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Sew many highlights for retiring material girl

HEALTH issues have seen well-known local seamstress Lorraine Marter, 82, retire after decades of creating spectacular dresses and other garments for Riverlanders.

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Lorraine Marter at her Renmark home and "Marterdom" workshop, with puppy Ella. PHOTO: Delldre Graham

‘Soft touch needed’ to break up Berri CBD’s...

ANTISOCIAL CLUB

JOSH BRINE

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JOSH BRINE

INCREASED policing and dispersal of antisocial groups causing problems in Berri’s Vaughan Terrace will be ineffective at solving the issue, a couple working with homeless people in the region claim.

In response to concerns about antisocial behaviour aired in local council recently, Malcolm and Kathleen Tubb said homeless people kicked out of areas such as Berri’s Martin Bend were often loitering in the town’s CBD, adding to existing problems.

“We deal with a lot of people with alcohol problems or drug problems or mental health problems,” Mr Tubb told The Murray Pioneer.

“When they’re booted out of a campsite they wander off. We’ve had a number of occasions where someone we’re working with has found themselves with all the other people in the CBD and the next thing you know they’re back on alcohol.”

Mr Tubb said the mixing of homeless people and other loiterers along Vaughan Terrace had worsened the problem.

“We deal with (Berri Barmera Council cultural liaison officer) Tyson Lindsay and people like that, and they acknowledge that a lot of them are from places like Gerard... and they hang about (along Vaughan Terrace) and create a nuisance,” Mr Tubb said.

“Sometimes there are altercations between them and the homeless people.

“One of the things we had suggested was if you could come up with somewhere that was more attractive for them to go.

“I don’t think policing it and wielding a big stick will do anything.

“The compliance officers don’t like... moving people on at Martin Bend because they know the next time they meet them they’re going to be more confrontational because they’re going to be angry.”

Several commenters on The Murray Pioneer Facebook page agreed, advocating for an understanding approach to the issue.

“If we talk defensive then expect others to talk aggressive back,” said Cynthea Jenke.

Natty Lacey said she believed it was “unfair to target” people who had been



Malcolm Tubb says homeless people often exacerbate the issue of antisocial behaviour in Berri’s main CBD and other local towns.

“hanging around there for years”.

“If you want people to gather in different spots make an area for them,” she said.

“Stop being scared. Most of the time they have no intention of harming anyone but if you go around being judgemental and scared of course others will react.”

Mrs Tubb said she and her husband were struggling to “get off first base” in tackling the issue of housing in the region.

“There are so many things that feed into this that trying to solve them all and end up with a utopia-type situation is impossible,” she said.

“Almost to the person, most of them have been in prison – so if they had the urge to go and find a job, they wouldn’t get it anyway. So they’re permanently in that situation...

“A vague idea would be to get a piece of land... where there would be some supervision of some description and some maintenance.

“Something with basic facilities like a shelter and a couple of benches, but not where the general public would also be camping.”

Mr Tubb said the couple had built relationships with local police and other community organisations that admit the problem is “not going to go away”.

“But nobody knows what to do,” he said.

“The police have said to us since we have the rapport with these guys, if there’s a problem, we should deal with it and if we can’t, we call them,” he said.

“The problem is the public call the police first, and it’s also the first reaction of the traders in Berri...

“We can talk to them and they’ll listen to us.”



This Waikerie home in Henderson Street will have to be demolished due to damage caused by the fire last Saturday morning. PHOTOS: Paul McCormick

Demolition looms after house fire

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A HOUSE at Waikerie in Henderson Street will be demolished following a fire on Saturday that left an estimated damage bill of about \$200,000.

SA Police Riverland operations senior sergeant Mark Howie said an electrical fault is suspected to have caused the fire, though this was still being confirmed.

Sgt Howie said police fire technicians from Adelaide attended the scene on Saturday morning.

Waikerie CFS captain Shaun Arnold said half of the home was damaged by fire and the remainder was

ruined by smoke and water.

CFS crews took about two-and-a-half hours to completely put out the blaze.

“The main part of the fire took about three-quarters of an hour to extinguish and then we had to put out furnishings and other items,” Mr Arnold said.

He said a hot spot underneath one of the gutters of the roof flared up again at about midday, but was put out quickly by CFS officers.

Mr Arnold said crews managed to prevent the fire from spreading to the Waikerie Scout Hall and nearby homes.

SA Ambulance said a 23-year-old man was treated for smoke inhalation at the scene.

Mr Arnold said the man had been asleep inside the home when the fire began.

He said the man’s mother had been staying at the home and discovered the fire after returning from the shops at about 8am on Saturday.

Four CFS appliances from Waikerie, two CFS appliances from Cadell and one CFS vehicle from Morgan attended the scene.

Local police and two SA Ambulance crews also attended.



CFS crews were able to prevent the fire from spreading to the nearby Waikerie Scout Hall and adjacent homes.

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Professor Don Markwell presents William Gillett with his C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship. PHOTOS: supplied



William Gillett (front, centre) with, back: Mr Markwell and David Garrett. Middle: William's grandfather Bob Gillett, parents Scott Gillett and Nadene Gillett, and grandfather Graham McKay. Front: William's grandmother Jan Gillett, sister Mikayla Gillett and grandmother Anne McKay.

William's work recognised with prestigious scholarship

ALEXANDRA BULL

A FORMER Loxton High head prefect is the recipient of an elite nationwide residential scholarship.

William Gillett, who graduated from Loxton High School in 2020, is one of just four university students to receive a C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship, valued up to \$60,000 each, over three years.

Mr Gillett, 19, is studying a Bachelor of Business, Economics, Finance and Trade at the University of South Australia and is a resident at St Mark's College.

"It is a real honour and I am really humbled to have received this scholarship," he said.

"It left me lost for words. You don't expect it, especially with such a big scholarship like that. It was a very nice surprise.

"I first learned about the scholarship in year 12, and at the end of last year after finishing up my traineeship which I did over

my gap year, I decided I would apply for it."

Loxton High principal David Garrett described Mr Gillett as a "truly unique character who has an enormous range of interests and passions".

"We are very proud of what William has achieved and congratulate him on winning the C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship," Mr Garrett said.

"He was highly successful in his studies and made a large contribution to the life of our school during the time he was with us.

"He is a young man of integrity, with a social conscience, and a deep commitment to improving the lives of others.

"He looks for opportunities and works hard to make the most of them."

Mr Gillett was a Loxton High School head prefect in 2020, and has been heavily involved with the Loxton community, earning numerous awards.

In 2019 he was recognised as both Loxton and the Riverland's

Young Person of the Year and the Order of Australia Student Citizen of the Year.

In 2020 he was named as one of the State Governor's Civics and Citizenship student award recipients and selected as the Murraylands representative in the State Young Rural Ambassador Award.

"I really loved my time at Loxton High, the school offered so many great opportunities for us to take and be part of," Mr Gillett said.

"Just to have the experiences from public speaking to inter-school sports, they set me up so well to come down and go to college."

Mr Gillett was also the state winner of the National History Challenge and was a student panellist on the ABC's Q&A program in 2019.

He spent 2021 as a trainee for Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, in Mr Whetstone's Berri office.

"The Hawker scholarship is incredibly extraordinary and it

is named after Charles Hawker, a truly remarkable individual," he said.

"I hope I am able to emulate parts of his life like his character, his conviction and his courage.

"I am truly inspired by the life he was able to live and hope to contribute to the community in some way he did."

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Backyard battle as fruit fly list grows

HUGH SCHUITMAKER

RIVERLAND backyards are the new battlegrounds amid the declaration of an eighth local fruit fly outbreak.

PIRSA last week declared a new fruit fly outbreak at Renmark North, following the detection of five wild flies within 14 days, all inside a 1km radius.

Riverland Fruit Fly Committee chair Jason Size said eradicating fruit fly was crucial to the long-term viability of local horticulture.

"It's not just our local industries and jobs at stake here, it's also about you being able to walk into your own garden and pick your own fruit off the tree confident it won't be ruined by maggots," said Mr Size.

“Growers are doing all they can to prevent fruit fly and look after their properties so the Riverland’s pest free status can be reinstated. This is critical for local industries, jobs and the local economy.

“We all want to be able to grow, share and enjoy backyard fruit, but at the moment that is at risk. It really is up to local residents to continue to support the government’s fruit fly eradication program so together we can beat this pest.

“Please, help by doing the right thing in your own garden and prevent fruit fly destroying locally grown fruit.”

It is understood commercial fruit movement restrictions mean

RIVERLAND FRUIT FLY QUARANTINE IN PLACE UNTIL:

- Loxton: December 14.
- Loxton North: December 14.
- Paringa: December 17.
- Pike River: December 14.
- Pike River West: December 14.
- Renmark North: December 17.
- Renmark West: December 17.
- Waikerie: December 19.

all potential host material must be treated and certified before leaving a fruit fly-affected area.

Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone advised all Riverlanders against sharing fruit between properties.

"I cannot emphasise enough the importance of the community's co-operation if we are to overcome these outbreaks," Mr Whetstone said.

“Fruit fly is one of the world’s most destructive pests and we continue to ask the public and locals to stop the movement of prohibited fruit and veg.

“If you’re living in a suspension zone you shouldn’t be moving any fruit, residential grown or commercially bought, from outside of that zone. We’re also asking that backyard-grown fruit not be removed from the property regardless of whether it is in a suspension zone or not.

“These outbreaks are frustrating; however, I am confident that the



Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone has urged all Riverland residents to avoid sharing any potential fruit fly host material between homes. PHOTO: supplied

community will work together to help rid this pest. If we are to overcome these outbreaks, our community must work in partnership with growers, and closely follow the directions of PIRSA.”

PIRSA general manager of the fruit fly response, Nick Secomb, said promptly picking ripe fruit and vegetables, disposing of fallen fruit in a green bin, and checking fruit for blemishes and maggots would assist the prevention of further outbreaks.

“Our teams in orange overalls

are contacting residents with information about what to do now they are in a red outbreak area and will be regularly applying bait to foliage where fruit fly may rest, as well as checking fruit for signs of fruit fly," he said.

“We’re nearing the end of the usual peak months for fruit fly and maggot detections and we are confident these outbreaks can be eradicated, as we eradicated the Berri, Cooltong, Monash and 12 Adelaide outbreaks last year.

“But this success will rely on

residents and growers helping our efforts by doing everything they can to remove opportunities for fruit fly to breed.”

Local primary producers financially affected by the fruit fly outbreaks have been encouraged to contact the Family and Business Support program by phone on 1800 931 314, or by visiting the website (www.pir.sa.gov.au/fabs).

For further information regarding fruit fly outbreaks in the Riverland visit the website (www.fruitfly.sa.gov.au/outbreak-map).

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Community members sick of ‘non-functioning council’

Gerard elder Howard Lindsay (back, left), Sharon Kite, Isaac Lindsay, elder Silva Abdulla, Georgina Lindsay, Gertude Lindsay and Rana Kelly, with (front) Holly Kite and Katy Cook, were among residents who recently protested over a claimed lack of function from the local council.

PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker



Gerard community ‘sick and tired’ of council conduct...



● The Murray Pioneer 2/12/20

Fruit Fly Update

PIRSA is currently responding to eight Riverland fruit fly outbreaks, following the recent declaration of an outbreak in Renmark North.

Be aware of fruit and vegetable movement restrictions now in place in Renmark North.

Play your part to protect our region - don't share restricted fruit such as lemons, oranges, mandarins, pears or apples.

Check fruitfly.sa.gov.au for a list of restricted and unrestricted fruits and vegetables.

Clean up your backyard to prevent fruit fly destroying locally grown fruit.

Keep your gardens and orchards tidy to prevent fruit fly outbreaks:

- **Pick** your ripe fruit and vegetables promptly.
- **Collect** fallen fruit. Don't compost or bury. Check waste advice on the fruit fly website or call the Fruit Fly Hotline.
- **Check** your fruit skin for any blemishes and cut it open to look for maggots.
- **Call** the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 if you see maggots in fruit. Seal the fruit in a plastic bag.

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HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

A LOCAL indigenous community is seeking to progress in a new direction after the apparent collapse of its current council.

A group of nine Gerard residents last month held a protest in the town regarding the current operation of the council, which is understood to have been non-functioning for the past 18 months.

Community representatives in December 2020 sent a letter to the Gerard Community Council Aboriginal Corporation requesting all directors be immediately removed from their positions, following allegations agriculture machinery purchased with grant funding, along with the council's water allocations, had been sold.

Community spokesperson Isaac Lindsay claimed the council had since stopped holding meetings and engaging with community members.

"The council is null and void (and) there's nobody here at the

building," Mr Lindsay said.

"The last organisation that took over was very unsuccessful, so we're trying to organise a new body now to try and make it work again.

"We want community support services to come back like before.

"The last members didn't want to put the effort in, but we want that so we can get things running."

Gerard resident Katy Cook – who runs a local youth group

at her own expense – said new social programs would benefit local children.

"There's no youth group out here," she said.

"I don't get funding, so I take it out of my own pay, then I take the youths and we do dancing and singing.

"If we had the council behind us we would be able to make it better for the children."

It is understood new state Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Kyam Maher, has planned a

future visit to Gerard.

Gerard Council representatives who were contacted by The Murray Pioneer declined to comment on the situation.

Mr Lindsay said residents wished to work in conjunction with existing Riverland councils to benefit the area.

"With that support from council you feel part of the community," he said.

"There's nothing out here, (and) the majority of the community wants change."

COMMUNITY PRIORITIES FOR GERARD COUNCIL:

- New elected council members and chairperson
- Concerns of the direction the Gerard community and council has taken
- We want to know if we have a serving council
- All current contracts and agreements to be destroyed and start fresh
- New council office
- We want change and answers for the community
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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

Encouraging early voting is wrong

LITERALLY anyone is free to vote early, though the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) would never admit it.

Among the list of acceptable reasons why someone might need to vote early – such as being unable to leave their workplace, being a hospital patient, being in prison, or being more than 8km from a polling place – is the malleable and exploitable “are travelling” option.

As anyone who has voted early in the past will know, AEC polling place workers hardly grill these early birds. Instead, they get waved through upon mouthing even the most airy-fairy travel plan, happily freeing up their election day for other activities.

Truth be known, the major reason people vote early is convenience. Or more accurately, to avoid any inconvenience on election day.

The Riverland’s early voting centre opened in Renmark this week and on Monday, the first available early voting day, news reports brought us the ridiculous sight of thousands of people across the nation lining up to cast their ballot for the May 21 Federal Election.

Already, just three days into the early voting period, record numbers of Australians are turning out early, obliterating all previous figures.

Some will attribute this phenomenon to the admittedly lacklustre 2022 campaign, but it is much more than one-off discontent with the efforts of the two major parties and their respective leaders. The idea of voting early is taking hold across Australia, and even an engrossing election campaign – like the Kevin07 landslide or John Howard’s GST victory in 1998 – would have failed to arrest that trend.

But why should it matter when we vote, as long as we vote, right?

Wrong.

For those still considering their vote, plenty of policies and positions can and are revealed across the final fortnight of an election campaign.

To a degree, those who vote before May 21 are doing so blind, unaware of what candidates and parties have in store for the coming electoral term. It is the very definition of an uninformed vote.

Further, taking polls of votes cast before election day – and even reporting on those polls – is gradually entering the Australian scene. This creates the possibility of cashed-up campaign professionals adjusting their approach mid-flight, but less financial candidates being unable to do so. Is that fair?

On Monday, while announcing the pre-poll period had officially began, an AEC spokesperson included a single line advising that “if you can vote on election day then that’s what you should do”.

Despite this, the AEC seemingly takes some gratification from encouraging pre-poll voting, and certainly in facilitating it, as evidenced by the 500-plus pre-poll centres dotted across Australia this year.

Previously the AEC appears to have expressed a level of satisfaction in reporting record pre-poll numbers, and will likely do so again this year.

Via its new-look social media presence, the AEC suddenly has personality, dropping jokes and occasionally a sassy attitude that has no place within what should be an impassive organisation. Indeed it is inappropriate for unelected officials to encourage or discourage any voting habits.

Pre-poll was intended to help those physically unable to attend a polling booth on election day, not to aid voter convenience.

So instead, wherever possible vote on May 21, be fully informed and leave early voting to those with a genuine reason.



Loxton’s Concordia Lutheran Church, under construction in early-1960: Situated at the south-west corner of Bookpurnong Terrace and Fourth Street, this was the third and current church for that congregation. It replaced the more austere second chapel, built of timber and corrugated iron, at that location. That building continued to serve as a church hall. Construction of the new chapel began in 1959. The foundation stone was laid on July 19 that year, with the work being supervised by Building Committee chairman Ray Sonntag, who oversaw the contribution of a large body of volunteers. In the photograph, a black, late-1950s Morris Isis is parked beside the site, at which in excess of 2700 hours labour was contributed to ‘top the walls’ – all without any fancy scaffolding! The text on the foundation stone is Ephesians 2:20: ‘...And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone.’ The building, designed to seat 400 people, was dedicated on Sunday, October 29, 1961. Concordia celebrates its 126th Anniversary this weekend with a reunion and a launch of a book on the history of the church since the congregation formed in 1896 – the first church in Loxton. PHOTO: Rex Hanisch

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hopefully Pasin pushes for 450GL

I’VE just re-read Tony Sharley’s article on the River Murray’s stalled Murray-Darling Basin Plan (‘Not achieving Plan our greatest threat, The Murray Pioneer, 21/4/22).

Tony reminds us that only 32 gegalitres of water will come from SA and the rest, or 93 per cent, from upstream users.

The regular yabby seasons that Tony reminds us of won’t come back until we have better environmental flows.

The tourism dollars alone from yabbing campers would be significant and the backwaters in better health.

But don’t hold your breath while the National Party sucks up to the big irrigators upstream, who provide the Nats’ bread and butter.

Tony Pasin is our excellent, active Federal (Liberal) member. Whether in government or opposition I hope, for both the sake of us and the environment, that he pushes for the 450 gegalitres to become reality.

DAVID KIMBER
Loxton

We need to fight for Basin Plan

RECENT letters to The Murray Pioneer have expressed concern about whether we still need all elements in the Basin Plan, especially the 450GL for southern basin rivers.

Alarminglly, after 10 years, the Basin Plan is far from complete and this water is needed more than ever.

Riverland communities should be asking why no flood flowed to South Australia from the record rainfall events in the upper catchments last November.

The answer is that upstream communities were able to capture all the water before it got to the South Australian border. Flows were confined to the river channel but did not spill onto floodplains which were in critical need of watering.

For South Australian river communities to have the best chance for a sustainable future,

we need the whole Basin Plan to be implemented, including the 450GL.

Recovering this water from willing sellers across the Basin and investing additional funds in local communities will bring benefits to everyone, irrigators, river towns, tourism operators, recreational fishers, river wetlands and ancient river red gums.

Removing constraints which limit flows needs to happen too.

The newly elected South Australian government has promised to work to recover all the water provided in the Plan. They will need national support to get agreement from the upstream states, which the proposed federal Labor policy can provide.

These policies give hope that essential flows can be recovered and delays in fixing flow constraints can be fixed.

If South Australia only receives the limited amount of environmental water already recovered, we won’t be able to lift water onto our floodplains to revive our wetlands, breed native fish and ducks, and catch yabbies for Christmas. Under current rules, it is unlikely we will ever again see small and medium floods which can spill onto our floodplains.

South Australia needs to fight for an effective, complete Basin Plan.

Dr ANNE JENSEN
Wetland ecologist
Leabrook

History night sure wasn’t boring

WE were privileged to be in the audience at the 10th annual Loxton’s History Ain’t Boring evening recently.

It was a captivating event, with three diverse speakers. Congratulations to them and to the organisers.

Through impressive research, Rose Mawby shared some of the history of schools in the Loxton district – very different from today’s education system.

Jackson Wickham’s knowledge of paddle steamers is absolutely remarkable and his passion and enthusiasm for his

topic of the river trade was very evident.

James Altman’s topic was “It’s a bug’s life – away with the sprays”.

How outstanding to have this knowledge and expertise in the Riverland – information which is being used worldwide. Surely James is one of our unsung heroes.

ANNE and JOHN CHASE
Berri

Blockies can’t pick and choose trucks

IN The Murray Pioneer on April 21, contributor Gary Mitchell called the blockers “inconsiderate, money-hungry and thoughtless” block owners and that he would “never...return”.

Good.

The Riverland is an agriculture, viticulture and horticulture area, all relying on the weather to tally for their income.

What do you do for a living? You’re obviously not on the land. People working inside receive a wage hail or shine, or whatever the weather.

Grapes are harvested when their baume level is reached and the wineries determine what day they are to be picked, regardless what time.

I was delighted reading the reply articles in the April 27 edition and more importantly hope you did as well. I also hope an apology is forthcoming for the blockers.

As Anne Leske stated: “The next time you want a peaceful night’s sleep while camping, go to the back of Bourke. No trucks there.”

JENNIFER REES
Monash

Do we want camping or do we want food?

FIRSTLY I would like to thank Anne Leske for her letter (‘Some realities about trucks at night’, The Murray Pioneer, 27/5/22), and thank your farming and transport family for your indirect input into my life.

While I cannot say your letter raised any point that I was not already aware of, to see your

points grouped together, and spelt out so clearly, does help me to walk a mile in your shoes.

I have thought about my spending over the past few weeks since Gary Mitchell and other campers had their camping trip ruined by truck movement at night, and realise that I have to admit being a part of the problem, myself.

Unfortunately I have shopped local, and supported local businesses that have had to get someone, with a heavy vehicle, to bring food and other things that I have purchased, into the Riverland, because they are not produced or manufactured locally.

Unfortunately there is very little I can do about it. I do not have time to drive to Adelaide to shop, in an effort to keep trucks out of the Riverland.

Secondly, having read Mr Mitchell’s follow-up letter (‘Some realities about what trucks do’, 4/5/22), and realising that it was published on “Star Wars Day”, I am left wondering what planet Gary could be from.

“May the Fourth be with you”, in any case, Gary.

Every point raised in the original letter would be more appropriately directed either to Destination Riverland or our state and federal parliamentary members, or relevant government departments.

It is not up to a farming and transport family to create a tourist attraction after being up all night driving trucks through Moorook, keeping campers awake for a couple of hours.

What alternative route should a truck reasonably use to cross the river so that they don’t use the Paringa Bridge? I would suggest turning off the Sturt Highway near Kingston-On-Murray, going through Moorook and Loxton, and cutting up the back way to Yamba.

May I respectfully suggest to become a part of the solution, rather than the problem.

Perhaps show some leadership, and firstly, give up eating food, and using goods brought to the Riverland by heavy vehicles.

Secondly, wear Anne Leske’s shoes, or alternatively those of

“It is hard for me to envisage any other area of health care where unknown outsiders want their archaic views brought into the consulting rooms...”
- DAVID BRINDLEY



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another person involved in the transport industry, and understand the problems they encounter in supporting the other industries in the Riverland.

Thirdly, approach your elected representatives, state and federal, with his constructive ideas to move heavy vehicles through the Riverland area, bypassing places like the Moorook camping spot and Paringa Bridge, without adversely affecting the trade of businesses in Moorook, Renmark, and Paringa.

I don't know Anne Leske or her family, but I do appreciate what they are doing for the community, along with many other trucking families, so that us Riverlanders can eat and enjoy life.

BARRY GALLIFORD
Loxton North

Banning abortion prevents safe ones

CHRIS Georg (‘The freedom to live is most important’, *The Murray Pioneer* 4/5/22) is certainly entitled to express an opinion on abortion, however, that does not include an entitlement to express ignorance or misrepresentation of basic biology.

At the time of conception, there is no “person/baby”, there is a single-cell organism called a zygote.

Over the next 10 or so days the zygote will divide and grow until it forms a blastocyst that is implanted in the uterus. Not all zygotes make it that far.

The blastocyst will eventually form an embryo, and the embryo will develop over the next nine or so weeks to become a foetus.

Around one-third of all embryos do not reach that stage. Should an embryo continue to the foetal stage there is still a high risk of miscarriage, but assuming all goes well for the foetus, after a further 30 weeks a baby may be born.

Until that point, there is no life, only potential life.

Embryos/foetuses have no right to be “free to continue living”.

At this stage, they are not living, they are parasites – the definition of which is an organism that lives on or in a host organism and gets its food from or at the expense of its host.

They are occupying space in a woman's body, they draw their



nutrition from the woman, and they give nothing in return.

That is biology. The vast majority of pregnancies are welcomed and wanted, but not all of them. Contraception is never 100 per cent fail-safe.

Some wanted pregnancies need to be terminated either to save the woman's life or because the foetus is not viable. Those are tragic decisions, and not taken lightly.

Others will be terminated for reasons that are not the concern of Chris or in fact anyone other than the woman who is making the decision.

If Chris truly believes in freedom, then that must include the freedom for women to make their own choices about their own reproductive health care, free from external pressure.

It is hard for me to envisage any other area of health care where unknown outsiders want their archaic views brought into the consulting rooms.

Abortion does not take a life, but abortions have saved lives.

Banning abortion does not prevent abortions. Banning abortion prevents safe abortions.

DAVID BRINDLEY
Waikerie

Which way? Good luck, Australia

TO the left or to the right – which way is Australia going to go?

Labor is a left-wing socialist party and socialism is a good introduction to communism.

Labor has made lots of promises, including wage increases of up to 25 per cent.

These will only increase the cost of living and some companies will not be able to afford such increases, again pricing Australia out of the world market.

This happened when Labor's Gough Whitlam came to power in 1972.

Prior to this, the marketing motto, “Buy Australian and your money comes back to you” was very successful, but it died due to wage increases.

The media headlines were “Join a union and get a rise”, but excessive spending by Labor killed the manufacturing and export market.

I guess if Labor does get in and runs out of money to pay their promises they can always sell to companies that are owned by the Chinese Communist Party. There are few more air-

ports, land and islands around Australia to sell.

If Australia goes right and elects the Liberal National Coalition, formed in 1923 as a true-blue, common-sense party, we can continue with the current government.

It has strong national security policies, meaning aggressive countries could not invade us or take us over. Remember we have natural resources such as iron ore, coal, fresh water, land etc., that other countries would want.

The current government in power has a strong focus on national security, building up our defence force so we are not sitting ducks.

For anyone watching the war in the Ukraine, the same thing can happen here, given Russia and China are buddies.

The Coalition is giving us a massive recovery from the worst global conditions in history, despite the bagging that they are and have been getting from their opponents, who are using attack as the best form of defence.

Get all the facts before deciding.

Good luck, Australia, on May 21.

MARTIN KAESLER
Renmark

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ATM machines removed from Renmark Square shopping centre. It's a visit to the main street for cash. Many people will be unconvinced, including the Renmark Square traders.

PJB
Renmark

After following the comments in this forum for the last couple weeks concerning merging traffic between Berri and Renmark I am amazed that most are either oblivious of or not aware of the road traffic act in relation to this manoeuvre. If to merge you have to cross a broken white line you have to give way. If there is no line at the point of merging the vehicle in front has right of way. Courtesy is

not an excuse if there is a collision.
RJW
Waikerie

It's the problem that nobody is game enough to speak about, but that we've know about for years. I'm talking about the anti-social behaviour in Berri (‘Bad for Berri’, *The Murray Pioneer*, 4/5/22). Surely something can be done?

ROB
Berri

I'm very disappointed *The Pioneer* would put the story about Berri on the front page. The people there are clearly disadvantaged and I'm sure some of them would have gone through a lot – a lot more than most of us would even know

about. I think it's time we give them a break. They're not hurting anyone, after all. Shame on *The Pioneer* for thinking about nothing but selling a few papers.

CHRIS
Renmark

Not enough thought was put into the fate of the old Westpac Bank building in Renmark. Why not think of the people of the area. It would make a wonderful art hub, because we do have some wonderful artists. It doesn't always have to be about money. We sadly lack a gallery here. The back of the Westpac building could be taken off to open up along the river as planned and leave the main building. Consider, please.

TEXT LINE

Every other town in the Riverland supports their art community but not Renmark. Why not?

LILL
Renmark

Recently we had some electrical work done. It was six hours with three electricians attending. The invoice for this time was \$2250 labour, which equates to approximately \$90 per hour, or over \$3000 per week per electrician. Then a bathroom renovation company in another Riverland towns charges over \$2000 to travel to Waikerie. The mind boggles.

GARY
Waikerie

Looking back...

10 years ago May 11, 2012



New legislation could mean no smoking at local footy and other events

Butt out by May 31

Riverlanders could face up to \$200 fines for smoking at local football games and other public events within three weeks under new South Australian legislation.

It is a common-sense move, says a spokesman for the state government, to protect the health of the community and to ensure that the smoke-free zones are respected.

The new power will allow councils and private organisations to have areas or events such as sporting games declared smoke-free, provided there is community support.



NEW YOU GO, BOYS: Gary Georg, of Silver Bandits, and his co-members were presented with banners of honour yesterday by Melissa Jurell, of Renmark State School, for their efforts in helping the school's sports team to win the state championship.

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BUTT OUT BY MAY 31: Riverlanders could face up to \$200 fines for smoking at local football games and other public events within three weeks under new South Australian legislation. A spokesman for Health Minister John Hill said the power to ban smoking in public outdoor areas would take effect on World No Tobacco Day, May 31. The new power will allows councils and private organisations to have areas or events such as sporting games declared smoke-free, provided there is community support.

20 years ago May 14, 2002



Weight loss success - 29kg in 20 weeks. Masters battle second win.

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Hon. Tim Whetstone MP


Member for Chaffey



Chaffey Community Column

Our Sports Stars Shine

Congratulations to all the award winners, finalists and nominees at the Riverland Sportsperson of the Year Awards. It was great to be in attendance to see our local sporting identities and coaches who show exceptional sportsmanship recognised. It was a pleasure to speak with the proud families and teammates of the finalists. The support on show was heartening. I congratulate all of the winners and finalists and look forward to seeing their continued success. I'm pictured with Bailey White who was named Sportsperson of the Year.



Local Tourism Boost

The Easter period saw a welcome influx of visitors in our region. National parks, wineries, eateries and accommodation were at capacity over the four-day period, providing a boost to the local economy. I would like to commend our councils and businesses who ran great events for our visitors and locals alike.

Have you been diagnosed with arthritis?

Arthritis SA is launching a free online program called Reboot Your Life: Learn to live well with arthritis to help those with Arthritis in regional and country areas. This free 10-week program aims to give each person who signs up sustainable options in arthritis education, mindfulness training and online guided exercise classes, all which have been backed up by the latest scientific research. The program will cover the major topics surrounding arthritis such as pain management, diet and understanding each person's arthritis better. This program will be delivered online, so as long as you have a stable internet connection, you can receive world class treatment without leaving your home. To sign up you must be over 50, live in country South Australia and have been diagnosed with any type of arthritis. Go to www.arthritis.sa.org.au/services/reboot-your-life/to find out more.

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Riverland’s \$50m Covid tourism windfall

NEARLY \$50m has been added to the Riverland’s annual visitor spend in the past two years, despite local operators having to battle Covid-19 restrictions and border closures.

The region’s visitor economy reached \$232m in 2021, according to the South Australian Tourism Commission’s (SATC) Regional Visitor Strategy (RVS) progress snapshot, up from \$183m in 2019.

The Riverland remains \$15m short of the \$247m 2025 target set in the RVS, however six of the state’s other 10 tourism regions have already passed their 2025 goal.

About one in 15 jobs in the region is supported by tourism, while the sector provides 1100 direct jobs and 400 indirect jobs.

The region also recorded 960,000 nights spent, 431,000 day trips, more than 1100 bookings with Great State Vouchers, and 31 new accommodation rooms in 2021.

Minister for Tourism Zoe Bettison said the growth in regional tourism was a “real testament to the innovation and dedication of operators and industry”.

“Through working together, investing in new tourism product and experiences, and finding new ways to attract domestic visitors who will stay longer and spend more, the South Australian Regional Visitor Strategy is helping drive outcomes,” she said.

“It is not only making a huge contribution to the state’s economy, but it is boosting the vibrancy and social fabric of our regional communities.”

The RVS includes priority action areas for each tourism region, with the Riverland’s being to “increase visitation and length of



stay from Adelaide as well as key interstate and international markets”.

The strategy was created through extensive consultation with more than 800 stakeholders, and is the second iteration of the RVS.

The 2020 plan was released in May 2018 and saw the regional tourism target of \$3.55bn by December 2020 met and exceeded more than a year early.

Despite the disruption of Covid-19 over the past two years, regional visitation was just five percentage points behind pre-Covid levels and, for much of 2021, performance was at a record-high with seven consecutive months of record-breaking accommodation occupancy rates.

Regional tourism now makes up 60 per

cent of South Australia’s total visitor expenditure – up from 44 per cent at the end of 2019.

RVS steering committee chair, Helen Edwards, said the strategy had been a “road-map for navigating the challenges of the past two years”.

“There has been outstanding collaboration across regions, involving state, local and federal governments, regional tourism bodies and importantly, hundreds of operators,” she said.

“With priority areas such as marketing and experience and supply development, regional businesses have been supported to grow their tourism offerings and retain and create jobs, despite the severe disruption of the pandemic.”

Sew many highlights for retiring material girl

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

HEALTH issues have seen a well-known Riverland woman finish her time as one of the region’s most prominent dressmakers.

Renmark 82-year-old Lorraine Marter has recently retired as a professional seamstress, after decades of creating dresses and other garments for Riverlanders.

Mrs Marter said struggles with a dementia diagnosis had forced her to make the decision.

“It’s early stages still, but some days are worse than others,” Mrs Marter said.

“It’s a bloody nuisance... you sew everything up and then you wonder ‘what did I do that for?’

“When it’s a customer’s work and there’s money involved, it’s

just too much for me.”

Mrs Marter – who will now donate her collection of fabrics to fellow community members – said creating dresses for Riverland proms, and musical theatre productions, had been a continual highlight of her work.

“I would do anything the customer wanted, if they had a picture or a copy of it,” she said.

“My mum had always sewed, and I just picked it up from her. She was a pretty good dressmaker and she taught me on an old machine.

“I did a lot of work with bridesmaids and weddings in Adelaide when we lived there, then my name got around in the Riverland.”

During her career Mrs Marter has received widespread atten-



●Lorraine Marter is retiring after a lifetime of dressmaking.

tion for her recreation of royal wedding dresses.

Mrs Marter’s husband, Terry, said his wife recreated Princess Diana’s wedding dress from seeing the ceremony on TV in 1981.

“We had a shop in Barmera and we had a sign put on the window that we would be making a copy of the dress on the night of the wedding,” Mr Marter said.

“It was night time here and she hadn’t even seen it yet.

“All we had was a little televi-

sion in the shop, so I was taking photos off the screen... then I had to go develop the film.

“Our daughter Michelle helped out and it was there in the window the next day.”

Mrs Marter also recreated Kate Middleton’s wedding dress.

Mrs Marter said showing her ability had been the goal of recreating iconic dresses.

“It was mainly to show the locals that I could copy the patterns,” she said.

“They would see a bridal dress they wanted, but couldn’t buy, so they would bring a picture to me.”

Locals interested in taking fabrics from Mrs Marter’s collection are encouraged to contact Mr Marter on 0427 618 145.

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- Lorraine Marter

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Familiar face takes Riverland’s top cop job

JOSH BRINE

A LOCAL face has taken on the role of managing police operations in the Riverland, hoping to improve the relationship and communication between the force and the community.

Senior Sergeant Mark Howie got the job of Riverland operations manager late last year, having previously worked as the patrol sergeant at the Loxton Police Station.

Sen Sgt Howie, who has worked as a police officer for 20 years and in the Riverland since 2010, said he hoped to find a “structured way” of police being more visible.

“We’ve had a lot of staffing changes in recent months that will see more police officers available from shift to shift,” he said.

“On the long weekends just gone we completely saturated our rural roads and local towns and the results we got back were really positive with nobody seriously hurt and no lives lost in our region, which was one of our goals.”

“We’ll be trying to use the staff we’ve got more efficiently to have the teams of officers working together so we have as many police out and about to do our best to keep everyone as safe as we can throughout the 24/7 shift basis we run on.”

Sen Sgt Howie said he had lived in the Riverland for eight years as a child and 12 years as a police officer, so had already built relationships with members of the community.

Sen Sgt Howie said his wife owned Sprouts Café (in Berri), but sold that business in the first year of the Covid restrictions, so he was aware of the pressures on business owners within the region.

“We were going to stay in Adelaide forever, and probably would have had it not been for my wife, who is a country girl.”

“We came here for two years, and that was



Senior Sergeant Mark Howie recently started as Riverland operations manager at the Berri Police Station, having previously served as sergeant at the Loxton Police Station. PHOTO: Josh Brine

12 years ago now...”

“One of the bonuses of being here is I know a lot of people, not only from my childhood who are now business owners and community leaders, but being here 12 years now.

“There are a number of relationships I have that I would like to be able to use to improve relations and information sharing between SAPOL and the community.”

Sen Sgt Howie urged locals to share information about criminal behaviour with authorities.

“If people have information, even if they don’t want to ring 131 444 or 000 at the time, if it is not time critical, you can call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 and stay totally anonymous,” he said.

“They will get the information and farm it off to us, and then we can actually do some-

thing with it.”

“If we can get timely information we can work with, then we can actually solve crimes or deal with current issues. If we are not told, we won’t be able to direct our resources in the right direction to help the community.”

“Policing is like a never-ending triaging service. Without timely information from the public, it’s very hard to direct our resources in the right direction.”

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Outbreaks over at three more aged care facilities

JOSH BRINE

COVID-19 outbreaks have been declared over at three more Riverland aged care facilities, as the region’s local health network explained why some facilities were closed to visitors during outbreaks while others remained open.

The Loxton Hospital Complex Residential Aged Care Facility (RACF), Waikerie’s Pioneer Haven, and Barmera’s Hawdon House all were cleared of their Covid-19 outbreaks in

the past week, with visitation returning to normal at all facilities.

Pioneer Haven was temporarily closed to all visitors on April 21 after four residents tested positive to Covid-19, as was Hawdon House from April 26, while visitors were still allowed for Covid-negative residents at the Loxton RACF during its outbreak, which began on April 17.

A Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network (RMCLHN) spokes-

person said “various factors and considerations” went into deciding “appropriate measures and visitor restrictions”.

“This includes considering the layout of the facility, the care needs of the resident(s) with Covid-19 and the options available for visitors to access the facility to see their loved ones, without inadvertently being exposed to the known Covid-19 positive resident(s) in the facility,” they said.

“When there were Covid cases at the Renmark aged

care facility, we had capacity to relocate the positive residents into a separate building and could therefore maintain visitor access for other residents.

“Other facilities have different physical layouts and may not have vacant rooms that allow for the co-location of Covid-19 positive residents away from areas that visitors would need to pass through to visit other residents.

“We carefully consider and manage visitor restric-

tions and re-openings as part of our outbreak management plans, which are site-specific and depend on a range of aspects, including the physical layout of the facility, the mobility and care needs of residents, medical, nursing and carer workforce, model of care arrangements, and the level of Covid-19 cases amongst aged care residents and staff.”

The spokesperson said the safety of patients and residents was the RMCLHN’s “highest priority and any

decisions will be made with this in mind”.

“We have seen how Covid-19 can spread in our community, which is why it is important we further safeguard the elderly and those with co-morbidities and low immunity...” they said.

“We will continue to keep the community informed on any updates and monitor the situation at our sites across the region to ensure appropriate measures are taken to protect our vulnerable and elderly population.”

The Concordia Lutheran Church of Loxton will celebrate its 126th anniversary this Saturday and Sunday. PHOTO: supplied



Local church gets ready to celebrate major milestone

ALEXANDRA BULL

LOXTON’S oldest church will celebrate its 126th anniversary this weekend.

The Concordia Lutheran Church of Loxton will host a variety of events over the two-day celebrations including a celebratory service, sausage sizzle and book launch.

Chair of the Concordia Lutheran Church of Loxton, Trevor Wurst, said he is looking forward to meeting everyone over the weekend.

“The book is going to be a huge highlight of the weekend,” he said.

“It will be nice to meet new people and see people you haven’t for many years.

“Hopefully a lot people come back and renew old acquaintances. I suppose that’s what an anniversary weekend is all about isn’t it?

“We would love to see as many people there as possible.”

The weekend will begin on Saturday afternoon with a meet and greet and a Devonshire afternoon tea, with memorabilia on display.

There will also be a book launch of the history book Concord in Concordia with historians Carla and Peter Magarey, before the

day ends with a sausage sizzle at the church.

Sunday’s celebratory service will be followed by a morning tea, with the anniversary celebrations wrapping up with lunch at the Loxton Club.

Historian Peter Magarey said the church started in 1895 but is celebrated from 1896.

“It started from the arrival of Skipper Thiele and his family who started carving a farm out of scrub in the Loxton area,” Mr Magarey said.

“As Christians they immediately started a fellowship.”

Last year’s 125th anniversary celebrations were postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions.

“We are trying to get as many of the old ministers to come back into the area as we can, and there are probably about five or six coming back,” Mr Wurst said.

“We are inviting anyone who is interested and those who are past members to attend.

“Hopefully we get more than 100 over the two days. We are getting a lot of interest.

“Covid is probably going to put a little bit of a lid on it but we are still hopeful of getting good numbers.”

To RSVP contact Trevor Wurst on 0427 847 078 or Trudy Battams on 0417 889 553.

“Hopefully a lot people come back and renew old acquaintances...”

- Trevor Wurst

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Berri's Colin Jennings Apex Park Upgrade



Funding to construct the Waikerie Bowling Club Dome

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- ✓ Waikerie RSL Sub-Branch Kitchen Upgrade
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- ✓ Funding to support the Waikerie Men's Shed
- ✓ Waikerie Clifftop Walk Upgrade Project

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Berri

- ✓ Berri Caravan Park Development Project
- ✓ MRI Licence
- ✓ Funding to support the Berri Men's Shed
- ✓ Increased funding to support Berri headspace
- ✓ Berri's Colin Jennings Apex Park Upgrade
- ✓ Upgrade to the Old Sturt Highway staggered T-junction with Jury Road and Fuller Road
- ✓ Funding for the Berri Sports Stadium
- ✓ Funding to establish the River Murray Study Hub
- ✓ Installation of Solar Lighting at the Berri Riverfront

Renmark

- ✓ Renmark Hotel Redevelopment
- ✓ Taylor Riverfront Precinct Development
- ✓ Renmark Outdoor Swimming Pool Upgrade
- ✓ Murtho Mobile Phone Tower
- ✓ Support to restore Ecological Function to the Ramsar listed Calperum Station
- ✓ Government Road Upgrade
- ✓ Horticultural netting for local producers

Loxton

- ✓ Loxton Precinct Redevelopment
- ✓ Funding to Upgrade the Loxton RSL Kitchen, toilet facilities and air-conditioning
- ✓ Funding to support the Loxton Men's Shed
- ✓ Loxton Wharf Upgrade
- ✓ Taplan Road Upgrade
- ✓ Loxton Retirement Village Development Project
- ✓ Mobile Phone Towers at Wunkar & Maggea



Loxton Retirement Village Development Project



Support to restore Ecological Function to the Ramsar listed Calperum Station



Funding to support the Waikerie Men's Shed



Holder Top Road Upgrade



Loxton Precinct Redevelopment



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Federal election, Saturday, 21 May 2022

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Remember... number **every** box to make your vote count


SAMPLE

Sample ballot paper

White ballot paper – you can choose to vote either above or below the line



Senate Ballot Paper
State – Election of 6 Senators




You may vote in one of two ways

Either

Above the line

By numbering at least 6 of these boxes in the order of your choice (with number 1 as your first choice).


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Or

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By numbering at least 12 of these boxes in the order of your choice (with number 1 as your first choice).


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Sample ballot paper

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‘Everywhere Anne’ on show

PAUL MITCHELL

ANNE Ruston’s prominence across national media during the 2022 Federal Election campaign is no accident.

In her fresh role as official campaign spokesperson, the Renmark-based SA Liberal senator has been highly visible during the build-up to the May 21 poll, being a go-to figure to push campaign topics, and often flanking the party’s highest-profile members.

The task follows recent news the current Families and Social Services Minister will become Australia’s next health minister, should the Coalition be re-elected.

“It means I’ve got the opportunity to go out and sell our message for a stronger future for Australia,” Ms Ruston said.

“It’s a fantastic opportunity for me, as a country girl, to have that platform to reinforce Liberal values and the (message) that Liberal Party is the party that understands and supports the regions.

“I’ve been super proud to have the opportunity...”

Ms Ruston and fellow South Australian Senator Simon Birmingham have been anointed as official spokespeople, alongside Prime Minister Scott Morrison, Treasurer Josh Frydenberg and National Party

Leader Barnaby Joyce.

In presenting her election case to locals, Ms Ruston spruiked the Coalition’s pledge to create 450,000 regional jobs, while also complimenting the performance of the Liberal Party’s Barker incumbent, Tony Pasin.

“What I would say to the voters in Barker is have a look at what your local member, Tony Pasin, has delivered for you, the amount of money that he’s been able to get into the region...” she said.

“Have a look at what’s been delivered by a really strong local member who is part of a strong government.”

Ms Ruston said the regional jobs promise was consistent with the Liberals being “the party for regional and rural Australia”.

“We believe in and understand the regions, we invest in the regions, and that’s why we were so keen to set specific targets for job creation in Australia in those regions,” she said.

“The regions are the powerhouse of Australia. We know that two-thirds of our exports are generated in regional and rural Australia, so we want to make sure we’re investing in the opportunities in rural and regional Australia.”



Senator Anne Ruston has been a familiar face across Australian media during the 2022 Federal Election campaign. PHOTO: supplied



Nick Xenophon aims to make a splash in the Riverland during his political comeback campaign. Mr Xenophon, who is standing as an independent, visited the region last week. PHOTO: Paul Mitchell



The St Therese Church Hall in Renmark is the Riverland’s sole early-voting site.

Early voting now open in Riverland

EARLY voting in the Riverland for the May 21 Federal Election opened this week.

The sole early-voting site in the region is at the St Therese Church Hall at 132 Ral Ral Avenue, Renmark.

It is one of more than 500 early voting centres in operation across Australia during the two-week early voting period.

The Australian Electoral Commission has urged voters to plan their vote, with Electoral Commissioner Tom Rogers pointing out that a range of additional Covid-19 safety measures would be in place for the election – both at early voting centres, and on election day.

“Voting centres will have more protections in place than most areas of society,” he said.

Despite the early-voting centres now being open, Mr Rogers said Australian elections remain “in-person events”.

“If you can vote on election day then that’s what you should do,” he said.

The Riverland early-voting centre is open during regular business hours this week (8.30am to 5.30pm) and on Saturday from 9am to 4pm.

Next week it is open on weekdays from 8.30am to 5.30pm.

Mr Rogers said dedicated Australian Electoral Commission hygiene officers would be regularly sanitising surfaces and pencils at all AEC early voting centres.

Voters need not to be Covid-19 vaccinated to attend a voting centre, while campaign activities, including handing out how-to-vote cards, can also occur.

Mr X returns with Riverland ‘on board’

NICK Xenophon says his track record – particularly on Murray-Darling Basin funding – has encouraged Riverlanders to jump aboard his bid to return to the Senate.

Mr Xenophon has been largely out of the public eye since his spectacular, though ultimately unsuccessful 2018 State Election campaign, but aims to resurrect his political career later this month.

Throughout his time in politics he has enjoyed strong support in the Riverland and travelled through the region last week, linking up with long-time contacts.

“Riverlanders want me to give it a go,” he said.

“People know what I did during the Millennium Drought. I held out for that package for the Murray, it was almost a billion dollars and a lot of that flows through to here.

“At the time I remember eastern states journalists and commentators saying, ‘Who the hell does he think he is, to be doing this?’”

In 2009, while an inde-

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pendent senator holding the balance of power, Mr Xenophon famously struck a deal with Kevin Rudd’s Labor government to secure \$900m of funding for the Murray-Darling Basin.

Since re-entering the public spotlight via his 2022 Federal Election bid, Mr Xenophon said his Riverland network has quickly updated him on crucial local issues.

“People have come out of the woodwork,” he said.

“People in the Riverland contact me to tell me what’s going on and it seems some things haven’t changed. Obviously there’s a lot more water in the system than when I ran, but the Murray-Darling Basin Plan is still a real worry, because the eastern states don’t get it.”

Mr Xenophon believes if elected he could again be in a powerful position for South Australia.

Xenophon’s \$200m wine marketing pledge

A \$200m marketing package to help Australian wine grape growers recover from losing the Chinese export market would be among Nick Xenophon’s goals if elected at the 2022 Federal Election.

Mr Xenophon outlined his plan last week during a lightning fact-finding trip to the region ahead of the May 21 poll.

“We know from what the political analysts are saying that the Senate is going to be finely balanced,” he said.

“If the polls are to be believed and I get in, I will be in a balance-of-power situation again, and I’m not shy about using my vote for South Australia. I’ve done it before and I’ll do it again.”

Part of the 2019 package was money dedicated to water buybacks, an issue that has reignited in SA during the current election campaign.

While stopping short

“We need to find alternative markets (because we’ve lost \$1.2 billion out of \$3 billion in export sales,” he said.

“I’ve got wine grape growers telling me that they are getting rock-bottom price at the moment and that affects the viability of the region.

“So, what I want to float now is that we need to be

of supporting calls for more water buybacks, Mr Xenophon indicated he would again be focused on the SA end of the system.

“Fortunately there’s water in the system at the moment,” he said, “but there will be another drought and when that happens we need to be prepared.”

Mr Xenophon returned to practicing law after the 2018 State Election and said his involvement in a legal case about Ugg boots and associated frustration with the Morrison Government prompted his latest tilt at federal politics.

looking at a comprehensive fund. It might be in the order of \$200 million-plus to boost wine sales to the rest of the world over several years.

“We need to make a much bigger effort. The wines in the Riverland are a good drop, they’re great value, and we should be opening up that market.”

- PAUL MITCHELL

“I’ve left it late, but the fire is still in my belly,” he said.

In 2017, while in the Senate, Mr Xenophon played a key role in instigating ultimately landmark changes to media laws that have seen Google, Facebook and other internet giants contribute to cover losses of advertising revenue from news organisations.

Mr Xenophon is running as an independent in 2022, opposed to another former Centre Alliance-turned independent, Senator Rex Patrick.

Wheelchair access a boost for Loxton RSL

WHEELCHAIR-bound members will have better access to the Loxton RSL sub-branch after the club received a federal government grant.

The Loxton RSL sub-branch has received a grant of \$122,853 from the federal government’s Veteran and Community Program.

The grant will go towards new viewing windows for the bowls, replacing the ceilings, and a new electric sliding door and ramp, making it wheelchair accessible.

President of the Loxton RSL sub-branch, Rob Manuel, said the grant makes the club more accessible for its members.

“With a new sliding door, it will be wheelchair accessible with a ramp, and lowering our windows out the front will also help our older members who will be sitting there on hot days,” he said.

“We have already upgraded the kitchen,

lights, memorabilia room, toilets, air conditioning and outdoor area.



Barker MP Tony Pasin and Loxton RSL sub-branch president Rob Manuel at the grant presentation last Friday night. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

“The RSL applied for the grant in December and this is the second attempt that we had to get the money.

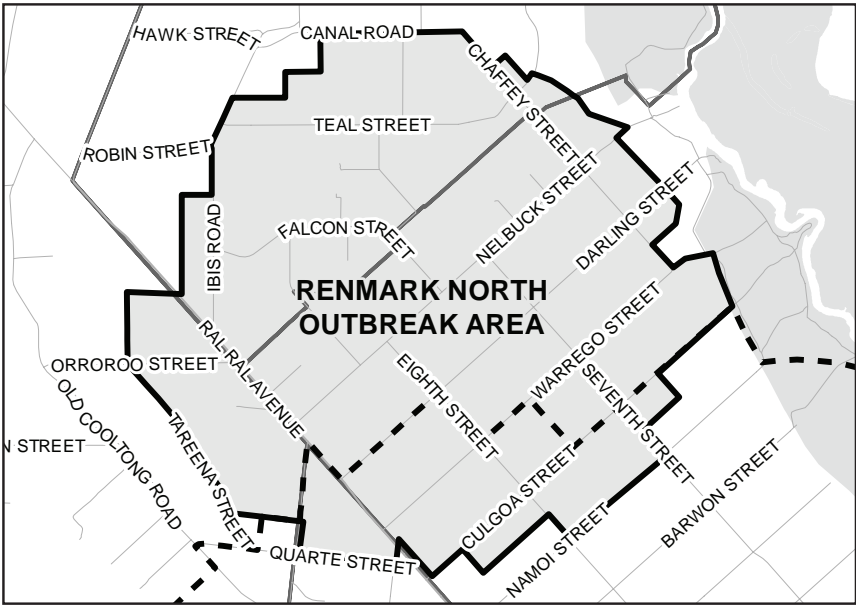
“On behalf of the Loxton RSL, I thank Tony Pasin for his ongoing interest in this facility which supports and remembers those who served.”

Barker MP Tony Pasin congratulated the

Loxton RSL on its successful application.

“The dedication and hard work of organisations such as the Loxton RSL sub branch ensure veterans and their families receive essential services, support and opportunities allowing them to continue active roles in their local communities,” Mr Pasin said.

FRUIT FLY OUTBREAK RENMARK NORTH



Queensland fruit fly has been found at Renmark North. A 1.5 km radius outbreak area, which includes surrounding suburbs, has been established. This will apply until at least 17 December 2022, depending on any further fruit fly detections.

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

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

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

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

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

What you need to do:

- **Allow easy access** to front and back gardens so PIRSA staff can do their work quickly and efficiently.
- **Pick up** all fallen and over ripe fruit in your backyard as well as remove any remaining fruit from fruit trees. Seal fruit waste in a plastic bag and call the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010 to arrange collection.
- **Don’t move** fresh fruit, fruiting vegetables or garden waste from your property.
- **Check your fruit** regularly and if you find a maggot or suspect fruit fly, seal it in a plastic bag and contact the Fruit Fly Hotline on 1300 666 010.



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Lowering our windows out the front will also help our older members who will be sitting there on hot days...

- Rob Manuel
Loxton RSL sub-branch president



Population ‘growth’ challenging councils

THE District Council of Loxton Waikerie has been working on a growth strategy to take to consultation to ensure it reflects community visions and expectations.

Elected members and key staff met with consultants in the past week to workshop a discussion paper for public presentation.

It will be a plan that guides council’s decision-making and investment to build on the strengths of the region.

Before Conduct Becoming ploughs into any fallow field of opportunity, it is key to note that population across the Riverland has been reducing each year at a 7 per cent decline for some time, until now.

Possibly driven by Covid-19, the past 12 to 18 months has seen this decline disappear and the population remain unchanged. This could be viewed as a 7 per cent increase on previous trends.

The Loxton Waikerie discussion paper focuses on the two major towns of Loxton and Waikerie, plus smaller settlements such as Moorook, Kingston-On-Murray and Ramco. Consultation may bring other areas forward as a whole-of-region approach is sought.

One thing the reverse in population decline has emphasised is that housing supply and housing rental stress are key community barriers to growth.

Meeting these shortfalls is primary to the strategy and each town map included in the document has potential areas of residential growth highlighted.

Development plans were reviewed over a decade ago and since have been aligned with other Riverland councils. This latest process is going to be paramount to the future of our district for the next 25 years and an opportu-



nity to establish an holistic view of our urban future.

Being of a long-term nature does not preclude short-term outcomes and it is a necessity that while we plan for future growth, we also fully utilise existing and available infrastructure.

By this, I mean in these areas currently within or adjacent to council infrastructure, like roads, kerbs, sewerage systems and waste collection services. That is, areas where building should be able to occur now, that don’t require any or much council expenditure or time to develop.

Streamlining planning processes, firmly attached to state government apron strings, is also required as is reviewing some of the development fees charged.

Measures to assist progress on existing developments, release of new land for houses, construction of houses and stormwater solutions for multiple dwelling sites are all required, but need proper consideration.

Growth is occurring across the nation, particularly in unprepared rural areas, following a sea change and then a tree change.

We are now amid another growth phase. Anyone can name it, but councils must plan for it.

○ 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.

Winning not on Labor candidate's radar

PAUL MITCHELL

LIFELONG “Labor person” Mark Braes is resigned to losing the 2022 Barker election, but believes his campaign is about the journey more than the destination.

Despite political pundits and bookmakers predicting a significant nationwide swing away from the Coalition, Mr Braes faces an uphill battle to unseat incumbent Liberal MP Tony Pasi on May 21.

However, during a trip to the Riverland last week, the Millicent-based Labor contender and unsuccessful 2022 State Election candidate said he hopes his candidacy can bring about change, or at least discussion.

“During the state campaign I was asked a number of times, ‘Why do you bother running when you can’t win?’,” Mr Braes said.

“But at 64 I suppose my life lesson is, if you’re only going to do things because you’re going to win it, you’re probably not going to do a lot.

“You’re not always going to win. And for me, life’s about participating in things, whether government or helping out your local school...

“I’ve been a participator...as opposed to a very partisan person in politics. That’s not my style.”

Mr Braes spent 11 years in local government, including four years as mayor of Wattle Range Council, in the state’s South East, but says his style of politics is more collaborative than combative.

“I’m not a head kicker, I’m not an attacker,” he said.



Labor candidate for Barker Mark Braes in the Riverland last week with Labor supporter Mark Hazelwood, of Renmark. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

“I’ve been interested in what are the core issues? What’s really driving concerns in communities? And how best can you fix things?”

While a State Election run for MacKillop was Mr Braes’ first crack beyond local government, he

has been surrounded by progressive politics his entire life.

“I didn’t necessarily see myself getting involved as a candidate,” he said.

“But I’ve been a Labor person my whole life, going back to

Broken Hill where I was born and raised, with the unions.

“My brother was the CFMEU (Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union) guy in Broken Hill.

“By the time I was a young teenager I had some pretty clear views

about what I thought was best in terms of political stuff.”

Mr Braes said local access to health services and the rising cost of living were among the issues worthy of debate during the campaign.

‘I respect Tony Pasi, but...’

LABOR’S Barker candidate says he will set aside a lengthy, positive history with Tony Pasi to criticise the Coalition’s handling of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan.

Mark Braes worked alongside Mr Pasi (pictured) in local government, and was in the legal profession in Mount Gambier at the same time as the Liberal MP, but says that counts for little in the lead-up to the 2022 Federal Election.

“I’ve always had a respectful relationship with Tony and I value that relationship, but for me, when you vote Liberal in Barker you can’t be assured that

what a Liberal person says about water is what’s going to be delivered,” he said.

“Because clearly it’s the National Party room that’s made those decisions. That’s concerned me for a number of years.

“I expect, and it was certainly raised to me by the members, that the issue of ensuring South Australia gets its entitlements that were agree to some years ago is now front of mind.”

Mr Braes claimed recent statements by Water Minister and Nationals MP David Littleproud about an additional 450GL of environmental water for SA in

recent weeks had contradicted positions stated by other Coalition members.

“It struck me as really strange a couple of weeks ago when we had Minister Littleproud seeming to indicate that the job’s over and done, but then Senator Ruston making it clear that for her, there was a total commitment to the Plan,” he said.

“I’m not convinced that under re-elected Morrison government that can be assured for the people of South Australia.”

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New system to recover unclaimed bond money

RIVERLAND renters have been encouraged to check if they are owed any previously unreturned bonds through a new initiative. More than 1700 applications to return unclaimed bond money have been approved under a simplified Consumer and Business Services (CBS) system introduced

in January. Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs Andrea Michaels said bond money could go unclaimed due to tenants providing incorrect banking details, or failing to provide a forwarding address. “At a time when South Australians are facing unprecedent-

ed cost of living pressures, every dollar counts – which is why I’m pleased to see CBS take action to ensure this money is being returned to its rightful owners,” she said. Riverlanders can check for any potentially outstanding bonds by visiting the website (www.cbs.sa.gov.au/unclaimedbonds).



More than 1700 applications for outstanding rental bonds have been made to Consumer and Business Services (CBS) since January.



Susana Grigson with Dr Dean Brown AO. PHOTOS: supplied

Local students awarded university scholarships

TWO university students from Loxton have been awarded scholarships by the Playford Trust. Susanna Grigson and Jasper Harding were among more than 40 students honoured at a ceremony in Adelaide on April 21. All students who received scholarships are studying in areas considered of strategic importance to South Australia. They share in more than \$600,000 in scholarship funding from the Playford Trust and its partners. Miss Grigson was awarded a Playford Trust PhD scholarship to continue her work in bioinformatics – the combination of biology, mathematics and computer science – at Flinders University.

She has already completed two undergraduate science degrees, receiving First Class Honours, majoring in mathematics and molecular biology, and her PhD is looking at trying to annotate viral proteins. “In viruses there are millions of different genes, so I will be using maths and modelling to try and predict what some of these genes do,” Miss Grigson said. “It feels really good to be recognised because I put lots of work into my studies all throughout my undergrad and honours. “I put a lot of effort into my research so it is good that it has been recognised and is



Jasper Harding (centre) with principal of St Ann's College Denise von Wald and Chartwells state manager Jane Crulci.

seen as a priority. “As a PhD student you get allocated a certain amount of living money per year and it is not particularly high. “I want to go to a conference in Portugal in July so the scholarship can help make things like that happen.” Mr Harding was the recipient of a Chartwells/St Ann's College/Playford Trust Residential Scholarship to support his studies at the University of Adelaide and residency at St Ann's. Mr Harding is studying advanced mathematical sciences, hoping for a career developing technologies in fields such as cyber security and renewable energy, or researching pure mathematics. “I definitely feel very honoured, the Playford Trust is such a prestigious scholarship,” he said “I was initially going to study music but I decided to go with my head instead of my heart. “Maths is my curiosity from my head, and music is my curiosity from my heart. “I am proud to be representing the Riverland in such an admirable group of individuals who got scholarships.” The Playford Trust was established in 1983 in honour of Sir Thomas Playford, South Australia's longest serving premier, and has supported more than 600 students in the past decade alone. It focuses its university scholarships and TAFE awards on five key study areas: advanced manufacturing and new technologies; environmental sciences; health sciences and enabling technologies; agriculture, aquaculture and food production; and mining and resource development.

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Art installation brings dreaming story to life

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AN art installation telling the Aboriginal dreaming story of the River Murray is set to be held in Renmark next month, after it was cancelled in 2021 due to Covid-19 restrictions.

In Depth will be shown on the Renmark river front next to Renmark Club from June 3 to July 2.

The free large-scale multimedia event by New South Wales artist Craig Walsh will include projection, sound and lighting, with the story to be narrated by Berri man Shane Karpany.

“This area, the lands and the River Murray hold great significance to many First Nations clans across the region,” Mr Karpany said.

“Some of us are still trying to relearn and connect into the stories and culture, and some is simply lost.

“The Ngurunderi dreaming story is one of many creations stories of the region, and we hope it encourages more curiosity and learning across all country in this region.”

The presentation and similar installations in Mount Gambier and Victor Harbor are part of an initiative supported by the South Australian Tourism Commission, in partnership with regional councils and artists, with the aim of increasing visitation across the state this winter.

“Renmark is one of only three regional installations outside of Adelaide, so that’s fantastic for our community – not just Renmark but the Riverland as a whole,” said Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson.

“Council looks forward to welcoming visitors from across South Australia and interstate for the installation and it’s also a great activation for the community to enjoy.”



In Depth narrator Shane Karpany with Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson on the Renmark river front. The In Depth show will run from June 3 to July 2. PHOTO: Josh Brine

Illuminate Adelaide co-founders and creative directors, Rachael Azzopardi and Lee Cumberlidge, said they were “excited to bring In Depth to the Riverland”.

“Illuminate Adelaide is committed to programming and presenting a series of satellite events that explore art, light and technology in our regions,” they said.

Minister for Tourism Zoe Bettison said major events in regional South Australia were “hugely important for local economies and communities”.

“We’re thrilled to help bring the magic of Illuminate Adelaide to the Riverland,

Limestone Coast and Fleurieu Peninsula,” she said.

“This will drive visitation and expenditure into the regions beyond the peak tourism season where we’ve seen record-breaking

occupancy rates.”

In Depth will be held from 6pm to 9pm nightly.

For full program details, visit: illuminateadelaide.com.

Renmark Paringa gives a round of applause for its volunteers

COMMUNITY members who have volunteered locally for decades will be recognised through a Riverland council’s Volunteer Week initiative.

Renmark Paringa Council will hold a morning tea on Thursday, May 19 – as part of 2022 National Volunteer Week – when awards will be presented to council’s National Volunteer Week Recognition Program recipients.

In a statement, council said the program aimed to “acknowledge individuals that have made a significant contribution to their sporting and service clubs, or

VOLUNTEER WEEK RECOGNITION PROGRAM RECIPIENTS:

- ☐ Karen Frahn
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- ☐ Allan Langley
- ☐ Sandra Daniel
- ☐ Rob Knight
- ☐ Beryl Junger
- ☐ Denise Bihun
- ☐ Tony ‘Charge’ Richards
- ☐ Riverland Dinghy Club

community groups, or given outstanding service over a

number of years”.

“(Plus) groups of volunteers who have been involved in an event or project at their club or group that had impact to the community,” the statement read.

Volunteers from the Renmark Paringa Council area are able to attend the ceremony, which will be held at the Renmark Club, on Thursday, May 19, from 10am to 11am.

Registration is essential, and can be made by visiting the website (<https://rpcvolunteermorningtea.eventbrite.com.au>), or by contacting Emma Warner at council on 8580 3000.

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ELYSE ARMANINI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

something that could work for all of us.”

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

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

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

“They’re able to come and taste, enjoy and say, ‘Ooh yeah, I actually want a bit of that’.”

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

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

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

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

Other highlights include:

- Live music throughout the day from Shared Affair and the Bluesberries

- A farm animal petting zoo
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Council lowers Chaffey centre rent

A RIVERLAND council has reduced the rent an organisation will pay to use a local building, due to the support the group and its programs provide to the community.

Renmark Paringa councillors passed a motion at last month's general meeting to reduce Community Bridging Services' (CBS) rent for the Chaffey Community Centre from \$6600 to \$4500.

A council report on the matter said the work of CBS – which connects disabled Riverlanders with employment opportunities – had positive results for the community.

"CBS wrote to Council in February 2022 to request a reduction in rent for the first quarter of the 2022 calendar year," the report read.

"Following this letter and further correspondence between Council staff and CBS, they have noted in their request that they would appreciate it if the rent for that quarter could be in line with the rent from



Renmark Paringa Council resolved to lower the rent of the Chaffey Community Centre by \$2100 at last month's general meeting. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

their first year of their lease.

"As CBS operates this site largely for the benefit of the local community, it is reasonable this request is considered."

The report said Covid-19 restrictions on community gatherings had economically impacted the organisation.

"CBS have been successful

in their role in managing the centre, however they have not been immune to the challenges brought upon by Covid-19," it said.

"The restrictions imposed in South Australia during the Christmas (and) New Year period of 2021 had a particularly negative effect on CBS's operations at the Chaffey Community Centre.

"Much of their business model relies on hiring rooms/spaces to service providers on a fee for service basis.

"Unfortunately, due to the restrictions, most face-to-face meetings were cancelled and as such CBS lost significant revenue during this period."

- HUGH SCHUITMAKER

AgTech bootcamp session tomorrow

RIVERLAND primary producers have been invited to an information session tomorrow ahead of an upcoming agricultural conference in the region next month.

An information session will be held at the Riverland Wine Centre tomorrow regarding the upcoming AgTech Innovation Bootcamp, hosted by ThincLab Loxton on June 15 and 16.

The bootcamp, to be held at the Renmark Club, will involve two days of immersive workshops aimed at "gaining insight into the key problems faced by farmers".

A ThincLab Loxton spokesperson said the event would provide an opportunity to "discuss, iterate, and test ideas, and get real time feedback from an expert group of industry, AgTech experts, entrepreneurs, and researchers in a supportive and collaborative environment".

The information session – which includes a light dinner – will be held at the Riverland Wine Centre, at Pike River, tomorrow, from 6pm to 7pm.

Registration for the session can be made online (<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/thinlab-33105005167>), while registration for the Innovation Bootcamp is also open (www.eventbrite.com.au/e/agtech-innovation-bootcamp-15-16-june-2022-registration-325362607317).

Annual NAPLAN testing this week

RIVERLAND students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are currently undergoing assessment as part of the annual NAPLAN tests.

The program, held in May each year, tests skills in writing, reading, spelling, grammar, punctuation and numeracy.

This year, for the first time, all schools will complete NAPLAN online.

"NAPLAN online is a better, more precise assessment that is more engaging for students," said Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) CEO David de Carvalho.

"The tailored testing means students are given questions that are better suited to their abilities, so they can show what they know and can do."

From next year, NAPLAN will be held in March, to provide results earlier in the year.

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No changes to contentious Riverland West intersection

ALEXANDRA BULL

THE Ziegler Road/Ramco Road intersection in Ramco – regarded as dangerous by some council members – will remain unchanged.

The intersection has been the subject of ongoing concern from Loxton Waikerie council for several months now.

Council decided to re-engage with the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) about continuing safety concerns with the intersection, involving the reverse-camber and the

effect on B-doubles/road trains that are creating fruit spills along the road.

A response from DIT was received last month regarding an email sent from council in February.

In the email, DIT asset manager Victor Ling said the department was aware of fruit spill incidents across the Riverland.

“The department has previously provided information to SAPOL and the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator for targeting this incident across the state,” Mr Ling said.

“Fruit spill incidents do not consider as road crash and cannot be used to justify the project.

“In view of above, DIT’s previous response still applies and will continue to monitor the operation of the junction.

“Should the need for an upgrade become evident, the appropriate action will be undertaken in the interest of road safety.”

Council has not yet indicated whether it will continue to engage with DIT on this matter.

Councils’ big plans for internment camp site

A “VISITOR and interpretative site” could be established at the former Loveday Internment Camp and Loveday Hall.

Berri Barmera Council is investigating the plan’s feasibility, with its Loveday Internment Camp project facilitator Christine Webster currently working alongside a committee of community members who have connections or appreciation of the significance of the SA Heritage-listed site.

The internment camp was established in 1941 and became Australia’s largest camp for World War II internees and some prisoners of war. The civilian internees and prisoners of war were mainly Italians, Germans and Japanese.

Ms Webster said the camp guards consisted of Australian army personnel who were unable to serve overseas due to health reasons, having served in World War I, or being too old to enlist in World War II.

Riverland historian Rosemary Gower is one of the key members of the Loveday Internment Camp committee, which reconvened earlier this year to work on this heritage tourism project with the council.

Ms Webster said Ms Gower regularly volunteers her time to conduct tours of the



Berri Barmera Library services manager Peter Ison, Riverland historian Rosemary Gower and Berri Barmera local history officer Jacque Zagotsis inspecting the ruins of the Loveday Internment Camp group headquarters. Berri Barmera Council has a plan to establish a visitor and interpretative facility at the site. PHOTO: supplied

Loveday Internment Camp site and has spent 40 years researching its history.

The Loveday Internment Camp committee also has members of the Riverland Italian community who had parents at the site. For more information about the project contact Christine Webster at: cwebster@bbc.sa.gov.au

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Loxton Historical Village volunteers Richard Wood, Roselyn Sincock and Paul Kaesler receiving items from SA Police Museum president Bill Prior. PHOTOS: supplied

Historical Village jail cell housing police history

A HISTORY of the Loxton Police Station, along with some SA police antiquities are now on display in the town, in a particularly apt setting.

The Loxton Historical Village’s jail cell is home to the display, which came about after a local visit by SA Police Museum curator John White OAM.

Mr White offered to loan some museum items, which were subsequently packed and presented to village volunteers earlier this month.

The Loxton Men’s Shed built a cabinet to house the items, plus a complete history of the Loxton Police Station from its beginning to present day.

Other booklets pertain-



The cabinet inside the cell at the Loxton Historical Village.

ing to the history of other Riverland police stations are featured in the cell.

Mr White described the village’s new feature as “a wonderful display”.

“And importantly for SAPOL and the SA Police

Historical Society, it helps to educate and promote within the community the proud and unique history of the South Australian Police, and in particular the involvement of police within the Loxton and the Riverland region,” he said.

Mr White thanked the village and its volunteers for their “enthusiastic support... to bring the display to a reality”.

The cabinet and its contents are on display at the village from Tuesdays to Sundays, between 10am and 4pm.

The items were recently presented to village volunteers by SA Police Museum president Bill Prior and his wife Ann.

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Timely reminder of home fire safety

AS winter approaches, the SA Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) is reminding the public to check their heating appliances for damage or wear before use.

Combustion heaters, fireplaces and electric blankets may pose a significant fire risk if they are not checked carefully.

MFS community engagement officer Phil Evans said heating equipment with faults, damage or wear should be repaired or replaced.

“People are pulling out electric blankets and heaters they have not used since last spring so these items need to be thoroughly checked before use,” he said.

“Do not use any faulty heating equipment.

“Immediately discard faulty heaters or electric blankets, or have them repaired

by a qualified tradesperson.

“Gas or oil heaters, fireplaces, chimneys and flues should be serviced and cleaned regularly.”

When using heating equipment, Mr Evans recommended key safety tips that could save lives and prevent property loss.

“Keep any combustible items such as clothes, bedding, curtains or furniture well clear of heaters and fires – with ideally at least two metres clearance,” he said.

“Avoid leaving heaters running for extended periods of time as radiant heat may scorch flammable items.”

For further information, check out the MFS Home Fire and Life Safety fact sheets on home heating and electric blankets at www.mfs.sa.gov.au.

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MFS electric blanket and throw rugs safety tips:

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- ❑ Always check and test your electric blanket or rug at the start of winter. Look for scorch marks, kinks, creases, lumpiness or exposed wires in electric blankets. Check for cracking, discolouration, heat marks on the switch and the cord that connects the controller to the blanket.
- ❑ Electric blankets have started fires when left unattended, or left on during the day. Remember as you get into bed, turn off the electric blanket.
- ❑ Never use electric blankets with people who are sensitive to heat, including infants and young children. Invalids and people who are frail or elderly could dehydrate, especially if they can't turn the blanket off when in difficulty.

MFS heater safety tips:

- ❑ Heating equipment should be installed and maintained by a qualified tradesperson.
- ❑ Clothes placed around or near heaters are a high-fire risk. If clothing needs to be dried inside it is far safer to locate the clothes airer in a room with no heater but a good air flow.
- ❑ Children and pets must always be supervised when heaters and fires are in use.
- ❑ Choose a portable heater that has an automatic safety switch that turns the heater off if it is tipped over.



How to keep cosy this winter

WINTER is fast approaching, so it is time to start thinking about what inclusions you can add to your living space to make your home cosy during the cold months.

From practical solutions like changing curtains to keep the cold out, to snuggly additions like blankets and pillows – there are many ways to change the look of your rooms.

If you're wondering why your home is so cold, even with the heater on full blast, then it might be your window coverings contributing to the issue.

While sheer curtains can look nice, they are not the most practical coverings during the winter months when we want to try everything possible to keep warm.

Investing in insulated curtains, or roller blinds, could be the difference between needing to blast the heater or having it at a more reasonable, more affordable level.

An easy addition you can make to your home is the introduction of throws and pillows.

Thick, warm knitted throws not only look great, but will also keep your family members nice and toasty this winter.

Choosing colours to suit your couch or living space will make this practical inclusion look fashionable.

It is also a way to experiment with colours. For example, if you're wondering what a pop of yellow, or pink will look like in your space, rather than committing to a colourful piece of furniture or art, you can introduce it in your blanket or pillow choices.

If you've changed your curtain choices and added cosy blankets, but it is still freezing inside then it might be time to look at upgrading your heating options.

There are plenty of solutions and options available, so shop around and see what would best suit your affordability, lifestyle and living space.

Another way to beat the cold is to cover up tiles, hardwood or concrete floors.

If you don't have a carpeted lounge-room then chances are there is cold air seeping up through the floor.

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How to access the program:

This is a cost-free service available in the Riverland and Limestone Coast and does not require a GP referral.

Anyone can refer into the program by contacting the FocusOne Health office or by completing the referral form on the



Kirby Fitzgerald, FocusOne Coach.

FocusOne Health website.

What to expect:

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FocusOne Health CEO Scerina Rasheed explained:

“Identifying that your mental health may be a concern early is so important. FocusOne Coach can help you to understand your mental health concerns and support you with practical skills that you can use to improve your mental wellbeing”.

To access the FocusOne Coach program or for more information about any of FocusOne Health’s programs and services, contact the head office in Berri on 8582 3823 or visit the website (focusonehealth.com.au).

This program is made possible by funding from Country SA PHN.



Members of the camp travelling from Renmark to Woolenook via the PS Ulonga. PHOTOS: supplied

Woolenook WWII history on display

THE importance of migrants to the Riverland’s military history will be showcased at a local irrigation trust this month.

Renmark Irrigation Trust (RIT) will host a series of presentations regarding the role of Japanese woodcutters who were occupants of the Woolenook Wood Camp.

RIT administration and project officer, Dr Judy Bailey, said the camp supplied wood to RIT, which was used as fuel to produce electricity for lights and pumps during World War II.

“On May 7, 1942, the first Japanese internees arrived at Woolenook Wood Camp, which was on offshoot of Loveday internment camp,” Dr Bailey said.

“The talk, occurring exactly 80 years later, throws open the events of that day and the critical role of the Japanese internees to keep the pumps running at the Renmark Irrigation Trust and the lights on in Renmark and surrounding towns.

“RIT supplied electricity to the area and wood supplies were critical to run the infrastructure at RIT as diesel was in short supply. There was also a huge shortage of manpower to cut and cart the wood.”

Dr Bailey said locals with experience or memorabilia relating to the camp were also invited to participate in the event.

“What we are also interested in is finding people

who have artefacts from those days, or who would be willing to do an oral history with us about their memories of the camp or the trust more broadly,” she said.

“We already have eight Renmark people who have given us a lot of background information for the talk

In-person talks at the RIT building will be held from 11am to 12 noon today, Monday, May 16, Wednesday, May 18, and Thursday, May 19. An online session will also be held from 4pm to 5pm on Thursday, May 19.

For further information, or to make a booking, visit the RIT website (<https://rit.org.au/news/history-talk-on-woolenook-bend-japanese-internment-camp/>).

Japanese occupants chopping wood at the Woolenook Wood Camp.



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Housing a hot topic during LGA's local visit

REGIONAL housing was among the main topics of discussion when state LGA leaders visited the Riverland last week.

Local Government Association president Angela Evans and CEO Clinton Jury travelled to the Riverland last week to discuss priority issues for councils in the area.

They met with Loxton Waikerie council and Southern Mallee Council, before attending the Murraylands and Riverland LGA meeting in Mannum.

Discussions centred around opportunities flowing from the change of government at the recent State Election, including a renewed focus on regional housing and regional health workforce issues.

The Murraylands and Riverland

LGA also raised regional transport planning, including funding opportunities, plus development of a water position paper that addresses progress of the Murray Darling Basin Plan.

“Being in the Murraylands and Riverland region has been terrific,” said LGA president Angela Evans.

“It allows us to hear from our regional members and understand the unique challenges and opportunities in the area, such as regional housing, health workforce, transport planning and water.

“These discussions will shape our early conversations with the new state government and Opposition, and help clarify the issues that present the strongest opportunities for partnership going forward.”



LGA president Angela Evans with Loxton Waikerie Mayor Leon Stasinowsky in the Riverland last week.
PHOTO: supplied

The visit to the Riverland was part of the LGA's program of regional visits, which Ms Evans said helps shape its work program and helps it connect with councils on local issues.

A purple swamp hen, likely to be spotted locally this Saturday during World Migratory Bird Day observations across the Riverland.
PHOTO: supplied



Bird's the word this Saturday

THE Riverland is among monitoring sites for World Migratory Bird Day this weekend.

Part of the Global Big Day event held across the globe, the initiative aims to “celebrate the birds around you”, while also gathering data to help scientists better understand global bird populations.

This year, water managers across the Murray-Darling Basin have formed a team and will attempt to help Australia climb the rankings for the number of birds observed.

In South Australia, a team led by the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) will be taking part at locations in the Riverland, Lower Lakes and Coorong.

DEW spokesperson Adrienne Rumbelow said South Australia's wetlands and floodplains host “an amazing variety” of bird species from shorebirds to fish-eating species, waterfowl and bush birds.

“Although most migratory waders have returned to the northern hemisphere in the Australian autumn, there are still many bird species to observe and record,” Ms Rumbelow said.

“This is a great opportunity to get out into nature and take part in an important global event.”

Last year more than 51,000 people from 192 countries submitted 134,000 bird checklists, with 7333 different bird species observed, setting four new world records for a single day of birding.

Australia was ranked 15th in the world for number of species observed, with 554 different birds spotted.

Locals are invited to join in from their backyard or visit their local wetland or bird hot-spot for the event, to be held this Saturday, May 14.

For more information visit: <https://ebird.org/news/global-big-day-2022>

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RWCC offering advice on managing risk

THE Riverland West Chamber of Commerce (RWCC) is delivering a Business Development seminar on Risk Management on Tuesday, May 24 at the Waikerie Hotel from 6pm.

The seminar – the first in a series of five – will be presented by Waikerie-based risk management consultant Paul Croft, who has significant experience and qualifications in this area.

Mr Croft has a Bachelor’s Degree in Economics, post-graduate qualifications in Public Administration and IT, and a Master’s Degree in Project Management.

He has run his own company for the past 25 years, providing consulting and project management services.

His clients included Energy Australia, Telstra, Suncorp and Transport NSW, while he has also developed and delivered training courses on risk



Paul Croft will conduct a seminar in Waikerie later this month – presented by the Riverland West Chamber of Commerce – aimed at helping local businesses manage risk. PHOTO: supplied

management for Westpac, Sydney Trains, and AMP.

Mr Croft has spoken at professional conferences on risk management around Australia and internationally.

He said that most people only see risk in terms of health and safety, but they are only a small part

of the subject.

“A risk can be any event of circumstance that prevents you from achieving your business goals,” he said.

Mr Croft also said that the Covid-19 experience has shown us that risks can arise from a range of areas and impact business in unexpected ways.

“The aim of the seminar is to equip businesses with practical tools and techniques to identify potential risks, evaluate and prioritise them and develop plans to mitigate them,” he said.

“We will also show how to plan for contingencies should these risks materialise.”

The risk management seminar is open to anyone from across the Riverland.

The event is free for RWCC members and \$15 per head for non-members.

To book email info@riverlandwestchamber.com.au by May 20.

“A risk can be any event of circumstance that prevents you from achieving your business goals...”
- PAUL CROFT



The Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board and its partners were recently successful with their application to the Landscape Priorities Fund for a project to control priority pests and weeds on and around the River Murray. The pictured yellow water lily (nymphaea mexicana) is among the focus aquatic weeds for control. PHOTO: supplied

\$800k weed warrior plan

A PROPOSED \$800,000 project aimed improving the River Murray by eradicating “priority pests” has been given the green light.

Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board and its partners recently submitted an application to the Landscape Priorities Fund to control priority pests and weeds on and around the River Murray.

The project, titled ‘Weed warriors of our waterways: eradicating priority pests for a healthy river’, is important to protecting the Murray, according to Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board district manager Hannah Spronk.

“This three-year project with a budget of \$808,900 will help protect our significant natural asset and strengthen our community

connection which is vitally important to the region,” Ms Spronk said.

“The project will provide co-ordination at a regional level and significantly assist in managing invasive aquatic and terrestrial weeds impacting the River Murray, wetlands and feeder creeks/rivers and help conserve these areas’ natural biodiversity.”

Ms Spronk said the project would leverage and add to the 10 years of invasive weed control previously undertaken in the river channel.

“Throughout the projects, extensive river and creek surveys will be conducted that will map weed infestations, which will guide our on-ground control works,” she said.

“We will partner with landholders, five councils, Aboriginal peoples, volun-

teer and user groups.

“By working together and supporting our partners and community through workshops and training, our on-ground works will improve ecosystem health, Aboriginal values and recreational benefits.”

Ms Spronk said the Landscape Board was eager to see the successes of this project along the river system, connected tributaries and the continuing benefits to surrounding communities.

“We look forward to delivering this project together with our partners and the community, Ms Spronk said.

This project is supported by the Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board through funding from the Landscape Priorities Fund and the landscape levies.

Latest email scam going solar

RIVERLANDERS have been warned to stay alert to the potential threat of email scams, particularly those imitating legitimate organisations.

Police have recently detected a fake email – claiming to be from a popular South Australian organisation – including a web link to purchase solar panels.

However, clicking on the link will lead to a fake website that prompts users to enter personal details such as an email address and password.

These details can then be used by cyber-criminals to steal the user’s identity and if finances are transferred, it is highly likely they will be unrecoverable. A SAPOL spokesperson advised locals fake emails often contained spelling and grammatical errors that would be unexpected from the real organisation.

“Other phishing methods may include text and social media messages,” the spokesperson said.

“Take the time to think before following links or

clicking on a button contained within emails or messages.

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David Dale from Waikerie won the People's Choice Vehicle award in Waikerie's Show 'n' Shine with his Ford GT.



Owners take a shine to event's new spot

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

WAIKERIE Show 'n' Shine organisers have praised the new location of the event this year, held at the Waikerie Community Sports Centre Playing Fields for the first time.

The display and competition featuring classic, hot rod, and modern unique, high performance vehicles and motorcycles, attracted 115 vehicles and 12 motorcycles last Saturday.

The event was organised by a subcommittee of the Riverland West Chamber of Commerce.

Waikerie Show 'n' Shine committee member Sandra Schober said entrants came from across the Riverland, Adelaide, the Barossa Valley, Mildura and other parts of Victoria and NSW.

She said choosing winners for each category was a difficult task due to the high standard of entries.

Held in May each year, the event coincides with the Waikerie Rotary markets, which also features rock 'n' dancers as part of the Riverland Rock 'n' Roll Festival.



This Holden HR Premier earned Steve Arnold, of Golden Grove, the Organiser's Choice Vehicle award in the Waikerie Show 'n' Shine.

Waikerie Show 'n' Shine co-organisers Ian Rogers described the new venue at the Waikerie Community Sports Centre Playing Fields as "the best yet".

Last year, the Waikerie Rotary Market and the Show 'n' Shine was held for the first time at the Waikerie Football Oval, attracting a record 180 entries.

"We basically filled up the whole oval between the markets and the Show 'n' Shine and we had not much room for expansion at all," Mr Rogers said.

"After Covid-19 restrictions eased that year, a lot of people wanted to get out and they brought out their cars."

He said the Waikerie

Show 'n' Shine has been running for about 12 years and up until 2020 was held at Civic Avenue, which it outgrew.

Mr Rogers said he is hoping the Waikerie Rotary markets and the Show 'n' Shine could continue to be held at the Waikerie Community Sports Centre Playing Fields in the future.

"This venue is great because it has a lot of room for attendees to park," he said.

"It is very easy access for the Show 'n' Shine participants to get in and out on one side and for the markets to get out on the other side. It is very easy to pack up and leave."

Fears district-wide tourism body will neglect Morgan

MID Murray Council is establishing a Mid Murray Heritage and Maritime Committee to promote and maintain its historical and maritime assets, however at least one council member has concerns with the plan.

The new section 41 committee replaces the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism board and the Mannum Dock Museum Board, which were also section 41 committees.

However, Mid Murray councillor and Eyre Ward representative, John Forrester, is concerned Morgan will be neglected following the board's disbandment in March.

Cr Forrester, the board's former chairperson, claimed the council's decision to establish the Mid Murray Heritage and Maritime Committee would mean less attention for Morgan's historical tourism sites.

Cr Forrester believes council's decision to form a district-wide tourism committee was due to him repeatedly raising concerns about the condition of Morgan's historical assets and buildings.

"I believe it is about the issues I kept raising about Morgan with council every two months," he said.

Cr Forrester told The Murray Pioneer last week he had been raising concerns about the condition of Morgan's historical assets and buildings for the past three and a half years.

He is especially concerned about the condition of Morgan's former railway station buildings and railway carriages.

Termites have also been found in the Morgan Craft Shop building, while the town's former railway ticket office and the historic railway carriages need to be repainted.

Cr Forrester said he expressed his concerns about the plans to disband the Morgan



Mid Murray councillor John Forrester wants Morgan's historic railway site to be repaired and treated for termites.

PHOTO: Christine Webster

organisation at previous Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism board meetings.

He fears a forming a section 41 tourism committee with Mannum will mean the Morgan community's calls for ratepayer owned heritage assets to be maintained will continue to be ignored.

Mid Murray Council CEO Ben Scales said the Mid Murray Heritage and Maritime Committee's role would be to drive the strategic direction of council's maritime and heritage assets.

He said under the committee, key operations groups would be established in both Morgan and Mannum, to look after historical assets in both towns, which in Morgan included the PS Canally and Morgan Museum.

"The committee has been put in place to make sure we are utilising volunteers and the knowledge and experience of the people involved," Mr Scales said.

"We want to really strategically drive and look after the historical and maritime assets across the whole area.

"They need to have passion and commitment for the maritime and heritage assets across the district, whether that be in Morgan or Mannum."

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER

WAIKERIE SHOW 'N' SHINE 2022 WINNERS:

■ People's Choice Vehicle winner David Dale, of Waikerie, with his Ford GT.

■ Organiser's Choice Vehicle winner Steve Arnold, of Golden Grove, with his Holden HR Premier

■ People's Choice Motorcycle winner David Dale, of Waikerie, with his Ducati Desmo.

■ Organiser's Choice motorcycle winner Terry Page, of Waikerie, with his Honda CBR1000

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Was last month's Country Music Festival in Tamworth actually my final one?

By **ROBYN MCINTOSH**
MY KIND OF COUNTRY

WHAT was planned to be my last Tamworth festival turned on some excellent weather, but it was far from the laidback, no-ties event I had in mind for my finale (although what I went to I did enjoy). I had thought that I could catch up with some industry people very special to me, those I only see at Tamworth to say farewell. And I did achieve that.

Unfortunately I had to take my camera with me as I was asked to be official "flasher" at Youngie's bust unveiling and the Hands of Fame ceremony. I had only intended to take my phone, so I actually feel a bit cheated. Do I go again, and not let anyone know I am attending, or do I sign off disappointed?

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The **Brian Young** Bronze Bust was unveiled on my first morning at Tamworth, with Brian's son **Darren**, and one of his daughters, **Taylor**, doing the honours.

It was a pleasure to be there and witness this along with fellow Riverlanders and close friends of Youngie, **Peter** and **Bev Webber**, of Berri, who I travelled over with.

Lindsay Waddington, who toured with Youngie, was invited to be a part of the ceremony and sing Youngie, recorded on his debut album, **Lynchburgh**.

Waddo had confided to me that he was a bit nervous about performing at this special occasion. So I was laughing inside when the microphone stand started to slip down and Waddo had to keep dropping with it. My first thought was that Youngie made it happen.

Some of the artists who had toured on the **Brian Young** shows through the outback over the years were among the crowd who attended, and a few of them appear in photos I took.

The other event which was a priority for me was **Chad Morgan's**



Beccy Cole taking a selfie for a fan after the unveiling of her plaque on the Roll of Renown in front of Tamworth Regional Entertainment and Conference Centre on April 20. PHOTO: Robyn McIntosh

70 years of performing celebration show, featuring an assortment of guests, plus Chad finishing the show off with several songs. Although he will turn 90 in February 2023, Chad still has the crowds in the palm of his hand when performing, so he will carry on entertaining while there's "life in the old dog yet".

I did end up buying a ticket to the Golden Guitar Awards, when a friend ended up with one too many. So I was there when **Beccy Cole** was announced as the 2022 inductee to the Roll of Renown. It was a very moving moment, and felt I was there representing all her many South Aussie friends and fans.

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Brian Letton is on his 2022 National Tour, with special guest **Rick Gay**, and has some gigs in our state, although the Riverland is not included.

His son **Matt Letton** will join him on shows between May 19 and 23. SA dates are: May 12 – Commercial Hotel, Cowell at 8pm; May 13 – Port Lincoln Bowling Club at 7.30; May 15 – Streaky Bay Hotel at 2pm; May 19 – Anglican Hall, Quorn at 7.30pm; May 20 – Elderly Centre, Gawler at 7.30pm; May 21 – Bowling Club Milang at 1pm; May 22 – NCMA clubrooms, Port Pirie at 2pm; and May 23 – Town Hall, Moonta at 8pm.

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The Flinders Ranges Country Music Muster at Port Augusta dates are May 17 to May 22, 2022. Artists involved are **John Lerner, Malcolm Doyle, The Hirds, Colin McDonald, Robyn Morton, Graham and Kay Butterworth, Jaz Kimber, Ray Murtagh, Rod & Rhonda, Gerry Visser, Bob & Pam Beasley, Willem Brilleman, Bluey Matthews, Chooka Williams, Tony Roberts, Barry Lewis, The Three G's, Siding Rock, Russell Abbott, Derani, The Berryman's, Michael Mecallef, Cherrie Newcombe, Graham Baird, Alma Davis, Kevin Goodbun, Trevor Philby, Pete Santana**, and more.

On May 17-20 (from 9am-1pm) walk-ups will entertain on the lawns behind Woolworths, hosted by **Kate Fitzgerald**.

On May 18 the Central Football Club is the venue for walk-ups, while May 19 from 2pm to 8.30pm walk-ups are at the Augusta Hotel, where meals will be available.

On May 20 the golf club entertainment starts at 4pm with entry at \$25 (including a meal). On May 21 from 1pm to 8pm you can find the action at the Stirling Progress Hall, with entry \$5.

Sunday, May 22 entertainment runs from 10am-10pm at Westies Club, with entertainment by select artists. Entry is \$10 (proceeds to RFDS) and meals will be available.



Renmark Hotel head chef **Hugh Hazelwood**, with wife **Laura**, both of Renmark, enjoying the Tasting Australia Let The Good Times Flow event held at the Loxton river front on Saturday, April 30. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker



HISTORY AIN'T BORING: The 10th edition of the popular Loxton's History Sure Ain't Boring was held at The Precinct, in Loxton, recently. Pictured are the organising committee **Robert Lehmann** (left), **Trevor Fielke**, **Rose Mawby** and **Kathy Schliebs**, all of Loxton. PHOTOS: Lynn Schmaal



A family ritual for 10 years has seen the **Wickham** family from Renmark come to Loxton for the History Sure Ain't Boring night. **Jackson** (left) was guest speaker this year. He is pictured with his grandmother, **Jenny Kruschel**, of Loxton, his father **Michael**, mother **Alison** and sister **Charlotte**.

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CORPORATE CUP: A total of 17 teams and 68 people, comprising a mix of Adelaide and Riverland companies, took part in Big River Golf and Country Club's successful Corporate Cup 2022 recently. Pictured are participants Les Campbell, Phil Ashton, Shaun Harris and Trevor Hanson. PHOTOS: supplied



Jacob Grieger, Casey Gartner, Steven Farley and David Stevens after the Corporate Cup event.



DOCTOR RETURNS HOME: Former Loxton High School student and past Andy Thomas Scholarship winner Dr Kerry Halupka spoke to a number of local primary school students last month. Dr Halupka was back in the Riverland as guest speaker at the Rotary Club of Loxton's Pride of Workmanship awards. The club organised and sponsored her visit. Dr Halupka is pictured with Loxton North Primary School students, (standing, from left): Frank Taylor, Charlie Petch, Izaak Watts, Ryder Nugent, Tamara Music, Addison Richardson and Jacqueline Pannell. Seated: Jessica Pech, Rielly Ewins, Cody Brown and Daniel Johnston-Hope. PHOTO: supplied

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Tennis doubles. Every Saturday afternoon at the Berri Tennis Club at 1.30pm there is social tennis. All welcome.

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 Street Loxton, every Friday at 10am. Come and enjoy morning tea and a chat. Inquiries phone 8584 6954. Good food, good people, good times.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

U3A Riverland working bee to finish painting the main hall in the clubrooms.

SATURDAY, MAY 14

The Waikerie Rowing Club invites all present and past members and interested people to a boat naming ceremony from 12.30pm on the Waikerie river front opposite the rowing club boat shed. BYO refreshments. Lunch will be provided at a minimal cost.

SATURDAY, MAY 14 and SUNDAY, MAY 15

Concordia Lutheran Church of Loxton

invites all interested people to their 126th anniversary celebrations. Further inquiries to Trevor Wurst on 0427 846 078.

TUESDAY, MAY 17

The next Riverland Justice of the Peace meeting at Paringa Hotel, 6pm for 6.30pm start. Guest speaker Dylan Strong new CEO Berri Barmera Council. All Justices and friends welcome. RSVP Secretary Jacque.

TUESDAY, MAY 17

Get the buzz on bees at Barmera Library with an interactive chat with Kerry from Half Barrel Honey at 1pm. Bookings required, contact the library on 8588 2872.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

Make a Bee Hotel kids activity during Busy Bee Week at Barmera Library, from 4pm. Bookings required, contact the library on 8588 2872.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

U3A Riverland recommences Loxton yoga in CWA rooms.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

U3A Riverland crochet for beginners and experiences at the Berri Golf Club from 1.30pm.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 and THURSDAY, MAY 19

50 years 'Know your Bible' (KYB) celebration. Speaker 'Digging For Gold'. Wednesday from 6:00pm at the Renmark Club, cost \$7 and buy own meal. Thursday from 9.30am at The Pines, Loxton, cost \$10 and includes morning tea. RSVP to 0467 010 814 by May 14.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

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

FRIDAY, MAY 27

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

FRIDAY, JUNE 11 and SATURDAY, JUNE 12

Book fair at St Edmund's Anglican Church Hall, Langdon Terrace, Barmera. Fiction, non-fiction and children's books. Open 10am to 4pm both days.

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AS winter approaches, most Riverland garden lovers are doing their best to prepare for the cold days ahead while we have some sunshine still with us. In six weeks it will be winter solstice, then the dark days of winter will start to disappear and there will be more light for us to enjoy.

It is pleasing to see and meet some of the passengers of the Murray Princess enjoying some time in our shopping centre, mostly seniors who enjoy travelling in regional SA.

The Waikerie Lions Club advises that its next Saturday morning auction will be held this weekend, May 14. This popular monthly event will be held at the river front from 9am, so call down there for a tasty breakfast and hot coffee to catch up with your mates.

Another event that the Waikerie Lions Club has planned is the Riverland West Citrus Fest on Saturday, June 11, on the long weekend, from 9am until 3pm. This family event will feature a fashion parade in the Waikerie Institute. Also, are you a great cook? If you are, then challenge yourself with any of these favourites: citrus cocktail; orange cake; 'Australia's best rainbow cake'; best marmalade. A best citrus photograph section will also run, along with citrus-themed shop window display.

Congratulations to Trevor Mackereth upon the interest and success of his book, The Life of Macky, launched at the Rain Moth Gallery recently. The current exhibition Conversations... Revisited display is there for the month of May only, as it is an SA History Festival event. The next exhibition will be in July.

Thanks to the volunteers who give their time freely at the Waikerie Rotary Op Shop. This is such an asset to our community needs, as Rotary gives so much support to projects for the benefit of all our residents and those who visit the region. If you haven't been to the Op Shop for a while, call down and be pleasantly surprised at the selection of quality clothing available.

I trust all mothers were able to - Ella Fitzgerald



enjoy time with family on Sunday. We feel for those where distance may have made it impossible together. We also think of those who for the first time are without their mother, and for those who are unable to be a mother.

Sunday was a special day for the Waikerie District Historical Society. After more than two years of research, compiling and scanning, then printing the newspaper items and sharing photographs, the SA History Festival event celebrating 100 years of Girl Guides in Waikerie was opened at the Waikerie Institute. Sincere thanks to those who loaned photographs, uniforms and memorabilia for this event.

It was rather special to be there on Sunday to meet some of our former Girl Guides who came home to Waikerie to share Mother's Day with family, or to bring flowers. We look forward to those returning over the next couple of weeks. This event is open every day from 10 am until 4pm, and closes on Sunday, May 22. Check out the SA History Festival to see what is happening in the state throughout May. Bookings for groups at other times can be arranged by contacting Julie (0409 097 483).

Diary date: All communities do their best to support the Biggest Cuppa for Cancer and at present Maureen and her team will be at the Waikerie Bowling Club on Wednesday, May 25, and the Waikerie Cancer Care group will host a morning tea at the Waikerie RSL clubrooms on Friday, May 27. More details next week.

Thought for the week: Just don't give up on trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong.

Ex-jockey Wayne Burriss (left), Barmera Men's Probus Club secretary and Probus ambassador Neville McBride and Waikerie and Districts Ladies Probus Club secretary Maxine Morley at the Ladies Probus Club's recent meeting, where Mr Burriss was guest speaker. PHOTO: supplied



Ex-jockey guest speaker at Waikerie & Districts Ladies Probus Club meeting

MANY people have a bit of interest in horse racing, even if it's only the Adelaide and Melbourne Cups, without understanding how it gets in people's blood and how committed they have to be to succeed in the business.

So, when Wayne Burriss, former jockey, gave a talk to Waikerie & District Ladies Probus Club it was a real eye-opener.

Wayne's parents and grandfather in Murray Bridge were involved with horses and racing, and he started riding at the age of two, so it was probably no surprise that he left home at 13 (almost 14) to become an apprentice jockey.

Accommodation was simple, hours were long and he earned two pounds a week plus keep.

He was South Australia's leading apprentice jockey at 16 which meant riding in a race called the Invitation Stakes, which featured two riders from each state.

Six future Melbourne Cup winners were in that race. Wayne finished in the middle of the group and still considers it a great honour to have ridden with them.

Things didn't always go

smoothly. While still an apprentice, Wayne came off a horse and was dragged along, ending up with his hip bone sticking out and a broken leg. That needed over eight months' recovery time, so he went back home.

A major highlight around that time was riding the brilliant Galilee – one of the most successful racehorses in Australia, and trained by Bart Cummings – in an exhibition race.

Wayne finished his apprenticeship at 21, continued racing and worked in a fruit and vegetable business as a back-up.

Another fall in which he landed on his head caused major hassles, including panic attacks which only abated after Wayne bought a book by Dr Meares (an authority on stress and learning to cope with meditation and without drugs).

Racing was not a full-time job, so Wayne applied for a publican's licence, then worked as a publican in Victoria and later in Queensland.

He also worked in SA as a wool presser before returning to NSW, meeting hobby trainer Cathy Cameron, who became his life partner.

A life-threatening incident when a horse fell, tried to rise, and then fell back onto him needed over three months recovery, while a later fall required Wayne to learn to walk, talk and write again.

He resumed riding but the time came, after another injury, when a neuro-surgeon told him he shouldn't ride so he retired.

Riding had been his life, not his job. He decided to put his knowledge and skills to work as a counsellor. Helping people was rewarding, but ended after he had a heart attack.

When he and Cathy were looking for a new place to live, someone suggested Waikerie, which they found just right for their needs and Wayne is now into bowling.

The Probus club will next meet at Waikerie Bowling Club on Tuesday, May 24, at 10am. Maureen Howell will promote her biggest morning tea event for the Cancer Council and Peter Santella of the band Highway One will be the main guest speaker. Guests are welcome.

More information is available from club president Chris (0428 412 495) or secretary Maxine (0402 008 752).

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TV GUIDE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11 TO TUESDAY, MAY 17

WEDNESDAY



6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Four Corners; 11:00 Scottish Vets Down Under; 11:30 People's Republic Of Mallacoota; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 National Press Club Address; 1:40 Media Watch; 2:00 Keeping Faith; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:50 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces; 4:35 Tenable; 5:30 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 Gruen Nation
8:35 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering
9:05 Tomorrow Tonight
9:35 QI
10:05 Would I Lie To You?
10:35 ABC Late News



5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Shaun The Sheep
6:40 Andy's Prehistoric Adventures
7:00 Dino Dana
7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines
7:30 Anh's Brush With Fame
8:00 Art Works
8:30 Days Like These with Diesel
9:30 The Hollow Crown
11:30 Louis Theroux
12:15 QI
12:45 The Set
1:20 Parks and Recreation
2:00 Green Wing
2:55 ABC News Update



6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Smoke Screen; 2:00 Autopsy USA; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Home And Away
7:30 Big Brother
9:10 Britain's Got Talent
10:25 The Latest: Seven News
10:55 Outrageous Weddings
11:55 Absentia
12:55 The Goldbergs
2:00 Home Shopping
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise



6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Lego Masters; 1:20 Garden Gurus Moments; 1:30 Great Australian Detour; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News
6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Travel Guides
8:30 Jumanji
9:30 Botched
10:30 Footy Classified
11:25 Nine News Late
11:50 Prison Girls
12:40 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
2:30 Global Shop
3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory



6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 To Be Advised; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 MasterChef Australia
8:45 First Dates Australia
9:45 Bull
10:40 This Is Us
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping
4:30 CBS Mornings



5:00 World News; 2:00 Dateline; 2:30 Insight; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022
6:00 Mastermind
6:30 SBS World News
7:35 Tony Robinson: Britain's Great-est River
8:30 MH370: The Lost Flight
9:25 Cobra
10:25 SBS World News Late
10:55 Cycling: Giro D'Italia 2022 Stage 5
11:50 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
12:20 The Crimson Rivers
2:20 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
4:55 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize

THURSDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 Gardening Australia Presents; 11:00 Griff's Canadian Adventure; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Gruen Nation; 1:35 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering; 2:05 Keeping Faith; 3:05 Grand Designs Australia; 3:55 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces; 4:40 Tenable; 5:30 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
6:55 Sammy J
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 Foreign Correspondent
8:30 Q+A
9:35 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One
10:05 ABC Late News
10:20 The Business
10:35 The Family Court Murders

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Shaun The Sheep
6:40 Andy's Prehistoric Adventures
7:00 Dino Dana
7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:30 Penn And Teller
9:10 Gruen Nation
9:45 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering
10:15 QI
10:50 Tomorrow Tonight
11:20 Gruen
11:55 Live At The Apollo
12:40 Would I Lie To You?

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 My Neighbor's Keeper; 2:00 Kochie's Business Builders; 2:30 Highway Cops; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Home And Away
7:30 Big Brother
9:05 The Front Bar
10:05 The Latest: Seven News
10:35 Ramsay's 24 Hours To Hell And Back
11:35 Autopsy USA
12:30 Crazy On A Plane
1:30 Harry's Practice
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 The Whole Truth; 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 London Has Fallen
10:30 Nine News Late
11:00 The Equalizer
11:50 Urbex
12:40 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
2:30 Global Shop
3:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 A Current Affair
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
5:30 Today

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 To Be Advised; 2:15 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 MasterChef Australia
8:30 Law & Order
10:30 Blue Bloods
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping
4:30 CBS Mornings

5:00 World News; 2:00 Country Music; 3:00 The Point; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022
6:00 Mastermind
6:30 SBS World News
7:35 World's Most Scenic River Journeys
8:30 The Real Peaky Blinders
9:30 Holding
10:30 SBS World News Late
11:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia 2022 Stage 6
1:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
4:30 Eurovision Song Contest 2022 Semi Final

FRIDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Q+A; 11:05 Grand Designs; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Barons; 1:55 Father Brown; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:50 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces; 4:40 Tenable; 5:30 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 Gardening Australia
8:30 Smother
9:25 Agatha Raisin
10:15 ABC Late News
10:35 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering
11:05 Tomorrow Tonight
11:35 rage

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Shaun The Sheep
6:40 Andy's Prehistoric Adventures
7:00 Dino Dana
7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 Hard Quiz
8:30 Griff The Invisible
10:00 Black Mirror
11:20 QI
11:50 Parks and Recreation
12:35 Green Wing
1:25 ABC News Update
1:30 ABC TV Plus Programs Resume At 7.30pm

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Justice For Natalee Holloway; 2:00 House Of Wellness; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 AFL
10:00 AFL Post Game
10:30 Armchair Experts
11:00 TBA
1:15 The Goldbergs
2:00 Home Shopping
4:00 Million Dollar Minute
5:00 NBC Today

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Starting Up Love; 1:30 Outback & Under; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News
6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Take Me Home
8:30 Pitch Perfect 3
10:25 Sisters
12:35 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Take Two
4:30 Global Shop
5:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
5:30 A Current Affair

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Living Room Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 The Living Room
8:30 The Dog House Australia
9:30 First Dates Australia Encore
10:30 To Be Advised
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping

6:00 World News; 1:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 1:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 2:05 Jeopardy; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022
6:00 Mastermind
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Great Asian Railways Journeys
8:30 Eurovision Song Contest 2022 Semi Final
11:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia 2022 Stage 7
1:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
1:30 The Killing
3:50 Hunters
4:40 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize

SATURDAY

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

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:15 Guess How Much I Love You; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:30 The Gruffalo's Child
7:00 Octonauts
7:10 Shaun The Sheep
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 QI
8:30 Live At The Apollo
9:15 Sammy J
9:20 The Stand Up Sketch Show
10:10 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
10:30 Penn And Teller
11:10 Gavin And Stacey
11:45 Schitt's Creek
12:05 Archer: 1999

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Better Homes And Gardens; 1:00 Surveillance Oz; 1:30 AFL; 4:30 The Crows Show; 5:00 Seven News Adelaide; 5:30 Discover With RAA Travel
6:00 Seven News
7:00 AFL
10:00 TBA
11:30 Surveillance Oz
12:00 A Clean Kill
2:00 TBA
4:00 It's Academic
5:00 House Of Wellness

6:00 Easy Eats; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Today Extra - Saturday; 12:00 Surfing Australia Tv; 12:30 The Rebound; 1:00 Great Australian Detour; 1:30 Outback & Under; 2:00 Explore; 2:10 Taronga; 3:10 Lego Masters; 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 Tba
12:00 Tipping Point
1:00 Surfing Australia Tv
1:30 A Current Affair
2:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:30 Global Shop
5:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
5:30 Wesley Impact With Stu Cameron

6:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 6:30 Leading The Way With Dr. Michael Youssef; 7:00 Escape Fishing With ET; 7:30 The Offroad Adventure Show; 8:30 Pooches At Play; 9:00 My Market Kitchen; 9:30 Studio 10: Saturday; 12:00 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures; 1:00 The Offroad Adventure Show; 2:00 Roads Less Travelled; 2:30 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn; 3:00 What's Up Down Under; 3:30 All 4 Adventure; 4:30 Farm To Fork; 5:00 10 News First
6:00 Bondi Rescue
6:30 Isuzu UTE A-League Men
9:30 To Be Advised
10:30 Ambulance Australia
11:30 FBI
12:30 Home Shopping
5:00 Hour Of Power

5:00 World News; 2:00 The Rising; 2:30 Sportswoman 2022; 3:00 Football: Countdown To Qatar 2022; 3:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Magazine; 4:00 Cycling NRS 2022 Grafton To Inverell; 4:30 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022; 5:30 Lost Home Movies Of Nazi Germany
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Celebrity Letters And Numbers
8:30 Eurovision Song Contest 2022 Semi Final
11:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia 2022 Stage 8
1:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
1:30 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown
4:15 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize

SUNDAY

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 Insiders; 10:30 Offsiders; 11:00 Compass; 11:30 Songs of Praise; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Landline; 1:30 Gardening Australia; 2:30 The Great Acceleration; 3:30 Further Back In Time For Dinner; 4:30 Tomorrow Tonight; 5:00 Art Works; 5:25 Federal Election Announcement; 5:30 Antiques Roadshow
6:25 Federal Election Announcement
6:30 Compass
7:00 ABC News Sunday
7:40 Grand Designs
8:30 Barons
9:25 Life
10:25 Harrow
11:20 Agatha Raisin
12:10 Dark Money
1:10 Classic Countdown

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Guess How Much I Love You; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Love Monster
6:40 Andy's Prehistoric Adventures
7:00 Octonauts
7:10 Shaun The Sheep
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Compass
8:00 You Can't Ask That
8:30 Louis Theroux
9:35 The Family Court Murders
10:35 Days Like These with Diesel
11:35 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces
12:25 Griff The Invisible

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 House Of Wellness; 1:00 Bathurst 12hr; 5:00 Seven News At 5; 5:30 South Aussie With Cosi
6:00 Seven News
7:00 The Voice
8:45 7NEWS Spotlight
9:45 Ivan Milat: Buried Secrets
11:45 The Blacklist
12:45 Harry's Practice
2:00 TBA
3:30 Million Dollar Minute
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Easy Eats; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Sunday Footy Show; 12:00 Sports Sunday; 1:00 Drive Tv; 1:30 Explore; 1:40 Take Me Home; 2:40 Lego Masters; 4:00 Travel Guides; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Hello Sa
6:00 Nine News Sunday
7:00 Lego Masters
8:45 60 Minutes
9:45 Nine News Late
10:15 The First 48
11:10 5 Mistakes That Caught A Killer
12:00 Unspeakable Crime: The Killing Of Jessica Chambers
1:00 Drive Tv
1:30 Tv Shop -Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 Take Two
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
5:30 Today

6:00 Mass For You At Home; 6:30 Turning Point With David Jeremiah; 7:00 Joseph Prince; 7:30 Joel Osteen; 8:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 8:30 The Living Room Encore; 9:30 Studio 10: Sunday; 12:00 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 12:25 MasterChef Australia Encore; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Sunday Project
7:30 MasterChef Australia
9:10 FBI
11:00 The Sunday Project Encore
12:00 Home Shopping

5:00 Eurovision Song Contest 2022 Grand Final; 5:00 World News; 12:30 Abc World News Tonight With David Muir; 1:00 Speedweek 2022; 3:00 The Rising; Lewis Hamilton; 3:30 Ultimate Bowls Championship 2022 Part 1; 4:30 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022; 5:30 Lost Home Movies Of Nazi Germany
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Eurovision Song Contest 2022 Grand Final
11:30 Cycling: Giro D'Italia 2022 Stage 9
1:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
1:30 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown
2:25 Gourmet Farmer
4:55 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize

MONDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Landline; 11:00 Antiques Roadshow; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Victoria; 1:45 Smother; 3:00 Grand Designs Australia; 3:50 George Clarke's Amazing Christmas Spaces; 4:40 TBA; 5:30 Federal Election Announcement; 5:30 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 Australian Story
8:30 Four Corners
9:20 Media Watch
9:35 TBA
10:05 ABC Late News
10:20 The Business
10:40 Q+A
11:45 Keeping Faith
12:40 Dark Place

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Octonauts
6:40 Andy's Prehistoric Adventures
7:00 Dino Dana
7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines
7:30 Earth's Tropical Islands
8:30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces
9:20 Restoration Australia
10:20 Employable Me Australia
11:20 QI
11:50 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
12:15 Parks and Recreation
12:55 Green Wing
2:25 ABC News Update

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 My Evil Steppad; 2:00 Criminal Confessions; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Home And Away
7:30 Big Brother
9:15 9-1-1
11:15 The Latest: Seven News
11:45 The Resident
12:45 A Confession
2:00 TBA
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Lego Masters; 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 Lego Masters
9:00 David Attenborough's The Mating Game
10:10 Nine News Late
10:40 Footy Classified
11:40 Manifest
12:30 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop -Home Shopping
2:30 Global Shop
3:00 Tv Shop -Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 A Current Affair
5:00 Nine News Early Edition

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 MasterChef Australia Encore; 2:10 Entertainment Tonight; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 MasterChef Australia
8:40 Have You Been Paying Attention?
9:40 The Montreal Comedy Festival
10:40 FBI
11:40 The Project Encore
12:40 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping
4:30 CBS Mornings

5:00 World News; 2:00 Country Music; 3:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo; 3:30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize; 3:35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:05 Jeopardy; 4:30 Letters And Numbers; 5:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia Highlights 2022
6:00 Mastermind
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Saving Lives At Sea
8:35 24 Hours In Emergency
9:30 Hindenburg: Ten Mistakes
10:25 SBS World News Late
10:55 Beneath The Surface
12:05 Hungry Ghosts
4:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo

TUESDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Foreign Correspondent; 10:30 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One; 11:00 Grand Designs; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:55 Call The Midwife; 1:55 Keeping Faith; 2:55 Grand Designs Australia; 3:45 TBA; 4:30 TBA; 5:15 Hard Quiz; 5:45 Federal Election Announcement
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 Space 22
8:30 The Family Court Murders
9:30 Louis Theroux's Forbidden America
10:30 ABC Late News
10:45 The Business
11:05 Four Corners
11:50 Media Watch

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:05 Sarah And Duck; 5:15 Peg + Cat; 5:25 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Alva's World
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Octonauts
6:40 Andy's Prehistoric Adventures
7:00 Dino Dana
7:10 Grace's Amazing Machines: Passenger Machines
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 Would I Lie To You?
8:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
8:55 QI
9:25 Gavin And Stacey
9:55 Schitt's Creek
10:20 The Office
10:50 Black Books
11:20 Bounty Hunters

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

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Lego Masters; 1:30 Getaway; 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 Tba
9:00 Matt Wright's Wild Territory
10:00 Nine News Late
10:30 Law & Order
11:20 Murdered By Morning
12:10 Tipping Point
1:05 The Rebound
1:30 Tv Shop -Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 A Current Affair
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
5:30 Today

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 MasterChef Australia Encore; 2:10 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Everyday Gourmet With JustineSchofield; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Good Chef Bad Chef; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 MasterChef Australia
8:40 The Cheap Seats
9:40 NCIS
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping

5:00 World News; 2:00 Country Music; 3:00 Isaiah Firebrace - More To Give; 3:30 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw; 4:00 Who Do You Think You Are? Cameron Daddo; 5:00 Jeopardy; 5:30 Letters And Numbers
6:00 Mastermind
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Great British Railway Journeys
8:30 Insight
9:30 Dateline
10:00 The Feed
10:30 SBS World News Late
11:00 Cycling: Giro D'Italia 2022 Stage 10
1:00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
1:30 Deadwater Fell
3:20 Going Places With Ernie Dingo
4:50 Destination Flavour - Japan
4:30 Eurovision Song Contest 2022

Word search

How many words can you find?

AGED CABS ENDS GROWS MESS
ALLY CLUE EYED HELD MIST
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Last Week's Solution

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Crossword

ACROSS
1. Digging implement
5. Potato (coll.)
9. Oust
10. Continually
11. Elude
12. Choice steak
13. Corvine bird
14. Region
16. Principle
18. Defied
20. Century plant
21. Unit of radiation dose
24. Whiskers
25. Sightseers
28. Assists
30. Dashing fellow
31. Woman's name
32. Eager
33. Correspond in sound
35. Prima donna
36. Relish
37. Alone
38. Large antelope
39. Created
40. Stuns

DOWN
2. Drive forward
3. Temperature unit
4. Leave of absence
5. Withered
6. Loots
7. Leave
8. Ebb
15. Recover
16. Diplomacy
17. Small lump

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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May 2022 Horoscopes: week 2

ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)

Be careful not to follow up a suggestion from somebody who has a vested interest in the result. Romance. A favourable aspect to Venus will help to put some energy into your relationship. A long-standing disagreement will finally be resolved, but it will take a while.

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)

A positive aspect to Jupiter later in the week will help to get you through a rough spot. You haven't had much luck recently and need a break to push you through to the next level. Romance. An emotional decision made at the last minute may put you in a difficult situation. Calm down a little!

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)

You should get a lot done over the next few days. Slow down, though: a careless mistake could create unexpected problems. Romance. You will be especially sensitive to your partner's feelings at the moment. A favourable aspect to Venus will bring you closer together.

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)

A get-together later in the week will help you to clarify your thoughts and find a clear direction in your life. A burst of energy will make it easier for you to actually bring these plans to reality. Romance. A difficult aspect to Mars could make you a little tense at times. Be careful not to get into an argument with your partner.

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)

A strange comment from a close friend will change your feelings towards this person. Don't judge the situation until you have all the facts, however. Romance. An unscheduled meeting will put you to the test: don't be afraid to act on your intuition. Your initial thoughts about the situation will be correct.

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)

A positive aspect to Jupiter early in the week will give you the confidence to ignore some recent criticism. You know exactly what you want and won't appreciate any outside interference. Romance. If you make the effort to mend bridges you will be overwhelmed by the response.

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)

An unexpected call from old friend will bring back memories of this person. A meeting later in the week will help to cement your relationship. Romance. An independent approach may create tension with your partner. Nevertheless, you will need some extra space for yourself this week and must not back down.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)

A dream will show you what to expect over the coming weeks. There is a lot to look forward to! Romance. A meeting with an old friend will help to put your relationship onto a more romantic footing. It will be a while before anything serious happens between you, however.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)

You will be determined to get what you are looking for, but may find that you need to be a bit more subtle. Romance. Compliments from a stranger will help to give your self-esteem a boost. This person will tell you exactly what you have been hoping to hear.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)

Don't be so loyal to a friend that you ignore their bad behaviour. You can still be good friends with this person but you need to be a little firmer. Romance. A bold move will pay off, despite your reservations. Your emotional needs will soon be satisfied despite a recent disappointment.

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)

A challenging aspect to Mars early in the week could make you a little aggressive at times. You may need to calm down a little, especially when you are dealing with your boss. Romance. A favourable aspect to Venus later in the week will help to make a romantic trip go with a bang. Time spent alone together will be especially memorable.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)

A few hours spent with a group of friends will help you to get rid of some excess energy. A powerful aspect to Mars will have made you a little tense recently and you need to redress the balance. Romance. Your partner will be in a good mood, so take advantage of this!

SUDOKU No.376

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

8 7 2 6 4 9 3 1 5
1 3 4 2 5 8 9 6 7
6 5 9 1 3 7 4 8 2
5 9 6 8 2 4 7 3 1
3 1 7 9 6 5 2 4 8
4 2 8 7 1 3 5 9 6
2 6 3 5 9 1 8 7 4
7 4 5 3 8 6 1 2 9
9 8 1 4 7 2 6 5 3

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

Level of Difficulty: Very Hard

Solution No. 375

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True Grit SA enthusiasts to boost Riverland West economy

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

MORE than 5000 people from SA and interstate are expected to converge on the Riverland West area for the ninth True Grit SA challenge at Caudo Vineyard at Cadell on Saturday and Sunday.

True Grit Events marketing manager Courtney Butler said about 3000 people were expected to take part in the military-style obstacle course.

“We have a high rate of participants that come back year on year,” she said.

“We know that they love coming out to Caudo Vineyard.”

Ms Butler said each of the participants usually brought at least one support person.

She said entrants in the endurance event are usually in the 20 to 45-year-age group, but children from the age of 12 can take part in the 5km course.

Ms Butler said people up to the age of 70 also take part.

She said the event is not

just for gym junkies, but all types of people who are keen to improve and maintain their physical and mental fitness.

“Gym teams do enter, it is very popular with those sort of people.

“But we also get a lot of office teams taking part as part of a team-building event,” Ms Butler said.

“We also get mothers’ groups that come and do it together,” she said.

Ms Butler said people coming back from an illness, who have just had a baby, or who have been on a weight-loss challenge also often participate.

She said the full event course consists of a 10km marathon and obstacle event, while the introductory course is 5km with 15 obstacles.

Ms Butler said this year 36 obstacles are on offer in the 10km event.

“The obstacles are very much inspired by the military,” she said.



This weekend’s True Grit SA military-style obstacle course at Caudo Vineyard in Cadell is popular with endurance event enthusiasts across Australia. PHOTO: True Grit Events

“They take on the natural terrain of where we operate.”

“They include the muddy moguls, when participants get particularly muddy going up and down a range of moguls.”

Ms Butler said entrants also take part in sandbag carrying, high-wall climbing, and low-wire entanglement events.

She said the event books out hotels, caravan parks and short-term accommodation in the region.

Owner of Caudo Vineyard Christine Caudo said the True Grit SA event at her vineyard at Cadell was just like a festival.

“The locals can come and be spectators,” Ms Caudo said.

“There are food vans, music and a DJ and merchandise tents.

“It is a wonderful two days.”

Ms Caudo said a lot of volunteers from outside the region and the Waikerie Men’s Shed also help at the event.

She said the endurance challenge provides the

Riverland and Mid Murray Council area, including the smaller towns of Cadell and Morgan, with a big financial boost.

“The service stations and the bakeries benefit,” she said.

“Everybody gets a little piece of the pie brought to the Riverland by the True Grit company.”

the quiz



- Who is Winnie the Pooh's human friend?
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- Who wrote "The Odyssey"?
.....
- What sweetener is usually used in Diet Coke?
.....
- What singer is known as "The Godfather of Soul"?
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- What award is given to the World Cup's leading goal scorer?
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- What creature is also known as Sasquatch?
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- Which musical group is will.i.am a member of?
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- What large desert can be found in China and Mongolia?
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- What type of doctor specializes in matters related to the skin?
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- In what city would you find Scotland Yard?
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- What is the largest Spanish-speaking country by land area?
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- Which reindeer is the first to be mentioned in the song "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"?
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- What is the name of the coloured part of the eye?
.....
- What is suffrage?
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- If someone is a "man of the cloth", what is their job?
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- In what country did Gandhi fight for civil rights before moving back to India?
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- What country did Tunisia gain its independence from in 1956?
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- Of which band was Roger Daltrey the lead singer?
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- What body part does one use to give someone a butterfly kiss?
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- What does AWD stand for in the auto industry?
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BONUS QUESTION: Which famous book is sub-titled 'The Modern Prometheus'? Answer in next week's Quiz.

Answers on page 38

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Cost of living linked to DV spike in SA

COST-of-living pressures are contributing to a sharp rise in domestic violence cases in SA, according to Legal Services Commission SA.

In the first quarter of 2022 the group reported a 45 per cent increase in the number of victims seeking help from the Women’s Domestic Violence Court Assistance Service.

The women’s court service assisted 303 new clients in the first three months of this year, compared to 209 clients in the same period last year.

“We are seeing more domestic violence cases involving families who are facing growing financial pressure,” a spokesperson said.

PJs and pizza party for a good cause

THIS year’s annual pyjama collection by the Lions Club of Berri for local underprivileged kids will feature a special event, to be held this weekend.

Each year during May, the Berri Lions Pyjama Drive collects donations of new pyjamas to help keep local children warm during the winter months.

“All the PJs collected stay in the region, and help make a child’s day,” said Berri Lion Debbie Tanner.

“When you see us at the Riverland Plaza,

please help by donating a pair – or two – of brand-new fluffy PJs to help a kid in our community.

“Alternatively, you can purchase the PJs from us in the Plaza, or if we are not there drop your PJs into Helloworld Travel Berri during opening hours.

“Please support this wonderful Berri Lions initiative and help us help keep Riverland kids warm at night.”

Over the past 14 years, the Lions Club of Berri has collected more than 3500 donat-

ed pairs of pyjamas.

Together with the pyjama drive, a pyjama and pizza night will be held at the Berri Riverside Holiday Park on Saturday, starting at 4.30pm.

Riverlanders are encouraged to attend dressed in their pyjamas and dressing gown, donate a pair of pyjamas to the Lions Club, and enjoy a wood-fired pizza.

For \$7, attendees will receive a pizza starter pack. Any additional pizza toppings need to be supplied.



Theresa Andrew and Willy Weidenhofer collecting children’s pyjamas at the Riverland Central Plaza in Berri during last year’s Berri Lions Pyjama Drive. The initiative is being held again this weekend. PHOTO: supplied

Murray Pioneer BOATS AND BEDZZZ HOUSEBOAT STAYS

Round 9

Points margin in highlighted game:

Entries close Friday, May 13 at 4pm

Collingwood	<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Bulldogs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hawthorn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Richmond	<input type="checkbox"/>
North Melbourne	<input type="checkbox"/>	Port Adelaide	<input type="checkbox"/>
St Kilda	<input type="checkbox"/>	Geelong Cats	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sydney Swans	<input type="checkbox"/>	Essendon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adelaide Crows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brisbane Lions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gold Coast SUNS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fremantle	<input type="checkbox"/>
GWS GIANTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Carlton	<input type="checkbox"/>
West Coast Eagles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Melbourne	<input type="checkbox"/>

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ROUND 8 RESULTS

Chloe Brown(6)51
Frank Drougas(5)51
Curtiss Lynch(7)50
Duani Vowles(7)50
Cohen Battams(6)50
Ross Campbell(6)50
Thiel Boys(6)50
Noah Warner(6)50
Paul Reid(8)49
Mark Kilmartin(7)49

Dave Thompson(7)49
Dianne Morgan(7)49
Trevor Flint(6)49
Brandon Martin(6)49
Marlene Schultz(6)49
Chris Schutz(5)49
Rowan Cresp(7)48
Jasmine Harris(7)48
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Paul Reid and Tracey Grosse

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If there are more than two winning tipsters, then it will be decided by the points margin. Winners announced in Wednesday's edition. Voucher amounts may vary.





500 MILESTONE: Todd Charlton (centre) umpired his 500th game of A grade football at Loxton last Saturday. He is pictured before the match – between Loxton and Berri – with fellow RFL umpires (from left) Mick Trussell, Sam Jericho, Max Jericho, Jordan Wright, Cohen Battams and James Yandell. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



AUSKICK KIDS: Loxton North Football Club introduced Auskick for the first time this season last Friday, with a number of local kids getting involved in the action. PHOTO: Facebook

Newcomers help Superdogs clinch victory

RIVERLAND Superdogs beat Ingle Farm, first-time visitors to Lyrup Oval, by 80 points in their AFL Masters match earlier this month.

Riverland Superdogs continue to draw new players, with Jason Sutherland and David Ireland turning out for their first games for the club.

The home side led by just 15 points at quarter time, but, driven by strong perfor-

mances from Rob Venning and others, had opened up an eight-goal lead by half time.

It was more of the same in the second half, despite some wear-and-tear injuries seeing a few players head to the bench by the last quarter.

“Everyone from both teams got involved in the game and was given equal opportunity to get the ball,” a Superdogs spokesperson said. “Respect was shown to the

individual’s ability and age – the true spirit of the game was on show.”

The Superdogs will host Gawler Bunyips at Lyrup this Sunday from 1pm.

Riverland Superdogs 18-8 (116) d Ingle Farm 5-6 (36).

Riverland best – R. Venning, G. Schloithe, D. Ireland, D. Lellmann, D. Schumann, J. Sutherland.

Riverland goals – R. Venning 6, J. Sutherland 5, S. Healy, J. King, D. Lellmann, D. Ireland, R. Johnstone, G. McDonnell, K. Polst.

Riverland duo picked for SA vs WA clash

TWO ex-Riverlanders have been selected to represent the SANFL against the WAFL in Perth this Sunday.

Glenelg’s Sam Durdin and West Adelaide’s Kaiden Brand were both picked in the side, named yesterday.

The SANFL will tackle the WAFL for the Haydn Bunton Junior Cup, with the match to be played as a curtain-raiser to the West Coast versus Melbourne AFL fixture.



ROVERS ON TOP: Renmark and Loxton North did battle across both the junior and senior grades last Saturday, with the Rovers emerging on top in all matches. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

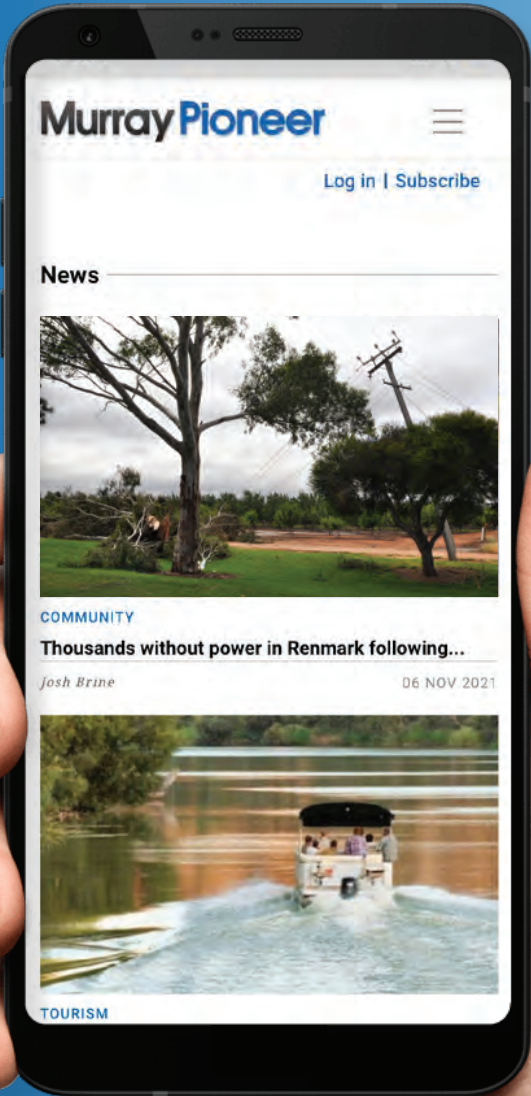


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2022/23 Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget and Draft Long Term Financial Plan

Mid Murray Council is inviting feedback from the community on the following documents:

- 2022/23 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget
- Draft Long Term Financial Plan 2022/23 to 2031/32

The Public is welcome to view these documents from Thursday 12 May 2022 at Council Offices during normal office hours or on Council's website www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au

Written submissions are invited on the above mentioned plans and will be received by the Chief Executive Officer, Mid Murray Council, PO Box 28, Mannum SA 5238 or via the feedback form on Council's website or email to; postbox@mid-murray.sa.gov.au until 12noon Thursday 2 June 2022. Persons should indicate whether they wish to speak in support of their written submission prior to 12noon Thursday 2 June 2022.

The Council will also provide the opportunity for the public to attend a meeting of Council to be held on Tuesday 14 June 2022 in the Council Chambers, Main Street, Cambrai, between 9-30 and 10-30am for the purpose of asking related questions, making a verbal submission or speaking in support of their written submission.

Ben Scales
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

WZ10147

Berri Barmera
COUNCIL

PUBLIC CONSULTATION
LEASE OVER COMMUNITY
LAND

The Berri Barmera Council has received a request from the Riverland Motorsport Club to grant a new lease over Community Land situated at their existing premises, 52 Field Day Drive, Barmera, comprised in Crown Record Volume 6111 Folio 703.

The portion of the land is to be leased exclusively for the operation of the Riverland Motorsport Club, for the purposes of recreation, club and community use.

It is proposed that the lease be granted for a term of five (5) years, with one (1) right of renewal for a further five (5) years.

Copies of the proposed lease are available on request by contacting the Council's Principal Office on 8582 1922, via email bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au or on Council's website www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au.

In accordance with Council's Public Consultation Policy, interested persons are invited to make submissions on the proposal. Responses must be received no later than 5:00pm, Friday June 3, 2022, with written submissions marked as follows:

Post: "Public Consultation – Riverland Motorsport Club"
Dylan Strong, CEO
Berri Barmera Council
PO Box 229
BERRI SA 5343

Email: bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au
("Public Consultation – Riverland Motorsport Club" to entered in the 'subject' line), or

Fax: (08) 8582 3029 or delivered to the Berri Barmera Council Office, 19 Wilson Street, Berri.

Further enquiries can be directed to the Manager of Corporate Services, Liz Fourie, during office hours on 8582 1922.

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Riverland Christmas Appeal

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Next AGM to be held for the Riverland Christmas Appeal will be held at the Berri Hotel in the Berri Rotary Club Room on the 7th June 2022 at 7pm.

Please bring interested friends, who are looking to serve their local communities across the Riverland. Your assistance is required to enable the continuation of this iconic Riverland Service to its Local People.

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Renmark Paringa
Council

Celebrate National Volunteer Week
with Renmark Paringa Council!

Are you a volunteer residing in the Renmark Paringa Council area or volunteer in the Renmark Paringa Council area?

Please join Elected Members for morning tea and volunteer recognition presentation to celebrate National Volunteer Week 2022. To be held at the Renmark Club, Thursday 19 May, 10-11am.

RSVP to be made via Eventbrite <https://rpcvolunteermorningtea.eventbrite.com.au>

For further information please contact Emma Warner, Community Development Officer on 8580 3000.

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Riverland Christian School Incorporated Association

ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING

TUESDAY 31ST MAY, 7.30PM

Berri Church of Christ

1025 Old Sturt Hwy,
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CALLING ALL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS TO ACTION

We strongly encourage all members to attend this highly important meeting, correspondence from the College will follow in the coming days.

If you are unable to attend please notify the College ASAP and ensure your proxy vote is arranged. Ph: 8583 2304 | Email: rgadmin@rivergum.sa.edu.au

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the
quiz
answers

- 1.Christopher Robin 2.Homer 3.Aspartame
4.James Brown 5.Golden Boot 6.Bigfoot
7.Black Eyed Peas 8.Gobi desert
9.Dermatologist 10.London 11.Argentina
12.Dasher 13.The Iris 14.The right to
vote 15.Clergyman/Priest 16.South Africa
17.France 18.The Who 19.Eyelashes
20.All Wheel Drive

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of Georgia,
Olivia and Ellie.

A special lady,
A special face,
A special lady,
We cannot replace.

Now re-united
with Dad.

Mum was
privately cremated
as per her wishes.

Our family sincerely
thank the doctors
and all the staff
at the Renmark
Paringa Hospital/
Aged Care Complex,
for the patience,
care and love given to
our dear mum Dulcie,
over the past 3 years.

DEATHS

COLLINS, Graham
John.

Passed away
suddenly at the
Waikerie Hospital
on Monday,
May 2, 2022.

Aged 73 years.
Loving husband
of Helen.

Loved father of
Darren and Leanne,
and Brenton
and Shelley.

Cherished poppa of
Jack, Paige, Dannii,
Ella, Jordan, Dylan,
Ryan, and Ryan.

Great-grandpa of
Beau, Daisy,
and Oliver.

COUDREY, Patricia
Dawn.

30/11/1932 –
27/4/2022

Passed away
peacefully at
Banksia House,
Loxton.

Beloved wife of Roy.

Loving mother of
James and Anna.

Forever in our hearts.

Pat was
farewelled by family,
followed by a private
cremation according
to her wishes.

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DEATHS

CRAMBROOK, Helen
Margaret.

Passed away on
April 29, 2022 at
Lyell McEwin Hospital.

Aged 70 years.

Devoted daughter
of Arthur and
Betty Crambrook
(both deceased).

Dearly loved sister
and sister-in-law of
Neil and Cathy,
Meva (deceased)
and Chris Heading,
Peter and Fiona.

Treasured auntie
of Ian and Andrew
Crambrook,
Kelly, Chelsea and
Brooke Heading.

Great-auntie of
Lincoln, Sullivan
and Charlie.

Words cannot express
the loss we feel.

Treasured memories
we will forever hold
close of a generous
and loving sister
and auntie.

Neil and Cathy,
Ian and Andrew
Crambrook.

In God's loving care.

Helen's funeral
will be held on
Monday, May 16 at
11am, at Immanuel
Worship Centre,
corner Second Street
and Seventh Street,
Gawler South.



DUTTON, Gloria Rita
(nee Schulz).

Forever in our hearts.

We will always
remember your
lovely smile,
sense of humour
and kind nature.

Loved step-mother
of Gina and Malcolm,
and granny of William.
Love does not end.

DEATHS

WOODHOUSE, Mizpah
Daphne 'Daph'.

Passed away
peacefully in the
Riverview Lutheran
Rest Home, Loxton on
May 4, 2022.

Aged 96 years.

Loved wife of
Harry (deceased).

Loving godmother
and dearly loved
aunt of Rick.

Dearly loved
aunt of Robin.

You bought joy to
all who knew you.

Loved aunt of Bev
and great-aunt of
Craig and Jacqui.

So many
happy memories,
forever in our hearts.

FUNERALS

BOWN, Margaret June.

21/5/1941 –
10/4/2022

The family of Margaret
Bown invite you to join
them in a celebration
of her life, to be held
on May 21, which
would have been her
81st birthday, at The
Largs Pier Hotel, Largs
Bay from 1pm - 4pm.
No flowers please,
donations to MND SA
appreciated.

WOODHOUSE, Mizpah
Daphne 'Daph'.

Relatives and friends
are respectfully
advised that Daph's
funeral service will
be conducted in
its entirety at the
Anglican Church of the
Resurrection, Edward
Street, Loxton on
Monday, May 16, 2022
at 11am, followed by a
private cremation.



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IN MEMORIAM

COOPER, Gary.

10/5/1999

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Of one that we loved,
And will never forget.

Forever missed.

Mark, Karen, Tahlia,
Corbin and Kyall. xx

HEARNE, Leslie 'Les'.

Passed away
May 15, 2008.

As time unfolds
another year,
Cherished memories
keep you near.

Love Pat and family.

THOMPSON, Olive.

7/5/2017

It doesn't need
a special day,
To bring you to
our minds.

For days without a
thought of you,
Are very hard to find.

Forever loved.

Karen, Mark, Tahlia,
Corbin and Kyall. xx

RETURN THANKS

PAGE, Owen.

Marilena, Andrew,
Mandy, Mandy, Braden
and Aaron would like
to thank everyone for
their love and support
following the passing
of their loved husband,
dad and gramps, Owen.

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BARMERA - 5 Sturt Street. Sunday, May 15, 8.30am - 1.30pm. Furniture, jewellery, tools, records, DVD/CD's, linen. Too much to list. Everything needs to go.

BERRI - 18 Grenache Avenue. Saturday, May 14 and Sunday, May 15, from 8.30am - 4pm. Moving sale. Household items and furniture.

BERRI - 16 McLean Street. Saturday, May 14, 8am - 1pm. Household, shed, tools, mulcher and bric-a-brac.

LOXTON - 6 Luther Road. Loxton Lutheran School - entrance via oval. Saturday, May 14, 8am - 11am. Tables, chairs, filing cabinets, shed clean out, appliances and more.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



CONCORDIA Lutheran Church of Loxton invites all interested people to their 126th Anniversary celebrations, Saturday, May 14, 2pm - 8pm. Afternoon tea, memorabilia on display, anniversary book launch of "Concord in Concordia" at 5pm, followed by sausage sizzle. Sunday, May 15, 10am Thanksgiving service followed by lunch at the Loxton Club. Please RSVP to Trevor Wurst on 0427846078 for catering purposes and book purchases.

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BERRI | BARMERA

Sunday, May 15
Berri 11am
Barmera 9am
Pastor Dean Mills

All Welcome
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LOXTON

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 15
St Peter's 8.30am HC
10.30am HC

Concordia 10am
126th Anniversary

Myrla & New Residence 9am
Lay reading
New Residence

Bookpurnong 9am
Lay reading

Rest Home Wed, May 18
10.30am HC

Lutheran Ministry Centre
Phone 8584 5522
Pastor Darrin Kohrt
(Concordia and outlying)
Pastor Jason Sander
(St Peter's)

RENMARK | PARINGA

Sunday, May 15
Renmark 9am
Paringa 10.30am HC

All Welcome
Pastor Roland Adams
Phone 0460 300 492

WAIKERIE

Sunday, May 15
Waikerie 10am
Lowbank 8.45am
Ramco 8.45am

All Welcome
Phone 8541 2689

Catholic Church Mass Times

Our Lady of the River Catholic Parish

WEEKS 1, 3 & 5

Saturday
Renmark 6.30pm
Morgan 6.00pm
Sunday
Berri 9.00am
Loxton 11.00am
Waikerie 11.00am
Barmera 6.00pm

WEEKS 2 & 4

Saturday
Berri 6.30pm
Waikerie 6.00pm
Sunday
Renmark 9.00am
Morgan 9.00am
Barmera 11.00am
Loxton 6.00pm

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LOXTON

Sunday, May 15
10am HC
Rev Linda Forsyth

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Rev Linda Forsyth
0401 815 488

RENMARK

10am
Renmark Ave
8.30am
Renmark West

Kingston Selvaraj
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Saturday, May 14

5pm - Monash St Oswald's

Sunday, May 15

9am - Barmera St Edmund's
9am - Loxton The Resurrection
11am - Renmark St Augustine's
11am - Waikerie St James

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8586 3288

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Sunday, May 15
10am

Loxton Senior Citizen Hall
25 Tobruk Terrace

Ps Red Elliott
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Wilabalangaloo (Berri Branch of National Trust)

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Meals on Wheels

There's a volunteer in all of us! Meals on Wheels have a variety of Volunteering opportunities in kitchen, delivery and administration, at a number of locations across the Riverland. If you have some time to put to good use, please contact Rozz on 0409928248 (or the Renmark kitchen on 85866040) and see if Meals on Wheels tickles your volunteering tastebuds!

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- Apprentice Light Vehicle Mechanic (Full time or school-based)

Please send your resume and cover letter to andrewg@sgt.asn.au indicating which position you are applying for.

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Statewide Group Training, 4 William St Berri.

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Confidential enquiries for this role can be directed to the CEO, Dylan Strong on 08 8582 1922 or dstrong@bbc.sa.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday 16 May 2022 at 5:00pm

Apply via email with applications marked 'Attention CEO' to jljang@bbc.sa.gov.au

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Property Officer

PERMANENT • FULL TIME • MONTHLY RDO

Council is seeking a candidate who has an excellent work ethic, good communication skills, outcome focused and enjoys a fast-paced environment.

In this role you will be responsible for all aspects of the management of council properties, be responsible as curator of all Council cemeteries and have involvement with assisting in maintaining asset registers relating to council properties.

If this sounds like you, enquiries can be directed to Tracey Alexander, Manager Environment, Economic and Regulatory Services.

Administration Officer

PERMANENT • FULL TIME • MONTHLY RDO

Council is seeking a candidate who is a great communicator and enjoys working in a rewarding and collaborative culture.

In this role, you will directly support the Infrastructure Services department, whilst positively engaging across all areas of the organisation. You will be adept at managing competing priorities and thrive in an environment focused on delivering for the community.

If this sounds like you, please contact Veronica Rothe, HR Manager.

Property & Administration Officer roles
Closing Date: Monday 16 May 2022 at 5:00pm

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In these roles you will need to enjoy working outdoors, have an excellent work ethic, a good attitude, have logical and practical capabilities with initiative and desire to take pride in your work.

We will require specific licences and experiences for each role, these are:

Construction Worker

A HR licence and experience in operating a backhoe and similar plant, machinery and equipment are essential.

Maintenance Worker

A HR licence and experience in skid steer and mini excavator operations are essential. Grave digging is a duty that is undertaken in this role.

Enquiries for both of these roles can be directed to Ron Millington, Works Coordinator.

Closing Date: Monday 16 May 2022 at 12noon.

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You will have or nearing completion of tertiary qualifications in Planning along with excellent written and verbal communication skills, demonstrated ability to problem solve. Local Government planning experience is highly desirable.

All enquiries to Tracey Alexander, Manager Environment, Economic and Regulatory Services.

Closing Date: Monday 23 May 2022 at 12noon.

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 - Water, fencing and capital improvement projects and repairs
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HR truck license or experience is required, and a HC truck license preferred (training & licencing will be supplied if necessary). Applicant must have an interest and passion to work in agriculture.

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Resumes to Sean Drake
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Crusher Operator

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Primary Duties will include:

- Crushing and screening plant operation and maintenance
- Truck, front end loader, skid steer and backhoe operation
- Basic record keeping

The successful applicant will:

- Have a current drivers licence (truck preferable)
- Be able to undertake manual outdoor work
- Have a demonstrated mechanical aptitude

Further development into other areas of the operation will be available to the successful applicant.

Send your resume to the Office Manager via admin@schleinsquarries.com.au or PO Box 551 Loxton or drop your resume into the quarry during normal business hours.

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MORGAN MOTOCROSS ROUND 3



Riders converged for round three of the season at the Morgan Motocross Club on Sunday, with the event featuring racing more than 10 different classes. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff





Renmark picked up a win against Loxton North in last week’s round of Riverland A1 netball, with wing attack Shenae Rucioch playing a starring role as the reigning premier’s undefeated streak continued. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

Honours even at the Precinct

NOTHING could separate Loxton and Berri as the sides played out a pulsating draw in the third round of Riverland A1 netball last Friday night in Loxton.

After falling behind early thanks to accurate shooting from the Tigers, Berri clawed its way back into the contest, with a 20-goal second quarter seeing the visitors enter the main interval with a slender lead.

The match remained an arm wrestle following half-time, with neither side able to pull away.

Georgia Whitehead impressed down the stretch with some clever play inside the goal circle for Berri and accurate shooting to boot.

She was partnered by Lana Gregoric in the front third and the two proved a difficult match-up for the Loxton defenders.

Not to be outdone, Loxton’s attack was equally as impressive, with Brooke Durdin and Mackella Hogan playing vital roles in keeping the game in the balance.

Both sides played fast, aggressive netball but neither was able to break the deadlock, with the scores locked on 61 apiece when the final whistle blew.

Elsewhere, Renmark saw off a strong-starting Loxton North to remain undefeated in the A1 season.

The reigning premier found itself down at the first interval, with Loxton North coming out fast, having its full complement of players for the first time this season.



Renmark’s Lauren Collins (left) and Loxton North’s Georgia Brown both featured in the best players in their clash last Friday night.

The lead would not last though, with Renmark lifting its intensity in the second quarter and by half-time, the ascendancy had flipped, with Renmark holding a 10-goal lead at the main break.

Lauren Collins was at her brilliant best in the front third, with her creativity with ball-in-hand integral in the win.

She was complemented well by dynamic wing-attack Shenae Rucioch, who was the standout performer of the night, feeding the ball into Collins and Sonja Modlinski in the goal circle with precision.

Loxton North stayed the course, not allowing the margin to blow out further, with Renmark eventually running out 15-goal winners.

Waikerie’s early-season battle continued against Barmera, with the side yet to pick up a win in its return to

A1 netball.

Still, positive signs were there for all to see as youngster Sarah Campbell stepped up, and produced her best game of the season in the middle of the court.

Tahlia Dillon continued her dominant start to the season for Barmera as she again featured in the best players from the centre position.

She was able to get the ball in to Ashleigh Haigh and Hannah Boylan with relative ease throughout the match, allowing Barmera to score freely.

Barmera and Renmark both collected the points in the A2 division, while Berri triumphed over Loxton by 24 goals.

Tahlia Dillon’s form carried over to the under 17s, where her Barmera side picked up a win against Waikerie.



Paige Roberts (left) provided a target in the front third for Loxton North, but was matched up on well by Renmark’s Zoe Siviour.

NETBALL RESULTS

A1

BARMERA	V	WAIKERIE
BARMERA	22	39
WAIKERIE	7	17
BEST: Barmera - T. Dillon, K. Barnett. Waikerie - J. Golding, S. Campbell.		53 70 28 41

RENMARK	V	LOXTON NORTH
RENMARK	11	31
LOXTON NORTH	13	21
BEST: Renmark - S. Rucioch, Z. Siviour. Loxton North - G. Brown, E. Thomas		44 58 30 43

LOXTON	V	BERRI
LOXTON	17	30
BERRI	11	31
BEST: Loxton - B. Durdin, M. Hogan. Berri - G. Whitehead, L. Gregoric.		48 61 51 61

A2
Renmark 38 d Loxton North 35.
BEST: Renmark – . K. Schumann, T. Moldovan. Loxton North - N. Cappelluti, K. Waechter.

Berri 50 d Loxton 26.
BEST: Loxton - J. Gibbs.

Barmera 46 d Waikerie 38.
BEST: Barmera - K. Stavrou, G. Tsorotiotis. Waikerie - B. Wilksch.

B1
Loxton 55 d Waikerie 39.
BEST: Loxton - A. Wehrmuller, M. Pannell. Waikerie - M. Leske, N. Liebich.

Cobdogla 43 d Loxton North 37.
BEST: Cobdogla - K. Hallam, K. Fletcher. Loxton North - A. McIntosh, V. Nobile.

B2
Loxton North 51 d Barmera 33.
BEST: Barmera - E. Sauerwald.

Berri 39 d Waikerie 35.
BEST: Berri - B. Talbot, J. Ingerson. Waikerie - E. McDonald.

Renmark Blue 54 d Renmark White 28.
BEST: Renmark Blue - M. Hopper, H. Ranson. Renmark White - H. Manning, T. Le Cornu.

C1
Berri 64 d Loxton 42.
Best: Berri - N. Bryan, N. Hunt. Loxton - C. Nitschke, R. Brown.

Loxton North 38 d Renmark Blue 32.
BEST: Renmark Blue - H. Brown, M. Heath.

Barmera 25 d Renmark White 22.
BEST: Barmera - G. Hauptman, M. Bourton. Renmark White - S. Shorrock, I. Koning.

C2
Barmera 35 d Monash 22.
BEST: Barmera - A. Sampson, N. Milne.

Berri 42 d Renmark 34
BEST: Berri - M. Collard.

Loxton North 35 d Cobdogla 34
BEST: Loxton North - J. Falland, A. Faehrmann. Cobdogla - E. Pech.

17A
Barmera 68 d Waikerie 29.
BEST: Barmera - T. Dillon, A. Koumbarakos. Waikerie - C. Helbig, G. Simpfendorfer.

Berri 58 d Loxton 32.
BEST: Berri - C. Gates, K. Thomson. Loxton - Z. Duthie, E. Gum.

Renmark 33 d Loxton North 20.
BEST: Renmark - K. Schumann, J. Crook.

17B
Renmark Blue 35 d Loxton North 25.
BEST: Renmark Blue - P. Martinson, K. Thiele.

Renmark White 48 d Waikerie 29.
BEST: Waikerie - L. Kamau, P. Steinert.

15A
Barmera 66 d Waikerie 11.

BEST: Barmera - H. Hodgson, A. Gilgen. Waikerie - M. Coombe, H. Arnold.

Renmark 50 d Loxton North 28.
BEST: Renmark - K. Watkins, I. Lyons.

15B
Berri 76 d Loxton North 15.
BEST: Berri - B. Gates, C. Reid. Loxton North - L. Ferber, E. Boucher.

Renmark Purple 41 d Cobdogla 10.
BEST: Renmark Purple - A. Rasheed, M. Perry.

Renmark White 29 d Renmark Blue 25.
BEST: Renmark White - A. Teakle, M. Neve. Renmark Blue - J. Haines, L. Lambert.

13A
Barmera 66 d Waikerie 6.
BEST: Barmera - B. Gilgen, M. Kassulke. Waikerie - A. Arnold, T. Liebich.

Loxton North 38 d Renmark 5.
BEST: Loxton North - A. Bentley, B. Shugg.

13B
Loxton North 22 d Renmark 19.
BEST: Renmark - M. Gill, E. Long.

Berri 41 d Cobdogla 8.
BEST: Berri - I. Jordan, A. Heward. Cobdogla - E. Jordan, L. Bowers.

13C
Loxton North 17 d Barmera 6.
BEST: Loxton North - K. Sheffield, S. Angeleski. Barmera - E. Ivanovic, L. Parrotta.

Waikerie 14 d Berri 7.
BEST: Waikerie - C. Salt, E. Gill. Berri - K. Swart, A. Lippis.

Renmark Blue 19 d Renmark White 5.
BEST: Renmark Blue - E. Lang, G. Wegner. Renmark White - A. Whiting-Walker.

11A
Waikerie 14 drew with Barmera 14.
BEST: Waikerie - I. Venning, G. Zarmbalas. Barmera - J. Wright, A. Chabrel.

Berri 50 d Loxton 33.
BEST: Berri - M. Pitt, K. Sweet. Loxton - C. Rattray, L. Thiele - Butterworth.

Renmark 21 d Loxton North 8.
BEST: Renmark - A. Roberts, C. Pearce.

11B
Loxton Black 26 d Waikerie 3.
BEST: Loxton Black - A. Bullock, E. Tootell. Waikerie - N. Cartledge, C. Zarmbalas.

Renmark White 16 d Barmera 2.
BEST: Renmark White - R. Stuetzel, S. Wutke. Barmera - C. Parrotta, J. Edwards.

Cobdogla 17 d Loxton Tigers 0.
BEST: Loxton Tigers - M. Rattray, E. Thiele.

Renmark Blue 7 d Berri 3.
BEST: Renmark Blue - J. Davidson, P. Batchelor.

Loxton Gold 25 d Loxton North 3.
BEST: Loxton Gold - A. Williams, E. Kaesler.

Kick-off time for Riverland soccer

AFTER a multitude of changes to the Riverland soccer landscape in the past few weeks, it was finally time to let the ball do the talking as the season kicked off in Barmera on Sunday.

The new open men’s competition, introduced in place of the traditional A and B grade format, began with Barmera picking up a two-goal win over Renmark.

Reigning champion Renmark Olympic fielded a side lacking in experience, with a number of juniors stepping up to the senior grade for the first time.

The youngsters put in a promising performance, alongside a number of other debutants, but it was not enough to stop an impressive Barmera.

Jacob Trudigan starred for the hosts, netting twice in the opening fixture, while Martin Barber and Dimitri Kanakaris also found the back of the net for United.

Chris Miller scored both of Renmark’s

goals in a strong performance. Thomas Pipinis led the charge in Berri’s demolition of Loxton, scoring twice in a man-of-the-match performance.

The River Rangers dominated proceedings from the outset, with Mitchell Foulds and Callum Cassell also impressing in the victory.

Travis O’Shaughnessy was Loxton United’s best player and youngster Marc-Antoni Perre showed flashes of brilliance throughout the one-sided affair.

The women’s division saw Barmera begin with a bang, taking down Renmark by five goals.

Macy Bourton produced a hat-trick in the victory, with Hannah Beams and Kayla Tsortiotis also finding their way onto the scoresheet in the 5-0 win.

Over 800 people attended the opening round across the day as the junior competitions also kicked off.

RESULTS MEN

Barmera 4 d Renmark 2.

Best: Barmera – J. Trudigan, K. Barber, Z. Hamood. Renmark – C. Miller, M. Cartwright. Goals: Barmera – J. Trudigan 2, M. Barber, D. Kanakaris. Renmark – C. Miller 2.

Berri 6 d Loxton 0.

Best: Berri – T. Pipinis, M. Foulds, C. Cassell. Loxton – T. O’Shaughnessy, S. Uzzell, M. Perre. Goals: Berri – T. Pipinis 2, D. Greer, G. Koukouzis, R. Bray, C. Cassell.

WOMEN

Barmera 5 d Renmark 0.

Best: Barmera – M. Bourton, T. Albrecht, K. Tsortiotis. Renmark – M. Lock, A. Pavlomanolakis, S. Theresa. Goals: Barmera – M. Bourton 3, H. Beams, K. Tsortiotis.

UNDER 16

Barmera 2 drew with Renmark 2.

Best: Barmera – J. Tsonis, K. Kenefick, J. Bourton. Renmark – A. Son, G. Tsolimitis, K. Curtis. Goals: Barmera – J. Tsonis, K. Kenefick. Renmark – G. Tsolimitis, A. Son.

Berri 6 d Loxton 1.

Best: Berri – J. Krendl, D. Hronopolous, A. Nobile.

Loxton – M. Perre, J. Bertram, H. Smith.

Goals: Berri – D. Hronopolous 3, J. Krendl, C. Vallelonga. Loxton – M. Perre.

UNDER 14

Renmark 9 d Barmera 0.

Best: Renmark – N. Meimetis, L. Drogaris, B. Lock. Barmera – M. Mitchell, D. Kimberley, B. Kimberley. Goals: Renmark – J. Cartwright 4, B. Altundag 2, J. Callery, L. Drogaris, N. Meimetis.

Berri 1 drew with Loxton 1.

Best: Berri – A. Lange, C. Vallelonga, Z. Amson. Loxton – C. Vowles, S. Setchell, J. Perram.

Goals: Berri – C. Vallelonga. Loxton – C. Williams.

UNDER 12

Barmera 5 d Loxton 1.

Best: Barmera – J. Hunter, K. Ogle. Loxton – L. Perram, C. Setschel, D. Eleveld.

Goals: Barmera – J. Sweet, J. Hunter 2, J. Doupis. Loxton – L. Perram.

Renmark 4 d Berri 1.

Best: Renmark – L. Brown, J. Curtis, D. Atsaves. Berri – L. Kassulke, J. Peltz, D. Heuzenroeder.

Goals: Renmark – L. Brown 2, J. Curtis, I. Atsaves. Berri – I. Martin.



Mikayla Rayner (right) and her Barmera teammates picked up a 5-0 win over Renmark in the first round of Riverland women’s soccer last Sunday. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Thomas Pipinis played a starring role in Berri’s 6-0 rout of Loxton in Riverland open men’s soccer, netting twice in the season-opener.



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Martin Barber (middle) is swamped by his Barmera teammates after scoring one of his side’s four goals in their win over Renmark Olympic.



Darts comes down to the wire

THE third round of Riverland darts produced a nail-biting contest between two of the competition’s top teams in RC Ones and Monash Wanderers.

Most games within the match came down to the wire, with neither team able to establish a clear advantage.

Wanderers managed to prevail after winning two doubles matches, with the win highlighted by a strong performance from Calib Martin.

The Wanderers clubman scored his first maximum 180 of the season in the contest, while Kendall Hayes produced a peg-out of 132.

Elsewhere, Cobby continued its strong run of form with a win over Expendables.

Jeff Broekers produced the highest peg-out for the Eagles with a 125 in the 14-1 victory.



Two tournaments are on the horizon, with the Gawler Challenge and country championships drawing ever closer.

The association has stipulated that those interested in entering must register via a committee member by tonight (Wednesday, May 11).

RESULTS



RC Ones 8 (N. Flack 140 x 2, 125, 123, 100 x 4, C. Wagner 140, 121, 105, 100 x 2, L. Platten 140, 100 x 3, T. Stoneham 125, 100, N. Peatey 122, 120, 100, L. Rasheed 121 x 2, 100 x 4) d Monash Wanderers 7 (C. Martin 180, 140, 137, 100 x 5, W. Bonham 140, 123, 121, 100 x 5, A. Martin 140, 123, 100 x 2, D. Martin 140, 100 x 5, K. Hayes 125, 116, 132 peg out). Cobby Eagles 14 (D. Parfitt 140 x 3, 135, 123, 100 x 5, R. Stemp 140, 132, 100, D. Coombe 136, 121, 120, 100 x 4, A. Hargreaves 135, 100 x 3, J. Broekers 121 x 2, 120, 100 x 2, 125 peg out, G. Dyer 117, D. Alderson 100) d Expendables 1 (A. Barnes 140, 132, 125, S. Lockwood 140, G. Norman 133, A. Weidenhofer 100 x 2, J. Thomas 100).

RIVERLAND A GRADE

	RENMARK		LOXTON NORTH			
						
ROVERS	5.3	8.5	10.10	12.16	88	
PANTHERS	3.2	3.3	6.5	8.7	55	



BEST: Renmark - J. Vater, M. Woolford, T. Thorpe, D. Austin, R. Garrett, T. Blight. Loxton North - T. Kent, J. Obst, M. Hampel, W. Schultz, M. Scott, J. Proud.

GOALS: Renmark - D. Austin 4, T. Blight 2, T. Thorpe, J. Vater, M. Woolford, T. Woolford, T. Charlton, J. Austin. Loxton North - J. Proud, I Worsfold 2, B. Grieger, C. Koehne, R. Proud, J. Worsfold.

	BERRI		LOXTON			
						
DEMONS	1.3	4.5	9.7	11.8	74	
TIGERS	4.1	8.1	9.4	11.5	71	

BEST: Berri - P. Safralidis, M. Hodge, T. Jolly, S. Hawkins, T. Finlay, B. Thompson. Loxton - W. Gutsche, C. Thiele, C. Lange, L. Harder, J. Bates, J. Fisher.



GOALS: Berri - M. Hodge, P. Minchella 2, J. Egel, S. Hawkins, B. Thompson, M. Voigt, J. Westley, A. Dayman, R. Moroney. Loxton - L. Harder 5, C. Thiele 2, T. Eagle, W. Gutsche, B. Hill, L. Pontt.

	WAIKERIE		BARMERA-MONASH			
						
MAGPIES	3.0	8.1	8.4	12.4	76	
ROOS	2.0	3.3	6.7	6.8	44	

BEST: Waikerie - T. Geehman, M. Spencely, B. Venning, S. Braun, J. Burgemeister, J. Spencely. Barmera-Monash - M. Wutke, T. Packer, S. Mitchell, S. Butterworth, T. Eleftheriadis, B. Drogemuller.



GOALS: Waikerie - M. Spencely 4, D. Gordon, J. Spencely 2, S. Braun, M. Hahn, W. Hawke, A. Lo Iacono. Barmera-Monash - D. Campbell 2, S. Butterworth, J. Smith M. Wutke, C. Marks.

INDEPENDENT

	BSR		PARINGA			
						
REDBACKS	2.5	6.9	6.10	10.16	76	
SWANS	0.0	2.0	2.4	3.4	22	



BEST: BSR - J. Martinson, C. Horstmann, J. Orr, A. Mapstone, J. Verrall, J. Mapstone, Paringa - H. Sanford, F. Peters, I. Frahn, P. Siddall, B. Morey, B. Smith.

GOALS: BSR - J. Medhurst, J. Orr, J. Verrall 2, M. Clark, N. Ennis, C. Horstmann, A. Sparks. Paringa - D. Hill, J. Hanlon, H. Sandford.

	SEDAN-CAMBRAI		WUNKAR			
						
MAGPIES	7.1	9.4	12.6	18.10	118	
BULLDOGS	0.1	2.5	4.6	4.6	30	

BEST: Sedan-Cambrai - J. Roesler, S. Klose, J. Grace, A. Redden, C. Thompson, B. Hutchings. Wunkar - L. Verrall, Z. Lawrence, J. Wood, T. Renshaw, K. Petch, J. Wiseman.

GOALS: Sedan-Cambrai - J. Grace 5, C. Thompson 4, J. Roesler 3, B. Hutchings 2, P. Hefford, A. Klose, R. Loffler, J. Schultz. Wunkar - S. Atkinson, L. Biele, T. Renshaw, J. Wiseman.

	RAMCO		BROWN'S WELL			
						
ROOSTERS	2.6	6.10	11.13	12.17	89	
BOMBERS	1.1	2.3	3.6	7.10	52	

BEST: Ramco - A. Burckett, J. Parfitt, M. Channon, J. Moxham, B. Watkins. Brown's Well - M. Fitzgerald, J. Shannon, B. Edmonds, D. McNeil, H. Chandler.

GOALS: Ramco - A. Burckett, K. Muir 3, J. Andrewartha, M. Baddack, C. Brown, D. Kalusche, J. O'Callaghan, J. Parfitt. Brown's Well - M. Fitzgerald, T. Mckenzie 2, T. Braun, H. Chandler, J. Shannon.



OTHER GRADES

B GRADE

Renmark 8.7 (55) d Loxton North 2.7 (19).

BEST: Renmark - H. Twyford, T. Milne, D. Johnson, B. Rover, R. Abend-Williss, A. Mills. Loxton North - M. Akaso, M. Arnold, J. Albrecht, M. Wall, L. Worsfold, K. Worsfold.

GOALS: Renmark - H. Twyford 3, S. Kahlon, A. Mills, T. Milne, C. Munn, M. O'Loughlin. Loxton North - N. Francis, D. Petch.

Loxton 11.8 (74) d Berri 2.8 (20).

BEST: Loxton - N. Uren, B. Falting, M. Thiele, N. Flight, M. Guidolin, R. Romeo. Berri - J. Marr, C. Bland, T. Dolling, W. Frankel, A. Smith, M. Grosser.

GOALS: Loxton - N. Flight 4, R. Liddle 3, R. Nickolls 2, T. Durling, R. Romeo. Berri - J. Marr, J. Staunton.

Waikerie 13.6 (84) d Barmera-Monash 2.5 (17).

BEST: Waikerie - A. Lean, L. Exton, T. Lambe, A. Thompson, T. Wood, T. O'Hara. Barmera-Monash - T. Schrapel, C. Scordo, J. Kleinig, K. Riley, C. Gillespie, J. Pascoe.

GOALS: Waikerie - A. Lean 5, K. Ling, R. Shaw 2, T. Campbell, B. Hayes, D. May, A. Thompson. Barmera-Monash - D. Bates-Weetra, C. Gillespie.

UNDER 18

Renmark 10.6 (66) d Loxton North 9.3 (57).

BEST: Renmark - A. Herrador, B. White, L. Harrington, N. Stockman, T. Bonner, J. Rothe. Loxton North - D. Petch, J. Meaney, K. Fielke, J. Koehne, J. Lloyd, C. Petch.

GOALS: Renmark - A. Herrador 6, N. Stockman 2, C. Greer, M. M. Strachan. Loxton North - J. Koehne, T. Pasarakis 2, C. Ebert, T. Hobby, J. Meaney, C. Petch, Z. Zimmermann.

Berri 8.4 (52) d Loxton 2.6 (18).

BEST: Berri - M. Foulds, D. Westley, D. Greer, J. Campaign, Heath Campbell, Harrison Campbell. Loxton - Harley Campbell, L. Zdanowicz, K. Evans, D. Rothe, J. Boughen.

GOALS: Berri - D. Westley 2, K. Bishop, Harrison Campbell, D. Corman, M. Foulds, C. Hill, A. McNab. Loxton - B. Westbrook, D. Zdanowicz.

Waikerie 10.8 (68) d Barmera-Monash 7.4 (46).

BEST: Waikerie - R. Turner, M. Lloyd, B. Loffler, S. Trandafil, R. Schutz, C. Daniels. Barmera-Monash - R. Moore, L. Marks, L. Alder, M. Eleftheriadis, T. Ogle, A. Scordo.

GOALS: Waikerie - R. Turner 3, B. Burgemeister, B. Loffler 2, C. Daniels, J. Pillon. Barmera-Monash - M. Eleftheriadis, K. Karpany 2, L. Marks, M. Pietrolaj, A. Scordo.



***ALL RESULTS MUST BE POSTED ONLINE BY MONDAY MORNING TO BE INCLUDED**

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RENMARK

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5 Peter Safralidis	B		
4 Matt Hodge	B		
3 Will Gutsche	L		
2 Tom Jolly	B		
1 Luke Harder	L		

MURRAY PIONEER WRITERS' AWARD

Two of the competition's most evenly matched teams did battle last Saturday as Berri emerged victorious over Loxton by three points at the Precinct in round three of RFL A grade football.
PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff.



Matt Hodge starred in Berri's triumph over Loxton in last Saturday's RFL A grade clash, with the no-nonsense midfielder racking up a number of touches and kicking two goals.
PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Match of the round delivers

BEN LENNON

IN an entertaining clash at the Loxton Precinct it was the visitors that came out on top, with Berri clinching a three-point win in RFL A grade football last Saturday.

Many dubbed it the match of the round before it had even started, with both sides locked on one win apiece heading into the weekend.

Those early claims were justified as the two sides played out a topsy-turvy contest that saw Clint Ridgway's Demons prevail, with the first-year coach pleased with his group's effort.

"I was really impressed with how we handled that, especially after the first quarter where they kicked away a little bit," he said.

"To not drop our heads, keep pushing on and trust in what we're doing was great. We understood the momentum was going to turn back our way eventually.

"When it did, we made it count, so I'm really impressed with the boys."

The home side held a 20-point advantage at the main break, but the momentum had already begun to turn, with Berri upping the ante in the final 10 minutes of the second quarter.

The Demons took advantage of the momentum swing and came out firing in the third term, booting five goals to Loxton's one.

Their three-point margin remained as the final siren sounded, giving the Demons a memorable win away from home.

The win means that Berri now sits equal with Waikerie on the ladder and with Renmark to come next week, Ridgway believes the momentum built over the past two weeks will be key.

"We're setting our season up now. Like I keep telling the boys, that Barmora-Monash game was a real springboard for our season," he said.

"We've got a heap of confidence going into Renmark and we know what to expect from them, they're still the team to beat..."

"I'll probably have a few choice words to (coach Josh) Vater at work."

Peter Safralidis excelled in his role down back, nullifying the impact of Loxton's talented forwards, while Matt Hodge impressed yet again, booting his fourth and fifth goals of the season in the clash.

"It's excellent and it's exactly what we want from him (Hodge)," Ridgway said.

"When he rests up forward you know he's going to hit the scoreboard and with him and Jake Egel swapping up there, they're both big bulls at the contest."

Loxton was again aided by the goal-scoring prowess of Luke Harder, with the big-bodied utility booting another five goals to go with his eight against Loxton North last week.

Will Gutsche was again instrumental in the middle, picking up best player honours for the Tigers for the second week in a row.

Loxton was left to rue its failure to capitalise on a strong start to the contest, having dominated the majority of the opening half.

Former North Adelaide star Cohen Thiele played his second match of the season for the Tigers and again looked the goods, kicking two goals and rotating between the mid-field and the forward 50.

Despite Harder and Thiele having an impact on the scoreboard, Ridgway was happy with his side's efforts in defence.

"We felt they only had one avenue to goal in Harder," Ridgway said of Loxton.

"He played full forward to start with and pinch-hit in the midfield when (Cohen) Thiele went forward, but we knew they wanted to give him the 50 and have him one-out.

"We had to make sure that Saf (Safralidis) and (Evan) Penaluna were getting back and dropping into that hole.

"My message as well was to just pressure the ball-carrier, because if it doesn't get to him then he's not going to be kicking goals."

While Berri welcomes Renmark in round four, Loxton travels to the Lakeside to take on Barmora-Monash, with the Roos looking to bounce back after a loss to Waikerie last week.

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Young Magpies bounce back against the Roos

BEN LENNON

AFTER tasting defeat for the first time this season the week prior, home side Waikerie bounced back with an important win over a gallant Barmera-Monash last Saturday in RFL A grade football.

Shayne Stevens' side piled on five goals to one in the second term to establish a 28-point lead heading into the main break after Barmera-Monash made a promising start to the match.

The Magpies were challenged in the third term but stood up under pressure, something Stevens was thrilled to see after a disappointing performance the week before against Renmark.

"It was good to get another two points on the board and to get some good form going for the next couple of weeks," he said.

"When we looked at the game later on, the biggest thing that hurt us against Renmark was our skill level. Usually we're pretty good by foot but we turned the ball over in crucial areas.

"We're quite a young side with guys still learning their craft in A grade footy so you expect some mistakes, but there were mistakes from a lot of senior guys too.

"Early on, especially against Barmera-Monash, we used the footy really well and it was good to see that improvement."

One of the senior players that stood up against Barmera-Monash was versatile captain Tristan Geehman, with Stevens heralding his ability to play multiple positions.

Geehman led the way for Waikerie, with his clean ball use a feature in the Magpies' win.

"He's only 23-24 as well, still a young lad, but he comes with a lot of experience having played A grade footy since he was 16," Stevens said.

"His use of the footy Saturday was unreal and it really set the tone for the whole playing group.

"He's able to play a range of positions for us which is the key to being a good modern-day footballer.

"Matt Spencely as well is someone who can play midfield and forward and can work right up and down the ground.

"He's one of those unique players in country footy as well who can use both feet really well, which creates goals."

Spencely booted four majors in the Magpies' second win of the year, bringing his total to 11 for the season so far, with his



Young skipper Tristan Geehman led by example as Waikerie defeated Barmera-Monash to move to 2-1 to start the RFL A grade season. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

main role still being to play in midfield.

Barmera-Monash was once again competitive throughout the contest, not allowing the margin to exceed the six-goal buffer.

The Roos challenged Waikerie in the third term, getting to as close as nine points adrift at the final break, before Waikerie's young legs ran out the game well.

Stevens was full of praise for Waikerie's opponents and believes there are no easy games in the RFL this year.

"They're a club full of pride and they work really hard. Jake Smith was really good on the weekend and they were really willing to make a contest of it," Stevens said.

"The way they played means that there are definitely exciting times for Barmera-Monash at the moment."

Matt Wutke impressed for the Roos and

Dudley Campbell kicked a pair of goals in an encouraging performance from Corey Gilgen's men.

Barmera-Monash will return home to take on Loxton next week, while Waikerie will face off against Loxton North in what is set to be a battle between two young sides.

North are yet to pick up a win but has shown that it will not be an easy-beat in 2022, something Stevens is well aware of.

"They're a young team but they've got some experience throughout as well," he said. "They've been building for a few years and that's what you saw on the weekend. They're a quality outfit, well coached and they play good footy."

Talented junior Campbell Marks played his first A grade game for Barmera-Monash and acquitted himself well, kicking a goal.

Panther cubs push reigning premiers

BEN LENNON

RENMARK maintained its undefeated start to the 2022 RFL A grade season after downing a spirited Loxton North outfit by 33 points last Saturday.

Last year's corresponding fixture resulted in a 143-point drubbing, giving North coach Brett Tschirpig plenty of positives, despite his side remaining winless to start the campaign.

"It's disappointing not to have a win on the board this early but with the young playing group we've got, we're working on a few structures still," he said.

"We've certainly seen improvement and last week especially was a big improvement from the whole group.

"Our pressure was a lot better and we were able to move the ball how we've been trying to, so it's good to see that improvement."

The Rovers got off to a flying start, kicking the first four majors of the game, but the Panthers were able to reduce the deficit to just two goals by the end of the first quarter.

A strong second term by a well-drilled Renmark team heaped scoreboard pressure on Tschirpig's side, with the margin extended to 32 points at the main break.

Loxton coach Dillon Millard heralded



Renmark's Zac Gartery used his size well around the ground as his side defeated Loxton North by 33 points in Saturday's round of RFL A grade football. PHOTO: Facebook

Loxton North's ability to run out the contest following their round two contest and that praise was backed up last Saturday, with the Panthers putting in a strong second half and almost matching Renmark on the scoreboard in the final two quarters.

Tyson Kent was again impressive, with his ability to win the ball in the contest a stand-out for Tschirpig.

His strong start to the season has been aided by the encouraging performances of Will Schultz who, among a number of other Panther youngsters, has shown improvement

from week to week.

"(Schultz) has shown that he can do a job on the better players and get the footy himself. He's very fit and runs all day," Tschirpig said.

"There's some B grade guys as well that are young and they might not be quite there yet, but with injuries and whatever else, they're going to get their opportunity."

"I said to the group early, it won't be an easy season and it's going to take some time but we do have some depth this year and we still have a couple to come back in.

"One week these lads will play a blinder and the next week they won't... that's the reality of where we are at.

"But, to have the youth we do have, with our under 18s going well this year as well, we've got to build on that going forward."

Renmark Rovers player/coach Josh Vater brought up his 50th game in blue and white in the clash with North, as did star midfielder Tim Woolford.

Vater was judged to be Renmark's best performer on the day, with Tim's brother Matt putting in a workmanlike performance, providing plenty of run for the Rovers.

Dain Austin kicked four majors, while Justin Proud and Ian Worsfold were the only multiple goal-kickers for the Panthers, with the duo booting two apiece.

Renmark heads to Berri this week to take on the red-hot Demons in what looks to be an enticing encounter, while Loxton North welcomes Waikerie, with Tschirpig knowing another test is in store.

"It's always a tough task against Waikerie," he said.

"They're a formidable side but they're getting a bit older and bruised as well, so it's a good challenge and a chance for us for sure.

"We're growing each week and if we can keep doing that, we're going to get a win on the board, there's no doubt about that."

Magpies swoop to stun Bulldogs in third round of Independents

SEDAN-CAMBRAI stunned Wunkar to hand the Bulldogs their first loss of the RFL Independent season last Saturday, running out victors by 88 points.

Wunkar went into the contest with a perfect record, having beaten Paringa and Brown's Well in the opening two rounds of the season, but failed to match it with a strong Magpie side.

The damage was done

early, with Sedan-Cambrai outscoring Wunkar by 42 points in the first term.

The Bulldogs fought back in the second term but failed to significantly reduce the margin, with the Magpies running over top of Tom Wood's side in the second half.

Jack Grace was instrumental in the win, booting five goals while Jack Roesler chipped in with three in a

best-on-ground performance.

Lee Verrall was best for Wunkar in the loss, with the Bulldogs looking to fight back against reigning premier Ramco in next week's fixture.

The loss for Wunkar meant that a win for BSR would see it sit alone at the top of the table and that is exactly how it played out, with the Redbacks picking up a win over Paringa.

Strong games from Jed Martinson down back and Cam Horstmann in the middle allowed Alan Harvey's side to dominate the contest, eventually winning by 54 points.

The Swans remain winless in 2022 but welcomed star ruckman Isaac Frahn into the fold last week after he missed the week prior.

He was named in the best players alongside Haimish

Sandford and Fraser Peters who battled all day in the midfield.

BSR will now look to go 4-0 as it takes on Brown's Well next week, while the task doesn't get any easier for coach Peter Siddall as his Swans clash with red-hot Sedan-Cambrai in Paringa.

In the remaining fixture, Ramco bounced back with a 37-point win over Brown's Well after losing to BSR the

week before.

Adam Burckett and Kade Muir provided a host of problems for Brown's Well in the Ramco forward line, with the pair booting three majors apiece.

The Bombers continue to fight hard in 2022 but remain without a win, despite strong performances from Maxwell Fitzgerald and club president James Shannon.

Barmera, John the Pick of the bunch

THE Riverland’s tennis pedigree continues to grow, with the Barmera Tennis Club and local coach John Pick both honoured at the 2022 Tennis SA Awards night recently.

Barmera was named Club of the Year, while Mr Pick was selected as the recipient of the Coaching Excellence award, with both accolades coming in the regional division.

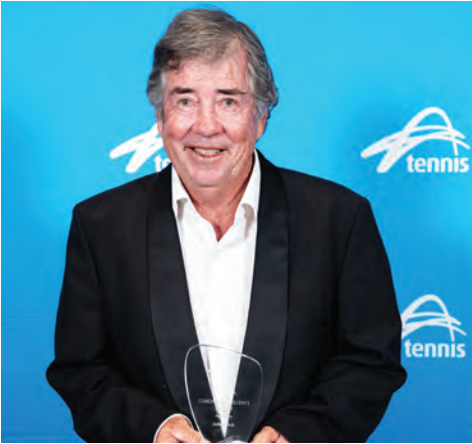
Barmera has gone from strength to strength in recent times and the award is recognition for plenty of hard work behind the scenes by volunteers.

The club has hosted a number of tournaments, competitions and events over the past 12 months, while improving its facilities has remained front of mind for president Justin Bannear and company.

“We are extremely proud to win this award, not just for the club, but also representing the Riverland,” Mr Bannear told Tennis SA.

“We are a small club, of just over 100 members. We are really proud of our facilities, we are 100 per cent volunteer driven, and this is just nice recognition for the work that we put in.”

Bannear himself was a nominee in the Volunteer of the Year award, while Loxton



Local coach John Pick received the regional Coaching Excellence award.

Primary School was also a finalist in the Most Outstanding School category.

Mr Pick has become known over his 30 years of service to tennis in the region as a local doyen of the sport, with the recent award adding to his long list of achievements.

“We’ve become fairly regular attendees over the last few years and it shows that the



Celebrating their club being named regional Club of the Year at the 2022 Tennis SA Awards earlier this month were Barmera Tennis Club members (from left): Paul and Karen Jericho, Sarah Jane Albrecht, Justin Bannear, Jodie Bannear, Luke Heuzenroeder, Kerry Albrecht-Szabo, Ron and Hill Harris. PHOTO: supplied

sport is healthy in the Riverland,” Mr Pick told the ABC.

“Like a lot of other people I really enjoy learning, improving and getting better, and that’s really one of the driving forces for me.”

Mr Pick fondly recounted sitting with an “enthusiastic” Barmera Tennis Club at the

awards night when the club was announced as the recipient of the Club of the Year.

The latest recognition follows on from a strong summer for Riverland tennis, that saw Cobdogla Tennis Club and the local primary school pick up a number of awards and Riverland-born star Luke Saville feature in the Australian Davis Cup team.

‘Table tennis Dennis’ and his star pupil

BEN LENNON

ONE of the Riverland’s most loved volunteers is using his near 60 years of experience to help mould the future of his sport, with Dennis Robinson coaching Rylan Coppin to the top of table tennis.

After a successful year that saw Robinson nominated for the John Ormsby Coach of the Year award at the recent Riverland Sportsperson of the Year awards night, the veteran is keen to help Rylan achieve his goals.

Those goals are lofty, but with an impressive 2021 behind him, Rylan is making strides towards achieving them, crossing the first off of his list after his recent selection in the under 15s state team.

Rylan and Robinson train four times a week at the Renmark Table Tennis Club, with Robinson often sending the youngster away with homework after their sessions.

“He’s got a ball machine as well so I’ll give him a task to do, he does it and comes back and we keep going through it,” Robinson said.

“I’ve been coaching Rylan for three years and having him make



Renmark Table Tennis Club’s Dennis Robinson and Rylan Coppin have both made the South Australian state table tennis teams. PHOTO: Ben Lennon

the state side is pretty amazing.

“My way of thinking is that as a coach you’ve got to have a dedicated player and a dedicated coach. And being in the country, you’ve got to have a dedicated parent. In his case, we’ve got all three.”

Rylan’s mum Kirsty has played a vital role in his rise, with weekly Sunday trips to Adelaide now on the agenda after his selection in the state team.

The 14-year-old knows how important his mum has been, say-

ing he “wouldn’t be able to do it without her”.

She played a big part in his initial involvement of the sport, with Rylan reminiscing on how it all began three years ago in Cobdogla.

“I found out about table tennis at my old school when they hosted a competition, where if you beat the principal you got to sit in his chair for all of lunch time,” he said.

“I eventually beat him, got in his chair and thought ‘this is the best feeling ever’.

“Then there was a SAPSASA team that we took down to Adelaide and I loved the pressure of it and just playing against better players and learning.

“I got mum to research table tennis, found this club here in Renmark and have never put a bat down since then.”

Robinson has been his tutor throughout, with Rylan admitting he even plays like the 71-year-old.

However, Robinson’s playing days are hardly over, with the veteran also claiming state honours in recent months.

“At the end of last year I made the state team in the over 70s and it was cancelled because of Covid,” Robinson said.

“The state rankings came out again at the start of this year and I’m ranked second in the over 65s and second in the over 70s.

“I played an open tournament in Jamestown and managed a runner-up spot there and that’ll be on again in Darwin so I’m hoping I’ll get there.”

Robinson started playing in the 1960s and recounted where table tennis has taken him and how he has ended up in a coaching role for

around 50 years.

“I started at 13 which is a tad younger than Rylan is right now. That’s when I started and he’s already at state level,” Robinson said.

“I first played in Adelaide and played for three associations, six days a week. That’s what I did until I left Adelaide at 19 which is when I first made the state team.

“Then I moved to Port Lincoln and I started to help a few of them because I realised they hadn’t actually played the modern game, they hadn’t seen it with all the spin and everything.

“I started coaching some of the adults there and I’ve been involved in coaching ever since.”

Robinson and Rylan’s selections in the state set-up for 2022 is due reward for a massive amount of effort, but the duo is far from done, with Robinson’s protégé setting himself a target a decade into the future.

“My big goal would have to be the Brisbane Commonwealth Games (2032),” he said.

“That would be amazing if I made it there but I want to consistently be at state level now and never really drop.”

Berri top of pennant podium

THE Riverland Golf Association’s women’s pennants concluded in Barmera this year, with four teams vying for the crown.

Six rounds of competition were played between the Berri, Barmera and Loxton courses and it was Berri that came out on top at the end of the season.

Loxton finished in second place, with a combined team grabbing the final spot on the podium and Barmera placing fourth.

After a topsy-turvy opening few rounds, the competition came down to the wire, with Berri needing a win over Barmera to secure the title.

The eventual champions triumphed 3/2 over Barmera, with Loxton also picking up a 3/2 win over the combined side to end the season on a high.



Berri’s victorious Riverland women’s pennants side for 2022. Bev Hartshorne (left), Annette Thiel, Mary Heuzenroeder, Wendy Hovevar and Kelli Wyman. PHOTO: supplied

BERRI GOLF RESULTS

Wednesday, May 4

Stableford: S. Wade 38, M. Lewan 35 (cb), C. Foreman 35, S. Knight 34, L. Seddon 33, K. Traeger 32 (cb), S. Breakwell 32, C. Hyde 32.

Saturday, May 7

Stableford: P. Wood 39, R. Day 38 (cb), W. Hovevar 38, S. Ormsby 37 (cb), M. Heuzenroeder 37, C. Hyde 37, M. Gray 36 (cb), C. Smith 36, B. Hartshorne 35 (cb), F. Gray 35, A. Thurmer 35, S. Pitt 34 (cb), W. Thiele 34, L. Mudge 34. Birdies – S. Pitt 6th, W. Thiele 6th, M. Clifford 16th, P. Wood 1st, F. Gray 13th.

Sunday, May 8

4BBB: J. Adams/W. Hovevar 44, S Ormsby/M. Clifford 43, C. McKinlay/M. Heuzenroeder.

Waikerie off to a winning start in men’s A grade

WAIKERIE established itself as the team to beat after it defeated Berri to become the only remaining undefeated side in Riverland A grade men’s hockey.

Four individual goalscorers in James Smith, Daniel Schmidt, Bryley Deaoman and Mitchell Rayner helped Waikerie to its second consecutive win.

Cody Thiele was judged best afield for the victors but it would come at a cost, as the star received an elbow to the face in a tackle, causing the game to grind to a halt.

Thiele received emergency medical attention and was diagnosed with a concussion and a broken nose.

Berri skipper Riley Burgess impressed in the loss, while Maddy Spano was able to find the back of the net.

Renmark registered its first win of its 2022 campaign in the other A grade men’s fixture, with the side running out 3-1 victors over Loxton.

Nick Hocking led from the front with a man-of-the-match performance for the victors, while Jacob ‘Doc’ McKenzie was a brick wall in the Renmark goal.

Matt Wheeler’s goal was not enough to get Loxton over the line as it now sits bottom of the A grade ladder after the opening two rounds.

Berri was dominant in the only A grade women’s fixture of the week, putting 13 goals past Vicki Schmidt in the Waikerie net.

It could have been more if not for the Waikerie shot-stopper, with Schmidt finding herself in the best players for her efforts in goal.

Elise Schaefer scored three times for Berri, as did Spano in the side’s first outing of the year after having the bye last week.

Berri’s Tracy Townsend was named best-on-ground after keeping a clean sheet in the contest.

RESULTS MEN

A GRADE

Renmark 3 d Loxton 1.

Best: Renmark – N. Hocking, J. McKenzie, A. Hocking. Loxton – D. Schubert, M. Wheeler, C. Hennig.

Goals: Renmark – N. Hocking, A. Hocking, J. Barton.

Waikerie 4 d Berri 1.

Best: Waikerie – C. Thiele, R. Edwards, L. Ebert. Berri – R. Burgess, D. Couzner, D. Shawyer, J. Roberts.

Goals: Waikerie – J. Smith, D. Schmidt, B. Deaoman, M. Rayner. Berri – M. Spano.

B GRADE

Loxton 6 d Renmark 2.

Best: Loxton – I. Schaefer, J. Mickan, L. Mickan, K. Burgermeister. Renmark – K. Lowe, K. Selga, B. Harding, D. Grenfell.

Goals: Loxton D. Schubert 2, K. Hennig, I. Schaefer, T. Cass, T. Othenis. Renmark – T. Heimann, T. Berends.

Waikerie d Berri (forfeit).

UNDER 17

Berri 1 d Loxton/Renmark 0.

Best: Berri – T. Faerhrmann, F. Vallelonga, S. Martin, Z. Heinrich. Loxton/Renmark – F. Hayes, I. Schaefer, J. Botten, C. Hennig.

Goals: Berri – R. Ingerson.

Berri 7 d Waikerie 1.

Best: Berri – S. Martin, R. Ingerson, L. Bowers. Waikerie – O. Kroehn, C. Thiele, A. Blythe, E. Rayner.

Goals: Berri – K. Stokes, L. Stokes 2, R. Ingerson, F. Vallelonga, M. Wickham. Waikerie – A. Blythe.

WOMEN

A GRADE

Berri 13 d Waikerie 0.

Best: Berri – T. Townsend, A. Hibberd, P. Conway. Waikerie – T. Schmidt, T. Dedman, V. Schmidt.

Goals: Berri – E. Schaefer, M. Spano 3, B. Kelly, A. Herbert 2, A. Kelly, P. Conway, T. Gollam.

B GRADE

Renmark 2 d Loxton 0.

Best: Renmark – A. Harding, B. Newmarch, J. Packer, K. Beer. Loxton – S. Robinson, A. King, J. Gilliland, S. Stivahtaris.

Goals: Renmark – J. Packer, B. Newmarch.

Waikerie 1 drew with Berri 1.

Best: Waikerie – A. Kroehn, A. Nitschke, B. Smith, C. Ridley. Berri – Details not provided.

Goals: Waikerie – S. Kroehn. Berri – H. Thomas.

UNDER 17

Loxton 2 drew with Renmark 2.

Best: Loxton – A. King, R. McDonald, E. Barnes, N. Burgermeister. Renmark – E. Pick, A. Dreusker, C. Reay.

Goals: Loxton – C. Smart, A. King. Renmark – A. Dreusker, H. Keynes.

Waikerie 3 d Berri 2.

Best: Waikerie – S. Kroehn, J. Kroehn, C. Ridley, A. Lehmann. Berri – Details not provided.

Goals: Waikerie – S. Kroehn 2, O. Ebert.

MIXED

UNDER 14

Berri 2 d Waikerie 0.

Best: Berri – A. Kelly, O. Sims, B. Boon, R. Ellis, C. Camilleri. Waikerie – A. Blyth, J. Ebert, O. Ebert, G. Matulick, K. Schiller.

Goals: Berri – L. Bowers, A. Kelly.

UNDER 12

Berri Blue 2 d Waikerie 0.

Best: Berri Blue – L. Gray, H. Coote, K. Krendl, H. Martin. Waikerie – S. Kroehn, R. Collins, C. Loffler.

Goals: Berri Blue – L. Gray, H. Coote.

Berri Reds 6 d Renmark 0.

Best: Berri Red – L. Bowers, C. Camilleri, E. Bascom, J. Boon. Renmark – A. Preusker, D. Fitzpatrick, O. Blackwell.

Goals: Berri Red – C. Camilleri 3, L. Bowers, E. Bascom, J. Swinstead.



Berri’s Nicole Mentha drives past Waikerie’s Karen Roberts in her side’s 13-0 win last weekend.
PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Alana Matulick of Waikerie and Alex Herbert of Berri contest the ball in last week’s round of Riverland women’s hockey.

RIVERLAND EIGHTBALL RESULTS

DIVISION 1/2

Barmera Balls Deep 11 d Paringa Bushy 5; Monash Club 12 d Barmera Bowling Club 4; Lyrup Club Muppets 14 d Loxton RSL BC 2; Renmark Bowling Club 8 drew with Lyrup Odd Bunch 8; Monash Club Bandits 12 d Loxton 4; Cobbers 11 d Mundic Yabbies 5.

Points: Barmera Balls Deep 11; Monash Club Bandits 11; Lyrup Club Muppets 10; Monash Club 8; Cobbers 7; Mundic Yabbies 7; Loxton RSL BC 6; Barmera Bowling Club 5; Loxton 5; Paringa Bushy 4; Renmark Bowling Club 4; Lyrup Odd Bunch 2.

DIVISION 3

Titko Radlyanko 15 d Cobby Scorpions 1; Lyrup Club

10 d Renmark Bowling Club 6; Barmera Pelicans 10 d Cobby Club 6; Loxton Black 10 d Cobby G.O.B 6.

Points: Loxton Black 14; Titko Radlyanko 12; Barmera Pelicans 10; Cobby G.O.B 7; Cobby Club 7; Lyrup Club 4; Renmark Bowling Club 2; Cobby Scorpions 2.

DIVISION 4

Lyrup FARQ 12 d Cobby Roos 4; Bourbon Legends 10 d Cobby Eagles 6; Lyrup Club Blue d Riverland Respite (forfeit).

Points: Lyrup FARQ 12; Lyrup Club Blue 10; Bourbon Legends 8; Cobby Roos 7; Cobby Eagles 3; Riverland Respite 0.



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Crows stars Sarah Allan (left) and Anne Hatchard (right) during their visit to Berri Football Club with the coveted AFL trophy, alongside Riverland juniors Matilda Wegener (middle left), Molly Wishart and Angelina Chliaris. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

Crows premiership pair pays visit to Berri

ALEXANDRA BULL

TWO Crows AFLW premiership players visited Berri Football Club on Monday afternoon, with a very special piece of silverware.

Anne Hatchard and Sarah Allan, who have starred in all three of the Crows’ AFLW premierships, visited the Riverland to show off the premiership cup and have a kick and catch with young footballers.

“We love being able to support these opportunities,” Allan said.

“Especially for me, being from a regional area, I love going out to the country areas and helping those girls get the opportunity, as it’s a lot harder to get those opportunities.”

With the recent creation of an RFLW under 15 competition, Hatchard said it encouraged “passionate girls... to give it a crack”.

“Especially now that there is an AFLW competition, there is so much potential to get the best out of (the sport),” she said.

“But with these girls getting involved, just have fun, especially at this age. If it’s something you really want to do, just keep trying your best and pushing hard because the opportunities will come.”

Hatchard described the growth in women’s football as “insane”.

“It’s been massive,” she said.

“I worked in a community in 2017 and we used to go to schools and there’d only be one or two girls who hadn’t even touched a footy.

“But now, almost every kid has had a kick, so the growth in female footy has just been awesome to see.”

Allan said the expansion of women’s football, particularly in regional areas, had generated plenty of new opportunities.

“I grew up and I got to do Auskick and do juniors with the boys, but then there was no opportunity from there,” she said.

“Now there is a pathway from Auskick all the way to AFLW. For us to just to reflect and see how this competition has made an impact on girls is amazing.”

Thunderbirds are go for Waikerie netballers

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

ABOUT 60 Waikerie netballers – aged from seven to 17 – learned some invaluable skills from the Adelaide Thunderbirds in a clinic on their home turf this week.

Thunderbirds goal shooter Lenize Potgieter, from South Africa, passed on some of her tricks to the Waikerie players.

The locals also picked up some key defence tips from star Jamaican defender Latanya Wilson and her Thunderbirds teammate – and Mundulla product – Maisie Nankivell, who plays centre and wing attack.

Nankivell said country SA was a strong training ground for netballers, pointing out that Thunderbirds captain Hannah Petty comes from the Eyre Peninsula town of Wudinna, Tayla Williams is from Balaklava, and Georgie Horjus started her career on Kangaroo Island.

“We know what playing country netball is all about and I think it is important that we spread our fan base across regional SA,” Nankivell said.

Nankivell said her experience of starting out in a country netball club, then reaching the pinnacle of playing for the Adelaide Thunderbirds, showed that sporting dreams can come true.

Her advice to passionate young country netballers was to “work hard and continue to make friends along the way”.

She said she was impressed with the way the Waikerie netballers performed at the clinic.

“They were just so excited,” Nankivell said.

“I think every drill we did they put in 110 per cent.”

Nankivell said the easing of Covid-19 restrictions would enable the SA team to conduct more clinics in the Riverland in the future.

Waikerie Netball Club president Donna Haynes said the clinic gave the town’s young netballers a rare chance to interact with the Adelaide Thunderbirds. She said it was not always possible for netballers from Waikerie to travel to Adelaide to watch the SA team in action.

“Clinics like this are really important to netball clubs in small country towns,” she said.

Ms Haynes said the Waikerie netballers learned a range of different skills from the visiting trio.

“They learnt some new skills and had a great time,” she said, noting that the locals followed the Thunderbirds’ instructions well and “came out with a better knowledge of netball”.

Ms Haynes thanked First National Real Estate Marshall and the Adelaide Thunderbirds organisation for making initiative possible.



The Adelaide Thunderbirds were impressed with the way Waikerie netballers responded to their training clinic on Monday afternoon. PHOTOS: Christine Webster



Some of the 60 Waikerie netballers aged from seven to 17, who took part in Monday’s clinic with Lenize Potgieter, Latanya Wilson and Maisie Nankivell, from the Adelaide Thunderbirds.

Johanna Brauer (pictured) and Gemma Letton played vital roles in South Australia’s drought-breaking Gilleys Shield win at the 2022 national championships. PHOTO: Facebook



Local duo Starz on the national softball stage

TWO of the Riverland’s brightest sporting stars have continued to shine, with Gemma Letton and Johanna Brauer helping South Australia win its first national softball title in 66 years.

Letton is a born and bred Riverlander who recently featured in *The Murray Pioneer* after making the state team in both softball and baseball.

She has since played a vital role in South Australia’s win and has gone from strength to strength in baseball, being picked up by the Adelaide Giants for the Australian Women’s Baseball Showcase.

Letton starred in the opening showcase game against Brisbane, picking up four runs

for Adelaide at an OBP of .667.

Brauer played a major role in South Australia’s drought-breaking title win, making a significant impact with ball-in-hand.

She played well in a nail-biting grand final against NSW and helped get the South Australians over the line.

Brauer moved to Australia three years ago and now lives permanently in Renmark.

She was initially recruited to the Port Adelaide Softball Club where she still plays now alongside Letton, with the two helping Port secure the state championship recently.

The two have formed a strong friendship along the journey and are both making great strides in their careers.

Riverland rolls out new bowls equipment

BEN LENNON

BOWLS Riverland is taking further steps towards making the sport more accessible, with its purchase of a Rookie Roller set, designed specifically to foster an “even playing field for all”.

The set, which includes 32 lightweight rubber balls, cones, small targets, eight stepping mats and an activity resource kit, will call Barmera Bowling Club home, but is open to be used by all Riverland clubs.

Bowls Riverland president Des Button said that getting children into the game was front of mind when making the purchase and that he hopes it will allow the game to grow in the region.

“Bowls Riverland was approached to see whether we could do something about it and as president I took it to the board,” Mr Button said.

“We decided to purchase it because it’s great for the school kids and we can use it to get others involved in the game.”

The kit has already been used in clinics at Berri Special School and Orana, with Mr Button highlighting how much those involved enjoyed using the equipment and experiencing lawn bowls.

“It was brilliant for those kids because they can’t damage the green or themselves because of the softer balls,” he said.

“You can have fun with it and get on the mats and play some different kinds of games. “The kids love it as well. It’s delightful from our side to run the programs and see how much enjoyment they get out of it and how much they improve as well.”

The purchase was funded largely by a sponsorship from local building company Sitzler, with Rookie Rollers Riverland co-ordinator Ron Reynolds grateful for their contribution.

The task now, Reynolds says, is to continue to use the set as much as possible and further grow the game in the Riverland across all demographics.

“Lawn bowls isn’t an old person’s game, it’s a young person’s game. The Australian bowls side is probably younger than the Australian cricketers,” Mr Reynolds said.

“I’m very grateful to the Barmera Bowling Club and to Bowls Riverland, as well as the sponsors, because without those folks it makes things tough.

“We’ve got an opportunity now to deliver to people of all abilities, from schools to aged care homes.”



Riverland Bowls president Des Button (right) and Rookie Rollers co-ordinator Ron Reynolds with the Rookie Roller set, designed to make bowls more inclusive and accessible.
PHOTOS: Ben Lennon



The Rookie Roller kit purchased by Bowls Riverland has softer bowls, meaning a reduced chance of player injury or damage to the green.



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THUNDERBIRDS ARE GO IN WAIKERIE



ABOUT 60 Waikerie netballers – aged from seven to 17 – learned some invaluable skills from the Adelaide Thunderbirds in a clinic on their home turf this week.

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Visiting Adelaide Thunderbirds trio Lenize Potgieter (left), Latanya Wilson and Maisie Nankivell with Waikerie 17U players Stella Thomas (second from left), Sarah Campbell and Haylee Gore at a special coaching clinic held in Waikerie on Monday. PHOTO: Christine Webster



Barmera, John the Pick of the bunch

THE Riverland's tennis pedigree continues to grow, with the Barmera Tennis Club and local coach John Pick both honoured at the 2022 Tennis SA Awards night recently.

Barmera was named Club of the Year, while Mr Pick was selected as the recipient of the Coaching Excellence award, with both accolades coming in the regional division.

Barmera has gone from strength to strength in recent times and the award is recognition for plenty of hard work behind the scenes by volunteers.

The club has hosted a number of tournaments, competitions and events over the past 12 months, while improving its facilities has remained front of mind for president Justin Bannear and company.

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Jeff McDonald started RLS in 2002. RLS has grown to be the largest finance brokerage in the Riverland.



ELYSE ARMANINI

RIVERLAND Lending Services (RLS) is celebrating a major business milestone – 20 years in the Riverland – and its history has proven why it became the successful lending service it is today.

Jeff McDonald was going to be a third-generation irrigator in Loxton, but his desires to do more, and realising mathematics was coming easy to him (plus being put off by the idea of “hard work on the block”) led him to the world of finance.

Jeff spent 18 years with BankSA, travelling around the state and trying to stay as rural as possible, and ultimately realising just how much he loved the country life.

But his time with a corporate organisation, especially while in Kingston SE in the early 2000s, made him recognise that his “own personal integrity was becoming a bit compromised”.

“While I was happy to do my job, and get the return for the bank that I had to get, I was also there to serve and support, and build long-term relationships with clients,” he said.

RLS officially began as a joint partnership between Jeff and Mildura Finance Limited (MFL) with an office space at 6 Kay Avenue, Berri, on April 9, 2002.

“MFL brought its relationships, banks and aggregation services, and I brought the labour and contacts in

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Looking back on **RLS** history

the Riverland – that's how it started," Jeff said.

"To this day, I still remember sitting there with my dark blue shirt and my bright yellow tie – because that's what you did in 2002 – and because I was the only one in the office, I sat there, turned my computer on, opened my stationery drawer and lined up all the pens I wanted.

"I shut the drawer – it was about 10 o'clock by then – and looked out the window and thought, 'What am I going to do now?'"

In July 2004, Jeff sold his part in the business to MFL, leaving RLS as a wholly owned subsidiary of MFL, before buying back the entire business in September 2010.

Now, as executive director, Jeff looks back on how RLS started two decades ago as part of an "emerging industry".

"Ninety per cent of people I spoke to didn't know what a broker was in 2002," he said.

"To do anything other than home loans as a broker was just foreign to the whole Riverland.

"Being a local and growing up in Loxton, but also working out at Renmark and Berri over many years with the bank career, you build up a

lot of relationships and contacts.

"Slowly, people began talking to me about different things and RLS started building up. We started taking on different staff and the rest is, as they say, history."

Jeff said relationships with clients is, and always will be, the biggest driver for the success of RLS.

"Our policy from day one has been that it's always about the client," he said.

"It's always about the value to them – if they're not getting value, well then we shouldn't be there.

"If we ever do anything for what we earn on it, or see it purely as a transaction, then it's not a long game. It's a very short game and that's not our values. We've stuck by that."

The help, understanding and love from Jeff's wife Suzie – looking after two young daughters and only seeing Jeff sparingly through the week – during the early years of RLS is what helped keep Jeff going.

"Her ability to manage all that was the only reason I was able to go and do what I had to do," Jeff said.

"She was an important part of those early days and a real strong support, which I needed."



Jeff McDonald with his wife Suzie and daughters April (left) and Lucy in 2012.


“Ninety per cent of people I spoke to didn't know what a broker was in 2002.”

- Jeff McDonald




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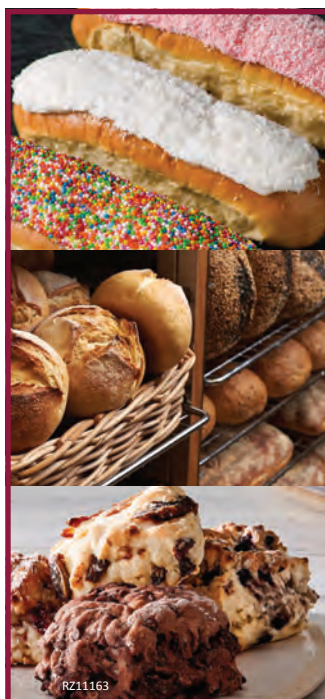
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Mark's journey to **RLS**

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MARK Fielke's role as managing director at Riverland Lending Services means he can continue to use his extensive industry experience to help regional families achieve their business goals.

Mark began his finance career in 1984, quickly moving into the commercial space, and holding various roles over 35 years with BankSA.

Mark and his wife Lindy became joint equity partners of RLS in March 2017.

His financial and rural backgrounds, and familiarity with executive director Jeff McDonald, made him a perfect fit for the RLS team.

"Jeff approached me a good 18 months prior to 2017 to come in as a partner, but also to help him grow the RLS business," Mark said.

"We had a business history from when I was in banking and he was in brokering here in the Riverland, so our background was more business and association.

"The fact we went to school together helped as well – though that's not necessarily the be all and end all of a partnership. You have to both pass each other's tests when you want to go into business with each other, but certainly it was an exciting opportunity for me.

"It was a little bit unexpected when he approached me, but looking back it's been very exciting and the future looks exciting as well."

Mark said the connection and rela-

tionships between RLS and banks is an important part of what makes the business successful, and what will continue its success into the future.

However, to help the future of RLS, Mark believes an advancement in technology in the financial industry is needed.

"The banks are an important part of our business," he said.

"They're our suppliers of finance, so they've been very cautious in going to fully digital with loan documentation for obvious reasons – they're making sure anything related to fraud is covered.

"Most of what we do is in agriculture and it is still quite traditional. That is, they still want to see you face-to-face in a lot of cases. I don't think that's going to go away in the near future and our team are more than happy to meet with customers at their properties."

Mark said RLS is focused on staying in South Australia and ensuring clients around the state receive good service.

"We don't have a strategy to move interstate," he said.

"Yes, we have a presence in western Victoria, but at this stage it's not part of our journey. It's more about ensuring the key areas of South Australia are covered and that we can service them.

"It's ensuring we have the right people on the ground in the right places. That's not necessarily easy, you've got to have the right people – that's critical – and then making sure we're in the right geographical area."



Mark and Lindy Fielke became joint equity partners of Riverland Lending Services in 2017.



Mark and Jeff work together as RLS directors to ensure clients receive the best possible service and outcomes.

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What the future holds for **RLS**

ELYSE ARMANINI

RIVERLAND Lending Services (RLS) has grown in many different ways to become the business it is today – and its future looks bright.

RLS has evolved extraordinarily over the past 20 years, progressing from purely finance lending, to offering a full range of consultancy services.

Looking to the future, RLS managing director Mark Fielke said he believes the business will continue to grow.

“We’re a Riverland-based business, but as time has gone on we’ve expanded our services outside of the region,” Mark said.

In the past five years, RLS has opened offices in Loxton (RLS), Mildura (Agri Lending Solutions), the Barossa (Barossa Lending Services) and Adelaide, and has employed highly skilled, experienced specialists to assist more business owners develop and grow their businesses.

“Jeff McDonald and I have been quite measured in our growth strategy and selecting the right people to help take us on that growth journey,” Mark said.

Mark said RLS’s 20 years of history in building a client base can be attributed largely to continually looking after the customer.

“Each of our finance managers has a portfolio of clients and they keep in touch with them and look after them,” Mark said.



The experienced, helpful team at RLS is prepared to assist clients with all their finance needs.

“In essence, they become the clients’ primary contact for everything finance-related.

“The refreshing thing for the client is we have options on the table. We don’t have to just go to one bank; we can go to

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RLS managing director Mark Fielke (left), Soul Growers Tanunda managing director Paul Heinicke and BLS agribusiness manager Lachy Heinrich.

RLS's focus on agricultural finance

ELYSE ARMANINI

ESTABLISHED in early 2019, RLS Agribusiness formalises the existing consultancy services RLS provides for its business customers.

RLS Agribusiness has client agreements across SA, Victoria, NSW and WA.

It has proven to be a successful arm of the RLS corporate structure, and has assisted owners to drive business performance and overall strategy.

RLS executive director Jeff McDonald said the growth of Agribusiness was partially due to banks no longer having the staff, particularly in regional SA, to help specific customer needs, "especially in agriculture".

"We have very strong relationships with the banks and, effectively, we are becoming more important to them to deliver the service, but to also manage the risk," Jeff said.

"We've done a lot of work, especially in drought, for irrigators and farmers unpaid just to support and get in behind them. The fact is, they're there for us in the good times and we need to be there for them in the tough times.

"We've proven that over 20 years, and that's why we have such a loyal client base. Basically, we're both the bank manager, and the supporter."

RLS managing director Mark Fielke said the Agribusiness brand and its reputation in agriculture finance had grown widely due to word-of-mouth.

"We've been servicing a number of clients on the west coast, Mid North, Upper North and South East from our location here in the Riverland for a long time," he said.

An integral part of RLS Agribusiness is

succession planning and helping family farming businesses work through how that succession planning can work.

"We assist in facilitating the family meetings and help them go in the direction they want to go in," Mark said.

"In family farming businesses, we also assist in setting up a board structure for them. Quite often we either sit on that board or we chair those boards as part of the service.

"It's an exciting part of our business and it continues to grow."

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RLS executive director Jeff McDonald out visiting Bruce McLean from Fenmore Farming, Bool Lagoon in south-east South Australia.

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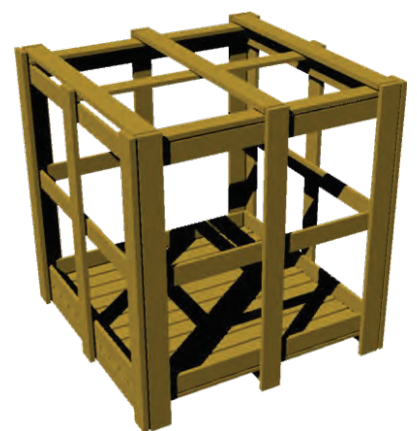
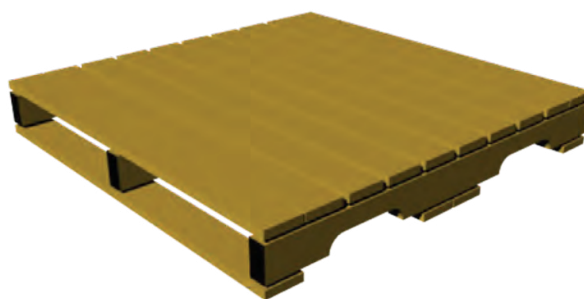
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