

**SHORT STAFFED:** Birthing services on hold at Waikerie Hospital...

# BABY BLUES

A SEVERE lack of health professionals in Waikerie has led to birthing services being put on hold for over six weeks, meaning locals – including five pregnant women – will have to travel at least an hour for the care they need.



Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network CEO Wayne Champion said the network is currently providing assistance to five local women with planned births to arrange alternative locations.

"Our number one priority in the provision of birthing services is always the health, safety and wellbeing of both mother and baby," he said. "Birthing services at Waikerie Health Service require a GP obstetrician, a GP anaesthetist, as well a 24/7 roster of midwives and operating theatre staff to provide safe delivery and care in the event of an emergency.

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# Third fruit fly outbreak declared

**HUGH SCHUITEMAKER** 

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### Historic hotel to become a 'showcase' of local food and drinks...



New part owner of the Overland Corner Hotel Nicole Flowers (middle) with children Indi, 11, and Jax, 6, of Overland Corner. The new owners are looking to breathe new life into the iconic hotel. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

# Historic hotel's fresh start

**HUGH SCHUITEMAKER** 

MAINTAINING the history of a 160-yearold Riverland hotel is the goal of three local couples beginning a new business venture.

Prominent Riverland business owners Tom and Sarah Freeman, along with Nikki and Fred Monaco and long-time visitors to the region Brad and Nicole Flowers, earlier this month purchased the Overland Corner Hotel, near Barmera.

Mr Freeman - who operates the Wilkadene Woolshed Brewery - said each couple brought unique skills to the business.

"It's something we've looked at for many years now (but) we didn't have the time to commit to it on our own," Mr Freeman said.

'With the other business partners coming into it – having Fred and Nikki taking care of the food and Brad and Nicole living on-site to be the publicans – that's what has made it

'Coming into this busy time of year we

the lease came up we had to change plans pretty quickly.

"Everyone's got a different set of skills that we think are going to work together to make a good business."

Built in 1859, the Overland Corner Hotel was the first property purchased by South Australia's National Trust in 1965.

Mr Freeman said preserving the location's history would remain a priority of their busi-

"It's definitely going to run as its own entity, it has its own story and it will continue to run that way," he said.

"The things we've seen work – the relaxed areas, the local produce and local history we'll try and make the atmosphere feel the

"The building itself is gorgeous and has 160 years of history... (and) the gardens around there are a lovely, peaceful setting to relax."

also operates European Cuisine and Berri's River Jacks Café – said the hotel would highlight a changing variety of local drinks and food.

"I've been interested in the hotel for over 10 years, but I just wasn't able to do it on my own," Mrs Monaco said.

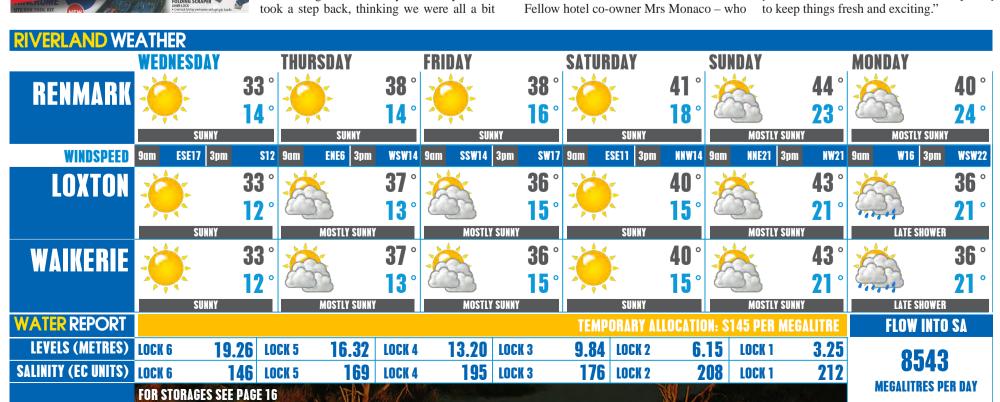
"We're going to showcase local drinks and produce. Hopefully once people hear about it, (this) will be another great venue for the Riverland.

"We're going to combine our ideas and imagination. We'll be changing our ideas regularly to keep people excited about what is happening."

Mr Freeman said the hotel was expected to reopen in February, after closing to patrons last week for renovations.

"Hopefully mid-next month we'll be able to open the doors," Mr Freeman said.

"It will be a work in progress for many years to come... we'll continue to chip away



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Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development David Basham said a team of more than 70 staff was baiting and testing for fruit fly at local properties.

"We are throwing everything we can at the Riverland fruit fly outbreaks as we recognise the importance of eradicating this pest as fast as possible," Mr Basham said.

'No stone is being left unturned to protect our \$1.3 billion fruit fly vulnerable horticulture industry.

"Officers are already on the ground in the new outbreak area in Renmark West, applying organic bait and removing fruit from affect-

it spreading...

ed properties."

Local fruit growers met with PIRSA representatives at Mirage Citrus in Renmark last Friday to discuss the outbreak.

CitrusSA chair Mark Doecke said the latest outbreak illustrated the importance of all Riverlanders removing potential host material from backyards and orchards.

"The trapping grid is going right across the Riverland," Mr Doecke said

"Everyone in the Riverland, residents and growers, everyone and anyone, needs to be vigilant to prevent it spreading further."

It is understood the new outbreak will have no impact on the rest of the Riverland's fruit-fly free-status.

The State Government declared an initial outbreak of fruit fly in Renmark West on December 23, before another outbreak was declared in Monash on December

Mr Basham said the State Government would assist Riverland growers to ensure fruit

Local fruit growers met with PIRSA representatives to discuss the latest fruit fly outbreak declared in Renmark West. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

could still be transported to mar-

"Residents and businesses within the outbreak areas will be receiving information... about the outbreak and associated quarantine restrictions, detailing what part they can play in preventing the spread of these pests," he said.

"These outbreaks are impacting the stone fruit and citrus industries right now and we are working with growers to (make sure) they have treatment options available so fruit can still reach market where pos-

"Since the initial outbreak at Renmark West, the Liberal Government has been liaising closely with the Riverland horticulture industry particularly in regard to the movement of produce and quarantine restrictions,

Quarantine areas will remain

around the Monash outbreak zone until at least March 22, while the Renmark West quarantine areas will now remain until at least April

Further information regarding fruit fly outbreaks in the Riverland can be found by visiting the PIRSA website (www.pir.sa.gov.au/ fruitfly) or by phone on 1800 255 556.

# First 100 overseas workers not enough, says citrus chair

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RIVERLAND fruit growers are "running out of time" to fill seasonal worker shortages ahead of this year's harvests, according to a senior local industry

The Advertiser reported one hundred seasonal workers are set to be flown into South Australia from Vanuatu this week to help fill a labour shortage caused by COVID-19 travel restrictions - among the horticultural industry.

However, CitrusSA chair Mark Doecke said approximately 2000 overseas workers would be required to support Riverland citrus growers through the upcom-

ing harvest.
"I hope the Vanuatu workers are the start of the whole program," Mr Doecke said.

"We'll need a lot more workers as we head to the height of the season. Worker numbers don't necessarily affect citrus at this

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time of year, but at least it's

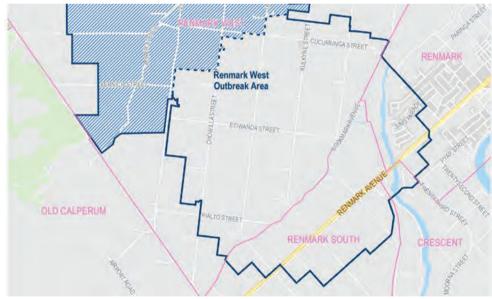
- Mark Doecke

CitrusSA chair

"We'll need a couple of thousand people in the Riverland during the win-

Mr Doecke said government funding programs had attracted few locals or interstate travellers to harvest

"The government has offered very good incentives for people to move to the regions, but not many have taken it up," he said.



A map of the area included in the new 1.5km quarantine zone set up around the latest

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# **Restrictions force** festival reschedule

**JOSH BRINE** 

A MUSIC festival expected to draw up to 1000 people to Lake Bonney has been postponed until March due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The Acoustic Vibes Festival was scheduled to take place this Saturday, January 23 at Sedunary Park in Barmera, featuring acts including Diesel, Thirsty Merc and Reece Mastin.

However, event organisers were forced to reschedule the event following changes to travel restrictions for South Australian visitors from the Greater Sydney region.

Festival promoter David Storer, who has also rescheduled an event in Mt Barker, said scheduling music events around COVID-19 restrictions had been "very frustrat-

"It was very disappointing to have to reschedule, especially because South Australia is good to go as far as concerts are concerned... but we can't get acts like Thirsty Merc and Diesel in from Sydney," he said.

"It's strange because Bernard Fanning was allowed to come across last weekend and they made an exception for that.

"Tennis players are coming in... and they've made an exception for

"We don't want to whinge about it, but it's tough trying to work out which acts will be able

"We've had to reschedule dates, and everyone is a bit gun shy because we don't want to have to keep doing it.

'We could move them to the second half of the year, but we would much rather do them before winter and give people something

"Some of the acts are from Brisbane, some are from Melbourne and some are from Sydney, so all the stars have to align before we go ahead.'

The festival will now be held on Sunday, March 7.

"We're hoping people will be able to attend on the Sunday of the March long weekend," Mr Storer

"We're hoping visitors will come along, because it is all about bringing new people in and giving locals a good day to enjoy.

"Our events are not crowded or congested, and they never were we haven't changed our style of event because of COVID."

Mr Storer said he hoped attendance would be high, despite the rescheduling.

"Lake Bonney is a great venue and we have all the right ingredients for a great event... we just need people to get on board and come along, which they were and still are," he said.

"This is just a hiccup along the

Refunds are available for those



The Barmera Acoustic Vibes Festival, first held in Mildura in 2019 (pictured), has been rescheduled for March due to ongoing South Australian travel restrictions. PHOTO: supplied

who had already purchased tickets.

"Everyone who originally bought tickets will be sent a new ticket automatically, but if they can't make that date they can request a refund," Mr Storer said.

We don't want to whinge about it, but it's tough trying to work out which acts will be able to come...

- Acoustic Vibes Festival organiser David Storer

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**JOSH BRINE** 

A LOCAL council and community group are taking steps to protect a gum tree that holds special significance to a Riverland town.

Berri Barmera Council's Environment Sustainability committee voted late last year to recommend works to maintain the health of the Monash Lone Gum Tree, with the council's elected members accepting the recommendations during their November monthly meeting.

The Lone Gum and Monash Community Association is also planning to "raise the profile" of the tree as part of Monash's centenary projects.

Association member Lloyd Wright said the tree was "closely associated with the history of Monash and its development".

"The lone gum has always been an icon of Monash," he said.

"The surveying teams camped underneath the tree during the period of about

1918 to 1920 as Lone Gum and Monash were being devel-

"The lone gum is also the symbol the primary school uses and Lone Gum was also its own area on the south side of the highway until the name Monash became used for the whole area.

"The reason why the tree is an oddity in the first place is because it is a river red gum tree that isn't near the river, so God knows why it is growing there to start with, but thankfully it is still alive."

The tree is located on crown land, landlocked by a privately owned vineyard.

"Periodically it raises concern about whether the tree is being looked after or not," Mr Wright said.

"As part of the 2021 centenary celebrations, a few of us have had contact with Sandy Singh – the current block owner – and he has come on board to help raise the profile of the tree and make sure it's being looked after.

"The intention is for the

delineation of the crown land boundary to be re-established by surveyors and fenced somewhat.

"It's great that the current 'owner' of the tree is proud of the sacred status of the tree."

Mr Singh said he was "happy for people to come and see the lone gum".

"When I bought the property, the tree was obviously already here, but I have continued to look after it for the 20 years I've been here because of its history," he said.

"I'm happy because it's a pretty famous local landmark to have on my property."

The site is listed as being of regional level of significance by the National Trust.

Works at the site, including surveying, fencing and marketing, are expected to cost just under \$10,000 and will come from the council's Environment and Sustainability strategy budget.

The committee recommended the project be carried out within the 2020/21 financial year.



Lone Gum and Monash Community **Association** member Lloyd Wright and Monash vineyard owner Sandy Singh in front of the Monash Ione gum РНОТО: Josh Brine

### Birthing services on hold at Waikerie hospital due to severe staffing shortage

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"Due to a unplanned shortage of nursing and midwifery staff, we are providing assistance to five local women with planned births to arrange an alternative location to birth, and are working closely with MEDSTAR, SA Ambulance Service (SAAS), Women's and Children's Hospital, Riverland General Hospital and Loxton Hospital to ensure all women have access to safe birthing services.

"Shared care antenatal and postnatal community services will continue to be available at Waikerie Health Service during this time, and we will continue to work hard to fill the roster required to provide safe birthing services for the

Last month the Murray Pioneer reported on the lack of senior

doctors in Waikerie, with Dr Ken Wanguhu describing the situation as a "crisis".

"Over the last two years, the Waikerie Medical Centre (WMC) has lost three full-time senior doctors, one part-time doctor, and one who is on long-term leave," he said.

"We aim to see four to six patients an hour, so that equates to easily over 100 appointments lost every day.

"The doctors at the WMC also cover the Waikerie Hospital; between the three of us, we each are on call for the hospital twice a week and one weekend every two to three weeks. When we are on call for the hospital, we can't book patients, which means we are down another 20 to 30 appointments each

day.
"On top of that, we have not

been able to hold onto any trainee registrars. Lately, many of them have become overwhelmed by the amount of work needed here, or they prefer being close to the city and suburbs.

"We are in a really desperate situation. The WMC has not been able to hold onto any registrars since Dr Mibus stayed, and as we keep losing senior staff, it's really become a crisis situation."

Member for Chaffey Tim Whetstone told ABC yesterday that staffing numbers at the Waikerie Health Service had been an "ongoing issue".

'The thing that we're facing at the moment is numbers - skilled staff numbers at our hospitals – and Waikerie has been exposed with one person not turning up for work, which means that they cannot provide an adequate health system there at their birthing unit," he said.

"Sadly, it has been an ongoing issue, not just in midwifery and birthing units, but Waikerie Hospital has always struggled to maintain staffing levels.

"As I think Wayne Champion said, Waikerie Hospital has been using some agency staff, local permanent staff, casual staff, and then all of a sudden one of those staff is called away (due to) unforeseen circumstances, and it really does put a hole in providing a high level of healthcare.

There are a couple of issues that I will be raising with Health Minister Stephen Wade when he is here next week, to see if there aren't better incentives or ways that we can attract young people into health care and provide localised workforce into the health system.

"Every Riverlander deserves to

have an adequate health system at their back door." The temporary suspension is

anticipated to end around March Meanwhile, the State

Opposition yesterday slammed the call from SA Health to remove the service from Waikerie.

"(Premier) Steven Marshall must urgently address this staffing shortage to ensure women in the Riverland aren't forced to drive almost an hour – or possibly more - while in labour," said Clare Scriven, Opposition spokesperson for regional development.

"To cite a staffing shortage as the reason for this closure is just not good enough. Steven Marshall must immediately intervene and place more nurses and midwives back into regional South Australia, ensuring this never happens again.'



# OPINION



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#### **EDITORIAL**

### **Lyrup footy** club's plight not unexpected

THE challenge facing the Lyrup Football Club is being mirrored across the nation.

The club is struggling to muster enough players to field a side in the 2021 RFL Independent competition and without a sudden and unexpected surge in support, the immediate future looks bleak.

Dwindling numbers have forced many football clubs to fold before, including recently in the Independent competition.

However, the extraordinary circumstances of 2020 – when COVID-19 prompted the cancellation of many football and other sporting competitions – make the short-term future impossible to predict.

Sport had no roadmap to follow over the past 12 months.

The last time the local football competition was abandoned was way back in 1956, during the flood.

In 2020, many Riverland footballers and potential footballers simply had a season off, but importantly a number also played elsewhere.

It is too soon to say definitively, but that additional player 'leakage', beyond what is normally expected season-by-season, could be crucial.

Will all those players return from the other

Also, will all players who enjoyed their season off – free from the cold training nights, plus the post-match bumps and bruises – feel compelled to return to the oval in 2021?

Many football leagues, particularly country football leagues, were already facing a battle to retain players, both at junior and senior level, prior to COVID-19 hitting.

The challenges of certain Riverland clubs in assembling enough players to field teams in all grades have been well documented in the Murray Pioneer's pages in recent years.

Lyrup has been among them.

Broad talk across Riverland football circles, particularly among those associated with A grade clubs (Renmark, Berri, Barmera-Monash, Loxton, Loxton North and Waikerie) often centres on the future of the Independent competition, and whether the two competitions should become one.

'Merger' is not the preference, rather the cessation of the Independent competition altogether.

This would certainly bolster numbers at the A grade clubs, but nobody knows to what

What we can be sure of, however, is that less people overall would be playing football in the Riverland.

The trade-off would be stronger A grade clubs, more likely to be sustainable – and hopefully nurture juniors – longer into the future.

Football administrators are aware of the problem and are doing what they can to boost junior numbers, hoping that will flow through to senior level.

That is a sensible, but long-haul plan. As for the short term, who knows?

Hopefully all clubs, including Lyrup, can field all their nominated teams for 2021, but it would be a brave person who expects the football landscape to remain unchanged for the coming year or three.

#### THE YEARS GO BY



GOLIATH fruit pitting machine: This rare machine is housed at the Loxton Historical Village, having been donated in 1997 by Ian and June Smallacombe, formerly of Renmark. Located in a dusty corner at the Village, the Goliath has been awaiting attention for nearly 25 years. Made in America (we think) in the mid-1940s, the machine automatically drops fruit into the up-turned cups aligned for a plunger to press the stone from the fruit. The machine was purchased by the Smallacombes, then at Blewitt Springs, in 1994-95 intending to use it to 'pit' fresh prune fruit like D'Argen and other varieties. The Smallacombes supplied dried fruit to Sunbeam Dried Fruits, Irymple, Victoria. The machine pits or destones soft fruit like apricots and prunes. Prior to the automation of this process with modern-day apricot cutting machines, stone fruit was cut open by hand. Each fruit half was then placed cut-side-up on drying trays which - after being filled with the fruit arrayed in neat rows - were laid in the open air to solar dry the fruit. The Goliath became redundant when the dried fruit industry collapsed in the mid-1990s. The Village is seeking any information relating to this innovative and intricate machine. PHOTO: Paul Kaesler

#### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

#### **Questions about COVID-19**

WHY is it that one can't refer to the COVID-19 virus as the "China virus" or the "Wuhan virus", but it is okay to refer to the "UK strain" or the "African

Why is it that the mainstream media continually refers to the number of people affected by the virus in the UK and the US and some parts of Europe, but there is no mention of the numbers infected in China?

How come the Chinese Government gets away with not allowing the World Health Organisation inspectors into Wuhan – and without any condemnation from the media?

About 12 months ago China stopped all internal flights out of Wuhan, but continued international flights for months, thus deliberately infecting the whole world, a new way of chemical warfare.

China wrecked the economy of every nation, without firing one gun.

JOE VIKOR Waikerie

#### **Medical bus** shemozzle

COUNCILS of the Riverland, please take charge of the medical bus and put an end to this shemozzle by the Red Cross.

I was left off the bus on one occasion, even though I had notified them as early as I could.

I was lucky I was able to travel on the Stateliner.

The woman who made the error was good enough to arrange for a Red Cross car and driver to convey me to my afternoon appointment.

How would anyone else fare? That was from the bus terminal in Adelaide.

Recently a lady told me she had trouble even contacting someone to arrange transport. Apparently there's no office. they're now using homes. I believe that saves rent, but does the right hand know what the left hand is doing, even if a patient makes contact?

Some patients are very ill,

without the added stress of 'will I even get on the bus?'

I understand people have even been ringing the Loxton op shop to book transport because they're unable to contact the medical bus number. Not good enough.

Prior to Christmas I tried to arrange transport. No go. I left a message but got no reply.

Finally, around January 7-8 I received an answer. Might I add that I tried on a few occasions to say I was cancelling anyway.

Plus, when I finally received an answer, I was told I had not been assessed since 2017. How come?

A short time prior to Christmas I was 'interviewed' by phone and given a great, long reference number. When I asked if I'd receive a card or something, because how was I to remember the number, I was told it was in the system. That was it.

Please bring back Kelly, who knew what she and everyone else was doing.

**LOU HUNT** 

#### **Over-emphasis on** tourism in BBC

I WRITE in regards to the Murray Pioneer article headed 'No-so minor irrigation' (13/1/21) about irrigation systems being replaced at Berri and Barmera ovals.

This issue was raised during my time on council, why has it taken so long to be fixed?

The system used was poor quality and not suited to grey water dispersal. It was a poor or misguided choice made based on lack of information.

At council it was discussed that grey water is the most corrosive and damaging fluid to infrastructure you can use. Allow it to stand in the lines and the super-fine micro particles will settle, and in turn bond to cause repeated blockages.

Also in the same edition, I refer to Trevor Chapple's letter stating that Berri Barmera Council should accept and listen to criticism.

Well, after four years of trying to get the members to understand they had lost touch with the residents they represent, I gave up. It was much easier for them,

and the mayor especially, to hide behind the statement that no one was talking to them, so obviously they were happy.

No. They are too frightened, as I believe council would discredit or stand over anyone speaking up.

I understand one writer was mercilessly tracked and an attempt was made to insinuate this person didn't exist, even though he had approached me at a local store and – after a discussion – I took pictures of him getting in his car.

When I showed them to the mayor and some councillors, two said they recognised him as did the mayor, but they still refused to accept he exists.

This council has made a habit of not listening to sound advice or criticisms. I was not the only councillor to listen to and see the frustrations of the site manager in charge of the Riverview Drive debacle at its opening.

He also tried to get changes made but he was to follow the plan "millimetre specific". Now we pay for the council being uninformed and not listening.

The bowling greens at Allan Glassey Park are another case of ignoring the obvious advice. Within 12 months of the fake green being laid it had to be lifted and revelled.

At a meeting I stated there had to be some sort of warranty to cover the thousands of dollars it was going to cost, only to be told it would be a court case and the advice given was just fix it and move on, as it would cost more take the matter to court.

When I looked into this, I found in product disclosure of the company doing the work, that this system is not suited to the clay flats along the river. It was there in black and white for everyone to see before the project was started.

As a councillor I did weeks of work getting costings and information, which I gave to the mayor and CEO for other projects that had been passed, but now seem to have gone nowhere.

These, of course, were not tourism projects. They were for the residents.

Projects such as the community garden area on the two decommissioned basketball courts opposite the Barmera RSL, or the CCTV system which would have covered the area of Barwell Avenue and had a moveable solar system for trouble areas such as Nappers Bridge.

Again this project seems to have just gone by the wayside.

And the 'containerised' trees for hot dry areas?

It is a solution good enough for North Terrace in Adelaide, but not for this council, as it has again gone nowhere.

I see via the Murray Pioneer and social media these are still problem areas, but council still won't listen.

If they were to do as expected and look after the residents that live here and have to pay for everything first, then worry about tourists, it might be a bit different.

But they are so convinced that the only answer for this area is tourism. How is that working out for them with the border lockdowns?

STEPHEN LYNCH Ex-Berri Barmera councillor Loveday

#### How to pay down a council's debt

WE all love to argue over

The game Monopoly is proof

This gift-wrapped present is sure to reduce any group to a fractious frazzle, so let us play a more pleasant version.

Let us imagine we are putting to rights the debt of Mid Murray Council, which is some 20 or 30 million dollars down.

Okay, so what tools do we have in this game?

Well firstly we can apply to have any and all loan interests reduced.

The Reserve Bank interest rates are as low as they want to go, so obviously anyone who has a loan will ring their bank and

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of dollars, for a phone call. We have that tool.

Next is the tried and true raising of council rates. And raise any and all fees attendant to the MMC's control.

Usually this price increase annoys ratepayers, especially if it is above any wage increase that people may, or may not have, received in the past few years.

Thirdly we have the sack into which jobs disappear.

Here in Morgan three positions have gone into this sack. Could two more be on the way?

Disappearing positions are a mixed blessing.

You get rid of the burden of paying a wage, but the town loses an income from a resident.

So for, say, five positions in Morgan gone, you can probably factor in a loss of \$200,000 from the income of the residents of Morgan

This obviously impacts on businesses, and may even lead to affected families leaving, known as a compounding effect.

Another tool is the 'for sale'

In Morgan that would mean selling the sporting complex and the Morgan Institute.

I can see some benefit from that, if someone is willing to pay a few hundred thousand dollars for each of them, then they will do something with them.

They become invested in the

The new owners also start paying council rates on the properties, which doesn't happen when the Mid Murray Council owns them.

As another tool we could refocus our focus.

Increasing ratepayers would spread the load of loan repay-

Do tourists do that? No. In fact tourists may even hurt towns.

Say someone buys a shack in your town but only comes up every six months. That is a worse outcome for the town than someone who lives in your town.

So maybe shift from any tourism activities.

Let's face it, the tourism experts are the businesses who thrive on tourism.

They know what to do, let the council focus on ratepayers and increase their number.

That means reworking building approvals and reimagining development ideas.

Finally, for Morgan anyhow, asking a doctor to get the Federal Government handout of \$20,000

### You've gotta be joking!

Cartoon comment by Tony Hersey



the local medical centre, and a cheap house rent, and twisting their arm until they relent and start a medical practice here.

Obviously there are other tools, that's what is good about this game, we make the rules up.

Sort of like some people do in Monopoly, hopefully we get the same results and people start popping up houses and hotels all over the board.

JACOB GAMERTSFELDER Morgan

#### **Never prouder** to be an Aussie

EVERY year on January 26 Australians around the nation and those living around the world reflect on what it means to be Australian.

For me Australia Day is a reminder of the tremendous freedoms we enjoy and of how lucky we are to live in the greatest country in the world.

After a year that has challenged us more than any year since the Second World War, I have never been more proud of being Australian.

We are making our own Australian way through this crisis. A way guided by our enduring principles and values.

Together, we have done so better than almost any other a year, the peppercorn rental for country in the world and we have many reasons to be optimistic about our future.

On Australia Day we celebrate all the things we love about Australia: our sense of fair go, our diversity and lifestyle, our cohesive society, our democracy and the freedoms we enjoy, our resilience and generosity in the face of adversity and our unwavering community spirit that has always been a part of our national character.

To all Australians on January 26, be proud, be thankful and enjoy a great Australia Day.

TONÝ PASIN Federal Member for Barker

#### Take time to listen to the birds

CHAFFEY Rose Club patron Chip Mawby's delightful and eloquently captured article on the history of the media rose with its delightful fragrance and abundance of blooms was enjoyable to read (Murray Pioneer, 13/1/20).

Even more so when considering the depressing year we have had thanks to coronavirus and the doom and gloom stories encapsulated by the mainstream media.

I am about to pilfer a little of your thunder, Chip, by adding another gift of nature.

Until last week I had not

recognised it, until my better half, who is far more attuned to nature than myself, set the record straight. It was the noticeable shrill of birds in the morning, known as the 'dawn chorus'.

When I first encountered it, I assumed it was birds waking up with the sun and just chirruping away, without realizing it is as a synchronized warbling where each species of bird makes its shrill at differing times.

The clearly audible sound is unambiguously majestic. It lasts for a few minutes at the most and is made by the male species marking their territory for the day and/or protecting their

After 10 minutes at the most it is finished and the mundane sounds of each day returns.

We ride bikes parallel with the Renmark river bank, which possibly provides an array of differing species of birds.

During the winter time, if you're not an early riser, may be a more appropriate and opportune time to awaken and hear this fascinating sound, when compared to today's 5.30am dawn chorus.

It is well worth making the effort if you haven't experienced this discernibly audible gift from nature.

IAN KENT

#### **ONLINE**

### Looking back...

10 years ago January 18, 2011



#### Shut down (for now)





SHUT DOWN (FOR NOW): The financially struggling Renmark Sporting Club closed its doors on Friday night - however it will reopen in the near future. Around 100 club members and supporters attended a meeting last Thursday night when it was decided to close the club temporarily and devise a new management strategy.

**20 years ago** January 19, 2001

### The Murray Pioneer

BIG DAY OUT GIVEAWAY win 15 top band CDs



### A step closer



A STEP CLOSER: More than 300 people turned out to greet marathon swimmer Tammy van Wisse when she arrived in Renmark on Wednesday afternoon. Van Wisse was welcomed in Renmark by a flotilla of speedboats, local rowing club members and houseboats as she swum into town, arriving in front of the Renmark Hotel to an enthusiastic reception.

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It's always a good challenge to do the Quarantine Quiz in the Murray Pioneer, but the best challenge last week was to find the answers. We love doing it, so please keep it going and make the answers findable.

#### **HELEN** Renmark

Where were the answers to last week's Quarantine Quiz?

SUZ Renmark Ed: Thanks for your texts, Helen

and Suz. We left the answers out by mistake last week. Apologies. So, last week's answers and this week's answers are both on page 38 of today's Pioneer.

Nancy Pelosi should go to Salem, Massachusetts. They could have a witch hunt times two.

#### Waikerie

So, according to the logic from one texter last week, Joe Vikor's opinion about Loxton Waikerie

council doesn't count because he ran unsuccessfully for the council? Doesn't sound very logical? Are all people who didn't get elected not allowed to have an opinion?

Coleen (Text Line, 13/1/20), may

#### **ALEX** Adelaide

I suggest that you get your facts correct before you put pen to paper. I do. JOE VIKOR

#### Waikerie

Great coverage and photos of Pete

Morelli's memorial procession (Murray Pioneer, 13/1/20). What a lovely tribute to him and the positive impact he had on so many people.

**TEXT LINE** 

#### CM Barmera

Last week's editorial ('Lockdowns about self, not safety', Pioneer, 13/1/21) makes me wonder if the person who wrote it is an antivaxxer?

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# Security upgrades needed at council Westpac building

A RIVERLAND council will spend a portion of funds recently received from a bank to upgrade the security of a prominent riverfront building.

Renmark Paringa councillors passed a motion at last month's general meeting to release \$15,000 of the \$80,000 paid by Westpac to support renovations at the previous Westpac building located at 180 Murray Avenue, Renmark.

A Renmark Paringa Council spokesperson said minor works were needed on the building's security and alarm systems, exterior security lighting and locks.

"While the process to finalise the end-oflease documentation is continuing, a small amount of funding is required to be released to support a range of works that needs to occur to support the security of the property in the immediate future and the next phase of the expression of interest process," the



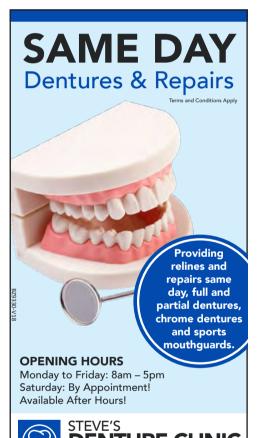
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spokesperson said.

Renmark Paringa Council initially accepted the \$80,000 payment from Westpac in November, after its lease on the premises was terminated in June.



Renmark Paringa Council is set to spend \$15,000 from funds paid by Westpac Bank to perform security renovations at the former Westpac building on Murray Avenue.



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upgrade to the Renmark footvall oval's lighting is aimed at attracting AFL and SANFL matches to the Riverland. РНОТО: Peta-Marie Philippou

A planned

# **Project lit for Renmark Oval upgrade**

#### **BRENDAN LINES**

RENMARK Football Club president Mark Trowse predicts AFL and SANFL matches could take place locally from 2022, after the announcement of a \$555,000 upgrade to Renmark Oval's lighting.

The joint project between the Renmark Rovers Football Club and the Renmark North Cricket Club will be funded through Federal Government, AFL and South Australian Cricket Association (SACA)

Final approval from the Renmark Paringa Council came last month, rewarding both clubs' efforts behind the scenes.

Work is to be completed in late 2021, but

while the project is still in its infancy, discussion to attract league football has begun.

"We'd have to be talking about 2022 and we'll start exploring avenues." Mr Trowse said.

"I previously had formal talks with the CEO at West Adelaide about footy up here, and this was before the lights came into calculation and they were keen then," he said.

"It's just great for the Riverland. The Loxton boys have got their lights upgraded which I think is fantastic as well, so it's not about Renmark it's about the Riverland in general.

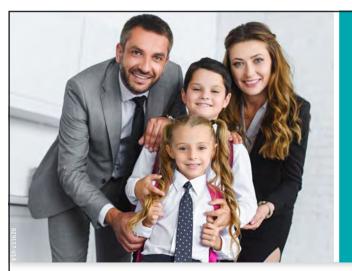
"I would like to acknowledge Ben Files from the cricket club, John Persinos our previous president and Tim Tol from the council and thank them for their efforts."

The lighting upgrade level for Renmark Oval will be Class III – Community Cricket in line with Cricket Australia's Community Cricket Facility Guidelines.

This will enable community cricket to be played under lights and is in line with similar projects that have occurred in Tanunda and Whyalla recently as well as the oval lighting project planned for Loxton.

SACA's infrastructure strategy has identified oval lighting as a high priority for cricket venues in the Riverland to enable cricket to be played under lights out of the heat of

The AFL has declined to comment on the



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# \$200k tourism boost for local businesses

#### **JOSH BRINE**

TWO Riverland businesses have received significant stimulus grants from the State Government to help develop the region's tourism offering.

Murtho-based ecotourism operator Murray River Trails and Berri-based birdwatching business Bellbird Tours are two of 12 businesses across the state to receive funding through the South Australian Tourism Commission's Tourism Industry Development Fund (TIDF).

Nearly \$180,000 was granted to Murray River Trails to build a new \$630,000 luxury houseboat for small group tours.

Bellbird Tours received more than \$25,000 for a \$91,500 upgrade for its visitor facilities and a new tour vehicle.

Murray River Trails owner Tony Sharley said stimulus funding provided the "perfect opportunity" for local operators to improve the standard of their offerings.

"Increasing standards is something that will go hand-in-glove with people having the confidence to travel," he said.

"I think it's fantastic that this money is being spent in the regions."

Mr Sharley said the project would positively impact the Riverland visitor economy.

"Our modelling of the flow-on effects show an increase in the number of jobs in our business and regionally," he said.

"As our tours grow in demand because of the new offering, our model shows in the 2024/25 financial year it would have increased employment locally by 43 jobs.

"All of those are vital in providing the sort of experiences we provide.

"The modelling also shows an increase in spending in the region. From this development alone, we expect a growth of \$2 mil-

"We're really delighted that the Tourism Commission have the confidence to invest in



**Murray River** Trails owner **Tony Sharley** was one of two local business owners to receive funding through the State Government's **Tourism** Industry Development Fund. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

a project like this."

Member for Chaffey Tim Whetstone said he was pleased to see two Riverland tourism businesses receive funding through the

"Tourism expenditure contributes upwards of \$180 million to the Riverland economy and for the industry to continue to grow our region needs to develop new and innovative tourism products to meet growing market demand," he said.

"Both Bellbird Tours and Murray River Trails are unique tourism attractions for our region, bringing in visitors and keeping our suppliers, shops and cafes busy - and that means jobs.

"This is a welcome cash injection into our region's tourism industry, especially as it continues to recover from the effects of COVID-19.

"The fund is a vital opportunity for regional tourism providers to recoup some of their losses and, while the fund is still open, I'm encouraging those businesses to get their submissions in as soon as possible."

Premier Steven Marshall said the funding would help bolster the state's tourism industry as it continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and last summer's bushfires.

"South Australia's regional tourism operators have received a multi-million dollar boost to help them extend and improve their offerings, creating jobs and boosting the local economy," he said.

"This will not only help them attract more visitors to their businesses, but to their region as well."

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# Night sky champion Chris to be Citizen of the Year

A PASSIONATE environmental activist instrumental in securing Australia's first official Dark Sky Reserve was named the Mid Murray Council's Citizen of the Year during a special event last week.

The MMC announced its Australia Day Award winners last Wednesday, January 13, and will formally present the winners at its Breakfast in the Park event next Tuesday, on Australia Day.

MMC Citizen of the Year Chris Tugwell was heavily involved in helping the region secure Australia's first internationally recognised Dark Sky Reserve – a project that spanned four years and has since put the region on the map for astronomers and stargazers across the world.

The Mid Murray Landcare committee chairman said he was "inspired" by his environmental work to seek endorsement from the International Dark Sky Association for the 3200-square km area, now called the River Murray International Dark Sky Reserve (RMIDSR).

The reserve – one of only 19 in the world – is also the most accessible, and opened a wealth of tourism and economic growth for the region.

Mr Tugwell recruited partners including the MMC and the Astronomical Society of SA, formed a volunteer group, and helped conduct dark sky measurements to collect technical evidence to underpin the application to the IDA.

He further lobbied with the MMC to introduce protection measures to minimise light pollution around and in the reserve.

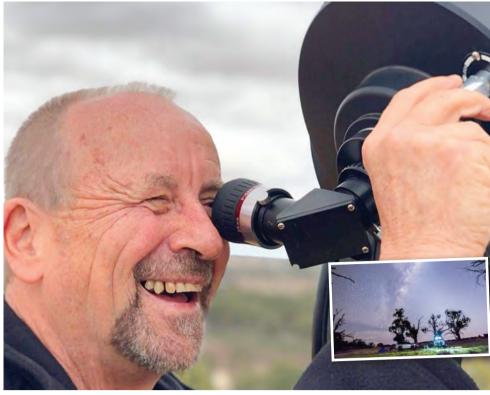
MMC Mayor Dave Burgess said the awards were an opportunity to thank all the people who "gave selflessly" of their time and skills in contributing to their community.

"These award winners are inspiring examples of community service and dedication to others," he said.

"Chris's work, along with his team of volunteers, to secure international accreditation for the RMIDSR is a significant achievement that will deliver environmental, economic and social benefits to our region for years to come.

"Already, we have seen local tourism operators embrace the opportunity to being more visitors to our region to discover our spectacular night skies, while economic investment in the form of new astronomy projects have also been secured for the region."

Meanwhile, MMC Young Citizen of the Year was awarded to 16-year-old Mannum resident Ella Deramore-Denver for the rescue of her friend and rowing partner, who suffered an epileptic seizure and capsized her boat during a rowing training session on the River Murray in October 2020.



Mid Murray Landcare committee chairman Chris Tugwell is the Mid Murray Council's Citizen of the Year. INSET: Mr Tugwell was instrumental in securing Australia's first Dark Sky Reserve, now located in the Mid Murray Council region. PHOTOS: supplied

Ella pulled her friend – still strapped into her overturned rowing boat – to shore and raised the alarm.

Mr Burgess said her "heroic" efforts were "truly commendable".

The MMC Community Event of the Year was awarded to the Mannum Hot Rod Day,

which raised over \$6000 for the Mannum Hospital Auxiliary.

The awards will be formally presented at the council's Australia Day celebration at Mary Ann Reserve, Mannum, beginning at 7am with a community breakfast and formalities from 9.15am.

#### No first-day school jitters

#### **ERIN WILLIAMS**

TINY tots all over the country are trying on uniforms and picking out oversized backpacks for their first day of school next week.

Jude and Makayla – both five – are heading along to Waikerie Lutheran Primary School (WLPS), where their older siblings have been attending school for two years.

When asked what her favourite part of school was, Makayla said she is looking forward to seeing her friends every day.

Makayla's mum, Rhiannon Slater, said watching her older brother going to school had made Makayla eager to also start attending.

"Every time she sees (WLPS principal) Mr Borgas, she asks, 'Mr Borgas, can I go to school yet?'," she said.

"Her best friend from kindy started school halfway through last year, but Makayla was still too young, so she's been missing her and can't wait to just get started."

Clambering over the playground like a pro, Jude said he was going to play on the slide "every day".

Jude's mum, Allison Wurst, said she was relieved he was more excited than nervous about going to school.

"He's super shy, but he knows some of the kids who will be in his class, so that helps a lot," she said.

"And his big brother will be there to help him as well – I hope. It's a big step, but he's excited for it."

Term one of school begins Wednesday, January 27, and will end, Friday, April 9.



Makayla and Jude, both five years old, are heading to school for the first time ever next Wednesday.

PHOTO: Erin Williams





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# **Projects galore for Berri Barmera Council**

#### **JOSH BRINE**

BERRI Barmera Council staff are preparing for what will be a busy 2021, as they work to complete a range of projects across the district.

After a year of delays and disruptions to works caused by COVID-19, council chief executive officer Karyn Burton said she was hoping staff could "go back to business as usual".

"There was a lot of work we had to do with governance as far as closing public spaces, looking after our staff and moving council meetings online, so there was quite a diversion," she said.

"Having said that, there has been lots of money available for councils as stimulus.

"That has limited the availability of local contractors though and has made it difficult to have projects finished within the timeframes set by the State and Federal Governments.'

Ms Burton said staff would focus on clearing the backlog of projects endorsed by council that have yet to be completed.

"We only have finite resources, so we need to concentrate on what our backlog has been," she

"Everyone has grand visions for the future, but we need to meticulously work out what our priorities are and concentrate on getting things done.

"We need to temper what we do, but still deliver the projects the community wants."

Council has endorsed several "big-ticket items" to be undertaken in 2021.

"We're going to try and put an application in for State Government funding to build new changerooms for sporting clubs in Barmera," Ms Burton said.

"We're continuing with our 'growth strategy' and the master planning for Alan Glassey Park.

"That project was kicked off just prior to Christmas and will pick up again in a couple of

"There will also be a revitalisation or refurbishment of Apex Park (in Berri), which will be funded by money that we received from the Federal Government and is about a \$300,000 project.

"(This) will include a pump track and other upgrades to make it more user-friendly."



Ms Burton said some projects funded through the Federal Government's Drought Communities Program were rolled over into 2021 after delays caused by COVID-19.

"For the Berri river-front swim steps we had issues getting a concreter for that project, so it will likely be completed in February or March," she said.

"There will also be upgrades to the maze at the Monash Adventure Park."

Council will also be looking at the next step for the delayed Berri river-front retrofit, with results from the latest round of public consultation expected to be tabled at this month's ordinary meeting.

"Once the retrofit is done, we

#### **Berri Barmera Council 2021 projects:**

- Berri and Barmera growth
- Alan Glassey Park master
- □ Colin Jennings Apex Park
- ☐ Berri river-front swim steps
- Monash Adventure Park maze upgrade ☐ Jury Road upgrade
- ☐ Berri Oval changeroom
- ☐ Berri river-front retrofit
- Berri and Barmera CBD
- revitalisation plans

☐ Lake Bonney Caring for Country management plan ■ Barmera sporting facility upgrades (pending funding) ☐ Coombe Street revitalisation (on hold, awaiting Glassey Park and growth strategies)

will look at consulting the public regarding the second stage of the redesign which is further along towards the caravan park," Ms Burton said.

"That will happen a bit later, but we want to have the first stage done and dusted before-

Other projects expected to

be completed in 2021 are the upgrades to Jury Road between Berri and Monash, and the Berri Oval grandstand changeroom project, which is currently out for tender.

Council will also continue with long-term projects such as the Lake Bonney Caring for Country Management Plan, and the CBD Revitalisation Plan for Berri and Barmera.

"We are going to try and implement a few of the projects from our CBD revitalisation plan, including the use of the Alfresco's Café building on Vaughan Terrace and a concept plan for the William and Denny Street section of the Berri CBD." Ms Burton said.

"That will include a fullblown consultation, with the local traders involved in that pro-

Waste management will also be a focus throughout the year, with the MRLGA waste management strategy for the region, due to be released in June. expected to identify savings for all three Riverland councils.



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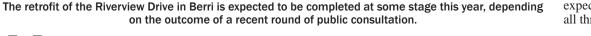
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- Berri Barmera Council CEO Karyn Burton

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# **Loxton Show sheds shining**

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

THE Loxton Agricultural Horticultural Society has completed its first stage of upgrades from the \$64,000 Federal Government grant it received last year.

The grant, which was part of a \$20 million government development grant program to renew and reinvigorate regional showgrounds, has gone towards upgrading and renovating three displays and storage sheds at the Loxton Recreation Complex, with the first shed complete and ready to be used.

Loxton Show pavilion co-ordinator Paul Kaesler said the sheds were "in need" of an upgrade.

"The sheds haven't been upgraded since the '70s and they've been destroyed," he said.



The upgrading of the other two sheds will begin next month.

"They've been used for animals, such as poultry, goats, alpacas and pigs, display facilities and storage.

"The first shed we've completed looks amazing and when they're all done, it'll look great.

'Bill Sharrad and the team at Riverland Sheds have done an incredible job so far and I know they'll continue to do so."

Loxton Show management committee member Barry Mangelsdorf said the committee was "thrilled" to receive the

"Upgrading the sheds is something we'd never be able to do if we weren't given this grant," he

"The actual sheds themselves don't belong to the show, they

belong to the council, but in saying that the upgrades are great for our own use and they'll make the grounds look nice.

"The precinct is new so with the sheds upgraded the whole area should look really good."

Mr Kaesler is excited for this year's show, particularly after the 2020 show - scheduled for October - was cancelled due to the impact of COVID-19.

The sheds will be ready before the show and it'll be great," Mr Kaesler said.

"Not only did the Loxton community miss out last year but so did the wider community and tourists.

"Hopefully this year it will go ahead as planned and we will be lucky enough to have newly renovated sheds, with cooling and ventilators.'



### **COVID** and real estate choices

PROFOUND lifestyle changes in Australia have previously manifested as either sea changes or tree changes, but the COVID-19 pandemic seems to have been the catalyst for another: a health

The sea change to a relaxed coastal town by the sea or a tree change move inland to a country town or a place by the mountains have now been usurped by an exodus from city life, triggered by safety concerns of living under the cloud of a worldwide rampant virus.

All are significant transformations in an endeavour to seek a better work-life balance and less complicated living. A move away from the hustle and bustle of city life to quieter, less-populated locations.

The past year of dealing with this crisis has forced several shifts in how we both live and work.

Lockdowns of workplaces perpetuated a shift to work-from-home for an estimated one in three wage earners or small businesses.

Uptake of technology is thought to have accelerated by 10 years in the past 12 months. Communication platforms like Zoom, MS teams and other applications are now commonplace.

People become more adept with them and more enamoured with the time saved by not leaving home.

No longer is there a need for a spiritsapping commute in gridlocked traffic - we have more time to smell the roses.

Coupled with home schooling, a new family dynamic has emerged of togetherness. However, it comes with a requirement for space to sometimes escape this togetherness while everyone is at home – and that's space not available in inner city apartments or town houses.

The quarter-acre block is back in vogue, albeit with a much different focus and challenges for the homeowner to better utilise the space while still maintaining the family castle or fortress.

One real estate expert has expressed a view that people are reflecting on their wellness and are making their homes take on a sense of health.

Rural land and house sales across the country are on the ascent and the Riverland has not been ignored.

Add to this the Federal Government's stimulus grant to build a new house, and a move to the country (or staying in the country) is fast becoming a popular option.

As Donald Trump leaves his home of the past four years, the White House, it is interesting to note that his base was also built on small-town America, even prior to the pandemic.

One can only wonder whether this renewed focus on living in rural Australia will bring with it a change to our political focus.

O 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.

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### **Arrest follows Loxton servo robbery**

AN Adelaide man has faced a Riverland magistrates court after attempting to steal from a local service station last week.

Police were called to a service station on Bookpurnong Terrace just after 12.30am on Friday, January 15, following reports a man had entered and verbally threatened staff before leaving with cigarettes and tobacco products.

A SAPOL spokesperson said a police search then located a man - allegedly in possession of a number of tobacco products – matching the suspect's description on

First Street, in Loxton.

The 40-year-old man, from Kent Town, was arrested and charged with aggravated robbery and (refusal) to state personal details.

"Thankfully staff members were not physically injured," the spokesperson said.

SOUTH Australians are again to provide written quotes being warned against accepting unsolicited offers for bitumen work following a recent sively seeking payment. report being investigated

"Itinerant tradies often go door to door, claiming to have some leftover bitumen from roadworks," said Commissioner for Consumer Affairs Dini Soulio.

by Consumer and Business

Services.

"They offer to work on a consumer's driveway for a reduced price.

"These people aren't licensed, and they take advantage of people, often failing

and then charging more than originally agreed and aggres-

New warning to beware the bitumen bandits

"Their price may be tempting, but the work is sub-standard and often needs fixing, leaving consumers significantly out of pocket.

"It is all part of a scam that can be costly and distressing to those who are unfortunate enough to be targeted and fall victim to it.'

Mr Soulio said the recent report involved an SA business, which agreed to pay \$3000 only to be told after the concreting work was done that the cost was \$12,000

He said consumers should be careful when dealing with any unsolicited offers for bitumen work, and never get work done without checking that someone is licensed to do the job.

"These so-called 'bitumen bandits' have previously targeted homes, small business and commercial sites," he said. "You should never accept an unsolicited offer to do bitumen work without shopping around."

If you have concerns about an approach from a tradesperson, contact CBS on 131 882.



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# Deadly mosquito viruses detected

RIVERLANDERS are being warned to avoid exposure to mosquitos, after two potentially deadly viruses were detected during routine monitoring.

The Department of Health and Wellbeing announced last Wednesday a sentinel chicken in a surveillance flock in Meningie had tested positive to both Murray Valley encephalitis virus (MVEv) and Kunjin virus.

Acting executive director of health protection and licensing services Dr Fay Jenkins urged Riverlanders to protect themselves against mosquito bites.

"We know there has been an increase in the number of mosquitoes present along the Murray River this season, however the detection of MVEv and Kunjin virus is an even stronger reminder for all South Australians to be vigilant in their fight against mosquito bites across the state," Dr Jenkins said.

"Many people infected with MVEv are asymptomatic or have mild symptoms such as fever, headache and nausea.

"Although only a few people who become infected with MVEv will develop more serious symptoms, which may include confusion, headaches, neck stiffness, tremors, drowsiness and seizures, for those who do, it can be very serious and is fatal in about 20 per cent of cases.

"For those who survive, about 40 per cent of people will suffer permanent neurological damage.

"There is no vaccine and no cure for mosquito-borne diseases transmitted in South Australia, and the only way of preventing disease is to avoid being bitten by mosqui-

In November 2020, SA Health

increased the risk rating for mosquito-borne disease from low to medium due to weather conditions conducive to increased mosquito breeding.

All three Riverland councils have been offered \$5000 in additional dollar-for-dollar funding from SA Health to offset the costs of additional mosquito control measures.

Berri Barmera and Renmark Paringa councils have partnered with a local contractor to inspect and survey mosquito-breeding sites and apply appropriate treatments.

Six flocks of sentinel chickens are maintained in strategic locations along the Murray River in South Australia and are routinely tested for viruses spread by mosquitoes.

All other flocks have tested negative for these viruses this season to date.



For a second consecutive year, Riverlanders are being warned about the risk of mosquito-borne diseases after they were detected in sentinel chickens.

In March 2020, several chickens in Ramco tested positive to MVEv and Kunjin virus – the first time the disease was detected since

"To protect against mosquitoborne diseases, we are encouraging people to 'fight the bite' and take precautions such as wearing long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing and using a repellent which contains DEET or picaridin," Dr Jenkins said.

"People should also reduce the risk of being bitten by mosquitoes by proofing their homes and by removing any potential breeding sites on their properties."

For information on how to avoid mosquito exposure, visit www. sahealth.sa.gov.au/fightthebite.

#### Mozzie coils a fire risk in summer, says MFS



A warning regarding unattended mosquito coils has been issued to Riverlanders by the **Metropolitian Fire** Service.

RIVERLANDERS have been advised unattended mosquito coils pose an increased risk of causing housefires during

Two fires in metropolitan Adelaide last November – both sparked by mosquito coils being used on timber decking - caused a combined \$1 million damage.

MFS community engagement officer Phil Evans said ensuring coils were properly extinguished before vacating an area was key to avoiding housefire risks.

"With summer holidays in full swing and families socialising outdoors, the MFS is giving a timely reminder about the safe use

of mosquito coils," Mr Evans said.

We were surprised to find two fires of this nature occurring within a week. Both incidents involved people having to suddenly evacuate their homes in the middle of the night.

"Never leave mosquito coils burning unattended, and always place them in a sturdy metal or ceramic dish with a mesh cover while in use. Be mindful that strong breezes can blow embers away or coils over.

"Extinguish coils by carefully breaking the smouldering end off the coil and immersing it in water, storing it away from the home to completely cool.'

#### Renmark Lions celebrate 13 years of bazaars

A LOCAL Lions club will celebrate a successful 13 years of its 'fundraising bazaars' in 2021

The Lions Club of Renmark has been holding monthly fundraisers over the 13-year

During this time, the local community has shown tremendous support for the fundraising project, both from the regular donation of goods to sell and the many buyers who have come along each month and purchased items.

A Renmark Lions spokesperson said the club would like to thank the community for their continuing support of the fundraising project, which is held in the W E WOOD HALL and the adjacent Old Renmark Show Society Office at Renmark's No 2 Oval.

"We intend to continue to hold this event throughout 2021, usually on the last Saturday of each month (except when there is a clash with football)," the spokesperson said.

"The event this year will again be held from 8am until 12 noon - the next one being on Saturday, January 30, 2021.

"There will be many quality goods for sale with a large amount of stock to choose from as a result of the Christmas/New Year break."

The funds raised at this and other fundraising events by the club are used for community projects undertaken and/or supported by the Renmark Lions Club and other Lions

#### **Fundraising bazaars 2021 dates**

Saturday, January 30

Saturday, Feburary 27 Saturday, March 27 Saturday, May 1 (changed from April 24 due to football) Saturday, May 29 Saturday, July 3 (changed from June 26 due to football) Saturday, July 31 Saturday, August 28 Saturday, September 25 Saturday, October 23 (changed from October 30 to coincide with Riverland Rose Festival) Saturday, November 27

Australia/Lions International projects.

Usual goods for sale each month include furniture, beds, tables/chairs, electrical goods, whitegoods, crockery/cutlery, books, tools, bric-a-brac, household items, etc. and much more

A barbecue/sausage sizzle and bacon and egg sandwiches, doughnuts, tea/coffee and cans of soft drink are also available during each sale. EFTPOS facilities available at each event

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# Get ready for this year's Loxton Mardi Gras

PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU

THIS year's Loxton Mardi Gras event will take place a little differently, due to COVID-

For the first time in 64 years, the Mardi Gras - to be held on Saturday, February 27, from 9am - will take place at the Loxton Oval instead of Loxton's main street.

Loxton Mardi Gras publicity and events co-ordinator Chris Sheahan said the committee decided to move the event from the main street to fit with its COVID-19 management

"Although the parade will be different this year, features of this location include COVID-19 safe plans, secure family lawn areas to view the parade, announcements, bands and food, and market stalls," he said.

"The Mardi Gras is now in its 64th year and has been and still is a very popular Loxton-based family fun day.

"Its purpose is still focused to promote personal and community development amongst candidates, from 11 years old to seniors, with money raised going towards worthy community projects.'

Mr Sheahan said he hopes this year's event will draw in many locals, as a number of events were cancelled last year due to the

"Mardi Gras is a time for locals to come together and celebrate," he said.

"Entry is free, there are options for being pre-registered and there will be SA Health contact tracing registers at the entry points.

'We have a limit of 3000 people at the oval at a time and the lawn is big enough to ensure people are social distancing and other COVID management conditions are in place.'

Food and market stalls co-ordinator Nola Schulz said stalls have always had to comply with current health standards so adhering to COVID-19 plans would be "easy".

"There will be larger areas designated to the food stall with our COVID management plan," she said.

Ms Schulz said the committee was grateful for the community's support.

"We've received help from the District Council of Loxton Waikerie, the Nippy's Gift, Loxton Show and other volunteers," she said.



Loxton Mardi Gras committee members (from left) Liz Dymmott, Chris Sheahan and Nola Schulz are looking forward to this year's event. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

"We are still welcoming applications for float entries, food and market stalls and sponsorship.

"We're also seeking more volunteers to help at the entry points on the day and also help us set up.

"For more information, visit www.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

**Mardi Gras is French for** Fat Tuesday, also called Shrove Tuesday. It is the day before Ash Wednesday,

which marks the start of the Christian Lent season leading up to Easter. During **Lent, many Christians fast,** 

and the name Fat Tuesday refers to the last day of eating richer foods before the leaner days of Lent begin.

# New COVID-19 testing rules for seasonal workers

ELIMINATING the need to have a COVID-19 test before leaving Pacific countries is part of a new strategy allowing seasonal workers to travel to the Riverland.

The Federal Government earlier this month announced new measures - including pre-departure COVID testing exemptions and reductions on international arrival caps – to ensure seasonal harvest workers can still enter Australia.

Minister for Agriculture David Littleproud said exempting seasonal workers from predeparture COVID-19 testing would support Riverland growers through a "severe workforce shortage".

"I welcome the new rules but

I am also pleased to see that the needs of our Pacific seasonal workers and Australian farmers have been accommodated," Mr Littleproud said. "These exemptions are not about cutting corners but recognise the very low rate of COVID-19 in all participating Seasonal and Pacific Labour Scheme nations.

"Since August last year when

we re-opened the Seasonal and Pacific worker programs, we have stood ready to stamp the passports of more than 22,000 pre-vetted seasonal workers once states and territories approve their health protocols.

"I would urge all jurisdictions to continue working with their respective industries to recruit more workers."

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#### recorded the highest number of "lockages" in 2020, with COVID-19 failing to deter people from traversing the South Australian stretch of the River Murray last year.

BOOKPURNONG'S Lock 4

New data released by SA Water shows more than 5700 houseboats, tinnies and kayakers safely passed through SA Water's network of locks and weirs in 2020, the second highest total lockages recorded in the

past five years. Of the nine River Murray locks operated by SA Water throughout the Riverland and upstream into Victoria and New South Wales, Lock 4 in Bookpurnong, 10km south of Berri, recorded the highest number of lockages in 2020, at just under 800.

SA Water manages - on behalf of the Murray-Darling Basin Authority – Locks 1 to 6 in South Australia, plus Lock 7 at Rufus River and Lock 8 at Wangumma in New South Wales, along with Lock 9 at Kulnine in Victoria. The utility also operates barrages at Goolwa, Mundoo, Boundary Creek, Ewe Island and Tauwitchere.



Lock 4, at Bookpurnong, recorded the highest number of lockages from across SA Water's network of locks and weirs in 2020. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

SA Water's Garry Fyfe said visitor numbers have remained solid despite travel restrictions imposed by COVID-19.

'While our lock co-ordinators kept working every day as normal throughout the year, restrictions on visitors coming to and from the Riverland area expectedly led to a fairly large drop in vessels travelling along the river, compared to what we usually see," Mr Fyfe said.

"This was certainly the case with a near 50 per cent drop at Lock 6 near the SA-Victorian border, with just 19 lockages recorded between April and June – a whopping 225 less than the same time in 2019.

"As border restrictions eased towards the end of the year and more people hit the river for the summer holidays, these numbers bounced back to expected lockage figures, which was fantastic to see.

"Our friendly crew along the mighty Murray love the ability to meet the thousands of visitors each year and explain the history of the river, and we thank everyone who has continued to safely use our locks and weirs while adhering to social distancing measures to keep everyone safe and healthy."

The Goolwa Barrage, located at the end of the River Murray system, recorded the largest overall vessel number for the year with 2062 lock visits.

"Goolwa got particularly busy towards the end of the year with more people winding down into the summer holidays, with the week before Christmas recording similar totals seen over entire months," Mr Fyfe said.

"Our lockies were all handson deck, especially on 29 December, where the pre-new year rush saw 375 people on boats passing through Goolwa in one day - the equivalent of one lockage every 10 minutes."

MURRAY-Darling total active storage reduced over the last week by 111GL to 4404GL (52 per cent capacity).

At Dartmouth Reservoir, the storage remained steady at 2396GL (62 per cent capacity).

The release, measured at Colemans, continued to target 350ML/day and is expected to remain around this rate for the remainder

At Hume Reservoir, the storage decreased by 82GL to 1810GL (60 per cent capacity) this week.

The Hume release averaged 16,200ML/ day for the week and will likely remain around this rate over the next week.

At Wentworth Weir, the weir pool level is being managed at around FSL.



Jason Nuske and Brad Everett, from SA Water's Lock 5, which recorded around 470 lockages in 2020. PHOTO: supplied

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# Proud Mary rollin' into Riverland

THE MV Proud Mary made a distinctive sight on Friday when it docked in Renmark for the first time in two years.

Built in 1982 with a design evoking the historic paddle steamers that played such a vital role in the Riverland's development in the 1800s, the MV Proud Mary drew a gaggle of interested onlookers at each of its Riverland stops.

Captain John Heritage said locals were simply fascinated with the vessel.

"It's obviously not a steamer, but it's just one of those vessels that cruise up and down the river that people enjoy seeing," he said.

"People love to come and have a look and have a yarn.

"On this trip they've realised that the Proud Mary is cruising up and down parts of the river we don't normally cruise. It's usually Murray Bridge to Blanchetown and return.

"So to come up this way really draws people out."

Before docking in Renmark, the MV Proud Mary was forced to negotiate some slower river traffic while moving through the Paringa Bridge.

"There were three obstructions – three houseboats - and it was a little bit breezy coming underneath the bridge," said Mr Heritage, who has been a Proud Mary captain for the past five years.

"But as soon as we were clear of it, we had our little theme song, which is Creedence Clearwater's Proud Mary."

The Proud Mary and guests spent Saturday night in Loxton, before heading back to the vessel's Murray Bridge base.

The Proud Mary was designed by naval architect Peter James and built in 1982 in Port Adelaide by Ron Proud, who owned the Berri Ship Building Company.

Originally owned and operated by the Foord family, Proud Mary had been brand-



ed under various names until its purchase in 2011 by current owners Dennis Sims, Matthew Sims and Mark Greig.

The vessel was slipped, refurbished and relaunched under the MV Proud Mary brand. Its captains and team now provide various

cruising options year-round. 'Feedback during this cruise has been all

positive," Mr Heritage said.

'Our little motto on the Proud Mary is to have a trip of a lifetime and the feedback we've been getting is we've definitely ticked that box."



LEFT: The Proud Mary going through the **Paringa** Bridge last Friday. РНОТО: Aileen Dolheguy



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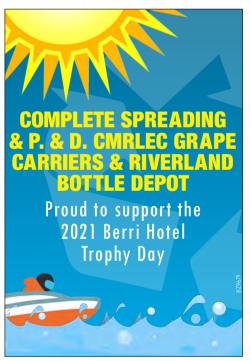


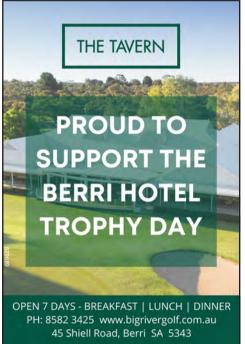
# BERRI HOTEL Trophy Day Advertising Feature



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THE best powerboat drivers from across South Australia and interstate will return to the Berri river front this weekend, with a major trophy day set to go ahead.

The annual Berri Hotel Trophy Day, hosted by the Riverland Powerboat Club, will be held at the Berri Water Ski Club at Martins Bend on Sunday, January 24, with racing starting at 10am.

**Riverland Powerboat** Club spokesperson Daniel Jury said spectators would be able to see plenty of action across the week-

"There will be an open practice on Saturday from 12 noon to 4pm which will be free for the public

to watch, then on Sunday we'll get racing down there," he said.

Mr Jury said some of the best boats from around the state and the country were taking part in the

"Rival, driven by John Bakker, from Victoria, is one of the top boats in its class in Australia and will be taking part in the event," he said.

"Dave Clark, and his boat Tuff E Nuff, from Adelaide, will also be competing.'

Tasmanian driver Clayton Marks has also been announced for the Trophy Day, driving his boat

"There will be plenty of local boats and drivers taking part as well," Mr Jury

"The main trophy that participants will be racing for is the Berri Hotel King of the River Trophy for 6L.

"Other classes include 105mp/h, 95mp/h and 85mp/h classes and junior classes, and there will be trophies for all those classes."

Tickets for the event will be available on the day at a cost of \$10 per person. Children under 12 can enter for free.

Parking will be located on Martin Bend Drive, and BYO is not permitted.

"There will be a limited number of entries because of COVID-19 restrictions, so it will be best for people to get there early if they



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Adelaide driver Dave Clark, pictured above in his boat Tuff E Nuff, and Victorian John Bakker, pictured below driving Rival, will be competing for the Berri Hotel King of the River Trophy this Sunday



want to guarantee themselves a ticket," Mr Jury

"The event is going to be fully catered and the bar at the Berri Water Ski Club will be open."

Mr Jury said the club and the Trophy Day participants were excited to get back on the water, having waited a long time between major meets.

"There's been pretty much no racing for the past year, so it will be great to see the boats back on the water," he said.

"The event had to be moved from the river front near the Berri Hotel to the Berri Water Ski Club due to the impacts of COVID and the cost of running an event on the river front.

"Despite the change in venue, Berri is still one of the best spots to race in Australia, and this will be one of the biggest powerboat race meets in

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over 12 months due to all the disruption caused by COVID-19.

Mr Jury thanked the Berri Hotel and Berri Barmera Council for their assistance with organising the event.

"Without the help of the hotel and the council, this event wouldn't have happened," he said.

"Those two groups jumping on board has helped us a lot in preparing for the

powerboat race meets in over 12 months... - Riverland Poweboat Club spokesperson Daniel Jury



ABOVE: Troy Tschirpig, of Berri, will compete in the 95mph class at the Berri Hotel Trophy Day.









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### Solution to harvest worker shortages?



# A footy-style fruit a picking pre-season

A FORMER local who penned a well-received book about Riverland life in the 1960s and 1970s has hatched a novel idea aimed at addressing the current chronic shortage of fruit pickers in the Riverland.

Alf Rapisarda, author of the recently released Green and Gold Memoirs, says undergoing a "pre-season", not unlike those endured by sportspeople, could ensure prospective first-time pickers know what to expect.

"I feel the important issue of fruit picking and a shortage of capable workers needs more creative solutions," Mr Rapisarda said.

"This is to do with preparation for a career as a pick-

"For example, footballers need to do a gruelling preseason in order to be able to cope with toughness of the game, as do all sportspeople in order to have success.

"Fruit pickers should be seen in the same light."

South Australian will fly in about 100 foreign workers this week to help farmers stem the flow of crop losses, resulting from a shortage of pickers.

Mr Rapisarda said his idea could also apply to people undergoing drug rehabilitation, along with low-security prisoners.

"They could be invited to undergo a fruit picking 'pre-season' to harden them up for the physicality of the job and get time off their sentence," he said.

"High school students wanting to get some experience and make money could also be allowed to begin a guided fruit picking weekend and holiday course.

"Such approaches could help build up a bigger available pool of capable fruit

"In the '60s and '70s people worked harder at a young age and were already hardened to heavy work such as fruit picking.

Mr Rapisarda said a passage in Green and Gold highlighted the struggles of Riverlanders of yesteryear:

'Years later, I came to appreciate the lives experienced by early settlers living in hot, tin shacks, working by hand or with horses.

"Old photographs showing lean, leathery-faced men clearing scrub, harvesting, or cultivating, giving a sense of the challenges and difficulties experienced.

"Before locks were built to contain the river, droughts meant the stream was nothing more than a trickle, creating intense fears for a population dependent on irrigation for survival.

"Soldier settlers, given small plots to develop, expended their sweat to create something just able to sustain their lives with few luxuries; meanwhile, their children hardened in the tough environment and a culture of violence, drinking and risk taking took

Green and Gold Memoirs is on sale at various Riverland outlets and has been described as a "fond trip down memory lane – in starkly different times".

Mr Rapisarda said he hoped the book would provide a welcome distraction and release from the problems of 2020.

"It's been a hard year for older residents due to the pandemic, and these memoirs can give some cheer as reflections of life in the 1960s and 1970s," he said.

"It was a different world, but one where hope and optimism prevailed. We lacked modern luxuries and swam in the river as pools didn't exist – but few complained about life."

Mr Rapisarda grew up in the Riverland, spending his youth and teenage years on a mixed orchard and vineyard at Moorook. He attended Loxton High School and studied agriculture at Roseworthy Agricultural College.

Green and Gold Memoires is available for \$19.95 at the Murray Pioneer office in Renmark and at most Riverland newsagents.



PHOTO: Peta-Maria Philippou

### 65 years in and Des is still ticking

**HUGH SCHUITEMAKER** 

A DETERMINATION to produce high-quality watches for the local community has seen a Riverlander mark his 65th anniversary in the industry.

Berri man Des Watts operator of *Des Watts* Berri's Nationwide Jeweller - last week celebrated his 65th year as a watchmaker.

Mr Watts said a dislike of his school environment led him to adopt watchmaking as a trade in the 1950s.

"I was just 14 and Dad wouldn't let me leave school unless I had a trade to go to, because he was a carpenter by trade," he said.

"I started work on January 12, 1956 and I've been doing it ever since.

"I like doing what I'm doing, and that's why I've continued on working after I was supposed to retire in 2003. I tried a couple weeks off and it nearly drove me up the wall."

Mr Watts said his time as a watchmaker had provided opportunities to travel and work across the world.

"When things changed back in the mid-1970s from all mechanical stuff to quartz, I went over to Switzerland and spent a few weeks over there," he said.

"I bought some equipment while I was over there which was the latest stuff and then came back.

"I went to America in 1997 and went to a couple places in California... I was offered a job straight away and also up in Seattle."

Mr Watts - whose son Kane is also in the same profession – said equipment and materials used in watchmaking were constantly evolving.

"You've got to be involved in it to see what's happened," he said.

"Even in the time that I've trained our son Kane as a watchmaker, things have changed so much.'

Mr Watts said the decreas-

ing availability of specialist watch parts had created challenges for his business.

"The biggest problem today is getting spare parts," he said.

"When I started in the mid-1980s there were a lot of warehouses we could get spare parts from. The blokes there were watchmakers in their day and knew exactly what you wanted.

"Today those blokes are gone... (and) it's not easy getting bits and pieces from a lot of the suppliers.

"I used to buy bulk spare parts and we have heaps of the old parts here. It saves the day in a lot of cases."

Mr Watts said he would continue operating his family business in Berri.

"I like meeting people," he said.

"Most of the people we deal with I've known for a long time, and you feel a bit responsible for their stuff if they've got a problem."

### Renmark man in Wingfield truck crash

A RIVERLANDER required treatment for "serious leg injuries" at the Royal Adelaide Hospital following a truck accident last week.

Police and emergency services were called to an area at Wingfield at 8.14am on Thursday, January 14, following reports a B-double truck had rolled after trying to negotiate a bend in the

The driver, a 47-yearold Renmark man, suffered serious leg injuries and was taken to the Royal Adelaide Hospital for treatment.

A SAPOL spokesperson said his injuries were expected to be non-lifethreatening.

Traffic restrictions were in place following the accident for several hours, before being lifted around 2.30pm.

Any Riverlanders with information relating to the crash are asked to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000, or by visiting the website (www.crimestopperssa. com.au).





**MEALS ON WHEELS EVENT: At a Meals** on Wheels awards luncheon in Adelaide recently were (from left) Janet Pinyon, Ruth **Christie and Annette** Crozier, all of Renmark, and Mary White, of Berri. Meals on Wheels are seeking volunteers to help in the region. For more information on volunteering call the Renmark headquarters on 8586 6040 or 0487 157 686 for Berri. PHOTO: supplied



Ping pong tournament winner Mitch Neumann (left), of Loxton, with Chad Pantic, chairperson of the Moorook & District Club committee. PHOTO: supplied

# Local club bounces back with Ping Pong Palooza

**BRENDAN LINES** 

A RECENT 'Ping Pong Palooza' held at the Moorook & District Club marked a longawaited return of competitive table tennis to the Riverland from its traditional Renmark headquarters.

The first ever tournament at the club attracted 16 local players including some visiting backpackers, who took part in the lively yet friendly competition.

"The competition was very friendly with a lot of competitiveness too," said Moorook & District Club board member Anna Eadie.

"There were some very serious faces all round, but a lot of joking and a lot of fun as well," Mrs Eadie said.

French backpacker Morgan Lavoillotte took out the tournament from Japan's Nagissa Honda four sets to three. Local talent Mitch Neumann, of Loxton, took out the first-round losers' plate, played in good spirits.

The tournament was held with the endorsement of the Renmark-based Riverland Table Tennis Association (RTTA).

"There haven't been any competitions on this side of the river for a long time and they (RTTA) have been waiting for someone to start something up, so we're hoping that we can build on it," Mrs Eadie said. "We do realise we've put the competition essentially out of the table tennis season, so in the future we'd probably adjust that."

Mrs Eadie said attracting up to 50 spectators at the event was a positive sign for the club, as easing of COVID-19 restrictions has allowed for new events to occur.

"Usually on a Sunday it would be fairly quiet, it's really positive for us, such a small little community," she said.

"In the end our club is really important to us and has struggled recently, so we're really trying to branch out to a whole lot of different events to get people interested again in the club and fill it back up again.'



**ACTIVE CLUBS:** Member for **Chaffey Tim** Whetstone recently presented Moorook **Bowling Club** committee member Michael Smith with the club's **Active Club** certificate. PHOTOS: supplied



**Renmark Table** Tennis Club members Kirsty (left), Rylan, Nigel, Dennis and Eva were presented with the club's **Active Club** grant certificate by Member for **Chaffey Tim** Whetstone, with the funding going towards new equipment.

### Uni offers go live for Riverland students

A NUMBER of local students watched their futures unfold last Friday when university offers went

More than 15,000 university offers were made to students statewide who are seeking higher education at one of the state's prestigious universities.

Together with offers made at the end of 2020, a total of 13,871 students received a place in their first preference course.

Medicine and health. humanities, social sciences and religious studies, education and teaching, business and economics, and law and legal studies were the most popular with 2020 school leavers.

The main round of university offers last Friday followed the TAFE offers made on Friday, January 8.

The South Australian Tertiary Admissions Commission (SATAC) has been delivering offers from August 2020 and offers will continue to rollout after last week's round.

Minister for Education John Gardner described 2020 as "a year like no other" and said the effort year 12 students displayed was "inspiring".

"Students at every South Australian school faced significant challenges, but our year 12 students led by example and went above and beyond to complete their SACE, crossing the

finish line strong in unprecedented circumstances," he said.

"As students transition into their next phase of learning, I urge them to remain determined and continue reaching for goals.

"I'd like to congratulate our next generation of doctors, nurses, scientists, lawyers, journalists, engineers and more as they take the next step in achieving their

"To those who may not have gotten their first university preference, don't lose heart.

"Build on your efforts and resilience from 2020 and you'll go far."







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# First river-front stage close to completion



A crane from Berri-based JMA Engineering being used to aid construction works at Renmark Paringa Council's Taylor Riverfront Precinct development last week.. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

THE first stage of a Riverland council's multi-million dollar river front upgrade is expected to be completed next month.

Construction on Renmark's Taylor Riverfront Precinct development continued with a crane from Berri-based JMA Engineering supporting workers last week.

Redevelopment of the river front -

which forms stage 1A of Renmark Paringa Council's Urban Design Framework – commenced last June and was funded by council, plus Federal and State Government grants.

The Murray Pioneer understands construction is still on schedule to be completed in February.

#### Basin grants: Pasin urges locals to speak up

TONY Pasin has encouraged Riverlanders interested in the River Murray's health – and the local economy – to have their say on the design of two community-led grants programs.

Consultation is being sought on the new Murray-Darling Healthy Rivers Program, and Round 3 of the Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program.

Mr Pasin, the federal Member for Barker, said consultation is open until this Friday, January 22.

"I encourage anyone with an interest in strengthening our local economy, and improving river health in the Murray-Darling Basin to take a look and let us know what you think," Mr Pasin said.

"Feedback from the consultation phase will be considered before the guidelines are finalised and the programs open early in the new year.

"This government is getting on with practical actions that help Basin communities and the environment so these communities can thrive and we can deliver a healthy and sustainable river system for future generations."

Both programs aim to put "communities at the heart of the Basin Plan" and are part of the Murray-Darling Communities Investment Package, says Minister for Resources, Water and Northern Australia, Keith Pitt.

"Consulting with Basin communities on the design



Member for Barker, Tony Pasin, and federal Minister for Resources, Water and Northern Australia, Keith Pitt.
PHOTO: supplied

of these programs is another demonstration of my commitment to making sure they get a say in the schemes' development to ensure they provide the most benefit," Mr Pitt said.

"The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment is consulting on the guidelines for both programs to increase accessibility to, and participation in, the available grant opportunities.

"I want to be sure they're providing the right assistance to eligible organisations to provide the most effective project proposals that benefit their communities."

The Murray-Darling Healthy Rivers Program will provide \$20 million in grants for community-led, on-ground works that sustain healthier rivers and wetlands.

The extension of the Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program makes an extra \$34 million available to communities to diversify and strengthen local economies both now and into the future.

The draft Murray-Darling Healthy Rivers Program grant guidelines are available for comment at: https://haveyoursay.awe.gov.au/healthy-rivers-program until Friday, January 22, 2021.

The draft guidelines for Round 3 of the Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program are available for comment at: https://haveyoursay.awe.gov.au/economic-development-program and are also available for comment until Friday, January 22, 2021.



## Our national anthem's journey

THE Australian national anthem identifies Australia at home and overseas and is used at official and public ceremonies and sporting and community events.

The original composition of Advance Australia Fair was written by Peter Dodds McCormick in 1878 and was four verses long.

In 1973 the Australia Council for the Arts held the Australian National Anthem Quest competition to find the lyrics and music for a new Australian national anthem to replace God Save The Queen.

The competition received more than 1400 entries for lyrics and 1200 entries for music, but the judges decided the entries did not meet the high standards of Australia's traditional songs Advance Australia Fair, Waltzing Matilda and Song of Australia.

As a result, the Australia Council for the Arts recommended the final choice for the national anthem should be made from these three songs.

The Bureau of Statistics then ran a national poll of 60,000 people, which found Advance Australia Fair was favoured by 51.4 per cent of people, followed by Waltzing Matilda (19.6 per cent)

In 1974 Advance Australia Fair was adopted as the Australian National Anthem, but in 1976 God Save The Queen was reinstated.

In 1977 the Australian Electoral Office conducted another poll, which again found Advance Australia Fair was the preferred anthem (43.6 per cent), followed by Waltzing Matilda (28.45 per cent).

In 1981 the National Australia Day Council recommended the Australian National Anthem consist of verses one and two of Advance Australia Fair with some modification.

On April 19, 1984 the then Governor-General, Sir Ninian Stephen, proclaimed the Australian National Anthem the tune of Advance Australia Fair and the verses drafted by the National Australia Day Council.

From January 1, 2021, the words of the second line of the Australian National Anthem were amended from



#### ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR (CURRENT WORDING, AS AT JANUARY 1, 2021):

Australians all let us rejoice, For we are **one** and free; We've golden soil and wealth for toil:

Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

#### Beneath our radiant Southern Cross

We'll toil with hearts and hands; To make this Commonwealth of

Renowned of all the lands; For those who've come across the

We've boundless plains to share; With courage let us all combine To Advance Australia Fair. In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair.

"For we are young and free" to "For we are one and free" by proclamation made by the Governor General David Hurley on the Government's advice.

Source: Australian Government





# AUSTRALIA DAY

**ADVERTISING FEATURE** 





A speech from ex-Olympic Basketballer Pat Mickan concluded the 2020 Australia Day ceremony in Renmark. PHOTOS: Hugh Schuitemaker.



Berri Barmera Mayor Peter Hunt presented new Australians Avinesh Byreddy (centre) and Jinia Afrin, both of Berri, with their citizenship certificates in 2020.

# Riverland adapts for Australia Day 2021

CHALLENGES posed by COVID-19 restrictions will fail to prevent Riverlanders from celebrating Australia Day as a community.

Restructured celebrations will take place across the region from Saturday, with all three councils still holding free breakfast events for locals.

Tickets for the event - set to include fireworks, a magician, amusement rides and community awards - are currently \$5 for adults and anyone under 15 free, with food options also available to be pre-ordered.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Renmark Paringa Council's Australia Day event

Restructured celebrations will take place across the region from Saturday, with all three councils still holding free breakfast events for locals...

Waikerie will host an Australia Day Unplugged event at the Waikerie Football Oval, on Saturday, January 23, from 5.55pm.

- usually held in the Jarrett Memorial Gardens - will be held at the Renmark Club.

Bookings are essential for the ticketed event, which will begin with a community breakfast at 8am, followed by the citizenship ceremony and Australia Day award presenta-

Berri Barmera's Australia Day celebrations are set to begin at 6.45am with a community walk, followed by breakfast on the Lake Bonney foreshore at 7.15am, and the award ceremony at 8.15am.

Loxton residents will be able to celebrate Australia Day at the Loxton Oval from 7am. with a free community breakfast followed by the Citizen of the Year awards.

Attendees are asked to bring a chair and umbrella due to COVID-19 restrictions, with

registration prior to the event also required.

Tickets for Waikerie's Australia Day Unplugged event are available from Walk on Water, on White Street, in Waikerie.

**Bookings for Renmark** Paringa Council's Australia Day event can be made by visiting the Discover Renmark website (https://www.discoverrenmark.com.au/).

Registrations for Loxton's Australia Day celebrations which will remain open until Friday, January 22, at 5pm - can be made by visiting the Eventbrite website (https:// www.eventbrite.com.au/).

#### **RIVERLAND AUSTRALIA DAY EVENTS**

**WAIKERIE:** 

Australia Day Unplugged at the Waikerie Football Oval, on Saturday, January 23. Gates open at 5.55pm.

**RENMARK PARINGA COUNCIL:** Breakfast at 8am at the Renmark Club, followed by citizenship ceremony and Australia Day awards.

**BERRI BARMERA COUNCIL:** Breakfast at 7.15am and award ceremony at 8.15am. At the Lake Bonney foreshore.

LOXTON:

Breakfast at the Loxton Oval from 7am, followed by Citizen of the Year awards.





When: Tuesday 26 January 2021 7:00am - 8:30am

Where: Loxton Oval Bookpurnong Road, Loxton

Citizen of the Year Awards will be presented.

Register for the free event at: www.eventbrite.com.au, alternatively please visit the Council office at 29 East Terrace, Loxton to register. Registrations close 5pm Friday 22 January 2021.

Please bring your own chair and umbrella due to COVID restrictions. All attendees must sign in to the event on the day













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# Time to celebrate: Waikerie



Riverland musician Tristan Kemp is bringing his acoustic act to the stage.







THE biggest and most anticipated event on Waikerie's calendar is almost here, and organisers say it will knock last year's Australia Day Spectacular out of the park.

The Waikerie Australia Day Spectacular will be a family-friendly night featuring live music, children's activities, a jumping castle, face-painting, fireworks and more.

With the event running along current COVID-19 restrictions, entry was capped at 1000 people and all tickets have now been sold out.

Tickets can be bought from Walk on Water on White Street, Waikerie, and attendees are encouraged to buy tickets for their entire party together to secure a table on the night.

Event committee spokesperson Craig Griffiths said ticket prices have been slashed in half.

"The committee secured Federal Government Australia Day grant funding which means we have been able to reduce the price of tickets from \$10 to \$5, and kids under 15 are now free to enter," he said.





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# **Australia Day Spectacular**





"Those who have already purchased their tickets can get a refund either at Walk on Water, or at the gate on the night.

"We won't be selling tickets at the gate like we usually do – the event is capped and everyone has to display their ticket before entering.

"Also, to celebrate Australia Day and what we hope will have been a really memorable Australia Day event, the committee are also holding a free sausage sizzle next Tuesday, January 26, at the Waikerie river front.

With clowns roaming the venue, dragon train rides for the little ones, and a jumping castle to work the energy out of the kids, the event caters to the whole family.

Children can visit the face-painting booth while parents check out the fullystocked bar tent and pick up a bottle of limited-edition 2021 Australia Day wine, courtesy of Growers Wine Group.

Mr Griffiths said three Riverland musical acts will provide entertainment over

"We've got three great acoustic acts: music festival regular Kelly Menhennett, husband-and-wife duo Ben and Anne Leahy, and Tristan Kemp," he said.

"The church service will kick off the night at the football club rooms from 6pm for those inclined, while other attendees can settle into their tables for the night or peruse the various entertainments across the venue."

With a drinks tent containing a full complement of beverages, including wine from local Grower Wine Group, and limited edition 2021 Australia Day labelled wines, no drinks will be allowed in with attendees.

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie Citizen of the Year awards will be presented by DCLW Mayor Leon Stasinowsky at 7.30pm, with well-known Waikerie woman Karen Richardson taking the titular award, and the Waikerie Christmas Tree Trail awarded Event of the Year.

The night will culminate with a spectacular fireworks display, courtesy of Ballistic Fireworks - the only Australia Day



fireworks show in SA.

"The event is going to be a real gamechanger; we've made a lot of concessions to meet the current climate, and we think it's going to be a really spectacular night," Mr Griffiths said.

"We're the only Australia Day event in SA that will have fireworks, and we're planning on making it the biggest display

Gates will open at the Waikerie Football Oval at 5.45pm this Saturday.







# HAVE SOME SOCIAL PICTURES TO SHARE?

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Making 'claymation' at a recent Renmark Paringa Council school holiday workshop were Ted, 6, and Adele Binder, 4. PHOTOS: Josh



Emilly, 11, and Madeline Warren, 9.



Willow Tippet, 9, and Stella O'Bryan, 9.



Rikki, 5, and Rylee Mullin, 7.

Declan Bonner, 10, Lucilla, 8, and Darcy Everett,

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.

Every Sunday at 2pm - guided tours of The Pines Historic House, 18 Henry Street, Loxton. Gardens open seven days. COVID guidelines in place. Extra tour inquiries, Charmaine 0438 844 717 or Mike 0427 820 815.

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 21**

The Loxton Charity For all Bingo are holding a session this week for the Mill Corner Precinct. Eyes down at 7pm at the Loxton Club. All welcome to come along and support Ray Edwards. A Committee meeting will be held at 5pm.

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 24**

After a long break the ps Industry will steam during January 2021 under COVID-19 regulations, which means we will not be able to serve Devonshire morning or afternoon

teas, or tea and coffee. The one hour steaming times are 11am, 1pm and

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 28**

Registration Day from 9am to 11.30am in former RSL club rooms, Wilson Street Berri, now the U3A Riverland headquarters. Meet with or introduce yourselves to the facilitators of your chosen activities from 10am. Pay initial or renew your annual membership fee - \$30 for singles, doubles \$50. COVID protocols will be in place.

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH**

U3A Riverland AGM 10am in U3A Riverland headquarters - Wilson Street, Berri. Most committee members have indicated they will be available for re-election, but new members always welcome. COVID protocols will be in place.



Noah Meaney, 9.



Elijah Meaney, 7.



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#### HAVE SOME SOCIAL PICTURES TO SHARE?

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**Alexander** (left), Member for **Chaffey Tim** Whetstone and Miriam Griffen at a farewell event for former Destination Riverland general manager Caroline Phillips recently.





Destination Riverland general manager Ben Patten (left) with Member for Chaffey Tim Whetstone and Caroline Phillips. PHOTOS: supplied

### The Sherrahs performing at the Chaffey Theatre in March

A SHOW that I feel most people will really enjoy is Classic Harmony Hits, featuring the beautiful harmonies of Adelaide-based band The Sherrahs.

I'm so pleased that they are bringing the show to the Chaffey Theatre on Saturday, March 13 at 7pm, as the album, recorded by Anthony Stewart at Red Brick Studios is a great one I spoke of in my column last year.

Family harmonies are always the best, with Anthony Stewart and his sister Michelle, from Bairnsdale, married to Tracy and Steven Sherrah respectively from New Zealand making up the

Many Riverlanders remember the Sherrah family, from when they first relocated to Australia from New Zealand, and competed in the SA Country Music Awards for New Talent with mum Christine also singing.

The Sherrahs will bring you music from The Eagles, The Seekers, Andrews Sisters, Simon & Garfunkel, the trio Emmy, Dolly, & Linda, The Statler Brothers, Crosby Stills & Nash, Sons of The Pioneers, The Everly Brothers, NZ & Aussie Classics, and Alabama.

Bookings are already open, so contact the Chaffey Theatre now either online, or by phone, and secure your tickets.

Queensland singer/songwriter Lloyd Back has recorded his nine-track album, Strong Love, at Lindsay Waddington's Kross Kut Records at Robina, Queensland, once again.

As with his last album, I am impressed with the content of this one, with Lloyd having penned eight of them. Included is a cover of Is Anybody Going to

The first-class delivery of the songs, and the tasteful backing, make this one a pleasure to listen

Are They Ever Leaving Home is a comedy one about when children are still living at home in their 20s, and how the parents would appreciate some

Old Boots has an interesting story in it, Hands refers to a little girl as she grows up, and there's a couple of love ones with Nothing Complicated, and By ROBYN **MCINTOSH** 



MY KIND OF COUNTRY

When I'm With You. Strong Love, is one to make you think, like How Much More, and there's some history with The Great Australian Merino.

Musos contributing to this one are Waddo, Hugh Curtis, Lawrie Minson, Michel Rose, Gus Fenwick, Glenn Thomas, and Lloyd Back, with Lloyd also on backing vocals along with Tyson Colman.

To purchase this one go to Lloyd's website or the Kross Kut Records website.

Well-known country music guitarist/songwriter/ producer, Nev Molloy, has put together a book of recollections of his life including photos taken over the years

It is titled, Nev Molloy "I didn't have much to work with ... But gee ... I did a lot with what I

I ordered one and it only arrived the day before I had to submit my column, but I wanted to let Nev's

fans know that the book is out. It is quite a few years ago that I first met Nev, and he impressed me with his guitar playing and

laidback approach to life. Even though we don't catch up a lot these days, it is always a pleasure to see with Nev, and I am so pleased I could get the photos of him in 2018 when he was inducted into the Australian Country Music

Hall of Fame Hands of Fame.

By Request is the title of the October release from Sharon Heaslip.

There are 13 tracks on this one, recorded at Kross Kut Records, including a bonus track, The White Cliffs Of Dover.

Sharon loves traditional country music and has a lovely stage presentation and good diction, which makes her a popular choice for festivals.

Songs selected for By Request are, Green Green Grass Of Home, Three Cigarettes In An Ashtray, 'Til The Rivers All Run Dry, I'm So Lonesome I

Could Cry, You're My Best Friend, Love Sick Blues, I Love You Because, When My Blue Moon Turns To Gold Again, He Stopped Loving Her Today, San Antonio Rose, Just A Closer Walk With Thee, and Keep On The Sunny Side.

When you hear this one you will feel like you are at a festival enjoying a set from the Queensland

This one is available through Kross Kut Records or direct from **Sharon Heaslip**'s website.

The Melinda Schneider – A Farewell To Doris show scheduled for March 6 at the Chaffey Theatre has been cancelled due to the virus.

Keith Urban's Speed Of Now Part 1 release has been named Top Selling Album, winning him another Golden Guitar.



Well-known country music guitarist/ songwriter/producer, Nev Molloy, has put together a book of recollections of his life including photographs taken over the years. **PHOTO: Robyn McIntosh** 





#### **Macey Grace Watson**

Joel, April and Elyse are proud to welcome Macey Grace Watson into their family. Born at Loxton Hospital on the 30th of December 2020 at 12.06pm. Weighing 3.54kg and 52cm long.





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#### **GREEK NIGHT:**

Got no plans this Saturday night? Come along to a Greek Night held at the Loxton Club to raise funds for this year's Loxton Mardi Gras. Homemade Greek food, entertainment, silent auction and raffle... it doesn't get any better than that. Tickets are only \$35 and tables are still available. Contact the Loxton Club on 8584 7353 to book a table of up to 10.



#### **WAIKERIE'S AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT:**

Waikerie's annual Australia Day event will take place this Saturday night from 5.55pm at the Waikerie Football Club. Ballistic Fireworks will be back, fantastic performing artists will play and tickets are only \$10 available from Walk on Water. To book a table or purchase a ticket, call 8541 2922.

# Picture this!

Peta's pic of the week

#picmepeta









FAR LEFT: A great action shot of Corellas flying above a local

LEFT:An incredible shot of Lake Bonney at sunrise. Both photos were taken by Berri's Greg Reeks.

If you've taken any amazing photos recently, post them on social media with the hashtag 'picmepeta' or send it through to photos@murraypioneer.com.au along with your name, town and age (if under 18).



- What constellation is depicted on the Australian flag?
- Which Australian batsman has the highest average in Test cricket, and what is his average?
- ...... What do you call a group of platypuses?
- In what sport did Steven Bradbury win his 2002 Olympic gold medal?
- What animals are on the Commonwealth Coat of
- Who became Australia's first female Prime Minister in 2010?
- What is the name of the highway that links WA to SA via the Nullarbor Plain?

- 8. What is the nickname of the Sydney Harbour Bridge?
- What is the highest grossing Australian movie?

- 10. What is the square-shaped sponge cake that is coated in a layer of chocolate icing and desiccated coconut, and often described as the "National Cake of Australia?"
- ...... 11. Which Australian was the first player to reach 200 wickets and 2,000 runs in Test cricket?
- 12. What separates Tasmania from the Australian
- 13. The Australian Senate has how many members?

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14. What is a baby Koala known as?

- 15. Who was the sportswoman who won gold in the 400 metres at the Sydney Olympics in 2000?
- ..... 16. Which classic Aussie film features the phrase, "Tell him he's dreaming."?
- 17. What is the name of the train that runs between Sydney and Perth?
- 18. Jane Turner and Gina Riley played which Australian characters?
- 19. What is the name of the road that travels past the 12 Apostles?
- 20. What year of the 1930s did the Sydney Harbour Bridge open?

**BONUS** Of the 25 deadliest snakes in the world, how many are found in Australia? Answer in next week's Quiz.

**Answers on** page 38

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#### RECIPE

400g bread flour 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper 1/2 teaspoon baking soda 3 to 4 spring onions 4 rashers streaky bacon 200g cheddar cheese 350ml buttermilk







FEW things are as rewarding and simple to make as fresh bread. A great recipe for beginners to the art, the traditional Irish sodabread involves no yeast or kneading, and instead gets some lift from a combination of buttermilk and baking soda. This can be done in a few hours over the afternoon and the resulting loaf is great with a cheese platter or simply spread with butter.

### **METHOD**

- ☐ Dice bacon as small as possible and add to a cold pan with no oil. Cook over medium heat until crisp and golden (around 5 to 10 minutes).
- ☐ Remove bacon from the heat and place on a plate with paper towel to drain. Set aside to cool.
- ☐ Finely slice the spring onions and grate cheddar cheese. Set aside in separate bowls until ready to cook.
- ☐ Line a baking tray with baking paper, then drizzle a little olive oil over the paper. Preheat oven to 200C.
- ☐ Add flour, salt, pepper

- and baking soda to a large mixing bowl and whisk lightly to combine.
- ☐ Add spring onions and cooled bacon pieces, then whisk again to combine.
- ☐ Add 150g of the grated cheese and mix until combined (I found this easiest to do by hand). Make a well in the centre of dry ingredients.
- ☐ Pour buttermilk into the well, then use a fork to combine into a dough (it will be stickier than your typical bread dough).
- $\hfill \square$  Transfer dough onto the baking tray and shape into a round loaf about two to three inches high.

- ☐ Use a sharp knife to cut a cross into the dough, nearly to the bottom. Fill the cuts with the leftover cheese.
- ☐ Sprinkle a little flour over the top of the loaf, then bake in the oven for around half an hour or until evenly browned.
- You can test if the bread is done by inserting a skewer into the thickest part and seeing if it comes out clean. The bread will keep in the fridge for up to four days, but is also great to cut into smaller pieces and freeze in individual serv-

### Pasin backing farmers to expand exports

A NEW funding initiative is aiming to help Riverland farmers and growers expand into new overseas export markets.

The Federal Government earlier this month announced it would invest \$72.7 million to support local farming, forestry and fishing businesses to diversify their exports, under the Agri-Business Expansion Initiative.

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said the measures would provide "rapid support" for Riverland agricultural businesses seeking to expand into international markets.

'Last year was a challenging one for many primary producers but we are backing in our farm sector by providing greater access to market intelligence, additional grants for export related initiatives and capital investments, and more technical and trade experts to open and expand market access," Mr Pasin said.

"Australia produces the best food and fibre in the world, and while global demand for Australian produce is strong, we need to be continually growing and diversifying our exports in a globally competitive marketplace.

"I strongly encourage local agricultural exporters and industry bodies to take advantage of the additional measures we have announced."

The initiative will see \$42.9 million used to increase support to 2000 agricultural businesses, plus expansion of the Agricultural Trade and Market Access program to improve international export access.

More information regarding the Agri-Business Expansion Initiative can be found by visiting the website (https://bit. ly/35vBOhF).



Member for Barker Tony Pasin (left) says the new Agri-Business Expansion Initiative will help local farmers access new export markets. PHOTO: supplied

# Emerson's exciting year

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

LOXTON High School 2019 graduate Emerson Fielke is looking forward to making her "big move" to Adelaide next month for university studies, after taking a gap year last year.

The 18-year-old, who is passionate about the media and design industry, got offered a spot at the University of South Australia to study a Bachelor of Communication and Design and will be staying at St Mark's College.

Emerson spent her gap year as a digital media and school publications trainee at Glossop High School and said the traineeship gave her a "boost" for university.

"After school I wasn't sure if I wanted to go to uni or not but I did know I wanted to do something in the media or design industry," she said.

"When the opportunity to do a traineeship at Glossop High School came, I took it and I'm so glad I did because I learnt a lot and it helped me decide what career path I wanted to take.

"The skills I've learnt will definitely help me when I start uni and I'm excited to learn more."

Emerson is enthusiastic about living at St Marks.

"I've always wanted to stay at a college after high school so my parents and I went on tours to a few different ones," she said.

"After seeing a few, St Mark's was a winner.

"It's well-presented, nice, clean, and I get to have my own

"I also know a few Riverland girls who will be staying there next year, so that is also a comfort for me.

"Moving away from Loxton will be tough and I'll be a bit nervous but at the same time I'm really excited because I will get to meet new people and gain more independence.



WELL, here we are, heading towards Australia Day, and the activities that are planned for that occasion in our Riverland

Australia Day this year falls on Tuesday, and Waikerie honours that day this Saturday, with a different format this year. Tickets are available now from Walk on Water and must be bought prior to the day, which will be held at the Waikerie Community Football Oval, with an award ceremony to take place prior to the fireworks display. The Waikerie award-winning Event of the Year is the Christmas Tree Trail, and how popular this event has been since it began, a totally combined community event. Congratulations to Karen Richardson upon being named Citizen of the Year.

Loxton residents are welcome to their popular community breakfast on Tuesday morning and their awards ceremony.

Berri Barmera Council welcomes all to the Australia Day breakfast on Tuesday, January 26, with the community walk beginning at 6.45am at Lake Bonney foreshore. This is followed with the award ceremony at 8.15am.

A most successful Twilight Markets event was held at the Waikerie Lions Park over the weekend with 23 stallholders participating, some not having been here before, and an excellent variety of stalls.





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Food stalls were busy as it was closer to tea time, as patrons settled down in chairs with a coffee ready for the outdoor movie to commence. We appreciate and understand the difficulties many local groups have endured over the past year with COVID-19 restrictions and cancellations of events in our region that have affected their fundraising events - some of which were non-events - and this was an opportunity to capture the proceeds at the markets. I am sure they would have been pleased with their efforts. It was an excellent community event, and we say thanks to the Riverland West Chamber of Commerce for the initiative in getting it off the ground. The next markets at Waikerie will be held at the Civic Centre Gardens on Saturday, February 6, and they too will be twilight markets, from 4pm until 8.30pm. Make a note of that in your diary now.

A coming event at the Mantung Hall on

Saturday, February 6, will be worth booking a ticket for. The Rotary Club of Loxton presents a Harvest Festival event, supporting Mardi Gras Ambassador Rosy McConnell. It will be a two-course dinner, together with a live acoustic band and DJ, for over 18-year-olds only. Limited tickets at www. eventbrite.com/harvestfestival

The community of Waikerie has come together to assist the local family who sadly lost their home in the serious fire last week. We give thanks to our volunteers in the CFS and how professional that they are. It is concerning and sad when they are hampered and restricted at these emergencies by members of the public looking

Some exciting news for our region. Congratulations and thank you to Tom and Sarah Freeman, Fred and Nikki Monaco, and Brad and Nicole Flower who have taken over the role as the new caretakers of the historic and much-loved Overland Corner Hotel. We all have memories of times we have shared with others at this Riverland icon and look forward to its future. This group plans to preserve the rich history of the hotel and plan to reopen in about four weeks' time. We wish them well with this exciting venture in our region.

It has been announced that the Waikerie

Hotel Motel has purchased the Kirriemuir Motel from Mr and Mrs Noel McPherson who built the motel many years ago. We give thanks to Noel and Raelene for the service they have given to all those visitors to our community over those years.

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Gloria Schutz, of Cadell. Gloria will be sadly missed by many.

Waikerie friends and family of Diane King (formerly Fechner) extend sincere sympathy to her and loved ones upon the passing of her husband Brian.

Did you know that the first full moon in each year is called the Wolf Moon? This year it will appear on January 28.

I know it is still cricket season and we are enjoying the cricket, but the Adelaide Crows Riverland Supporters Group committee is getting ready for the 2021 season and advise that the annual general meeting has been rescheduled (because of COVID-19) to Sunday, February 21, at 11.30am at the Loxton Club and the members day event will be held following AGM. More details later.

Thought for the week: "Accept what is. Let go of what was. Have faith in what will

- Zhebao





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# reduce stillbirths

THE Federal Government has committed \$11 million for a new plan to reduce stillbirth rates and provide support for bereaved families, including in the Riverland.

The 10-year National Stillbirth Action and Implementation Plan aims to reduce stillbirths by at least 20 per cent over the next five years, with further short, medium and long-term actions.

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said the plan would help guide improved outcomes for families.

"Tragically, there are six stillbirths each day in Australia," he said.

"That means suffering and loss for more than 2000 families every year.

"Our plan brings together families, community groups and the hardworking organisations that are helping to reduce stillbirths and provide high quality support for Australian families impacted by stillbirth."

Over the next four years the Federal Government will provide:

□ \$4 million to support stillbirth education and awareness initiatives, particularly for groups at higher risk of stillbirth

□ \$2.1 million to adapt the Safer Baby Bundle program for those priority populations, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and women from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds

□ \$500,000 to develop new clinical care standards and update existing clinical care guidelines relating to stillbirth

□ \$500,000 for data improvement and activities to enable long-term research on stillbirth

■ \$1.7 million to develop a monitoring and evaluation framework for the Plan

□ \$1 million for state and territory governments to take immediate steps to increase the uptake of stillbirth autopsies and investigations

□ \$1 million through a National Health & Medical Research Council grant to Monash University to conduct a trial of a wearable, low-cost device to monitor foetal movements to prevent stillbirths

The Safer Baby Bundle is available at learn.stillbirthcre.org.au.

To view the National Stillbirth Action and Implementation Plan, visit www. health.gov.au/maternity.

**Our plan brings** together families, community groups and the hardworking organisers that are helping to reduce stillbirths...

- Tony Pasin **Member for Barker** 

# \$11m plan set to \$37k for headspace Berri project

A RIVERLAND mental health service is one of more than 70 groups across regional and remote Australia to share in almost \$1.9 million through the Federal Government's Regional Arts Fund Recovery program.

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said earlier this week that headspace Berri had successfully applied for more than \$37,000 to develop a new creative project.

"I am pleased to announce headspace Berri has received \$37,635 for its project, The Future of Here (and Now), through the Government's Regional Arts Fund Recovery grants, enabling them to assist our community to heal and rebuild through the arts," he said.

"headspace Berri's youth reference group members will be mentored in creative engagement processes by local and guest artists, in a project designed to build a cohort of current and future leaders with skills in artistic collaboration, creativity and community building.

"The project will bring Riverland young people into conversation with local and guest artists to embed creative practice, processes and perspectives into community recovery and mental health strategies, particularly in relation to the isolation and impacts of COVID-19."

Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts Paul Fletcher said it was "great to see" the Government's Regional Arts Fund continuing to support recovery for artists and communities.

"This grant round was extremely competitive with

Member for Barker Tony Pasin (fifth from left) with headspace Berri staff after announcing \$37,000 in funding for a new arts program. PHOTO: supplied

strong demand across Australia," he said.

"I am pleased to see a diverse range of arts projects receiving much needed funding that will support their local communities.

We know our regional and remote communities have been hit hard this past year, and these new projects will support their economic, social and cultural

For more information about the Regional Arts Fund and to view the full list of recovery grant recipients visit: www.arts. gov.au/funding-and-support/ regional-arts-fund.

### Riverland farmers to benefit from further funding for agricultural loans

EXPANSION of a Federal Government agricultural loan program is set to benefit those looking to purchase a Riverland farming property for the first time.

The Federal Government earlier this month announced an additional \$75 million in funding for the Regional Investment Corporation (RIC) AgriStarter Loan pro-

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said loans of up to \$2 million would be available for anyone buying a farm for the first time, or for farm businesses that have undertaken a succession plan.

"These loans help give a leg-up for the next generation (and) the RIC's current variable concessional interest rate is a record low at 1.92 per cent," Mr Pasin said.

"Along with the HomeBuilder grants, the (Liberal) Government is backing the next generation to invest in their future.

"We are backing the next generation of farmers to invest in the regional economy whether it be through fulfilling a childhood dream to purchase a farm or take over the farm.'

It is understood the loans would be made on a ten-year term, with interest-only repayments for the first five years, then principal and interest repayments for the final five



Mr Pasin said decreased tariffs on international trade - including wine exported to Mexico - would benefit Riverland primary

"There is more good news for the sector with the new year heralding significant tariff cuts and improved market access on a range of commodities traded across the Americas and Asia."

Further information regarding the AgriStarter Loan program can be found by visiting the website (https://www.ric.gov).



Member for Barker Tony Pasin has encouraged Riverland farmers to utilise an expanded AgriStarter Loan program through the RIC. PHOTO: supplied









# Burnout event earns calendar slot

A RAPIDLY growing burnout event looks certain to become a permanent fixture on the local motorsport calendar.

The third annual Riverland Revs Burnout event attracted record entry numbers and maxed out the COVID-restricted crowd capacity at the Riverland Speedway last Friday and Saturday.

Adelaide-based organiser Michael 'Mooey' Hartman said the event was a success by any measure.

"We had 103 vehicles,

which was the most we've had so far, and quality wise it was also the best group of cars we've had," he said.

"We had cars that would normally be at (renowned car festival) SummerNats, including about eight blown or supercharged – vehicles.

"We even had one come from as far as the ACT. He had to get a permit to come over here.

"We could only have 1000 in the venue because of COVID, so we capped tickets and it was actually a

"So we'll definitely be back next year, the weekend before Australia Day."

Visiting competitors took out the trophies, however Mr Hartman said a number of Riverlanders took part over the two days.

A former speedway enthusiast-turned long-time burnout event participant, Mr Hartman said competitors were deadly serious about their performances.

"They've mostly got 17-inch tyres and it's about \$80 for a tyre, depending on who their sponsors are,"

he said. "Most of the guys in the open class are sponsored and they get them substantially cheaper, but just for the normal Joe Blow, it would be \$80 each.

"And then the top (class) go through probably \$100 worth of fuel as well. Plus they're dumping oil every run or every second run. They love it."

Mr Hartman said the event only went ahead thanks to the efforts of Riverland Revs officials, plus Riverland Speedway

#### **BURNOUT RESULTS:**

Young guns (14-17): 1. Klayton Wilson (BF Falcon), 2. Brad Dubrich (VY Commodore), 3. Haylee Lavender (VY Commodore). 6 cylinder class: 1. Nathan Mulders (Holden Gemini), 2. Russel Ashby (EB Falcon), 3. Martin White (Ford Econovan). 8 cylinder class: 1. William Shaw (VS ute LS1), 2. Derek Coulson (HQ 1-tonner LS1), 3. Trent Wood (VL Calais LS1). Open class: 1. Thomas Beltrame (FJ40 Landcruiser blown V8), 2. Jono Kelly (VK Commodore NASCARpowered), 3. Dutchy Holland (VH Commodore LS1).

#### OTHER AWARDS:

Up and in award: John Scullion (KE70 Corolla V8) Crowd favourite: Thomas Beltrame (FJ40 Landcruiser blown V8) Hard charger: Tim Barby (Austin A50 blown V8) The Revs award (for officials): **Ethan Farrows** Hard luck award: Dan Olson

(Datsun 1200 ute. "Blew a motor, got one from town, changed it at the comp overnight and then blew that as well.") Best presented: Dave Cuffone

(Chevy Nova NASCAR engine) Queen of the Revs: Amber Davey (VX Commodore) Best tip-in winner: Peter Matthews (Sigma blown V8)











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#### **DEATHS**

#### Brian.

Passed away with family present at Bonney Lodge, Barmera on Sunday, January 10, 2021.

Aged 86 years.

Loved husband and soulmate of Riet (deceased).

Loving father of Michelle, Derek, Lisa, Nicole, Mark and their families.

Loved and sadly missed by his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

"Reunited with Mam."

Colin's funeral was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Colin's family would sincerely like to thank Bonney Lodge staff for their care and friendship over the last couple of years.

#### Riverland \*\* **FUNERALS**

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#### ALDERSON, Colin.

Sadly passed away on January 10, 2021.

> We will miss you so much Pa, thank you for everything you've done for us.

Love you always. Dan and Chloe. xx

#### **DEATHS**

ALDERSON, Colin BARTEL, Daphne Belita "Lita"

> Passed away peacefully in her 93rd year.

Loving wife of Curly (deceased).

Cherished mum and mum-in-law of Wayne (deceased), Daryl and Christine, Sharyn and Tom, Kevin and Margie.

Adored nanna, great-nanna and great great-nanna.

"With a heart so true and tender. You lived for those you loved.

A beautiful soul is now at rest, Forever we hold you in our hearts.'

Daphne's (Lita's) funeral service will be held entirely in the Taylor and Forgie Adelaide Road Chapel, 98 Adelaide Road, Gawler South (COVID capacity 200) on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Commencing at 3pm.

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#### **DEATHS**



**BLIGHT, Trevor Darryl.** 

Passed away peacefully at home, December 28, 2020.

Aged 72 years.

Dearly loved husband to Joanne.

Father of Heather and Jeffrey and their families

> Resting in Jesus' arms.

Trevor's funeral service was conducted on Tuesday, January 12, 2021, in the 'Encounter Church', Penaluna Court, Waikerie.

A private cremation followed this service.

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**DINNING**, Patricia Jillian Andersen).

Passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 17, 2021.

Aged 78 years.

Dearly loved wife of John.

Loving mum of Tony and Lyndal; and Ann.

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Great-nan to Rvan. Luke and Hadley.

and Lachlan

Never a day will go by...

A private funeral service will be held.



#### **DEATHS**



GRIFF, Stefanos Steve'

Born in Kalianou, Evia, Greece, July 15, 1927.

> Passed away peacefully in Renmark.

January 8, 2021. Aged 93 years.

Beloved husband of Yiannoula (deceased).

Much-loved father and father-in-law of Mary and Arthur (deceased). Jim (deceased), Paul. Nectaria and Darren,

Vaso and Martin.

Dearly loved papou of Nicole and Russell, Angeliká. Paul and Saziye,

Janis, Zoe, Max. Pro papou of Owen, Alyssandra, Luca, Mihali and Nadia.

"The Lord given and the Lord taketh."

Job 1:21. JEFFRIES, Jean (nee Tucker)

Late of Renmark.

Aged 91 years. Passed away

peacefully at a nursing home at Sydney.

Loving wife of Don (deceased). Mother of

John and Deidre. Sister of Robert.

MANSER, Shirley.

Passed away suddenly on January 15, 2021.

Aged 73 years. Beloved wife of Arthur.

Loving mother and mother-in-law of Jodie and Bruce. Darren and Chantel. Megan and Kierean.

Adored nana to ten grandchildren. In God's loving care.

#### **DEATHS**



MANSER, Shirley.

The members and partners of the Rotary Club of Berri extend their deepest sympathies to Arthur, Darren, Jodie, Megan and families on the sad passing of our former member Shirley, on Friday, January 15, 2021.

Shirley was a muchvalued member and supporter of the club over many years.

We will remember her for her passion, drive and in particular for her support to Arthur during his time as Rotary District Governor.

She will be sadly missed by all.

SCHUTZ, Gloria Laurel. 23/9/1958 -12/1/2021.

> Passed away peacefully in her sleep.

Loving mother of Chris.

Granny to Jax.

Youngest sister of Clarice, Mavis, Helen, Aubrey and partners.

Auntie and great-auntie to nieces and nephews

No more suffering.

Gloria's private burial will be conducted in the Cadell Cemetery.

#### SA Kleemann



#### SCHUTZ, Gloria.

Passed away peacefully at Eudunda Hospital.

January 12, 2021. Aged 62 years.

Dearly loved sister of Ricki and partner Keith. Resting peacefully.

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

'Ned'.

18/7/1923 -26/1/1997.

In loving memory of our dear father, father-in-law and pop.

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15/6/1935 -26/1/2015.

wife of Glen.

and nan of Sherilyn,

'Gav'.

15/1/1985.

and always in

KELLY, James 'Jim'. 22/1/2018.

> husband and true gentleman.

Pam, Gav (deceased),

Ash, Bern, Ned, James and Dan.

#### MITCHELL, Joan.

we lost you, our precious Mum, inana and Great-Inana.

> a blessing, Your memory a treasure. You are loved beyond words, And missed beyond measure. but the melody

AXON, Kelvin John

But not the memories,

Glenis

Sadly missed along the way, Quietly remembered every day. No longer in our life to share. But in our hearts

you are always there. Dearly loved

Cherished mum Leanne, Lester, Alyce, Brianna and Matthew.

**KELLY, Gavin James** 

Treasured memories our hearts.

Pam, Jim (deceased), Ash, Bern, Ned, James and Dan.

A loving father,

Forever in our hearts.

January 20, 2020,

"Your life was The song has ended. lingers on...".

Your loving family. xx

# **IN MEMORIAM**



#### TELLING, Trevor.

Our beautiful son and brother, one year has passed January 19, 2021

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The memories will never fade. Mum, Dad, Gary,

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**THANKS** 

#### COPELAND, Ross.

Rita, John, Robyn, Julie, Jessica and Joshua would sincerely like to thank everyone who sent flowers, cards, phone calls and visits on the passing of Ross.

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Please send a 1 page application and your CV to info@murrayrivertrails.com.au outlining your skills appropriate to our award winning tourism experiences by COB Friday 29th January 2021.

Enquiries to Sam on 0417 533 063 www.murrayrivertrails.com.au



#### **Maintenance Electrician**

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- · Diagnose faults. Inspect, test, repair or fix and action machinery and fixed plant equipment -if required.
- Report all corrective maintenance and repairs to the supervisor for recording into MEX.
- Undertake Maintenance & Repairs of electrical systems to the relevant Australian Standards.
- Working within a team environment
- Maintain a clean and safe workplace
- Strong safety awareness and a strong understanding of AS3000

The Moorook Plant runs 3 shifts - 5 days a week starting Sunday night finishing Friday. This role will require you to work on a rotating shift. Monday to Friday.

#### To be successful in this position

- Ability to work well within a team environment and independently.
- Ability to multi-task, work well under pressure and able to build strong relationships.
- Hard working, proactive and willingness to support the business to grow this capability.

#### Required Licenses / Skills

- Electrical trade qualification CERT III in Electro-technology Electrician (or equivalent).
- Electrical Workers Registration (SA).
- Current LVR -CPR ticketed within the last 12 months.

If this sounds like you, we would love to hear from you. APPLY NOW, and send your resume to the below email address info@perksps.com.au

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Above award wages, with remuneration also reflecting the skills and abilities of the successful applicant.

Do you fit the description?

Email resume to shane@mayfab.com.au

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#### Services Assistant – Catering & Cleaning Riverland Mallee Coorong

Local Health Network Barmera Job Ref: 740082



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#### **EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**

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#### **TAXI & MINI BUS DRIVERS RIVERLAND**

Are you or someone you know looking for work? Wanting to earn extra \$\$\$ working weekends or looking for that perfect second job?

Are you semi-retired and wanting to remain active, but not keen on working full time?

If you are looking for a rewarding role that's flexible and are an experienced driver with an excellent knowledge of the region, then this role might be for you!

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• Proven ability to review and assess incoming

· Superior interpersonal skills required to assist

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Location: Berri Hours: Full Time

Conditions of employment are governed by the Assistants to

the Members of SA Parliament Enterprise Agreement 2019 and the Personal Assistants to the Members of Parliament

of South Australia 1989 Award.

Applications close 5pm on Friday, January 29, 2021

For more information contact the

Chaffey Electorate Office on (08) 8582 4230.

**CASUAL CLEANER** 

Position of Casual Cleaner required for

our family run business consisting of two

houseboats and two holiday villas (Renmark

River Villas) located on James Avenue.

Send written applications by post to Tim Whetstone MP,

Member for Chaffey,

PO Box 959, Berri SA 5343

or email to

chaffey@parliament.sa.gov.au

correspondence and prepare responses

Well developed conflict resolution skills

Criteria:

constituents

is desirable

# **EXPRESS**

#### **CASUAL SCHOOL RUN DRIVERS** (Casual & Call in Pool - Riverland)

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA**

- South Australian Driver Accreditation (Class SP, TX, LP, LR, MR)
- Possess or willing to obtain DCSI clearance
- Possess or willing to obtain a National
- Able to demonstrate a safe driving record and history
- Reliable, punctual, and well presented

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# Berri Riverside Holiday Park

#### **BERRI RIVERSIDE HOLIDAY** PARK - JOB VACANCIES

FOLLOWING ON FROM COVID -**OUR PARK IS GETTING BUSIER & BUSIER ...** 

Berri Riverside Holiday Park is looking to add to our existing team. We are a Holiday Park that is proudly owned by the Berri War Memorial Community Centre which has been in operation since 1972.

> Berri Riverside Holiday Park is 'Your Destination of Choice'

#### KIOSK / CRUISE BOAT / **CUSTOMER SERVICE -**

**MULTI SKILLED POSITION AVAILABLE -FULL TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED** FOR THE RIGHT APPLICANT

Our business is growing and we are looking to recruit for our Kiosk and Cruise Boat (which has a full restaurant and licensed bar onboard).

We offer full training for the right candidate – your bubbly personality, reliability, great attitude – and presentation will get you over the mark.

Passion for our business is important and you will be well rewarded for excellent contribution.

Your hours will be rostered working approx. 20 - 25 hours per week Valid Drivers License is essential

#### **CASUAL CLEANERS**

Our new development is on the horizon and we need to ramp up within our Housekeeping team. Hours are dependent on volume of activity in the park - but it is essential that you are available to work THE BUSY HOSPITALITY HOURS

which include weekends and holidays, including public holidays.

In order to be the perfect fit for our team delivering spotless work is required. Our Park prides itself in the reviews we receive from our guests, continuously

> Your hours – working appro 20 - 25 hours per week.

License and you are required to be Physically fit and able to carry out the duties.

JOIN OUR TEAM, HOP ON BOARD TO BE A PART OF ALL **OUR NEW AND EXCITING DEVELOPMENTS** 

PLEASE CALL MERLE ON (08) 8582 3723 FOR A CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSION AND EMAIL YOUR RESUME TO - manager@berriholidaypark.com.au

#### **Bellisimo Hair**

#### **QUALIFIED HAIRDRESSER Full time/ Part time**

Required to work in busy salon in Waikerie Enquiries to: bellisimohair@bigpond.com

I can be part of a friendly country community health service which means that I am part of the big picture, serving my clients as a nurse or midwife, as well as being an important member of the community myself. I benefit from diverse experiences across multiple disciplines, specialities and geography.

#### Registered Nurse

Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network Waikerie Job Ref: 744650

www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers



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#### FRONT OFFICE / **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

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#### Berri Riverside Holiday Park is "Your Destination of Choice"

Join our busy office team - working in a productive environment, utilizing your computer and customer service skills. which are the two must have's for this position – the rest we will train you on.....

Are you able to juggle many balls in the air & handle a busy pressurised – yet fun day?

Our Office Team Leader is keen to have the right person on board. Full training will are a quick learner and a Team player

The days are always exciting and never a dull moment - lots of variety

Accuracy, organisational skills and good communication skills will hold you in good stead for this position.

This role is rostered hours and will include weekend work - every second weekend x2 5 hour shifts - with the alternate weekend off & then rostered hours Monday to Friday.

A Drivers License is required

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#### **COMMERCIAL CLEANERS RIVERLAND**

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA**

- South Australian Drivers Licence
- Possess or willing to obtain DCSI clearance
- Possess or willing to obtain a National Police Clearance
- Proven experience in the cleaning industry
- Reliable, punctual, and well presented

Email your expression of interest and resume to admin@expressx.com.au or contact us via phone on (08) 8213 6600 during business hours

I can utilise my business and management skills in order to contribute to great outcomes in the health system. I can be part of a supportive culture where I can access the very best training and professional development. I enjoy a diverse and varied career path within one organisation, knowing I am making a real and valued contribution.

#### Team Leader Catering & Cleaning Services Riverland Mallee Coorong

Local Health Network Waikerie Job Ref: 744652

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#### Registered Nurse Midwife

Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network Waikerie Job Ref: 744653

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#### Renmark. Work required includes: General cleaning of all properties, inside and outside. awarding us with top marks for cleanliness. Window cleaning Pool cleaning and water testing Purchasing and ordering of supplies Essential for these positions - Valid Drivers 10-15 hours per week with predominantly weekday work (often between the hours of 10am and 2pm) and occasional weekend work required. The position requires someone with a

drivers license, who is reliable and efficient. shows initiative, is computer literate, has a reasonable fitness level and can work unsupervised as well as part of a team.

> Email resume to Deanne at info@boatsandbedzzz.com.au or post to: 42 James Avenue Renmark SA 5341

Phone 0429865749 for more information

Closing date for applications is Tuesday 26th January 2021.

#### **EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**

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#### TRUCK DRIVERS **WANTED**

#### February 2021 Start

in Riverland towns. Approximately 10 weeks work transporting grapes to local wineries. HC licence and limited experience necessary. Good equipment and good pay rates. Travelling people welcome. Please call 0407 609 400.

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Local Health Network Waikerie

Job Ref: 743943

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#### Registered Nurse - HCP

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#### **Sales Representative**

100.7 Riverland Life FM is seeking a sales representative to facilitate the selling of Sponsorship advertising on the radio.

At this stage the position will be paid on sales commission only (to be negotiated). Work your own preferred hours. Own transport and phone required.

Applicants need to be able to work under station policy guidelines and community radio standards and regulations.

**Enquiries to the Station Manager - 0417 248 000** Details at www.riverlandlife.org.au



#### **DIESEL MECHANIC FULL TIME PERMANENT POSITION**

An excellent opportunity has become available for a motivated and energetic Diesel Mechanic.

We require a person with experience with American prime movers, as you would be involved in ongoing maintenance of our fleet.

You need to be mechanically minded and it is essential you have the ability to problem solve and problem shoot.

You need to be able to communicate on all levels, be reliable and have good organisational skills, with the ability to work in a team environment.

A trade qualification would be an advantage, experience in welding and fabrication would also be well regarded.

Must have own transport.

Enquires to Steve 0417 103 991 Email resume to operations@sizetrans.com.au or deliver to 104 Trenerry Avenue, Loxton



#### **Casual Harvest Employment Opportunities**

**JUBILEE ALMONDS FARM** Harvest 2021

Jubilee Almonds invites applications for the above positions.

Jubilee Almonds is a 464ha Almond property located 25kms North-East of Waikerie near Overland Corner.

We are looking for energetic self-motivated persons to become part of our harvest team. Starting early to mid-February. Working 40 to 70 hours per week. Machinery experience preferred but not essential as on the job training is provided. Duties include operation of Almond harvesting machinery and general orchard duties.

Applications close 29th January 2021.

"Select Harvests is an Equal Opportunity Employer." Applications to

Peter Smith Farm Manager PMB 54, Waikerie SA 5330

Phone: 0417 863 811 Email: psmith@selectharvests.com.au

I can work in a multi-disciplinary team which helps me to get the best results for my clients. I am part of a supportive and caring team environment, where

#### my colleagues are my best friends. There are many opportunities to diversify my role and continually challenge myself to improve the lives of country people and their families. Enrolled Nurse -Casual Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network Pinnaroo Job Ref: 745756 www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers can ...achieve true work life balance in a country community Government of South Australia

#### **Veterinary Nurse**

Casual with the potential to become permanent part time for the right candidate.

We are looking for an

experienced, Cert IV qualified, veterinary nurse who would love to join our ever-growing team. We are a fast-paced mixed animal practice with a

24-hour Emergency Hospital located in Berri with 4 out-clinics in other Riverland towns. You will work alongside vets with varied special interests to help you advance your skills and be supported by a large nursing and reception team.

The position encompasses a variety of shifts between 7.30am and 11pm 5 days a week. Rotating after hours on call and weekend shifts are required as part of this position.

Responsibilities of the Position:

- Assist with medical and surgical cases
- Provide excellent and compassionate care to our clients
- Perform blood collection, lab work, Instrument cleaning and IV catheterization
- Patient management, feeding, toileting, bathing, and care
- Assist with nurse triage or nurse consultations
- Monitor anæsthesia during surgery and recovery
- General cleaning and equipment maintenance

We are looking for someone who has:

- Minimum of 2 years of surgical nursing experience inc.
- ana esthesia monitoring in theatre
- Ability to work by yourself or as part of a team
- Exceptional time management and organizational skills
- Minimum Certificate IV or equivalent.
- Applicant must be able to work at any of our 5 clinics
- Exceptional customer service and strong communication skills
- Highly motivated, reliable, strong work ethic, empathetic, mature, and responsible with a can-do attitude
- Ability to take responsibility and follow tasks through
- Previous experience in Emergency care would be an advantage.

To apply please send an email with your resume and cover letter to admin@rivvet.com.au

Applications close 1st Feb 2021.

Drs. J.H. Hammond and Associates 63 Kay Avenue, Berri, S.A. 5343 Phone: (08) 8582 1222







**PUBLIC NOTICES** 

#### **EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**

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THE MIGHTY SOUTH AUSSIES

#### **Senior Checkout Assistant**

#### The successful applicant will have:

- Excellent customer service skills
- Confidence in handling money
- Neat and tidy appearance
- Have initiative and commitment to the position

Majority will be day shift - Monday to Friday, however there may be occasional evenings and weekend work as required. (Perfect for a Gap year student)

The successful candidate will be required to start immediately.

Please drop your resumes including a work related reference to:

Renmark Foodland 25 Ral Ral Ave. Renmark or email: renmarkfoodland@bigpond.com Ph: 8586 6741

#### **QUARRY ADMINISTRATION**

An opportunity exists for an experienced Administration Quarry Person to join a growing organisation dealing in quality quarry products.

If you like dealing with people, can work autonomously while supporting our Director with up to date accurate information, then this is the role for you!

Initially Casual but with possibility of permanent status for the right person, your hours will be between 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

- Understanding and ensuring compliance with chain of responsibility and other regulations;
- Managing weighbridge operations;
- Building rapport and strong relationships both internally and externally;
- Managing inventory data;
- Quarry sales administration.

#### Required Skills/Experience

- Minimum 1-year relevant experience in similar environment such as within building and construction materials industry, earthmoving or an allied industry is preferable but not essential.
- Strong communication skills and interpersonal skills
- Exceptional facilitation and computer literacy required

If this opportunity sounds like the right role for you, please email your resume to lesleigh@scherer.com.au.

Closes 29/1/2021



#### Take on the challenge in 2021 and get the rewards!

**Renmark Netball Club are** seeking applications for

#### COACHES

in A1, A2, 17A & 15A grades

email your application to renmarknetballclub@gmail.com by Friday, January 29th

**Enquiries to Rhiannon Stephens** on 0416 212 229. (All coaches are required to hold a current police check. This can be arranged after appointment if necessary)

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#### **Mid Murray Council Office Closures**

Residents and Ratepayers are advised that all offices of Council will be closed from 12 noon on Friday 22 January 2021, reopening Monday 25 January 2021 at 9-00 am.

During this period you can continue to call 08 8569 0100 for after hours services or refer to Council's webpage www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



#### **Australia Day Function -Mannum**

The Mid Murray Council in conjunction

Council and the Lions Club will make the following presentations commencing at approx 9-15 am -

- Community Event of the Year Award awarded to the Mannum Hospital Auxiliary Incorporated - Mannum Hot
- Young Citizen of the Year Award awarded to Ella Deramore-Denver
- Citizen of the Year Award awarded to Chris Tugwell

The public are cordially invited to attend the above Australia Day event.

This is a Free event, however, due to COVID-19 restrictions if you wish to attend you must reserve your Free ticket (limited tickets available).

For more information or to reserve you ticket please go to https://www.mid-murray. sa.gov.au/community/2021-Australia-Day-<u>Awards</u>

Ben Scales CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



with the Lions Club of Mannum will be sponsoring Australia Day "Breakfast in the Park" at the Mary Ann Reserve on Tuesday, 26 January, 2021, commencing

- Lions Youth Achievement Awards
- Rod Day 8 March 2020



1. Southern Cross 2. Don Bradman-99.94 3.A paddle 4.Speed skating 5.Kangaroo and emu 6.Julia Gillard 7.Eyre Highway 8.The Coat Hanger **9.**Crocodile Dundee **10.**Lamington 11. Richie Benaud 12. Bass Strait 13.76 members 14. Joey 15. Cathy Freeman 16. The Castle 17. The Indian Pacific 18. Kath & Kim 19. The Great Ocean Road 20.1932

BONUS OUESTION ANSWER (from the last edition): In the USA, ZIP stands for Zone Improvement Plan in ZIP code.





#### FROM MURRAY PIONEER 13/01/2021

1. Universal Serial Bus 2. Pacific Ocean 3. Captain James Cook 4. North Sea 5. Emperor Penguin 6. Swimming, cycling, running 7. Niagara Falls 8. Pacific Ocean & (North) Atlantic Ocean 9. The crucifixion of Jesus 10.17 11. Jumanji: The Next Level 12.Rome 13.Bat 14.Hands 15.Reflex angle 16.U2 17.Absolute zero 18.Perfect Duet 19. Granite 20. Cork

**BONUS QUESTION ANSWER** (from last week's Quiz): New Year's celebrations started in Times Square in 1904. The ball descent started in 1907.

## **Healthy Town** grants open

LOCALS are encouraged to help improve the health of their surrounding communities by applying for grants of up

Minister for Health and Wellbeing Stephen Wade said the Liberal Government had committed \$1 million to support regional communities with local initiatives through the SA Healthy Towns Challenge.

"Many risk factors for chronic disease can be prevented or reduced through communities working together to support a healthy environment and we encourage communities to participate in SA's Healthy Town's Challenge," he said.

"Maintaining good health and wellbeing

is a shared responsibility between government, individuals and communities more broadly and through the Healthy Towns Challenge we have already invested almost \$1 million into • Stephen Wade projects and communityled organisations statewide."



As part of the fourth and final round of the program, successful applicants will receive up to \$50,000 in June 2021 to develop programs to improve the health and wellbeing of their communities, which will have measurable benefits over 12 months.

Wellbeing SA CEO Lyn Dean said many chronic illnesses - such as diabetes and cardiovascular disease - share the same risk factors and are preventable.

"By actions such as increasing physical activity, eating healthier, quitting smoking and cutting back on alcohol, South Australians can enjoy an improved quality of life," she said.

"Successful Healthy Town Challenge projects in the past have aimed to increase access or create opportunities in the community to make healthier choices and participate in activities that encourage physical activity, healthy eating and positive mental health and wellbeing.

"Funded projects have ranged from community gardens, cooking lessons, walking trails, outdoor gyms and bike programs and I am looking forward to seeing the applications we receive this year."

Applications close Friday, March 26,

For more information or to apply, visit https://bit.ly/3sHbB9Z.

### Don't get scammed in 2021, Tony warns

A NEW Federal Government initiative is aiming to prevent and identify the perpetrators of scam phone calls to Riverland residents. The Federal Government earlier this

month launched the Reducing Scam Calls Code, outlining a process to identify, trace and block scam phone calls.

Member for Barker Tony Pasin said efforts of the Scam Telecommunications Action Taskforce were particularly focused on callers impersonating the Australian Tax Office (ATO).

"Australians lost nearly \$36 million to scam calls in 2020," Mr Pasin said.

"Over the past year, the telcos have stopped scammers and blocked more than 30 million scam calls including most notably the ATO scam.

"This new Reducing Scam Calls Code works alongside the other measures the (Federal) Government has announced to tackle scam calls.

"This includes a new industry standard to stamp out fraudulent mobile number porting.

More information regarding Federal Government prevention of scams can be found by visiting the website (www.acma. gov.au/scams-and-online-misinformation).

## Renmark moves into top spot

RENMARK defeated The Lawns by seven shots in division one Bowls Riverland Saturday Pennant on the weekend

Winning all three of its matchups in a tight tussle, Renmark skipper Ken Schulz won his rink by just one shot over rival skipper Steve Ivanovic.

Renmark now sits in top spot on the ladder with just four rounds remaining of the 2020-21 regular season.

Berri continued on its winning way, taking an 11-shot win over Loxton RSL. The win was Berri's third in as many weeks.

Loxton RSL skipper Jade Wright guided his team to a 25-14 win over Mark Kubank's four, but Berri won the other two rinks.

A strong performance by Loxton skipper Bruce Schubert and is team helped guide Loxton to its 67-54 win over Barmera.

In division two results, Renmark won all three of its match-ups upsetting Loxton 62-45. Loxton now drops from fourth to sixth on the ladder.

Waikerie Blue remains on top of the ladder after defeating Barmera convincingly by 18 shots to move eight points clear of second-placed Lyrup.

The Lawns White won the local derby against The Lawns Red by four shots.

Division four featured some tightly contested affairs, as Moorook beat Loxton by just two shots, while The Lawns just scraped home against beat Monash by a single shot.

#### RESULTS

#### **DIVISION ONE** Loxton 67 d Barmera 54.

B. Schubert 33 d R. Reynolds 13, D. Schliebs 15 lost to J. Morena 25, R.Coombs 19 d K. Carter 16

Renmark 64 d The Lawns 57.

K. Schulz 22 d S. Ivanovic 21, B.Dopson 18 d P. Lawton 17, M. Rice 24 d S. Leesue 19. Berri 61 d Loxton RSL 50.

M. Kubank 14 lost to J. Wright 25, A. Hill 35 d L. Westbrook 9, D. Treloar 12 lost to G. Jenke 16.

	W	L	Agg	Pts	
Renmark	8	2	83	195	
Waikerie	7	3	62	177	
Loxton RSL	6	5	50	158	
Berri	6	4	46	152	
The Lawns	4	6	-31	110	
Loxton	3	8	-54	88	
Barmera	2	8	-156	56	

#### **DIVISION TWO**

#### Renmark 62 d Loxton 46.

D. Leedle 22 d P. Kimber 18, S. Blee 18 d T. Thurston 17, C. Gamble 22 d H. Appleton

Waikerie Blue 68 d Barmera 50.

D. Morley 19 d P. Thompson 15, R. Davies 25 d B. Tamblyn 18, D. Thompson 24 d D.

#### Lyrup 64 d Loxton RSL 48.

S. Munro 16 lost to N. Jenke 18, T. Gyss 21 d P. Smith 15, J. Wrigley 27 d E. Eagle 15. The Lawns White 66 d The Lawns Red 62. K. Smith 16 lost to R. Adam 19, M. Spano 29 d K. Knight 21, N. Porrovechio 21 lost to M. DeCol 22.

#### Berri 61 d Moorook 54.

G. Thiele 18 d T. Graetz 16, R. Kuchel 20 d C. Battams 18, K. Carpenter 23 d A. Wachtel 20.

#### Waikerie Gold 63 d Monash 47.

G. Lloyde 27 d P. Wilkinson 13, J. Segneri 22 d I. Potts 13, R. Pickett 14 lost to M.

	W	L	Agg	Pts	
Waikerie Blue	9	1	111	247	
Lyrup	9	2	165	239	
Monash	8	4	144	206	
Berri	7	5	81	183	
Lawns White	7	5	40	178	
Loxton	6	5	50	166	
Lawns Red	6	6	-9	156	
Barmera	5	7	1	133	
Renmark	4	7	0	129	
Waikerie Gold	4	8	-130	109	
Moorook	3	8	-137	92	
Loxton RSL	1	11	-316	34	

#### **DIVISION THREE**

Berri Blue 77 d Berri Red 66.

J. Bradford 24 lost to L. Blades 25, S. Hall 20 d B. Knight 19, B. Bland 33 d K. Tanner

#### Monash 63 d Renmark Green 60.

K. Tschirpig 21 d R. Schulz 14, J. John 15 lost to J. Thompson 26, M. Daley 27 d M. Walker 20.

#### Waikerie White 76 d The Lawns 47. E. Loughhead 25 d G. Brown 16, M. Morley

18 lost to L. Pinyon 24, S. Schiers 33 d P. Loxton White 71 d Loxton Red 40.

K. Brandsma 30 d A. Grimsley 13, D. Proud 17 d J. Peters 13, T. Altschwager 24 d F. Armfield 14 Waikerie Black 68 d Lyrup 59.

#### C. Voigt 21 d D. Hill 18, J. Mortimer 19 lost

to C. Healey 23, D. Boehm 28 d J. Healey

#### Barmera 61 d. Renmark Gold 55.

P. van Enkhuyzen 20 d D. Beer 18, S. Robinson 33 d N. Wurst 13. H. Robinson 8 lost to S. Crook 24

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	W	L	Agg	Pts				
Loxton White	11	1	232	275				
Lyrup	8	3	87	217				
Barmera	8	3	15	211				
Berri Blue	8	4	74	197				
Renmark Gold	7	4	62	192				
Berri Red	5	7	16	142				
Monash	5	7	-115	125				
Ren Green	4	7	-41	123				
The Lawns	3	9	-60	94				
Waik White	2	9	-129	72				
Waik Black	2	10	-157	64				

#### **DIVISION FOUR**

#### Moorook 36 d Loxton 34.

L. Tschirpig 20 d D. Vaughan 17, M. Smith 16 lost to T. Harrison 17.

#### The Lawns 36 d Monash 35.

M. McCauley 15 lost to P. Tucker 19, N.

Dunstan 21 d 1. Swanbury 16.										
	W	L	Agg	Pts						
Loxton	8	3	102	190						
The Lawns	7	3	37	167						
Moorook	7	5	-10	164						
Monash	4	7	-46	114						

NB: Division four ladder corrected to reflect remaining sides



Loxton RSL skipper Jade Wright took out his match-up in Bowls Riverland Saturday Pennant. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Berri skipper Mark Kubank in Bowls Riverland Saturday Pennant action.

#### Berri upset Wednesday pennant leaders Renmark

BERRI beat division one ladder Shugg 18. Berri 65 d Renmark 50.
K. Treloar 22 d J. Trezise 19, M. Miller in Bowls Riverland Wednesday 20 d J. Cooper 16, R. Butt 23 d C. Pennants last Wednesday.

Playing at home, Berri was in control throughout taking wins in all three of its match-ups to defeat the visitors. The win sees Berri move ahead of The Lawns into second place on the ladder - after The Lawns went down to Loxton 66 to 54.

In other games, Monash beat Barmera by 12 shots while Lyrup drew with Waikerie.

#### **RESULTS**

#### **DIVISION ONE**

#### R. Potts 18 d K. Melton 14, J. Barnett 22 d G. Burns 17, S. Eldson 21 d C.

Monash 61 d Barmera 49.

Gamble 15.

Loxton 66 d The Lawns 45. M. Schutz 23 d J. Knight 21, B.

Mattner 27 d I. Proud 8, L. Kimber drew with M. Spano 16.

Lyrup 61 drew with Waikerie 61. B. Howe 21 lost to S. Moritz 28, R. Smith 20 d J. Strauss 13, S. Lloyd 20 drew with D. Boehm 20.

	w	L	Agg	Pts
Renmark	9	3	148	228
Berri	8	4	91	208
The Lawns	8	4	105	199
Loxton	7	4	86	188
Lyrup	4	7	-31	131
Monash	4	8	-166	108
Waikerie	3	7	-101	100
Barmera	3	9	-132	86

**DIVISION TWO** Loxton 43 d Waikerie 32.

Vaughn 21 d L. Burnell 14 Moorook 39 d Loxton RSL 34. 14 lost to H. Dreschler 26. Barmera 52 d The Lawns Red 25.

N. Christo 36 d M. Lawton 8, C. Pickering 16 lost to C. Harr 17. Berri Blue 56 d Renmark 29. K. Tanner 23 d L. Hoffman 18, B.

Knight 33 d T. Wurst 11. Berri Red 50 d Lawns White 26. J. Bradford 23 d E. Kennedy 13, L Blades 27 d R. Christie 13.

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	W	L	Agg	Pts
Berri Blue	11	1	211	266
Berri Red	11	1	273	261
oxton	8	4	67	192
∕loorook	8	4	83	187
oxton RSL	7	5	-7	164
Vaikerie	5	7	-45	117
awns White	4	8	-57	100
Barmera	1	11	-118	94
awns Red	1	11	-202	32
Renmark	1	11	-205	27

#### Local derbies impact ladder middle order P. Raams 18.

BARMERA beat local rivals Barmera Pelicans by inch page 14 per 14 per 15 per 16 just seven shots in Bowls Riverland Midweek Triples last week.

The round's results saw a mid-pack shuffle of the ladder, as Barmera now claims third position.

Renmark Gold took out its local derby against Renmark Green by a convincing 35 shots, moving up from sixth to fourth.

#### RESULTS

Renmark Gold 102 d Renmark Green 67.

Ter Bogt 26 d B. Lockett 16,

M. Howe 24 d P. Amos 21. H.

Pelicans 73. J. O'Brien 15 lost to K. Carter

29, A. Stagg 23 d D. Button 13, B. Tamblyn 19 lost to P. Thompson 22, J. Morena 23 d R. Reynolds 9.

#### The Lawns Red 78 d The Lawns White 61.

P. Lawton 24 d K. Knight 8, S. Ivanovic 18 d M. Hudson 14, R. Adam 23 d B. Haby 15, M. Inglis 13 lost to P. Brown 24. Waikerie 80 d Lyrup 65. D. Schapel 23 d C. Healey 18, W. Collins 20 d L. Recchia 13,

G. Johns 23 d P. Denton 16, D. Morley 14 lost to G. Milich 18. Loxton Blue 88 d Monash 64. T. Altschwager 18 lost to W. Pahl 20. N. Thiele 23 d K. Tschirpig 16, P. Vaughn 26 d M. Wood 10, T. Harrison 21 d

**Loxton Red 84 d Loxton** White 62.

P. Kimber 25 d E. Davey 17, R. Coombs 20 d G. Schulz 10, D. Schliebs 16 drew with D. Kimber 16, H. Appleton 23 d T. Thurston 19.

#### Loxton RSL 86 d Berri Red

N. Jenke 17 lost to R. Correll 22, G. Jenke 30 d K. Stokes 19, L. Westbrook 17 d B. Hollis 14, D. Drabsch 22 lost to A Gapco 24.

Points: Waikerie 250, The Lawns Red 242. Barmera 202. Renmark Gold 194. Berri Blue 186, Loxton Red 179, Lyrup 179, Loxton Blue 155, Berri Red 137, Renmark Green 136, Barmera Pelicans 124, Loxton RSL 121, The Lawns 113, Loxton White 68, Monash 66.

## Berri breaks through for first win



Barmera's Jordan Wright won his Riverland division one tennis singles match on Saturday, but his team lost overall to Berri-view.

Schumann/K. Schumann lost to L. Hampshire/S. BERRI won its first match of the Riverland division one tennis season on Saturday, upsetting Barmera by five rubbers.

Berri won the match 10-5 after an excellent performance in the singles, claiming five of the six rubbers up for grabs.

Despite top player Eddie Day going down to Barmera counterpart Jordan Wright 4-6, Berri was able to claim the other five rubbers, with Maria Tzanavaras the best performer with a 6-0 win over Sarah-Jane Albrecht.

Berri is now within one win of Barmera on the table and with a number of games to come under lights at home, is a sneaky chance of making finals.

Renmark upset an undermanned Cobdogla 9-5 in the other match of the round.

With no Sam Butterworth or Shane Nettle for Cobdogla, Renmark was able to easily win the encounter 9-6.

David Strongman was in terrific form for Renmark, winning 6-0 in his top singles game and going undefeated on the day.

While Renmark will no doubt face a much sterner test next time it plays Cobdogla, the win was pivotal, given spots in the top four are well and truly up for grabs.

#### **DIVISION ONE**

Renmark 9-68 d Cobdogla 5-53.

Doubles: D. Strongman/W. Hill d G. Centofanti/H. Carter 6-1; D. Schumann/J. Pick d L. Hampshire/W. Swinstead 6-4; K. Schumann/T. Adamczyk lost to S. Nettle/J. Maczkowiack 2-6; D. Strongman/D. Schumann d G. Centofanti/H. Carter 6-3; W. Hill/J. Pick d S. Nettle/W. Swinstead 6-1; K. Schumann/T. Adamczyk lost to S. Nettle/J. Maczkowiack 2-6; D. Strongman/W. Hill d G. Centofanti/H. Carter 6-0; D.

Nettle 3-6; J. Pick/T. Adamczyk d W. Swinstead/J.

Singles: D. Strongman d G. Centofanti 6-0; W. Hill lost to H. Carter 1-6; D. Schumann d S. Nettle 7-6; J. Pick d W. Swinstead 6-1; K. Schumann lost to S. Nettle 1-6; T. Adamczyk lost to J. Maczkowiack 4-6.

#### Berri 10-83 d Barmera 5-64.

Doubles: E. Day/P. Reid d J. Wright/M. Jericho 7-5; C. Battams/G. Staehr lost to P. Johns/J. Bannear 5-7; M. Tzanavaras/J. Fulham d S. Albrecht/E. Marks 7-5; E. Day/P. Reid d J. Wright/P. Johns 6-4; G. Staehr/P. Cresp lost to M. Jericho/J. Bannear 4-6; M. Tzanavaras/K. Barnett d S. Albrecht/E. Marks 6-4; E. Day/P. Reid lost to J. Wright/M. Jericho 2-6; C. Battams; J. Fulham lost to P. Johns/S. Albrecht 5-7; P. Cresp/K. Barnett d J. Bannear/E. Marks 7-6. Singles: E. Day lost to J. Wright 4-6; P. Reid d M. Jericho 6-1; C. Battams d P. Johns 6-2; P. Cresp d J. Bannear 6-4; M. Tzanavaras d S. Albrecht 6-0; J. Fulham d E. Marks 6-1.

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Cobdogla	5	1	60	30 10	
Renmark	4	2	40	50 8	
Loxton	2	3	37	38 4	
Barmera	2	4	49	41 4	
Berri	1	4	24	51 2	

#### **DIVISION TWO**

Cobdogla 10-82 d Loxton Yellow 5-87.

Doubles: J. Inglis/S. Renfrey d N. Gibbs/S. Blaser 6-2; G. Carter/B. Burton d C. Knoblauch d D. Reichelt 7-5; H. Drogemuller/K. Britten lost to A. Taylor/J. Pearn 2-6; J. Inglis/G. Carter d N. Gibbs/S. Blaser 7-5; B. Burton/D. Ness d C. Knoblauch/D. Reichelt 6-2; J. Nettle/H. Drogemuller d A. Taylor/D. Gibbs 6-4; J. Inglis/S. Renfrey lost to N. Gibbs/B. Reichelt 4-6; G. Carter/H. Drogemuller lost to S. Blaser/D. Gibbs 6-7; D. Ness/J. Nettle lost to D. Reichelt/J. Pearn 5-7.

#### Berri 10-70 d Moorook 5-47.

Doubles: S. Smith/S. Vallelonga lost to N. Flight/A. Segui 2-6; S. McPherson/J. Sweet d T. Griffin/D. Hill



Berri-view's Eddie Day in action during his top singles match against Barmera's Jordan Wright on Saturday. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff

6-2; E. Matthews/K. Battams d E. Reichstein/H. Hill 6-1; S. Smith/S. McPherson lost to N. Flight/T. Griffin 3-6; S. Vallelonga/J. Sweet d A. Segui/D. Hill 6-1; E. Matthews/K. Battams d E. Reichstein/H. Hill 6-4; S. Smith/S. Vallelonga lost to N. Flight/A. Segui 2-6; S. McPherson/E. Matthews d T. Griffin/E. Reichstein 6-4: J. Sweet/K. Battams d D. Hill/H. Hill 6-1. Singles: S. Smith lost to N. Flight 2-6; S. Vallelonga lost to A. Segui 1-6; S. McPherson d T. Griffin 6-1; J. Sweet d D. Hill 6-1; E. Matthews d E. Reichstein 6-0; K. Battams d H. Hill 6-0.

#### Waikerie 12-78 d Barmera 3-48.

Doubles: J. Smith/R. Smyth d P. Jericho/R. Harris 6-2; R. Kleemann/G. Fulwood d T. Charlton/P. Szabo 6-3; K. Bannister/A. Hull d C. Wright/M. Jericho 6-4; J. Smith/R. Kleemann d P. Jericho/R. Harris 6-4; R. Smyth/G. Fulwood lost to T. Charlton/P. Szabo 5-7; K. Bannister/A. Hull lost to K. Jericho/M. Jericho 1-6; J. Smith/G. Fulwood d P. Jericho/T. Charlton 6-0; R. Smyth/K. Bannister d R. Harris/C. Wright 6-3; R. Kleemann/A. Hull d P. Szabo/M. Jericho 6-2. Singles: J. Smith d P. Jericho 6-3; R. Smyth d T. Charlton 6-2; R. Kleemann d R. Harris 6-2; G. Fulwood d P. Szabo 6-3; K. Bannister d C. Wright 6-1; A. Hull lost to K. Jericho 0-6.

	VV		г	A PLS
Berri	6	1	70	35 12
Waikerie	5	1	56	34 10
Cobdogla	4	3	49	56 8
Moorook	3	3	41	49 6
Loxton Black	1	4	30	45 2
Barmera	1	4	29	46 2
Loxton Yellow	1	5	40	50 2

#### **DIVISION THREE**

Waikerie 5-44 drew with Loxton Smashers 5-44.

Doubles: J. Bolt/W. Kroehn lost to H. McDonald/K. Hughes 5-7; T. Kelly/S. Traeger d E. Hughes/Z. Hughes 6-3; J. Bolt/T. Kelly lost to H. McDonald/E. Hughes 0-6; W. Kroehn/S. Traeger d K. Hughes/Z. Hughes 6-0; J. Bolt/S. Traeger d H. McDonald/Z. Hughes 7-5; K. Bannister/T. Kelly lost to K. Hughes/E.

Singles: J. Bolt lost to H. McDonald 4-6; K. Gore d K.

Hughes 6-3; T. Kelly d E. Hughes 6-2; S. Traeger lost to Z. Hughes 2-6.

#### Loxton Bashers 10-61 d Barmera 0-24.

Doubles: M. Roberts/R. Hentschke d M. Cornelius/C. Cornelius 6-4; L. Zdanowicz/T. Zdanowicz d A. Kariuki/D. Gilgen 6-2; M. Roberts/R. Loxton d M. Cornelius/A. Kariuki 6-1; R. Hentschke/L. Zdanowicz d C. Cornelius/G. Tsorotiotis 6-1; M. Roberts/T. Zdanowicz d M. Cornelius/G. Tsorotiotis 6-1; R. Hentschke/R. Loxton d C. Cornelius/D. Gilgen 6-1. Singles: M. Roberts d M. Cornelius 6-3: R. Hentschke d C. Cornelius 7-6; R. Loxton d A. Kariuki 6-1; T. Zdanowicz d G. Tsorotiotis 6-4.

#### Moorook 9-60 d Cobdogla 1-19.

Doubles: R. Thomson/F. Logos d J. Pascoe/J. O'Brien 6-1; O. Ackland/J. Logos d J. Bowers/C. Starkey 6-0; R. Thomson/O. Ackland d J. Pascoe/J. Bowers 6-0; F. Logos/J. Logos d J. O'Brien/C. Sharkey 6-3; R. Thomson/J. Logos d J. Pascoe/C. Sharkey 6-0; F. Logos/O. Ackland lost to J. O'Brien/J. Bowers 5-7. Singles: R. Thomson d J. Pascoe 6-1; F. Logos d J. O'Brien 7-5; O. Ackland d J. Bowers 6-2; J. Logos d C. Sharkey 6-0.

#### Paringa Red Dogs 7-50 d Renmark 3-30.

Doubles: N. Rover/N. Rivers d B. Coombe/A. Rajab 6-3; C. Gardner/T. Rover lost to V. Isaac/K. Pearce 3-6; N. Rover/T. Rover d B. Coombe/V. Isaac 6-3; N. Rivers/N. Spinks d A. Rajab/K. Pearce 6-1; T. Rover/N. Rivers lost to B. Coombe/K. Pearce 5-7; N. Spinks/C. Gardner d A. Rajab/V. Isaac 6-3. Singles: N. Rover d B. Coombe 6-1; N. Rivers lost to A. Rajab 0-6; C. Gardner d V. Isaac 6-1; N. Spinks 6-0.

	vv	_	г	A PLS
Loxton Bashers	7	0	59	11 14
Paringa Red Dogs*	6	0	59	11 13
Moorook*	4	2	43	27 9
Loxton Smashers*	3	3	32	38 7
Waikerie*	2	4	24	46 5
Barmera	2	5	28	42 4
Cobdogla	2	5	15	55 4
Renmark	0	7	20	50 0
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Reuben Lehmann in action at the 2021 SA Swimming Country Championships. PHOTOS: supplied

## Reuben smashes gold medal barrier

#### **ERIN WILLIAMS**

YOUNG avid sportsman Reuben Lehmann, of Waikerie, exceeded his own expectations when he took first place on the podium for not one, but four, gold medals at a major state event recently.

Coming from one of Waikerie's most sports-passionate families, Reuben's hall was from 2021 SA Country Swimming Championships at in Adelaide.

Reuben cemented his place as the fastest 15-year-old in country SA in three strokes, and his mum, Hannah Lehmann, said he had been training hard for the past three years, so there results were "a long time coming".

"He won gold in the 50m butterfly, 50m breaststroke, 100m breaststroke and 50m backstroke," she said.

"This was Reuben's third country championships, and he was determined to finally win a gold medal.

"At the previous two championships, Reuben has been ranked first swimmer for many events but never secured a gold medal in any of the finals, so it was his main goal this year to win at least one gold.

"He came away with four, and was so happy.

The 2021 championship was originally scheduled to be held at Renmark this year, but was changed to the SA Aquatic Centre



After hoping to win his first gold medal at the state swimming championships this year, Reuben walked away with three more than he bargained for.

in Marion due to COVID-19 issues.

Mrs Lehmann said while Reuben loved swimming, the training schedule for a competition was "very gruelling".

"While he was with the Renmark Swim Club, we used to drive up twice a week for training and he would train back in Waikerie by himself once or twice a week," she said.

"He's been with the Barossa Swim Club

as of last year. He has been training with the team mostly three times a week and twice in Waikerie by himself.

"Both pools are roughly 100km from Waikerie so we spend a lot of time in the

Reuben said he was "extremely happy" to win four gold medals.

'Being the fastest 15-year-old in country SA in three strokes, and second fastest in the fourth (freestyle) is a pretty exciting achievement," he said.

"It was a pretty full-on three days; I was in 11 events, but with heats, finals and relays, so I had a massive 26 swims over the championship.

"I've been training pretty hard, so it was really great that all the hard work paid off."

Mrs Lehmann said Reuben would attend Immanuel College – leaving Waikerie High School – this year to pursue his swimming.

"It's tough to make it in any sport, so he is happy to just continue to swim as long as he is enjoying it," she said.

"He also loves his footy just as much as swimming and will continue to play both for as long as he can.

"(The family is) so proud of Reuben and will miss him so much while he's at boarding school. But I am looking forward to having a break from all the driving and early morning starts."

### **Double Jacks** bullseye first win

IN round four of the Riverland Darts summer season Double Jacks scored their first win of the season against Expendables.

The Expendables won both of the doubles matches to lead 2-0. Double Jacks then won the next six singles to take an unassailable 6-2

Fi Wenske (Double Jacks) notched the highest score with a maximum 180 for Double Jacks, who eventually won 6-5.

In the other match, Barmera Rebels showed why they will push Cobby Eagles for the premiership by defeating Monash Wanderers 9-2.

The Rebels never let the Wanderers into the match. Highlight of the night was Wanderers' Wayne Bonham scoring a maximum 180 and a high peg-out of 108. Results

Double Jacks 6 (F. Wenske 180, 100 x 2, M. Wenske 135, 133, 121, 100, L. Platten 108, 100 x 3, C. Davis 100 x 2 d Expendables 5 (S. Lockwood 121, 114, 104, 100 x 2, A. Barnes 121, 108, 100, D. Higgs 121, 100, G. Norman 114).

Barmera Rebels 9 (C. Martin 140 x 2, 125, 100 x 4, C. Wagner 140, 136, 134, 100, N. Peatey 115, 105, 100 x 4, A. Weidenhofer 100 x 3) defeated Monash Wanderers 2 (W. Bonham 180, 140, 135 x 2, 125, 110, 100 x 2, 108 peg out, A. Martin 100 x 7).

#### Lacey wins small bore shoot

THE second round of the Renmark Small Bore Rile Club trophy was shot at 50 metres on January 14 in windy conditions.

Brenton Lacey was the handicap winner and Mark Cresp won the off-rifle event.

M. Cresp 100.10, 100.9 (0) 200, B. Lacey 98.7, 98.7 (0) 196, N. Lloyd 98.4, 98.5 (0) 196, C. Hopkins 95.3, 94.1 (5) 194. R. Ward 95.4, 96.4 (3) 194, A John 96.3,

#### Lyrup hosts cycling teams race

RIVERLAND Cycling Club held a fun fastpaced team race on Sunday.

The short circuit loop around Lyrup caused quite a stir as riders were spurred on with encouragement from spectators and friendly banter from opposing teams.

1 Team A: T. Bond, T. Stevens, S. Lahainer. 2 Team B: G. Butt, L. Stevens, W. Champion. 3 Team C: A. Ylia, Lee Rasheed, Mick Gray. 4 Team D: C. Holtham, P. Weston, C. Holtham.

#### **RIVERLAND GOLF RESULTS**

Stableford, Wed, Jan 13: S. Johnson 25 pts, R. Knight 33 (cb), L. Smith 33, L. Seddon 33, I. Newman 32. Stableford, Sat, Jan 16: L. Seddon 41 pts, L. Campbell 37, L. Mudge 36, S. Knight 35 (cb), P. Mudge 35, R. Dale 35, G. Leyson 35, D. Ramsay 35, G. Calgie 34, (cb), R. Knight 34, W. Thiele 34, J. Coombe 34, M. Wilksch 34, AM Crease 34, M. Clifford 34, P. Morris

Stableford, Sun, Jan 17: T. McHugh 42 pts, M. Jennings 37 (cb), P. Mudge 37, S. Jennings 35 (cb), E. Dawson

#### LOXTON

Stabelford, Wednesday 13th Ladies: winner S. Pannell 38. J. Cooney 33.

Stableford, men's A grade: A. Camplin 42, A. Linder 37 c/b, S. Semmler 37.

Stableford men's B grade: G. Leyson 40, M. Koch 38 c/b G. Nugent 28.

Eagles: P. Harman on the 1st hole.

Stableford Friday 15th: C. Wooldridge 35. K. Martin 30. Summer Cup, held Janu 140 nett (68, 72), G. Shields 142 nett (73, 69). A grade: K. Martin 143, D. Tyler 145, c/b C. Neilson

B grade: H. Peberdy 150, K. Wagnitz 153 nett. Ladies: S. Pannell 144, J. Bullock 145.

## Riverlander Dylan eclipses Olympian's former record

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For Mrs Gaylard, her son's ability to perform under pressure helped him make the switch back to swimming seamlessly.

"I think he just loves the environment, especially in the Marion pool," she said.

"He thrives under pressure. Country champs always have that bit more competition and are bit more competitive in that they push themselves that little bit harder."

Dylan took home a swag of medals at the championships, taking gold in the 50m freestyle, 50m butterfly, 100m butterfly, gold in the open 50m butterfly and 50m freestyle. He also won two silver and three bronze medals.

#### **MEDALS:**

D. White: Gold 50 Freestyle, 50m butterfly, 100m butterfly, open 50m butterfly and 50m Freestyle. Silver 100 Freestyle, Open silver in 100m butterfly. Bronze 100m breaststroke, 100m backstroke, Open

M. Long: Gold 50m breaststroke, 50m backstroke and 50m freestyle; Silver 100m backstroke and 100m freestyle; Bronze 50m butterfly.

H. Reidel: Silver 50m freestyle; Bronze 50m breast-

E. Kassebaum: Bronze 50m butterfly. B. Menadue: Bronze 50m butterfly. B. White: Silver 50m breaststroke. Relay Medals

Gold: Boys 14-18y 200m Free relay (J. White, R. Catalano, L. Cockshell, D. White). Gold: Boys 14-18y 200m 14-18 medley relay (J. White, B. White, D. White, R. Catalano). Silver: Boys open 200m free relay (D. White, R. Catalano, S. Hawkins, J. White).

Inglis, J. Furniss, Z. Raynes). Bronze: Girls 200m medley relay (J. Lambert, K. Watts, M. Long, B. Lambert).

Bronze: Boys 14-18 200m free relay (B. White, L Marks, J. Harding, O. Harding).

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# Berri on top as baseball returns

BERRI Red beat Renmark White 8-2 last Friday night when Riverland A grade baseball swung back in to action for the first time since the state lockdown in December.

Berri scored the first run of the game, but Renmark hit back to level the score 1-1 at the end of the first innings.

Berri kept the runs coming in the second and third innings, before Renmark responded with a single run in the third innings, but couldn't convert its batting for the rest of the match.

Warriors pitcher Jesse Frazer caused plenty of headaches for the Angels, with 16 strike-outs putting the Angels on the ropes.

Renmark fielded impressively with a double-play at the top of the fourth innings to hold Berri back.

But that wasn't enough, as the Warriors piled on a runs frenzy at the top of the fifth to ice the game.

In the B grade, Berri Blue was on point, getting bat on ball with a smashing 16-0 victory over Renmark White.

Berri dominated in the field with two double-plays in the game to hold Renmark scoreless.



Steven Goldspink smashing Berri Blue to a 16-0 win over Renmark. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

**Meanwhile** this Friday night the Riverland Baseball League is holding its annual Charity Round raising funds for the Jaymie-Lee Ross Foundation.

The Foundation seeks to support those fighting epilepsy and helping to prevent S.U.D.E.P (sudden unexpected death in epilepsy).

There will be plenty of activities for the kids including face painting and base running, raffles and the night will be fully catered.

The event starts from 6.20pm.

#### RESULTS

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Berri Red 1 1 1 0 4 1 8

Renmark Blue 1 0 1 0 0 0 2
Safe hits: Berri Red – T. Brooke 15, J. Frazer 15, A. Rogers 5, K. Liddell 15.
Renmark Blue – L. O'Brien 15, R. Martinez 15, C.

Renmark Blue – L. O'Brien 15, R. Martinez 15, C. Lawton 15.

### Wunkar rolls Gerard in T20

WUNKAR beat Gerard by a seven wickets in Saturday's Riverland turf cricket T20 match at Berri's No.2 ground.

Kale Smith and Jacob Evans ripped through Gerard's batsmen taking 3/12 and 3/21 respectively for the game.

Ronnie Mitchell top scored for Gerard with 22, leaving 'extras' to be next best.

Wunkar cruised to victory in reply, losing just one wicket. Talyn Eagle remained not out on 29.

#### RESILTS

Wunkar 1/76 (T. Eagle 29no, R. Smith 33, N. Henschke 4no, G. Abdulla Jr 1/15) d Gerard 71 (K. Smith 3/12, J. Evans 3/21, T. Abdulla O, M. Abdulla O, D. Weetra 4, W. Motto O, G. Abdulla Jr 12, M. Leon 4, R. Mitchell 22, G. Abdulla 16, A. Abdulla Sr. O, S. Mitchell O).



Gerard's
Gary Abdulla
Jnr bowled
by Jacob
Evans during
Saturday's
Riverland T20
cricket match
at Berri.
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## **Cobdogla too good for Loxton**

COBDOGLA beat Loxton in last Saturday's round of Riverland senior softball, played in comfortable weather conditions.

Both teams were kept to a run each in the first innings, before Cobdogla scored another two runs with some great batting, plus some errors from Loxton's fielders. Loxton then started to run bases and managed another run to take their tally to two runs.

However, Cobdogla steadily increased its lead to eventually win easily.

Some great catches were taken in the outfield by Cobdogla's Colleen Smith, while teammate Tahlia Johnson effected a double play and tag. Johnson caught the line drive then managed to throw a runner out, to make the first double play of the day.

Emma Nykiel took a great catch in the outfield



Emma Nykiel in action for Loxton last Saturday in Riverland senior softball. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

for Loxton, which suffered its first loss for the season. Until Saturday, Loxton had been the dominant team from the start of the season, but Cobdogla broke the drought and is now building towards finals.

Despite the scoreline, the game could have gone either way, but Cobdogla's relative lack of errors was the difference.

Cobdogla took on Renmark in the first C grade game of the day.

Renmark took a couple of innings to get on the ball, but towards the end of the game became more relaxed and played well.

Cobdogla held an early lead and time was the dampener as Renmark started hitting its straps late in the game.

Had Renmark started off as it finished, the result may have been different.

The second game of the C grade competition

saw Loxton Blue take on Berri. It was a great game, with Berri eventually winning 14-12.

A highlight was Berri's Kimberly Pellosis hitting a four-bagger in the third innings. Berri used everything it could to win the game, even engaging its young speedsters to get around the diamond.

#### RESULTS

Seniors

Cobdogla 8 d Loxton 2.

Best: Cobdogla - D. Passmore, C. Smith, J. Cook. Loxton - E. Nykiel, K. Johnson, S. Aitken-

Berri 12 d Renmark 2 Best: Berri - M. Bradtke, C. Venning, C. Eleftheriadis. Renmark - A. Selfe, L.

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B. Passmore, O. Thompson. Renmark - K. Radloff, T. Botten, J. Botten.

Berri 14 d Loxton Blue 12 Best: Cobdogla - B. McAlister, B. Geraghty, R. Geraghty. Berri - K. Wade, A. Sampson, W.

## Lyrup Lions fight to survive

"A lot of families have moved out into different parts of the Riverland. That's part of the equation, so it's pretty hard."

Another factor is the shutdown of the local primary school which has forced the town to fall back on

"We've got the bowling green here and the Lyrup Club, but we need the footy club to rejuvenate the town again," Kindness said.

It is more than a on-field numbers game, the club is also struggling to keep its committee running.

Last Thursday the club met with and RFL chairman Shane Uren and SANFL regional football co-ordinator Nick Dillion to assess the player shortage.

"There's not a lot we can do actually physically, but offer more moral support," Mr Uren said.

"Nick and I met with the club, and rather call time on the club's season now, we thought we'd get it out in to the media and assist whatever way we can in the short term."

"To make their situation known to the broader public, you never know what they might unearth in the way of players and volunteers."

The difficult state of affairs at the club was somewhat eased at last Thursday's meeting Mr Dillon

'They were probably a bit defeated going in, because it's been the same people fighting the same battle for some time now and that can be quite draining," Mr Dillion said. "Now they are aware that they have SANFL and the RFL in their corner, I think that's made a big difference."

Mr Dillon said paying players is not the club's main problem.

"That is not the big issue for Lyrup." "For them it's about finding volunteers willing to invest time in the club, whether that be past players or other people new to the club with a passion for footy and sport."

Time is ticking for the Lions who have just 10 weeks to get a squad ready before the season gets underway.

The Lyrup Football Club's pre-season training will run from January 20 to 27, with further training from February 3 and 10

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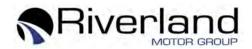
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Lyrup Football Club is struggling to find enough players to field a team for the upcoming RFL Independent season. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

#### **BRENDAN LINES**

THE LYRUP Football Club is fighting for its survival, as the club struggles to field a senior team for the 2021 RFL Independent season.

Lyrup senior coach John Kindness has pleaded for players across the Riverland to join Lyrup's ranks, as the club stares down the barrel of what could be the toughest season in its 112-year history.

"I've coached in the Riverland for quite a few years and on the east coast and everyone seems to go through this phase, but this is just detrimental to the club now," Kindness said.

So far, the club has only 10 players on its list ahead of its pre-season training — set to begin on January 20.

"Lyrup Football Clubs needs players to get a complete team for 2021. We're here to

encourage players to be fit and develop new skills and fitness for a competitive season," Kindness said.

With a population of just 301 people, the club traditionally relies on players coming from surrounding areas.

"But the numbers simply aren't there," Kindness said.

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### Dylan eclipses Hayden's record

TEAM Loxton swimmer Dylan White smashed Riverland Olympian Hayden Stoeckel's 50m freestyle record - not once, but twice - at the recent SA Country Swimming Championships in Adelaide.

Originally to be held in Renmark, the event was moved to the SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre at Marion across January 8 to 10.

Dylan's mum Nicky Gaylard said the event was the first time Dylan had swum competitively since 2020.

"February last year was the last time he swum, so it's been a long time and we're all pretty keen for competition, "she said.

Dylan set his record 'male 17' time of 00:25.10s on his first run, then set a faster time later with a lap time of 00:24.95s.

Mrs Gaylard said the record came as a surprise to Dylan's family as they watched on.

"There were actually no aims to break any records," she said.

"So it was a bit of a shock when we were all sitting there and heard his name on the live speaker that he'd just broken records.

'That was a very nice surprise...'

Dylan also broke records in the male 17 years 100m butterfly in a time of 1:02.30s and male 17 years 100m butterfly in a time of

Interestingly, Dylan's focus had moved away from swimming to football while local pools were shut down in 2020.

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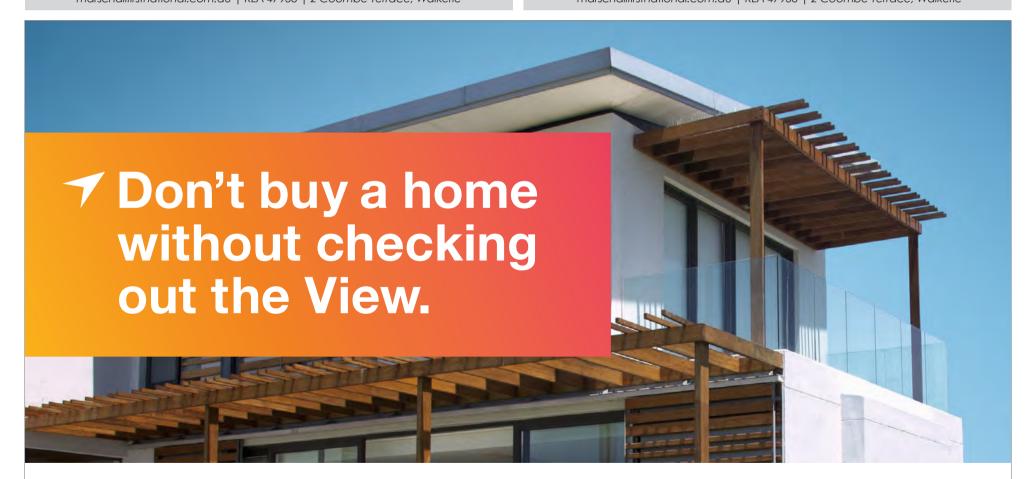
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## Housing market to be put to test

AUSTRALIA'S housing market recorded respectable growth over 2020 and with limited stock and strong demand, 2021 should see further price increases, Real Estate Institute of Australia (REIA) president Adrian Kelly said.

Mr Kelly said the winding back of Jobkeeper and Jobseeker may see temporary issues for tenants in some capital cities, but the trend to relocate to the regional areas currently being experienced was likely to gain further momentum.

"Traditionally there is a reduction in the number of house sales over the holiday period due to buyers going away for the festive period but due to the current restrictions people are taking advantage of the market conditions whilst they are unable to travel and looking to buy while they can," he said.

Mr Kelly said the property sector has

been crucial to Australia's economic performance.

"Government stimulus measures and continued low interest rates have been, in part responsible for the resilient demand for residential property," he said.

"Even though growth in new dwelling investment is unlikely in the 2020/21 fiscal year, given the lags between building approvals and construction activity, the forecast for dwelling investment has been revised from -4 per cent in the Preelection Economic and Fiscal Outlook to -3.5 per cent in MYEFO," he said.

Mr Kelly said with the possibility of a Federal election being called as early as August 2021 it was critical policy makers make measured commitments for property policy for all players in the real estate industry from first home buyers to

"In May just prior to the 2019 election, house sales were the lowest in two decades across Australia which was largely attributed to election commitments from the Federal Opposition to abolish negative gearing and capital gains tax in their current form," he said.

"Given the major role investors played and continue to play in providing housing over the pandemic, it is critical that in the run in to the election that policies from all sides of politics work for all players in real estate.

"Overall, the real estate industry looks forward to a positive year for the Australian property market with the promise of an Australian COVID-19 vaccination program allowing life to resume to a new normal.

"For customers, whatever your objective is for this year, whether you're down-



Adrian Kelly

sizing, investing or making a lifestyle move – talk to your local agent about your options for 2021."

## CoreLogic report shows 2020's property winners

IN a year that no one could have predicted, from a deadly global pandemic to our largest economic downturn since the 1930's, CoreLogic's recent Best of the Best 2020 Report revealed Australia's \$7.2 trillion residential real estate market proved remarkably resilient.

The annual Best of the Best report is a suburb level analysis of a variety of measures used by CoreLogic to determine property market performance across the year, ranging from property value growth and sales to rental yields.

So, where were Australia's top performers in residential real estate over 2020?

"The Best of the Best report for 2020 highlights the resilience of luxury markets in Australia, where the highest median house value was once again in Darling Point, and the highest median unit value was found in Point Piper, as with 2019," CoreLogic Head of Research Australia Eliza Owen said.

"This is not to say these suburbs have been unaffected by the pandemic; indeed the high end of the Sydney market is generally more volatile to changes in economic conditions. However, this volatility also tends to see a rapid recovery in the wake of lower mortgage rates and an improvement in consumer sentiment.

"Perhaps even more surprising is that some of the suburbs more impacted by the pandemic are represented in this edition of the Best of the Best report as having the highest sales turnover value in the year to September.

"In the suburb of Melbourne, for exam-

ple, unit values declined by 3.4 per cent between the onset of the pandemic in March, and the end of September.

"The total value of sales is down 3.9 per cent in the year to September 2020 compared with the year to 2019. Yet the suburb of Melbourne has gone from having the sixth highest total sales value in 2019, to claim the number one spot in 2020."

While the initial shock of COVID-19 led to a 2.1 per cent decline in national property values between April and September, Australian housing values were 1.1 per cent higher over the year to November following a recovery trend in the last two months.

"Housing values have been supported by a strong mix of regulatory, monetary and fiscal measures, which have induced record-low mortgage rates, the deferment of mortgage repayment for households impacted by COVID-19, support for low income households, as well as grants and concessions for owner-occupier purchases," Ms Owen said.

"The relative popularity of lifestyle markets is evident in our report, and regional Australia outperformed the combined capital cities market.

"With the exception of the highest median value suburbs, our Best of the Best report is dominated by high performing regional areas across the country.

"Sunshine Beach on the Sunshine Coast has seen the highest annual capital growth in houses nationally, compared with 2019 when St Kilda in Melbourne saw the highest housing growth."



### Adelaide to welcome more buyers

ADELAIDE's housing market is expected to be very busy this year as strong confidence and record-low interest rates encourage more buyers, according to a prediction by Raine & Horne Australia.

Over the past year, Adelaide managed to report a 5 per cent price growth despite the impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak on the real estate market.

Raine & Horne South Australia general manager James Trimble said robust market conditions in the city and across the state would likely continue until early April.

"With more people now able to work from home as a consequence of COVID, owning a family home in the Hills district is significantly more appealing to those seeking value and who now only need to commute two to three days to the city," he said

Beachside suburbs such as Glenelg, Seacliff, Brighton, West Beach, Henley, and Grange are also expected to be popular.

Trimble said the reopening of state borders will help boost demand for houses in Adelaide.

"Some people living in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane will recognise Adelaide's real estate affordability and shift here to take advantage of our lifestyle and be mortgagefree," he said.

"Likewise, we expect South Australians who have ridden the property wave well interstate to also return to their state of birth.

"Inner-ring suburbs and the Adelaide Hills will be the hotspot regions in the South Australian capital."



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175,000	404.16	426.11	448.70	471.90	495.71	520.10	545.04
200,000	461.89	486.99	512.80	539.32	566.53	594.40	622.91
225,000	519.63	547.86	576.90	606.73	637.34	668.69	700.77
250,000	577.37	608.73	641.00	674.15	708.16	742.99	778.63
275,000	635.10	669.60	705.10	741.56	778.97	817.29	856.50
300,000	692.84	730.48	769.19	808.98	849.79	891.59	934.36
325,000	750.58	791.35	833.29	876.39	920.60	965.89	1012.22
350,000	808.31	852.22	897.39	943.81	991.42	1040.19	1090.09
375,000	866.05	913.10	961.49	1011.22	1062.23	1114.49	1167.95
400,000	923.79	973.97	1025.59	1078.64	1133.05	1188.79	1245.81
425,000	981.52	1034.84	1089.69	1146.05	1203.87	1263.09	1323.68
450,000	1039.26	1095.72	1153.79	1213.47	1274.68	1337.39	1401.54
475,000	1097.00	1156.59	1217.89	1280.88	1345.50	1411.69	1479.40
500,000	1154.73	1217.46	1281.99	1348.30	1416.31	1485.99	1557.27
525,000	1212.47	1278.34	1346.09	1415.71	1487.13	1560.29	1635.13
550,000	1270.21	1339.21	1410.19	1483.13	1557.94	1634.59	1712.99
575,000	1327.94	1400.08	1474.29	1550.54	1628.76	1708.89	1790.86
600,000	1385.68	1460.96	1538.39	1617.95	1699.58	1783.19	1868.72
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6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 In The Line Of Duty; 2:00 Surf Patrol; 2:30 Border Security; 3:00 The Chase;

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#### Last Week's Solution



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18. Greek letter
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#### Mitchell Dymmott 21/1/13 Interested in appearing on Buddy's Birthday list? Don't forget that if your name appears on my Contact: Murray Pioneer 8586 8000 birthday list then you can pick up a voucher from the Murray Pioneer, The River News or The Loxton News for a FREE junior burger, compliments of KFC in Renmark!

### January 2021 Horoscopes: week 3

ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)

Your powers of intuition will be very high at the moment. This may make it easier for you to see through the people around you. Your judgements of other people will be accurate, but may be a little too harsh for comfort. Romance. Your ability to empathize with your partner will help to give your

TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)

Hold back making a major purchase until you are a little calmer. Romance. You need to find a more comfortable balance between your own needs and those of your partner. You can't please everyone, and will have to do what you think is right.

GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)

Be especially kind to animals this week. A companion animal who is very close to you may be feeling a little more tense than usual, and will need to be treated gently. **Romance**. At times you may feel as though nothing you do will work! A slightly different approach will be much more successful – don't be afraid to take a risk.

CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)

Domestic problems may take up much more time and energy than they are really worth. Be careful not to get bogged down in everyday trivia. Romance. A comment which you make casually to a friend will mean much more to this person than you expect. Don't be surprised if you soon have another admirer on your hands!

LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)

You have been working extremely hard recently, and must do something entirely different. Romance. A slip of the tongue could be much closer to the truth than you realise. Don't forget this comment – it will help you to understand your partner's feelings over an issue which you know has been

VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)

Do your best to avoid food which has upset you in the past. You will be especially sensitive to toxins at the moment. Romance. A powerful aspect to Venus will help your love-life to move out of the doldrums. A meeting later in the week will be especially worth looking forward to.

LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)

A positive aspect to Mars may make your feelings a little more intense than usual. Be careful not to let a disagreement spill over into other areas of your life: at times, you will be more concerned about being right than about the feelings of the people around you. Romance. This will be a good time for making the first steps in a new relationship.

SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)

An object which you were given many years ago by a friend will help you to remember this person. This would be a good time to get in touch with them. Romance. A favourable aspect to Mercury will help you to communicate your feelings with your partner. A disagreement which has been hanging over you for a while will finally be sorted out.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)

A letter will give you the answer to a question which has been on your mind for several months. By the end of the week this matter should be completely resolved. Romance. Don't forget about the most important person in your life. A chance event will help you to put your relationship with them into perspective.

CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)

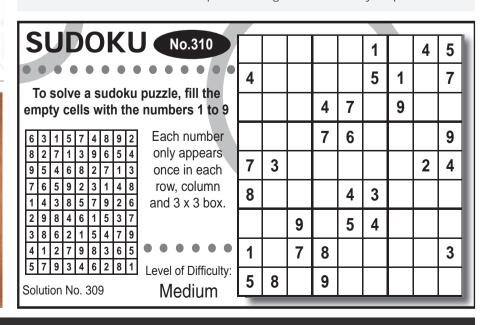
Don't let uncertainty with your work affect your family life. Rather than worrying about events which are beyond your control, you should just let things take their course naturally. Romance. A favourable aspect to Venus later in the week will help you to overcome a recent hurdle in your relationship.

AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)

A friend who has been there for you in the past may suddenly let you down. Instead of putting pressure on them, you should do your best to understand what is going on in their life. Romance. A complimentary remark from someone you hardly know may embarrass you. This person wants to do more than just flatter you, however.

PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)

A difficult aspect to Pluto will bring some more secrets out of the closet. By the end of this week you will have a much better understanding of your feelings towards another member of your family. **Romance**. You will be able to look forward to a few quiet evenings at home with your partner.





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