skills of the girls down in Adelaide are better and it's a lot faster too."

The new competition will target girls between the age of 12 and 15, while the Auskick centre will be for girls aged between five and 12.

Both options will have a focus on participation and fun, and are seen as entry level programs.

SANFL game development co-ordinator Nick Dillon said the introduction of a complete footy pathway was vital for local

female footballers.

"If the Riverland is going to have a female presence, then it needs to be done right," he said.

"The feedback we're constantly getting is that girls want to play with girls, not the boys."

"Hopefully now we can attract more girls to Auskick and junior footy and get them started at a younger age in a more comfortable space."

"Playing from February to April also gives those girls who want to play both footy and netball the opportunity to do so."

Mr Dillon said for the under 15 girls competition to be successful, parents need to contact their local club and get involved.

"Clubs are already light on for volunteers so new helpers are required to make this viable," he said.

"We're cognisant that adding another team for them to field and the volunteer-hours that come

with that is a lot for footy clubs to take on, particularly coming out of Covid-19."

"But the benefits certainly outweigh the negatives."

"So if you have a daughter who is keen to play, please get involved in some way to help shoulder the load on your club."

Molly encouraged local girls to pull on a guernsey and get involved with their local club.

"Footy is an awesome sport and it's definitely not just for boys," she said.

"It's a really supportive environment and the girls get around each other. Footy is a lot more friendly (than other sports)."

"It's awesome how it's growing here in the Riverland."

The first round of under 15 matches and Auskick will be held on Monday, February 28.

Check the RFL's Facebook page for more competition details and fixtures.



Riverland Superdogs 2021 season award winners (from left), Paul Glassey (Best First Year Player), Sam Ingerson (life member), Joe Butson (joint Dog Tag winner) and Jason King (Dog Tag runner-up). Absent: Joint Dog Tag winner Darren Kennedy. PHOTO: supplied

History as Dog Tag award shared

FOR only the second time in Riverland Superdogs 39-year history, the best player of the season award has been shared.

Joe Butson and Darren Kennedy were joint winners of the 2021 Dog Tag award, after the count was held during the club's end-of-year trip for the first time.

Butson took the votes in the final match of the 11-round season to force a tie with Kennedy. Runner-up was Jason King, just ahead of Kim Polst.

Spud Murphy Memorial Best First Year Player award.

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Patrick Minchella was best and fairest in the Demons' under 18 premiership team.

The club announced its new senior coach earlier this month, with Clint Ridgway replacing Brian Gates.

A GRADE

Best & fairest: Shay Hawkins

and Luke Teasdale
Best team man: Evan Penaluna.
Most improved: Adam Langford.
Coach's award: Brad Rosenzweig.

Leading goal kicker: Jason Westley (26 goals).
Spud Murphy Memorial Best First Year Player: Hugo Kregar.

B GRADE

Best & fairest: Joshua Lee
B&F runner-up: Michael Grosser
Best team man: Jack Staunton
Most improved: Ronald Bromley
Coach's award: Zack Joannou
Leading goal kicker: James Preece (19)

UNDER 18

Best & fairest: Patrick Minchella
B&F runner-up: Archie Holtham
Best team man (Andrew Woolston Memorial): Wes

Frankel
Most improved: Daniel Greer
Coach's award: Aaron Page
Leading goal kicker: Regan Kruger (26)

Most versatile: Lucas Lawrie
Best finals player: Rory Moroney

UNDER 15

Best & fairest: Hayden Johns
B&F runner-up: Harry Campbell
Best team man: Yianni Exarheas

Best utility: Deegan Corman
Coach's award: Callum Erceg
Best finals player: Liam Watson
Leading goal kicker: Brock Wenman (18)

Most consistent: Liam Watson

Most improved: Boyd Mosley

UNDER 13

Best & fairest: Tyrese Blore and

Jae Pfitzner

B&F runner-up: Cody Blanck

UNDER 11

Coach's award: Tyson Burford

Most improved: Ruby Wishart

UNDER 9

Coach's award: Bode Gates

Most improved: Van Koch

Midfield duo share top Demons' award

BERRI Football Club midfielders Shay Hawkins and Luke Teasdale shared the club's A grade best and fairest award recently.

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Shay Hawkins in action for Berri during his outstanding 2021 RFL season. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Mitchell and Mitchell help clinch futsal win

THAT'S Cooked clinched a tight win in Riverland men's futsal on the weekend.

In a low-scoring affair, goals to Richard Mitchell and Mitchell Rayner saw That's Cooked overcome Owens and the Gang 2-1.

Kev Barber Sr turned back the clock with a top performance in ABCDE FC's 8-4 win over The Other Mob.

His son Martin scored three goals in the victory.

The Wannabes defeated Young God FC 5-0 by forfeit in the other scheduled men's match.

It was big wins all round in the women's competition, with Banana Slugs beating Devil's Avocado 12-2 and Chicks n Kicks winning 13-1 over BHC.

RESULTS

MEN

ABCDE FC 8 d The Other Mob 4.

Best: ABCDE FC - K. Barber Sr, T. Pipinis. The Other Mob - T. Yoshitomo, J. Kim.

Goals: ABCDE FC - M. Barber 3, E. Wade, T. Pipinis 2, R. Verrall. McCart 2, A. van Pamelen, T. Yoshitomo.

That's Cooked 2 d Owens and the Gang 1.

Best: That's Cooked - R. Mitchell, M. Rayner. Owens and the Gang - J. Botten, E. Hoffman.

Goals: That's Cooked - T. Mitchell, C. Ebert. Owens and the Gang - C. Hajis. **The Wannabes 5 d Young God FC 0.**

Forfeit.

WOMEN

Banana Slugs 12 d The Devil's Avocado 2.

Best: Banana Slugs - A. Coombe, M. Mitchell. The Devil's Avocado - M. Lockwood, C. Formby.

Goals: Banana Slugs - M. Mitchell 4, T. Mitchell 3, A. Coombe, J. Mitchell 2, K. Skilton. The Devil's Avocado - M. Lockwood, R. Payne.

Chicks n Kicks 13 d BHC 1.

Best: Chicks n Kicks - R. Hronopoulos, J. Grace. BHC - C. Camilleri, C. Turner. Goals: Chicks n Kicks - R. Hronopoulos 4, J. Grace, L. Quinn, H. Amos, P. Drakopoulos 2, P. Cheligat.

MIXED

The Odd Mob 6 d It Just Got Messi 5.

Best: The Odd Mob - T. McCart, T. Yoshitomo. It Just Got Messi - M. Perram, J. Perram.

Goals: The Odd Mob - T. Yoshitomo, J. Kim 2, T. McCart, M. Lockwood. It Just Got Messi - M. Barber 2, M. Perram, R. Verrall.

Banana Slugs 4 d Purple Reign 3.

Best: Banana Slugs - A. Perry, A. Coombe. Purple Reign - A. Halupka, S. Atkins.

Goals: Banana Slugs - J. Coombe 2, A. Coombe, A. Perry. Purple Reign - A. Shapley, S. Atkins, P. Cheligat.

Tastes Like Chicken 3 drew with Pimms Parade 3.

Best: Tastes Like Chicken - M.

Akaso, C. Mitchell. Pimms Parade - T. Schrapel, E. Wade.

Goals: Tastes Like Chicken - C. Mitchell, M. Rayner, own goal. Pimms Parade - P. Drakopoulos 2, E. Wade.

UNDER 16

Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets 4 drew with Malcolm 4.

Best: Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets - T. Mitchell, M. Rayner. Malcolm - R. Verrall, F. Valletonga.

Goals: Tastes Like Chicken Nuggets - T. Mitchell, M. Rayner 2. Malcolm - R. Verrall 2, F. Valletonga, M. Eleftheriadis.

Pique Blinders 18 d Nerds FC 2.

Best: Pique Blinders - C. van der Woude, N. Boucher. Nerds FC - H. Smith, L. Perram.

Goals: Pique Blinders - J. Tsionis, N. Boucher 5, J. Bourton 4, J. Bertram, N. Mitchell-Cocks 2. Nerds FC - F. Abela, Z. Hronopoulos.

Tigers 10 d Fake Madrid 6.

Best: Tigers - S. Martin, J. Perram. Fake Madrid - K. Kahlon, A. Son.

Goals: Tigers - S. Martin 6, D. Vrakking 2, M. Perre, J. Perram. Fake Madrid - K. Kahlon 4, A. Son 2.

UNDER 14

Hatrick Swayze 19 d McChicken Nuggets 1.

Best: Hatrick Swayze - J. Krendl, C. Valletonga. McChicken Nuggets - M. Mitchell, M. Rayner.

Goals: Hatrick Swayze - J. Krendl 6, B. Pankhurst 5, C. Valletonga 4, M. Cawse 3, O. Muller. McChicken Nuggets - M. Bourton.

Indoor Ballers 5 d The Red Devils 1.

Best: Indoor Ballers - J. Perram, B. Tsakarellos. Red Devils - L. Ivanovic, L. Crawford.

Goals: Indoor Ballers - S. Williams 3, B. Tsakarellos, R. Thiele. Red Devils - L. Ivanovic.

UNDER 12

Block It Like It's Hot 10 d Wild Fire 0.

Best: Block It Like It's Hot - N. Valletonga, Z. Hronopoulos. Wild Fire - J. Peltz, K. Krendl.

Goals: Block It Like It's Hot - N. Valletonga 4, Z. Hronopoulos, R. Kiposkgel 3. Wild Fire - nil.

Blues Brothers 12 d Black Cats 3.

Best: Blues Brothers - J. Sweet, J. Hunter. Black Cats - L. Perram, H. Martin.

Goals: Blues Brothers - J. Sweet, J. Garoufalidis, J. Hunter 3, K. Ogle, J. Ingerson, E. Bascomb. Black Cats - L. Perram 3.

UNDER 12 GIRLS

Tomato Pugs 6 d Blue Bombers 1.

Best: Tomato Pugs - G. Kaur, B. Kaur-Mavi. Blue Bombers - C. Muller, A. Dale.

Goals: Tomato Pugs - G. Kaur 2, R. Wishart, B. Kaur-Mavi, A. Kondroprias, C. Camilleri. Blue Bombers - C. Muller.

McChicken Nuggets 18 d Rebels 2.

Best: McChicken Nuggets - M. Bourton, M. Mitchell. Rebels - S. Setchell, C. Formby.

Goals: McChicken Nuggets - M. Bourton 9, M. Rayner 4, L. Perre 3, M. Mitchell 2. Rebels - C. Formby, S. Setchell.

Powerlifting returns to Cobdogla Club

THE South Australian Drug Free Powerlifting Association held the Riverland Challenge and 'come and try powerlifting' event at the Cobdogla Club last Saturday.

A dozen lifters – seven female and five male – took part in the competition, with age ranges from the 20s to the 80s.

"These participants came from Adelaide, Mt Gambier and the Riverland to compete in the competition," a spokesperson said.

"Achievements were impressive, especially from those trying the sport for the first time."

Six new state records were set. Adelaide's Trinity Ellacott set four new records, while Dean Jenkinson, also of Adelaide, and the Riverland's Rose Gow each set one new record.

Age Group	Squat Kg	Bench kg	Deadlift kg
Female			
M5: Rose Gow (R)	47.5	120	120
Jr: Trinity Ellacott (Ad)	117.5	75	155
JM :Laura Hoffman (R)	80	50	115
M5: Willie Spronk (R)	-	45	-
M7: Maria Cricelli (Ad)	-	-	110
M5: Sheryl Rapson (R)	-	67.5	-
Open: Jessica Perrin (R)	100	60	117.5
Male			
MT: L. Connor-Van Stanke (G)	112.5	95	170
M3: Dean Jenkinson (Ad)	157.5	105	220
M10: John Diehm (Ad)	-	70	-
M10: Don Juers (R)	-	80	100
Open: Ben Pitt (Ad)	-	120	225



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Sport

Under 15 girls footy in 2022

LOCAL girls who have dreamed of becoming the Riverland's first AFLW player have received a boost this week, with the introduction of a 9-a-side under 15 girls competition and all-girls Auskick centre in the region in 2022.

Since the formation of the RFL's senior women's competition in 2018, young females have been required to play in the boys junior competitions, with no suitable alternative in the Riverland.

However, SANFL and the RFL have been working behind the scenes to create a complete female footy pathway to allow more girls to develop their footy at a

younger age.

Played on Monday nights starting in February, both the under 15 competition and all-girls Auskick will be held at the same venue each week on a rotating basis across the six RFL clubs.

Berri footballer Missy Blanck will co-ordinate the all-girls Auskick each week.

Berri Football Club's Molly Wishart, who has recently joined West Adelaide's junior program, said the new under 15 competition would be "awesome" for the next generation of female footballers in the region.

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Wright stays as RFL chair

MARK Wright was re-elected chair of the Riverland Football League at the RFL's annual general meeting in Berri on Monday night.

Wright has been in the news in recent times regarding his stance on the RFL's Independent competition, and his belief the Independents need to stand alone, no longer under the RFL banner.

He has also warned that club amalgamations and mergers are inevitable, and last week described Independent club Cobdogla's decision to go into recess for season 2022 as "a sign of the times".

Mr Wright will be supported by new vice-president Kym Petherick, who hails from Loxton North. Others on the RFL Commission include Brenton Fenwick, Craig Thiel, former RFL chair Murray Kemp, and Andrew Linke.



Berri footballer Molly Wishart is among the many young girls looking forward to next year's inaugural under 15 girls competition.
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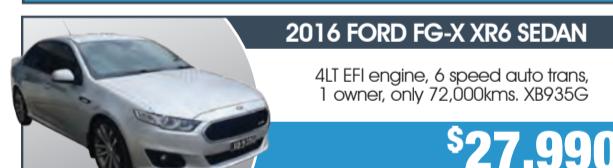
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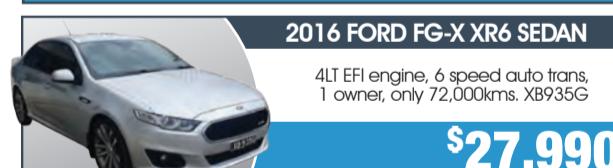
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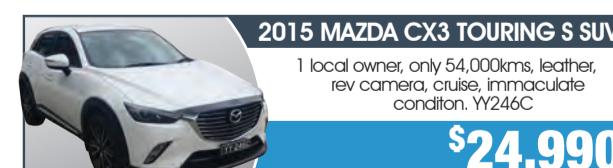
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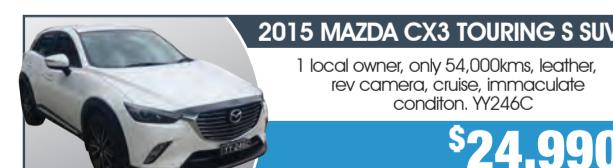
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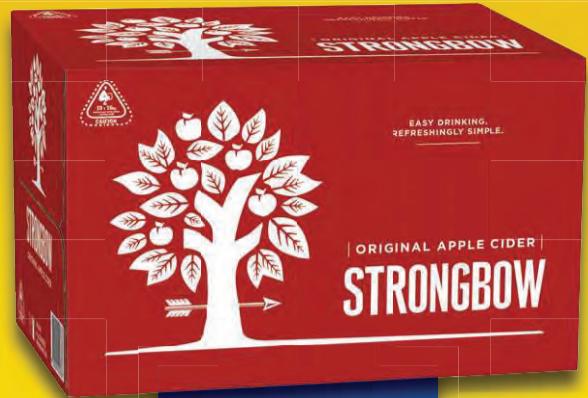
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