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- 1950 MORE POWER DISCONNECTIONS
- NEW EMERGENCY CENTRE IN BERRI
- LAKE BONNEY BEING BLOCKED OFF

COMING UP FAST

Local photographer Grant Schwartzkopff's snapshot of Renmark this week, showing the extent of inundation around the township ahead of the flood's projected peak early next week.

A FURTHER 1950 power disconnections are likely by the end of the week, as the Riverland cranks up its flood response, now including a new emergency centre in Berri and moves to preserve Barmera's wastewater system by blocking off Lake Bonney.

Amid a hectic 36 hours across

the region, and with the flow into South Australia hurtling past 147GL a day, SA Power Networks pledged to keep power disconnections to a minimum, but forecast almost 2000 more in the coming days.

"Mainly in low-lying areas where there has been inundation or flooding is imminent within

days..." said head of corporate affairs, Paul Roberts.

Meanwhile a massive earthmoving exercise is being conducted in Barmera to hastily construct a levee along the west of Lake Bonney – including the Nappers Bridge inlet – that would protect wastewater infrastructure supporting the town and

surrounding communities.

And at 9am yesterday the Berri Senior Citizens Club was officially converted to an emergency facility for flood-impacted Riverland residents, providing locals with assistance sourcing accommodation, food and finances.

In addition, the region's tourism

providers have again reminded the rest of the state that the Riverland is still accessible, with most local activities available and the local scenery spectacular.

SA Premier Peter Malinauskas is expected to visit the Riverland again later this week.

INSIDE: FULL FLOOD COVERAGE

Summer Farmer magazine inside

PHOTO: Deirdre Graham



TAYLOR Group Media's popular quarterly SA Farmer magazine is included for free in today's Murray Pioneer.

The 52-page summer edition provides agricultural news from across the state

and highlights stories of primary producers from the Riverland, Mallee and Lower North, including Paringa's own Christmas tree farmers Marg and Ed Simpfendorfer (pictured).

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Funding and support for region's 'resilient' tourism operators

JOSH BRINE

THE state's tourism minister has heard about the challenges facing a resilient Riverland tourism industry, with the sector's recovery from the ongoing flood event set to be supported with more than \$4m in funding.

More than 40 representatives from tourism operators and industry stakeholders attended a meeting organised by the Tourism Industry Council of South Australia (TiCSA) at the Berri Hotel last week, with SA Tourism Minister Zoe Bettison, TiCSA CEO Shaun de Bruyn and South Australian Tourism Commission representatives in attendance.

Various local operators said their patronage had been impacted by negative and misleading messaging in Adelaide media surrounding the flood's impact on tourism businesses.

"What we're really hearing now is how

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tourism businesses are being impacted when it's still safe for people to come," Ms Bettison told The Murray Pioneer.

"That's a really key message for me to take back – how do we look at that conversation and how do we encourage people to come, but also be aware of their safety..."

"We need to go out with clarifications about what visitors can and can't do. You don't need to be in the river to enjoy the river."

"The image is that everything is unavailable and that's simply not true."

As part of the \$51.6m in funding to support SA river communities through the floods, \$3m has been allocated for three rounds of \$200 vouchers for visitors to use in the region, to be rolled out next year, with a \$1.1m marketing campaign also planned.

The package also includes \$10,000 grants for non-employed businesses and \$20,000 for employing businesses forced to close prior to the flood, however some local operators whose customer numbers have decreased due to the floods expressed concern that funding was currently unavailable for them.

"We've come out with a package that at



More than 40 local tourism stakeholders attended a meeting with SA Tourism Minister Zoe Bettison and industry leaders at the Berri Hotel last week. PHOTO: Josh Brine

the moment is focused on businesses that have had to close for a minimum of two weeks," Ms Bettison said.

"It's always challenging from a government grant perspective to include everyone, (but) we'll look at what we can do."

Destination Riverland (DR) general manager Pamela Canavan said the local tourism industry had shown it was "resilient, passionate and strong", particularly after Covid-impacted years.

"It's wonderful to hear the assistance being offered and that it's being thought about right now," she said.

"It's just going to be about balancing the timing of when it's launched, but any assistance is greatly appreciated by everyone here

on the ground..."

"It means so much, not just to our organisation but the entire community, to have these government and industry leaders here."

"I don't think you can fully understand what's going on and what people are feeling unless you're actually here."

Ms Canavan said DR was focused on "striking a balance" between promoting business still operating and supporting those already impacted.

"It's also about being gentle knowing people in the city may be apprehensive about coming here," she said.

"It's about reassurance and finding the right message and tone."

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Loxton's ED reassurance amid Booky Road closure

LOXTON residents concerned the closure of Bookpurnong Road could impact emergency medical services have been reassured about their town's hospital.

Loxton Hospital continues to offer 24/7 emergency services, explained Sally Goode, presiding member of the Loxton & Districts Health Advisory Council Inc.

"Our highly proficient nursing team has ensured plentiful stocks of everything necessary to treat emergency injuries..." Ms Goode says in a letter to the editor in today's Murray Pioneer.

"Don't worry about your access to medical help in the case of an accident. If you live in the town or surrounds of Loxton, and need to visit a hospital ED (emergency department), you can go directly to the Loxton Hospital Complex ED..."

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It's the season for our Riverland school proms

PROM season is back in the Riverland, with senior students across the region dressing up for the occasion this week.

Riverland Special School kicked off the season with its senior prom last Friday at the Berri Hotel.

Students dressed to the nines and posed for photographs before making their way down the red carpet.

Loxton High School students will celebrate their formal tonight at The Precinct, with arrivals scheduled to start at 6pm.

Renmark Club will host Renmark High School's prom tomorrow from 5.45pm. Parents and friends are welcome to mingle outside the club on the lawns to take photographs. Murray Avenue will be closed between Renmark Avenue and Para Street from 5.15pm to 8pm for the prom's popular car arrivals and red carpet walk.

Berri Regional Secondary College will finish the week with its prom on Friday night at the Berri Hotel. Formal arrivals will

begin at 5.30pm. Riverview Drive from the eastern side of Ahern Street to the end of the Berri Hotel will be closed to traffic from 5pm to 6.30pm to allow for prom proceedings.

Formal and prom arrival photographs from each school will be printed in The Murray Pioneer over the coming weeks.

RIVERLAND PROM NIGHTS:

Tonight: Loxton High
Tomorrow: Renmark High
Friday: Berri Regional Secondary College

RIVERLAND WEATHER

	WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY		MONDAY	
RENMARK		27° 10°		29° 12°		31° 14°		35° 16°		37° 18°		29° 14°
WINDSPEED	9am S15	3pm SSW16	9am SSE18	3pm S20	9am SE13	3pm S12	9am ENE10	3pm NNW9	9am N15	3pm WNW13	9am SSW16	3pm SW21
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Economic flood support targets homes, businesses

RIVERLAND households and businesses expected to experience "large-scale flooding" events will share in the recently unveiled \$51.6m state government economic support package.

Premier Peter Malinauskas announced the support measures at the Berri riverfront last week, during a visit to the Riverland with deputy premier Susan Close, Minister for Emergency Services Joe Szakacs, SES chief officer Chris Beattie, police commissioner Grant Stevens and flood recovery co-ordinator Alex Zimmermann.

The state government's initial \$51.6m flood support package included:

- \$9.3m to remediate existing levees and construct new ones on council land, including at Cobdogla and Lake Bonney – more than tripling the support for levee works.
- Grants of up to \$50,000 to assist business owners with the cost of private levy works required to bring levees up to certified engineering standard.
- \$4.8m to purchase sandbags and other flood defences.
- An exemption from development approvals for councils who construct their own temporary levees.
- Rental assistance: up to \$2000 for singles, or \$5000 for families who are uninsured and displaced from their homes by floodwaters, and who are unable to access alternative accommodation
- Extension of the SA Housing Authority's existing rental bond guarantee program to homeowners who are required to relocate from their principal place of residence due to flooding or long-term power outages.
- Early Business Closure Grant: \$10,000 for non-employing businesses and \$20,000 for employing businesses forced to close or cease trading prior to the flood.
- Generator purchase grants of up to \$500 for households, and \$4000 for businesses who are switched off from the electricity grid.
- \$3m to meet the costs of relocating or re-establishing pumping and generator infrastructure for irrigators impacted by the floods.
- \$3m for three rounds of time-limited \$200 vouchers for accommodation and tourism experiences in river communities, at a time to be determined by consultation with industry.
- \$1.1m for a Book Them Out-style marketing campaign.
- \$501,000 to reinforce houseboat moorings and pump stormwater.
- \$1m in mental health support.
- \$2m local preparedness fund to be administered by Alex Zimmerman.
- A waiver of state government fees and charges for houseboat and tourism operators impacted by the floods.
- \$10m towards remediation of critical state infrastructure including roads, ferry infrastructure and essential services.



BIG4 Renmark Riverfront Holiday Park manager Gayle Gudgeon is encouraging visitors to continue to see the "magnificent" natural environment of the Riverland during the current flood event. PHOTO: Josh Brine

Operators urging tourists to come see 'magnificent' region

A LOCAL riverfront caravan park is encouraging visitors to continue visiting the region to see the "magnificent" environment amid high river flows.

BIG4 Renmark Riverfront Holiday Park manager Gayle Gudgeon said the park is taking "every precaution", including the construction of a levee to 1956 flood levels, to protect both its guests and property from any potential flooding.

"Ensuring guest safety is paramount and we will continue to trade only

By
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while it is considered safe to do so," she said.

"Keeping the water out and returning to business as usual as soon as we can is our ultimate aim.

"The hard work, support and guidance from local businesses Stoneham Building Contractors, Scherer Contractors and (surveyor) Ralph Anderson in the construction of our levee has been incredible.

"We're also very grateful for offers of support and extra hands on deck from trades, local business and families, should we need them."

Mrs Gudgeon said guests had been "astounded" at how local waterways look due to increased inundation.

"It's wonderful to be welcoming families into the park to enjoy the facilities and encouraging them to explore the region," she said.

"The wetlands are full and the water looks just beautiful.

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"This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for people to see this natural phenomenon.

"Taking many calls daily, my staff and I are busy assuring guests that at present it's a perfect time to visit the region, and we would love them to come and stay and enjoy the many things the park and the area have to offer.

Mrs Gudgeon said the

support shown for the local tourism industry from emergency services, the state government and council, and the communication between these different bodies, had been "wonderful".

"I had (SA Tourism Minister) Zoe Bettison come through our park and she fully appreciates the situation tourism in the region is going to be in over the coming months," she said.

"The local guys from the council have been terrific and the SES has also been really great."

Riverland hotel takes home two national awards

A RIVERLAND hotel has this week been recognised with two award wins at a prestigious national hotel industry awards night.

Loxton Hotel took out Best Bar Presentation & Service-Regional and Best Redeveloped Hotel-

General Division at the Australian Hotels Association (AHA) National Awards for Excellence, held in Sydney on Monday night.

Loxton Hotel was just one of four South Australian venues recognised on the night, with winners from every state and territory

across Australia.

The wins come after the local pub took out three gongs at the state awards in October for Best Overall Hotel-Country, Best Bar Presentation and Experience-Country, and Best Redeveloped Hotel-Country.

"It's so exciting," Loxton Hotel chairman Wendy Mudge said yesterday.

"To think that a community hotel, serving a small regional community in SA could come away with two major awards."

PAGE 23 Hotel's healthy profit

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SAPN strives to keep power on, but warns of 1950 more disconnections...

Power struggle

SA Power Networks says it is doing everything it can to keep power to Riverland properties, but expects a further 1950 disconnections by the week's end.

SA Power Networks head of corporate affairs, Paul Roberts said while protecting the safety of the community and property remained a priority, SA Power Networks "does not want to disconnect one more customer than necessary".

"There are two areas of consideration around disconnections – one where there is flooding of property or it is imminent, and the other involving safe clearances under powerlines crossing floodplains or the river," Mr Roberts said.

"It is likely there will be about 1950 further disconnections by the end of the week, mainly in low-lying areas where there has been inundation, or flooding is imminent within days as the initial forecast flood peak moves along the river."

Mr Roberts said SA's sole electricity distributor would give customers "as much notice as we can of impending disconnections".

However, Mr Roberts also said SA Power Networks was working with government agencies on options to avoid disconnection of powerlines that run across floodplains and supply customers beyond the reach of floodwaters.

"We are required to ensure compliance with legislated safe clearances to overhead powerlines,



but we are working with the government's Office of the Technical Regulator on options such as boat exclusion zones on flood plains to allow us to have reduced, but still safe clearances to powerlines, that will mean the power can stay on," he said.

"We are also putting in more switch points to reduce the number of customers who might be affected by a disconnection. This will benefit many who live and work outside the flood zones."

Mr Roberts said about 50 radial supply lines that cross over the river were well clear of the water, providing safe clearance.

He said the volume of water presented a substantial challenge for SA Power Networks.

"We have extensive infrastructure in flood plains and river crossings," he said.

"For example, the number of poles in the modelled flood zone at 160GL/day is 3312.

"At 200GL/day it is 4033 and at 250GL/day it is 6594."

Mr Roberts reiterated SA Power Networks' public safety reminder.

"Stay well clear of downed powerlines or powerlines that are low over the water and electricity infrastructure in floodwaters."

For further information visit the website (sapowernetworks.com.au).

SA Power Networks does not want to disconnect one more customer than necessary...

- Paul Roberts



The first Emergency Relief Centre for the ongoing flood event opened at the Berri Senior Citizens Club building on Crawford Terrace yesterday. PHOTO: Alexandra Bull

Seniors building the region's centre for flood event relief

JOSH BRINE

THE region's first 'one-stop shop' for flood-impacted Riverland residents opened in Berri yesterday, providing locals with assistance with accommodation, food and finances.

The Emergency Relief Centre, located at the Berri Senior Citizens Club on Crawford Terrace, launched at 9am yesterday and will be open from 9am to 5pm, seven days a week.

The centre will assist residents, business owners and primary producers seeking to access elements of the state government's initial \$51.6m support package for River Murray communities.

It will also provide services including accommodation assistance, Red Cross, Foodbank, financial assistance, community outreach and more.

Premier Peter Malinauskas said the relief centre was about "putting in place a full service delivery model" for locals to access in-person, to "aid communities in their time of need".

"The emergency relief centres are a one-stop shop that anyone from a local community can go to get assistance from key govern-



ment agencies and even get access to professional services around mental health or even a lawyer," he said.

Human Services Minister Nat Cook said the relief centre was for anyone in need of outreach services due to their main residence being impacted by flood.

"We know how stressful this situation is for the Riverland community and we are providing support and assistance while people remain unable to return home," she said.

"A limited number of short-term emergency accommodation options have been identified.

"Hotels will be used for immediate accommodation needs, but which hotels will be used will depend on where the floodwaters reach, and room availability.

"For people who would like to use their own caravan or camper trailer, we urge you to find your own caravan park in the first instance."

People can attend in person or call the River Murray Flood Relief

line on 1800 302 787.

The state government's \$51.6m package includes one-off Personal Hardship Emergency Grants, emergency accommodation assistance, business grants and tourism industry support.

Treasurer Stephen Mullighan said the government had worked "as quickly as possible to ensure financial support is available" to local communities.

"We know that this is an extremely stressful time and we want to ensure the process is clear and straightforward," he said.

"We will continue meeting with locals to hear feedback and concerns, answer questions and stand with them during this tough time."

Small and Family Business Minister Andrea Michaels praised the "resilience and grit" of river communities.

"Support for businesses includes an early business closure grant to support businesses forced to close or cease trading prior to the flood, generator grants to help businesses who are switched off from the electricity grid, and financial counselling," she said.

For information about grants and supports, visit (sa.gov.au/floods/).

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An earthen levee is being built along the inlet into Lake Bonney near Nappers Bridge in Barmera, with DefenCell sandbags also being deployed along Morgan Road.
PHOTOS: Chris Neill (via Facebook)



Lake Bonney levee to protect wastewater system

JOSH BRINE

WORKS on a levee along the west of Lake Bonney – including the inlet at Nappers Bridge – will continue into December as the local council seeks to protect essential wastewater infrastructure for Barmera and surrounding communities.

Berri Barmera Council CEO Dylan Strong said works were continuing to build the Barmera temporary levee and to remediate the remnant 1956 flood levee, with the levee network running north from the Sturt Highway near Cobdogla and including the inlet to Lake Bonney at Nappers Bridge.



“DEW (SA’s Department for Environment and Water) are undertaking the necessary hydrology and environmental impact assessment of this option and will work with council on monitoring and management of the lake’s health should the temporary closure of the inlet occur,” he said.

“The levee is an effective way of protecting high-value assets and essential wastewater infrastruc-

ture situated in low-lying areas of Barmera near the lake’s foreshore, with respect to the time available before the forecast peak flows.

“The wastewater network supports thousands of residents in Barmera, Cobdogla and Loveday townships...

“Council are working closely with the State Emergency Service (SES) and other state government authorities to continually review and respond to the increased flows and any flood advice issued for our council area.

“Our first priority is that, wherever possible, levee networks in the low-lying areas sustainable of the forecast flows.”

Last week, SA SES chief officer Chris Beattie said the service was working with council to protect the Barmera township.

“We’re working closely with (council) around a new levee structure that will close off Lake Bonney to protect essential infrastructure that supports the Barmera town, as well as a number of surrounding areas in the district,” Mr Beattie said.

“Part of that process is the deployment of the DefenCell product... around Nappers inlet, which will tie into an earthen levee that’s being put in by the council.”

Mr Strong said the temporary levee being constructed in

Cobdogla had reached a stage where it could sustain 175GL per day flows, and would increase to 200GL level by the end of the week.

“All levee networks will be continually monitored while under load,” he said.

“Temporary levees may be removed when peak flows subside and it is safe to do so.”

Mr Strong advised residents to stay informed on the co-ordinated response to the high flows by visiting www.sa.gov.au or contacting the SES River Murray Infoline (1800 362 361), and for those needing crisis support to call Lifeline on 13 11 14.

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EDITORIAL

THE YEARS GO BY

BY PETER AND CARLA MAGAREY

Flood shows need to be nimble

THROUGHOUT what future generations will surely label the 'crazy Covid years' much was made of Australian sporting codes recognising the value of being agile, or 'nimble' as a former prime minister once spoke about.

To combat unpredictable Covid break-outs, the AFL – for example – was suddenly able to program and re-program matches at a moment's notice, switching venues and timeslots as necessary.

Naturally, the sporting behemoth had self-interest as its key motivator, determined to play all matches and fulfil its lucrative broadcast contract, made even more crucial given the dramatic drop in spectator numbers.

Nonetheless, the AFL got through both of the seasons most heavily impacted by Covid, and showed that being flexible and open to problem-solving ideas was paramount.

It has come out the other side a better organisation, perhaps leaner, and possibly more prepared to move swiftly and compromise if circumstances dictate.

In the grand scheme of things, Gurra Road is only a tiny fraction of the Riverland caught up in the current flood crisis. And until a couple of weeks ago, it looked like its 25 to 30 households would be among the early victims of the rising Murray.

Residents faced having vehicle access cut off, and even worse, having power disconnected the moment their little river-side road became inundated. So, for those residents, that 300m stretch of road represented either the premature end of their freedoms and very way of life, or an opportunity to stay in their homes longer, possibly throughout the entire flood event.

Initial pleas for action seemingly fell on deaf, though not necessarily unsympathetic ears. It was going to be too hard, particularly with Renmark Paringa Council resources well and truly committed elsewhere.

However, the residents' persistence paid off when the council announced it would explore all options to help its Gurra Road ratepayers.

New life was breathed into what seemed a forlorn cause, and within a week a plan was formulated. Fast forward to last weekend and Gurra Road was being built up to withstand the predicted maximum river flows.

Residents were grateful that council had moved swiftly to problem solve – and rarely has that often-underrated quality been more important to Riverlanders.

Indeed, problem solving has been to the fore since it became obvious a serious flood event was headed our way. Witness the levee banks already constructed locally, transforming the appearance of numerous local areas, but vitally important to protecting property and infrastructure.

As the first predicted peak arrives, more problem solving will be required in the weeks ahead, all with an eye to the human side of this.

Yesterday afternoon SA Power Networks promised to do all it could to minimise local disconnections, while Renmark Paringa Council has set a good example with its handling of the Gurra Road situation.

Likewise the Department of Infrastructure and Transport with its sensible decisions regarding Bookmark Road.

A metropolitan-based, knee-jerk-prone bureaucrat could easily have closed the road days ago, citing often-fuzzy 'safety concerns'. Instead, the road has remained open – as it should have – and motorists have played their part by driving responsibly and obeying speed restrictions.

We trust all those making important decisions in the weeks ahead will display such empathy and common sense.



Loxton's 'old' post office in East Terrace, prior to its demolition and replacement in 1970: This photograph became the first in the weekly series of this column which, on October 18, 2006, began publication in the former Loxton News. This Years Go By column had followed an earlier weekly series which began on September 5, 2001, entitled Street Names Tell Stories. That series told the story behind the names of some 110 of Loxton's approximately 150 streets, focusing mainly on the town's military streets. As a prelude to the 2007 celebration of the town's centenary of proclamation, the Street Names series continued in The Loxton News until June 2004, but following the Loxton community's magnificent response to a call for photos of the district's heritage, it was decided to replace the series. A new weekly column, The Years Go By, would present a topical photo along with the story that this image inspired. The Loxton News incorporated into The Murray Pioneer in April 2020, but the series continues, and this week notched up the 800th story of the 'years going by'. With a wider readership in The Pioneer, this column is seeking a wider array of stories to tell each week. PHOTO: Pauline Mitchell

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bad decision to block Lake Bonney

HERE we go again.

Two questions regarding the decision to close Lake Bonney off: At what cost? What will it achieve?

It's nearly 50 years since the lake had a good flush and now a small few are going to disallow this.

In 1969 the lake reached its highest salinity level on record at almost 10,000 EC units – not counting 2009 when it reached 21,000 EC units when it was closed off.

Then we had 1974/75 high rivers which dropped the salinity to 2000 EC units.

Before this high river, the salinity levels were approximately 7000 EC units.

If the lake was not closed we could have been as low as 500 EC units once the level dropped to pool.

Just imagine the amount of Murray cod and other native species that would be moving into the lake to spawn. This will now stop.

I would like to know what the reasons are for this stupid decision.

How many houses are expected to flood?

What was the point in erecting a flood bank around the caravan park?

Surely it would have been easier to bund off the effluent pump near the Bluebird Cafe, if that is the reason?

The craziest thing I have heard is that the camping infrastructure that Aboriginal people helped design would be destroyed.

I am on the Caring for Country Lake Bonney Committee. At one meeting I attended I mentioned to the committee we only need a high river and all of this infrastructure will be gone.

They looked at me as if to say 'What would you know?'

I have lived through the 1956 and 1974 floods in this area, so there is a chance I do know a little.

JOHN BANNEAR
Barmera

The lake will sour immediately

IT is tragic for the health of Lake Bonney that again Berri Barmera Council agrees to the annexing of Lake Bonney from its lifeblood – the River Murray.

From the moment of disconnection, the lake will immediately begin to sour, soon leading to increased salinity and eventually native fish kills. Even during the 2007-2010 fiasco very few carp died.

Despite council regulation of no new construction on flood plains below 1956 flood levels, non-flood-proofed infrastructure was put in place on these flood-prone areas, including new sewerage infrastructure in the mid-1960s by council.

This is now used as an excuse to deny the flood flush that rejuvenates the lake and surrounding flood plains.

At the very least, now all endeavours must be made to allow some flood waters into the lake while it is sealed off.

And as the flood waters recede, the lake must be immediately reconnected.

JOHN BEECH
Save Lake Bonney Group
Barmera

Flood communication needs to improve

THE decision of the previous Berri Barmera councillors, while in caretaker mode, to close the Lake Bonney inlet has been made public, but I wonder if there needed to be more information flow from council?

The decision was made on a report that has not been made public at a meeting where the item was not listed on the agenda.

Council CEO Dylan Strong has cited "critical and essential wastewater infrastructure" as the reason for the closure.

Would it be possible for The Murray Pioneer to show some photos of this critical infrastructure?

The lake has not been closed in previous floods so it is obvious this "critical infrastructure" has been built since 1974.

It would be prudent to make this information available to all concerned so post-flood state government money can be sourced to relocate it, if possible.

With the approval to close Lake Bonney made by council on 11/11/22, subject to assessment by relevant authorities, will the water rise? If not, why did the Barmera Discovery Holiday Park close, build a flood bank and shift infrastructure?

Better communication regarding the upgrade to Berri, Winkie, Overland Corner and Loveday flood banks, the priority order set by council for reinstatement, would also be appreciated.

At the time of writing on Monday (28/11/22), the latest update on the council's website was on the 17/11/22. That's too long for concerned residents.

I appreciate that the CEO has stated council staff are working around the clock or 24/7, but accurate, up-to-date information prevents misinformation and speculation.

TREVOR CHAPPLE
Glossop

Why are we building on flood plains?

IT is a well-known fact that, every now and again, all waterways – that's rivers, creeks and lakes – around the world will flood.

This flooding has been happening for hundreds of centuries and will continue to happen.

I do not need a so-called knowledgeable expert to tell me this.

Almost 70 years ago, way back in 1956, the majestic Murray River flooded causing, much heartache and devastation through the states of Victoria, NSW and South Australia.

A good portion of what was flooded had not yet been built on.

In 2022 these flood-prone areas now have million-dollar homes, factories and warehouses built on them.

Why have the local governments permitted this building to

happen?

In Renmark there is a brand new housing subdivision being filled with very expensive homes. Strangely and stupidly, this is happening on a known flood-plain area.

There is a good possibility that this building is happening in other towns.

Again, why have local governments allowed let this happen?

I strongly suggest that it appears most people who run the local governments could not care less about the companies and families, as it is all down to revenue gained through the exorbitant council rates.

Gaining permission to build on these low-lying flood prone areas should cease immediately.

The 1956 levee banks, constructed to save the properties within the towns and the out-laying houses, have fallen into disrepair as they have never been maintained and, worse still, large sections have been removed.

Letting this destruction happen has, I feel, been a serious criminal act done by irresponsible local governments' managements.

After the 2022/23 waters subside, hopefully the newly constructed levee banks are retained, maybe strengthened and properly maintained for any future flood.

This future flood will happen. It's just a matter of when.

TOM GRIFFIN
Barmera

Berri Barmera's new council offices

IN a letter to the editor in The Murray Pioneer a couple of months ago ('Bungled Berri library relocation', 5/10/22), I mentioned how Berri Barmera Council CEO Dylan Strong was promoting a new civic centre and community hub as an "immediate deliverable".

My reaction and comments were:

"So, here we go again. We now need new council offices, as an 'immediate deliverable'. You have to be joking."

“Two questions regarding the decision to close Lake Bonney off: At what cost? What will it achieve?”

- JOHN BANNEAR

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But was it a joke, as “detailed” in the agenda for this week’s council meeting (adjourned from last week)? Well, nothing detailed, as council’s hiding behind the old ‘confidential item’ caveat. Confidential Item 18.2.3: Principal Office – Accommodation. What? Why? We already have an extremely suitable and well presented “principal office”.

Yes, this is the first meeting to be held involving the newly elected mayor and councillors, but any chance of the new regime being open, transparent and upfront with ratepayers?

Is it ‘here we go again’? A new leader, but same old, same old? Any respect for ratepayers?

An obvious question is what is wrong with the current council offices?

Why the urgency and need to run out and waste more of our rates money?

I would have thought that most pressing priority for Berri Barmera Council to address is the reduction of the exorbitant amount of rates we already pay.

But no, let’s just spend, spend, spend.

Oh, the amount of remuneration for mayor, deputy mayor, councillors, other top-up allowances etc. was also a major priority for the meeting.

Yes, all funded by us ratepayers.

CHRIS PAGE
Berri

Ambulance shortage impacting Loxton

RIVERLAND Mallee Coorong Local Health Network CEO Wayne Champion tells us that SA Ambulance Service had “adjusted its resourcing” (Murray Pioneer, 23/11/22).

What does that actually mean?

How about an indication of the crewing statistics involved? Or is it more ‘trust us – we’re the public service’?

A good start would be by ensuring that the staffing deficiencies in Loxton are dealt with, so that members of the public no longer have to wait for an ambulance to arrive from another town, as so often happens now.

G.B. OLIVER
Loxton

You've gotta be joking! Cartoon comment by **Tony Hersey**

TOURISM BATTLES TO STAY AFLOAT

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Tony H. 29-11-22

Loxton Hospital ED available 24/7

THE current uncertainty about road closures to Berri from Loxton may be causing some anxiety to the community on the Loxton side of the river in terms of their access to emergency medical assistance after a serious accident, or a worrying health episode.

We would like to assure all residents on the Loxton side of the river that the Loxton Hospital, and the dedicated team of doctors from the Loxton Health Centre, will continue to run a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week emergency service as they have done for many years.

Our highly proficient nursing team has ensured plentiful stocks of everything necessary to treat emergency injuries, including snake anti-venom for those unfortunate enough to have a too-close encounter with a snake.

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time of the day or night. And remember, always call triple zero (000) in an emergency. Check out the Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network Facebook page – and be reassured.

SALLY GOODE
Presiding Member
Loxton & Districts Health Advisory Council Inc.

Still no facts, just climate fiction

THE latest rant from Alf Rapisarda ('Fossil fuel lobby lies', Murray Pioneer, 6/11/22) is typical of the left-wing looney propaganda we get from the leafy green suburbia locations who still think their food comes from the supermarket.

The fossil fuel industries supply virtually all the human race consumes to remain alive.

It transformed the world over the past 150 odd years during the industrial revolution, and fortunately it continues today.

It will disappear no time soon, but nutcases who deter future exploration cause mankind the biggest threat.

The catastrophic doomsday predictions from the lefties is pure fiction. Not one catas-

trophe predicted has occurred and so-called climate science is based on repeatedly failed computer modelling, carried out by overpaid public bodies who suck up taxes internationally like a plague.

Human-created CO2 is only 3 per cent of global emissions, with the remainder occurring from natural sources. The most recent volcanic eruption in Iceland contributed more CO2 into the atmosphere in four days than the entire global population in the past five years.

New Zealand farm animals – or animals anywhere – emit next to nothing in comparison.

It is all BS to raise taxes and meet the demands of our masters at the United Nations and other woke institutions who aim to control the world.

You are just dribbling propaganda and my grandkids think you are a fake prophet. They study real, factual history and cannot be fooled by radical lefties.

Hopefully other kids are also smart enough to search for the facts about everything in the 'news'.

ALAN LING
Loxton

Looking back...

10 years ago November 30, 2012



Confidence rises for Riverland grape growers... Bouncing back

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Murray Bridge Jewellers

BOUNCING BACK: Almost half of the Riverland's grape growers are more confident about the future than this time last year – despite fruit crush concerns and the removal of more vineyards. A statewide survey released this week shows rising prices have buoyed local growers, with 48 per cent feeling “more confident” about the industry than 12 months ago, compared to just 4 per cent feeling “less confident”. The Riverland's rating eclipsed the statewide “more confident” figure of 38 per cent, one of several positive statistics outlined in The Wine Grape Council of South Australia (WGCSA) survey, conducted in June.

20 years ago November 29, 2002

The Murray Pioneer

Buy freehold now!

Prom night

Television star lights up Renmark movie set

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BUY FREEHOLD NOW: Owners of more than 4000 perpetual lease properties in the Riverland have six months to buy the freehold title to their land before the price goes up by 400 per cent. The State Government has agreed not to implement a new price structure for the service until June next year. It currently costs \$1500 to convert land from perpetual lease to freehold title. It will cost \$6000 by June. Rental charges for perpetual leases will also be increased from \$5 to \$300 per year.

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

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WE HAVE A NEW NUMBER

TEXT LINE

How long until people start taking more sandbags than they need? It's probably already started happening.

SUE
Renmark

I note with the floods now upon us that there has been no further updates by Renmark Paringa Council on their decision to allow a subdivision at Ral Ral. Perhaps the 'blocks for sale' sign has been covered by flood water? Surely they will now reconsider the approval and if it did still go ahead then all potential customers should be made aware the cost of flood

insurance should they build there?

PHIL
Monash

It's flooding. It's happened before and will happen again. Yet people continue to build under flood levels. You can't fight mother nature. What a pity we can't save the excess water and drop our outrageously expensive water bills.

KAY
Waikerie

Ian Kent ('Seeing both sides', Murray Pioneer, 23/11/22), for the purpose of context you should

read Balcony Over Jerusalem by John Lyons.

JIM PROUD
Loxton

I'm so devastated to hear about Peter Mangelsdorf's passing. His Christmas Wonderland is the most magical part of Christmas in the Riverland. Thank you for bringing joy to so many through your one-of-a-kind display.

SARA
Strathalbyn

White tongues bring different messages. That's an Indian statement that described the

treatment from white America to the Indian population back in the 19th century. That still applies with today's world. In other words, you cannot trust every doctor, real estate agent, politician, tradesman or any person on fact. Go figure.

GARY
Waikerie

A community award should go to the council workers filling in the potholes at the Pie Face petrol station intersection in Berri. I see no warning signs to protect them.

IAN F
Berri

Christmas arrives in Loxton

ALEXANDRA BULL

THE festive season is officially under way in Loxton, with the return of Loxton Light Up Day to East Terrace last Saturday.

Loxton Chamber of Commerce business and events manager Sonya Altschwager said "it was a great opportunity to kick off the festive season with a positive note".

"We had one of the largest crowds ever; there were heaps of people there to see the fireworks leading from the riverfront back up to East Terrace," she said.

"We thought the weather would deter some people but we handed out the most Reindeer Road bags to the children we ever have and lots of giveaways were given out to the kids.

"The food trucks all had a great day of trading and all the businesses said they were really busy.

"I think everyone really embraced the opportunity to get together as we have a tough couple of months ahead of us."

Ms Altschwager said the highlight of the day was Bookpurnong Road staying open allowing people to drive over the Berri Bridge to attend Light Up Day.

"It was good that people were able to get across to Loxton," she said.

"I think everyone was in great spirits, we have hardly had any negative feedback at all.

"Everyone was really positive about the craft activities and Reindeer Road, and they are just really grateful to be able to go to a free event and enjoy free activities.

"It's great that the Loxton Chamber of



Light Up Day kicked off the festive season in Loxton with a bumper crowd turning out to view the fireworks on Saturday night. PHOTO: Grant Schartzkopff. INSET: Scores of children saw Santa in his workshop, at Riverland Motor Group, on Saturday. Many took the chance to have their photograph taken with him. PHOTO: Paul Mitchell

Commerce can put on an event like this. Thank you to all of our members of the Loxton business community and our sponsors."

Christmas Wonderland is also off to a successful start at its new home, with Loxton North Sports Club president Michelle Hill saying the first weekend went "really well".

"We got a lot of positive feedback. A lot of hard work went into getting it where we got it to," she said.

"It was great to see it all come together; we are very proud to have achieved what we did. To see the expressions on the kids' faces and to see the kids running around and looking for Wally was certainly the icing on the cake."

Christmas Wonderland made the move to the Loxton North Sports Club earlier this year, with Christmas Wonderland founder Peter Mangelsdorf passing away earlier this month.

"That was really difficult for everyone, but we really think we have done him proud, and hopefully done his whole family proud," Mrs Hill said.

"We made sure that it came to fruition on the weekend and he would have been very pleased with that."

Christmas Wonderland is on every night until December 31, with the lights display turning on just after 8pm and switching off at 11.30pm.

Harrison - CFS Volunteer

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An aerial view of the family favourite Christmas Wonderland at its new home at the Loxton North Sports Club. PHOTO: Murray River Pix



Sylvana Romeo, 4, Mercedes Sparrow and Massimo Romeo, both 7, all of Loxton.

The Rotary Club of Loxton's doughnut stall was popular at Loxton's Light Up Day on Saturday. Manning the site were Claire and Eira Dalzell, 13, Layne Petch, 13, and Deb Ebert, with Bill Ebert busy on the deep frier in the background. The initiative was part of Loxton Rotary's new satellite club, formed in September with a focus on youth wellbeing and disability support. PHOTOS: Paul Mitchell





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The scene at Gurra Road on the weekend.
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HUGH SCHUITMAKER and PAUL MITCHELL

A HASTILY arranged meeting and a dose of common sense have saved Gurra Road residents from being disconnected from the Riverland community.

Renmark Paringa Council this week finished installing a 300-metre stretch of built-up road that ensures Gurra Road residents can continue to access the northern side of Bookpurnong Road and consequently the Berri Bridge.

The speedy action followed passionate pleas from Gurra Road residents, who held an emergency meeting earlier this month after being told 25 homes along the road – including horticultural properties and at least two private businesses – would



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be inaccessible once the SES blocked Bookpurnong Road to all traffic from the Berri Bridge roundabout.

Renmark Paringa Mayor Peter Hunter said the outcome was a case of council listening to its community and acting “appropriately”.

“Following community requests and the changing of the Bookpurnong Road status away



from a ‘hard closure’, council assessed the engineering options to protect the low-lying section of Gurra Road and determined that the best solution in this situation was to build the road up higher instead of building levee banks to protect the road,” Mr Hunter said.

“The works have now been completed and include approximately 300 metres of built-up

road, with an unsealed road pavement constructed on top of the build-up, allowing for single-lane access.”

A Gurra Road resident said locals appreciated the council’s response.

“It would’ve been lapping the road today,” the resident said.

“Council has done a good job with it and the people who live along the road are grateful.”

Earlier this month, a sizeable number of Gurra Road residents gathered on the site for a crisis meeting, despite having just a few hours’ notice.

Last week council said its existing contractors were fully committed, but that it would attempt to find capacity to enable the Gurra Road works to be done, before the existing road surface become inundated.

Pioneer to livestream second Renmark flood meeting

RENMARK residents have been urged to attend a community meeting focused on the current River Murray flood event tomorrow night.

The SES will hold a second River Murray Flood Community Meeting in Renmark, featuring representatives from emer-



gency services, state government departments and Renmark Paringa Council.

An SES spokesperson advised

speakers would provide information regarding the impacts of the flood event, and “ways to get prepared”.

The meeting will be held tomorrow at the Renmark Greek Church Hall, on Twentyfirst Street, from 6pm to 7pm, and be livestreamed on the SES

and Murray Pioneer Facebook pages (www.facebook.com/TheMurrayPioneer).

Around 300 people attended Renmark’s first flood meeting held earlier this month.

It is understood further community meetings are being planned for other areas.

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Uncertainty for Bookpurnong Road business

'It's out of our control'

ALEXANDRA BULL

A BOOKPURNONG Road business is facing an uncertain few weeks as the major road between Berri and Loxton is closed to traffic.

Salena Estate Wines, which is situated on the road between the two towns, is facing potential staffing issues, with a number of employees living in Berri.

"I guess with staff getting to work in a reasonable amount of time, a lot of them are planning detour routes," Salena Estate Wines marketing manager Salena Muirden said.

"For our staff from Berri it becomes quite an ordeal, and some staff are evaluating if it's worth that extra drive to come out here."

Mrs Muirden said the winery had already received several Christmas party cancellations from Berri.

"People just don't know if they are going to be able to get here," she said.

"But there is just not much they can do, so they are just picking somewhere in Berri because it's the safer option.

"We have seen similar things from guests in Adelaide as well, people who are booking in for lunches around Christmas and that sort of thing, who are again cancelling.

"The media in Adelaide makes it seem like the entire Riverland is underwater and we are swimming from place to place; it's not that bad but the fear mongering is obviously deterring guests from Adelaide."

Mrs Muirden said the winery would be keeping the same opening hours for now as it waits to see how the situation plays out.



"We have definitely noticed during the week it has been a lot quieter than usual," she said.

"I think people are a bit keener to make that extra drive if they have to on the weekend, but if you are popping out for a quick dinner you don't want to have to drive for 30 minutes when it should be 10.

"This is something we have no control over, so it makes it really hard to make decisions."

Mrs Muirden encouraged people to make the most of Bookpurnong Road while it is still open.

"Enjoy the food while we are open, because we don't know what's happening tomorrow," she said.

"For those who are booking and cancelling, there is always another road to take, there is always another way to get around.

"The Riverland has got pretty good infrastructure compared to other small towns, so you can get to each town more than one way.

"Still come out, still support and do what you can, so when the tough times do come businesses have had that support in the lead-up to sustain them for that potential closure until things open up again.

"If people aren't supporting now, it doesn't help in the long run at all."

Barker MP Tony Pasin pictured recently at Cobdogla, where a levee has been built to combat the rising river. PHOTO: supplied



Pasin supports \$51m flood package

BARKER Liberal MP Tony Pasin has welcomed the announcement of SA government support measures for residents and businesses impacted by floods.

Mr Pasin, who has spent considerable time in recent weeks in communities along the river, said the \$51.6m package was welcome news for residents and business owners in river communities who were preparing for water levels not seen since 1974.

"There has been considerable stress and anxiety among residents and businesses that has been heightened by uncertainty,

lack of communication from authorities and a lack of co-ordination between government agencies," Mr Pasin said.

"I have been a strong voice for the community, in particular the smaller river communities that have felt they have been let down and left behind. I'm glad that these concerns have been heard and that the state government is now taking action."

Mr Pasin said he would continue his efforts to "represent river communities" over the coming weeks and months as the water levels peak and the recovery effort begins.



The levee bank that has been extended along the Waikerie riverfront is part of Loxton Waikerie council's defensive strategy against a flood scenario of 250GL a day. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Waikerie levee extended

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

A LEVEE bank to withstand River Murray flows of 200GL a day has been extended along the Waikerie river front.

Loxton Waikerie council director of infrastructure services Greg Perry said the existing levee on Edgar Bartlett Drive had been extended to protect the fauna park, Waikerie Holiday Park, football oval and other infrastructure up to Rowe Street.

Council, Waikerie Holiday Park owners, the Edwards Group and the state government have combined forces to fund the extension of the levee bank, which Mr Perry said had the capacity to be made higher if higher flows were predicted.

"It is completed for a 200GL



flow, but it has the capacity to go higher if needed," he said.

"If we receive more information about predicted higher flows, it will be made higher."

Loxton Waikerie council CEO David Beaton told the Murray River Flow Community forum at Waikerie recently that the district's "defensive strategy" against the flood was based on a scenario of 250GL a day.

"We are building and reacting to those sort of levels," he said.

"Hopefully that will give the Edwards Group enough chance to

move their cabins.

"Or they may want to try at a later date to increase the height of the levee themselves if they haven't got the ability to move their cabins."

Mr Perry said the soil was tested to ensure the material being used to build the levee was suitable and that the "compaction of the levee" met appropriate standards.

The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) said the flow of the River Murray at the SA border was expected to reach 150GL a day over the coming week.

It said the high probability forecast flow into SA during the first week of next month was expected to reach 175GL a day.

PAGE 14 Ferry moved higher



The Waikerie Holiday Park has begun placing sandbags around their cabins in preparation for rising River Murray levels. PHOTO: supplied

Holiday Park prepared and open for business

OWNER of the Waikerie Holiday Park, the Edwards Group, has been planning and preparing for the high river levels for several weeks.

The group's division manager for parks Ash Guthrie said it "valued... guests' safety and concerns".

"We will have our own sandbags on hand should we require them," he said.

"Keeping a close eye on the flow rates, taking precautionary actions pre-emptively, and being agile with contingency plans in place when

needed is how we'll mitigate affects at the park."

The Edwards Group owns both the Waikerie Holiday Park and the Riverbend Caravan Park in Renmark.

"Due to misinformation being promulgated about the high river levels we have experienced unnecessary cancellations," the Edwards Group said in a statement.

"It is important that travellers know the high river level is impacting areas of the Riverland differently."

The Edwards Group said Waikerie and Renmark were still accessible and safe to visit and tourists should not be deterred from visiting the region.

It said by next month, more would be known about the rising river level's impact on its Waikerie park.

"Until then, we are open and will remain open through the festive season based on the current flow rates predicted," the Edwards Group said.

- CHRISTINE WEBSTER



SAND BAGS: Local SES volunteers conducting a community sandbagging event in Paringa on the weekend. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



Visiting Santa in his cave after the Christmas Pageant was a highlight for dozens of children. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Santa's Cave still popular

CHRISTINE WEBSTER

AN air of excitement was evident at Waikerie's Santa's Cave, which opened on Friday night following the Waikerie Christmas pageant.

Organising committee secretary Naomi Moxham said during the years when the pageant was cancelled in 2020 and 2021, the opening of Santa's Cave was something of an "anti-climax".

However, as one of Santa's helpers on Friday night, she witnessed the delight from families and their children who were able to visit him after the pageant.

Ms Moxham said many

grandchildren of local grandparents visited Waikerie to experience the traditional Christmas pageant their parents had grown up with.

"There were lots of out-of-town visitors..." she said.

She said more than 450 people came through the door on Friday night, ahead of a steady stream of visitors over the weekend.

Ms Moxham said the elf count and lucky dips have been especially popular.

Meanwhile Mrs Moxham said the success of Santa's Cave's opening on Friday was marred by the theft of some Christmas decorations,

which included candy canes and a Santa face decoration.

Ms Moxham said after hearing about the theft on social media, Jennifer Nitschke, from First National Real Estate Marschall donated the \$50 prize her company received for its pageant float towards more decorations.

She described the theft as "disappointing".

"If someone really needs decorations and thinks stealing is the only way, we would be happy to give you a decoration if you asked," she said.

PAGE 21 Pageant night



A 94-year-old woman was taken to hospital with minor injuries after losing control of her vehicle and colliding with four cars in Waikerie on Friday. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Woman, 94, in car crash

POLICE are investigating the circumstances behind an incident in the Waikerie CBD on Friday afternoon when a 94-year-old female driver lost control of her vehicle and crashed into four cars.

A police spokeswoman said the woman allegedly lost control of the Hyundai she was driving and crashed into three parked cars, then collided with a Toyota being driven by a 34-year-old woman.

The spokeswoman said the 94-year-old woman was taken to hospital with minor injuries, but thankfully no further injuries

By **CHRISTINE WEBSTER**
Riverland West reporter



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were reported.

SA Ambulance and the CFS also attended the scene.

McCoy Street was closed for 45-minutes while emergency services attended the incident.

Investigations are continuing.

Renmark clubs seeking new leases

RENMARK Paringa residents have been invited to provide feedback on potential new lease agreements for two local sporting clubs

The Renmark Paringa Pistol Club is seeking a new five-year lease, with a five-year right of renewal, for the KM Tucker Hall's back annex area.

The Renmark

Dinghy Club is also seeking a similar lease for the 'shed 3' area at the Renmark Sporting Complex grounds.

Interested locals can submit feedback regarding the proposals by email (council@renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au), or by hand at the Renmark Paringa Civic Centre, before 5pm today.



The Renmark Pistol Club is seeking a new lease for its grounds at the KM Tucker Hall.

Local author not dragon his feet to Moorook

By **ALEXANDRA BULL**

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A LOCAL author is launching his newest book at the Carols at Sunset event at the Moorook Community Hall this Sunday, December 4.

Riverland author Adi Hogg's newest book, A Dragon's Unwilling Gift, is a tale of two boys who come from different countries and face the extraordinary challenges of dealing with dragons, magic, family, love and famine.

Hogg started the process of the book after he felt there was enough scope in the fantasy genre for him to create something he would like to read.

"I feel like (I have) the ability of free-flowing thought, that my mind can go wherever it wants," he said.

"I have always read fantasy books, because I read as an escape from my everyday problems, and it gives me some head space to face another day.

"That's why I started this first book; for 20 years the thought lay idle in a couple of handwritten exercise books that I would revisit at least once a year, have a play for a week or two and then put it away.

"It wasn't until my children were born that I started to take it a bit more seriously. I want to show them no matter your background or current situation, if you focus your mind and energy onto something you really believe in, you can achieve your goals."

The Carols at Sunset event commences at 4pm, and also includes craft and gift stalls, a barbecue, local entertainment and an appearance from Father Christmas.

Renmark High School year 11 student and Renmark Club staff member Sakina Qambari (second left) was named the Australian School-Based Apprentice or Trainee of the Year recently. She is pictured with TAFE SA Hospitality lecturer Wendy Martin (left), Renmark Club general manager Lyn Wilksch and RSSA senior leader-regional connections Michael Pater.

PHOTO: Elyse Armanini



Local Sakina's big training award win on the national stage

ELYSE ARMANINI

A YOUNG Riverlander was "left speechless" when she was announced winner of a national training award earlier this month.

Renmark High School year 11 student and Renmark Club staff member Sakina Qambari took out the Australian School-Based Apprentice or Trainee of the Year Award at the Australian Training Awards held in Adelaide on November 18.

"I was just overwhelmed with emotions of happiness, shock, and thrill," Sakina said.

"Everything happened so quickly and within the two seconds of them saying my name, it changed my life."

Sakina said her main take away from completing her Certificate III in Hospitality through TAFE SA was that "despite having hardships and struggles, there's always a rainbow at the end of it".

"I never turn down an opportunity - I got to where I am today simply because I took an opportunity," she said.

"If there is an opportunity in the future, I

will take it, and I encourage those around me to do it as well.

"I am in year 11, so I want to finish year 12 next year and get my SACE. I currently like the hospitality industry but I haven't explored other sectors, like tourism, accommodation or recreation."

Renmark Club general manager Lyn Wilksch attended the awards night, along with operations manager Kylie Newlyn, and said she was "very proud" of Sakina.

"This process has given her more confidence as a person. In the role she's working with customers and she's really blossoming," she said.

TAFE SA Hospitality lecturer Wendy Martin said she was "delighted" to see Sakina's success on the national stage.

"We were thrilled when Sakina was named School-based Trainee of the Year at the SA Training Awards and now she's been recognised at the Australian Training Awards which is fantastic," she said.

"Sakina has been an excellent student,

always striving to do her best, and this award is a great reward for her efforts."

Riverland Secondary Schools Alliance (RSSA) senior leader-regional connections Michael Pater said Sakina's recognition was a "great demonstration" of local opportunities with "top-class training and employers".

"Sakina is a great, resilient, young woman and I have no doubt that she will be a leader in whatever field she takes on," he said.

Sakina will travel to Adelaide tomorrow for the TAFE SA Honour Awards as an Excellence in Employment Award finalist and will be a judge for both the South Australian and Australian Training Awards in 2023.

Meanwhile, the SA government recently announced a 12-month Skills Agreement with the Australian Government which will see 10,500 fee-free training places across the state through TAFE SA.

For the full list of fee-free courses, eligibility criteria, and to apply, visit the TAFE SA website (tafesa.edu.au/fee-free).

Irrigator going for insurance as trust in SAPN drops

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

A SENIOR Riverland irrigation figure is purchasing alternative sources of power, due to a lack of “confidence and trust” in the state’s energy supplier, despite remaining optimistic electricity to his pumps will be unaffected by the current flood event.

SA Power Networks (SAPN) earlier this month warned electricity supplies to some Riverland irrigation pumps and infrastructure could be impacted for extended periods due to flooding.

Murtho-based Omega Orchards owner Drew Martin said he had purchased a generator and a stockpile of diesel fuel in preparation for any power interruptions.

“Although our pump house is built for 1956 flood levels, it’s amazing what you think of at the last minute when a flood is imminent,” Mr Martin said.

“We’ve taken extra pre-



cautions and built a levee bank around our infrastructure, so we have room to install a back-up generator and fuel supply.

“As the water comes up we’ll lose access to the site, so we’ll have to get there by boat. The biggest challenge is re-fuelling the generator when everything is underwater.

“We’ve got enough fuel there to last three weeks of generation. It’s a massive generator, but it still only runs about a third of our needs for that site.”

Mr Martin, who grows almonds, said direct consultation with SAPN would have allowed individual irrigators to better prepare.

“It’s about a \$150,000 exercise, and that’s money we’re probably not going to make (back) this year,” he said.

“It’s an expensive insurance policy.

“It’s disappointing it’s come to this, because all SAPN had to do was be a bit more rational. Contact the larger customers separately... and give them an individual assessment.

“Most people understand the risks, but the level of confidence and trust has gone.”

However, SAPN head of corporate affairs Paul Roberts said the state’s sole electricity distributor “need customers to contact us about their specific needs”.

“We are reliant on customers contacting us if they have specific issues or need advice or help,” Mr Roberts said.

“We have been working closely to assist a number of caravan park owners, irrigators (and others), and have been happy to provide advice and assist in shifting service points where we can.

“They will need to engage an electrician to assist if they



Omega Orchards owner Drew Martin with one of the large-capacity generators installed at his Murtho almond farm. Electricity supplies to Mr Martin’s irrigation pumps is at risk due to the current River Murray flood event. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker

need to make changes within their property behind the service point.”

Mr Martin claimed electricity supplies in interstate irrigation communities had been unaffected by previous flood events.

“Everyone I speak to interstate, on a regular basis, in New South Wales and Victoria, have never had this conversation,” he said.

“It’s never even been in the back of their mind they

would need to negotiate with the power provider about the power being cut off.”

Mr Martin remained optimistic he would avoid any power interruptions based on current peak flow projections.

“We’ve taken measures to well and truly protect ourselves for 200GL/day,” he said.

“We’ll only be in trouble if the power goes out for consecutive weeks...

(because) it will be difficult to transport diesel to the site. We’ll still be able to do it, but it would be a lot of man hours and work each day.

“If common sense prevails and we don’t have a 1956 scenario... I won’t use my generator.

“The investment in this insurance policy is done on the back of a lack of trust and understanding between customers such as myself and SAPN.”

Flood Preparation Update



Current SA Government Flow Forecast*

	First flood peak <i>Expected early December 2022</i>	Second flood peak <i>Expected late December 2022</i>
High Probability	175 GL/Day	185 GL/Day
Moderate Probability	190 GL/Day	200 GL/Day
Lower Probability	200 GL/Day	220 GL/Day

*updated weekly via Department for Environment and Water



Renmark Paringa Council is engineering its 38 kilometre levee bank network to withstand a 250 GL/day flow with 200 millimetres of freeboard (buffer zone), with some levees built to withstand a much higher flow level.



Council is stockpiling clay in strategic locations and has the ability to increase the capacity of all levee banks.



Should the current flow forecasts increase significantly, Council will re-evaluate the levee bank network and take further action to increase levee bank capacities, if required.



Council’s levee bank remediation works are progressing well, with all initial works scheduled to be complete before the first peak occurs (weather dependent).



Council will commence daily monitoring of the whole levee bank network this week. Please do not drive on the levees, as it is not safe and may cause damage to the levees.

For more information visit [Council's Murray River Flood Advice website](#)



The relocation of the Waikerie ferry to its higher landing last week took about six hours to complete. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Ferry moved to higher ground

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Riverland West reporter



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THE Waikerie ferry was closed for six hours last week while the service was moved to its higher ramp due to the River Murray flood.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) said the process of changing the ferry cabling to the higher ramp was successfully completed last Wednesday.

The ferry was relocated after the river level depth reached 9.6m AHD (Australian Height Datum) last week and the service was closed from 9am to 3pm to safely facilitate these works.

DIT on Friday said use of the higher ferry landing was restricted to light

vehicles, local school buses, and emergency vehicles, with the ferry presently using "single lane operations".

A DIT spokesperson said access would be increased to double-lane operations and all vehicle types (excluding B-Double and heavy mass permitted vehicles) once the water depth was above 10m.

This was expected to occur within the next few days.

The spokesperson said the ferry was expected to remain operational as long as Taylorville Road (Waikerie ferry access road) remained open.

DIT said Lyrup and Morgan ferries were likely to be the next to close due to flood conditions and rising water levels.

It said the Lyrup ferry could close as early as this week, while works completed on Friday to increase the upper



limit of the Morgan ferry landing were expected to allow this service to remain operational until early next month.

The department said the Swan Reach ferry was at risk of closure once flows reached between 120 to 130GL/day, expected to occur by the middle of next month.

DIT said as much advance notice as possible would be provided for any ferry closures, including on its social media pages

To view the status of all River Murray ferries, as well as latest information and advice regarding River Murray floods, visit the website (sa.gov.au/floods).

Flood response not stopping Renmark's Christmas plans

THE Christmas spirit will return to Renmark this weekend with the beginning of the local council's annual holiday festival, despite the event being modified to prioritise responses to the current flood event.

Renmark Paringa Council's minimised Renmark's Christmas on the Murray Festival 2022 will start on Sunday with the Carols In the Garden event – managed by the Renmark's Carols in the Garden Committee – at the Jarrett Memorial Gardens.

A Renmark Paringa spokesperson advised the festival was scaled back to "enable resources to be directed into council's flood response".

"It has been necessary for council to revise its festival program, as our highest priority is and must be the protection of our community," the spokesperson said.

The council spokesperson said a five-piece group of Adelaide Big Band members would play to residents at the Renmark Aged Care Facility, following the band's performance at the Chaffey Theatre on Saturday, December 10.

"We understand that it can be very difficult and,

in most cases, not possible for residents to leave the facility to be able to access seeing a performance at the Chaffey Theatre or other venues," the spokesperson said.

"Council, the Chaffey Theatre and Adelaide Big Band saw the opportunity to bring the performance to the residents to experience and enjoy during the festive season."

The Renmark Paringa Library will also hold the Christmas Party at the Library event on Saturday, December 17, involving a performance from Cool 4 Kids, a Santa's workshop display, and Christmas-themed face painting.

The Renmark Christmas tree, and giant festive star, will also be lit up for the festival's duration.

Local community groups and businesses holding an event or activity throughout December are encouraged to contact (discover@renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au) to be included on the council website.

Further details regarding Renmark's Christmas on the Murray Festival 2022 can be found online (renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/Christmas).

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Celebrate Christmas with the Adelaide Big Band

THE Adelaide Big Band is heading to the Chaffey Theatre for one afternoon only for a magical Christmas performance.

As part of Renmark's Christmas on the Murray Festival, the Big Band Christmas Bash will see the band take the stage on Saturday, December 10, from 1pm-2.30pm.

Featuring Bill Patton and Emily Hatwell, the 18-piece big band – South Australia's premiere semi-professional jazz orchestra – will play renditions of favourite Christmas songs over the 90-minute performance, including:

- Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
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Peter Mangelsdorf, with Michelle Hill, at the announcement earlier this year that his Christmas Wonderland feature would be relocated to Loxton North No.2 oval. PHOTO: Stephanie Thompson

Xmas Wonderland founder mourned

LOXTON and the wider Riverland community is mourning the death of well-known local Peter Mangelsdorf.

Mr Mangelsdorf was the founder of the Loxton Christmas Wonderland display, housed for nearly 40 years on his Fairweather Avenue property, just outside Loxton.

Earlier this year it was announced the Christmas feature would have a new home, at Loxton North's No.2 oval, from Christmas 2022 onwards.

After a battle with illness Mr Mangelsdorf passed away last week, just days before last weekend's 2022 Loxton Lights Up event, which heralded the start of the town's

Christmas season celebratoins.

The Christmas Wonderland Facebook page posted a poignant message last Thursday after learning of Mr Mangelsdorf's death.

"We are very saddened that he isn't going to turn the lights on..." it said.

"We are heartened that he was able to see the progress of the move even when in hospital.

"We promise Peter that we will continue to deliver the message that he has delivered for 37 years to the people of the Riverland and far and wide – the message of the 'spirit of Christmas' and 'family at Christmas'.

"Our thoughts, love and prayers go out to the Mangelsdorf family."

Free RATs for all as Covid wave emerges

ALL Riverlanders now have access to free rapid antigen tests (RATs), regardless of their close contact or concession card holder status, to help support the community during the emerging Covid-19 wave.

Up to 500,000 kits will be made available across existing RAT collection points – including the Riverland General Hospital at 10 Maddern Street, Berri – until the end of the year, and will also be rolled out at existing PCR testing sites and dozens of community centres and hubs across SA.

In line with the Covid-19 National Partnership Agreement coming to an end on December 31, South Australia will join other states in transitioning to the next phase of testing, which will see dedicated PCR testing sites and RAT collection sites close on January 8, 2023.

After that date, Covid-19 PCR testing will continue to be available to South Australians with a GP referral at many existing SA Pathology collection centres. Some private providers will also continue to offer PCR testing.

Chief public health officer



Berri Barmera's former RAT collection point at the old Glossop High School campus. RATs are now available for free for all South Australians.

er Professor Nicola Spurrier said getting tested and staying away from others with respiratory symptoms "continues to be important to reduce the impact of Covid-19 in the community".

"The expansion of our free RAT distribution program will help South Australians access testing for themselves and members of their family to help reduce spread of the disease to others," she said.

"In addition, the RAT program will also be

expanded to directly support emergency service volunteers and those living and working in vulnerable settings.

"Thank you to the South Australians who continue to report their positive RAT result, as it allows us to monitor the pandemic and enables us to support eligible people to access lifesaving Covid-19 oral antiviral treatments."

For more information, visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVIDrapidantigentesting.

Berri to host energy regulation act info session

BERRI will play host to a public information session next week about proposed state government regulations for large-scale hydrogen and renewable energy projects in SA.

The public information session, led by Department for Energy and Mining (DEM) representatives, will help support the development of a Hydrogen and Renewable Energy Act for South Australia.

"There is enormous interest from companies in setting up renewable energy projects on government-owned pastoral lands and

state waters, which are also co-owned by native title groups," said a DEM spokesperson.

"This requires consideration of our policies and frameworks to ensure we are providing the best outcomes for communities, the environment and native title holders.

"To ensure the sector grows sustainably, delivers net benefit to the environment and respects native title, the state government is planning to develop a Hydrogen and Renewable Energy Act to regulate large-scale hydrogen and renew-

able energy projects in South Australia.

"The informed, early and ongoing participation of Aboriginal people in developing the state's hydrogen and renewable energy industry is an essential part of this process to which the Department of Energy and Mining is firmly committed."

The Berri information session will be held next to Coles in the Riverland Central Plaza on Tuesday, December 6, from 1 to 5pm.

For more information, visit www.energymining.sa.gov.au/community/hydrogen-and-renewable-energy-act.

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Local caught out hooning after drinking

A RIVERLAND man caught hoon driving while over the blood alcohol limit is among several motorists who will face court for recent offences.

A member of the public witnessed a car doing burnouts in Renmark at 6.30pm on Saturday, November 19.

Police located the car being driven on the Sturt Highway, at Monash, a short time later and when breath tested, the driver returned an alcohol reading of 0.067.

The 38-year-old Bookpurnong man was reported for two counts of misusing a motor vehicle and drink driving, and had his car impounded for 28 days.

Blanchetown police had previously detected a 47-year-old Happy Valley man travelling on the Sturt Highway, in Paisley, around 5.40pm on Friday, November 18.

The man, who returned a blood alcohol reading of 0.084 when breath tested, was reported for drink driving and issued a six-month instant licence disqualification.

It is understood both motorists will appear in court at a later date.

A Holden Colorado was also detected by Berri police driving on Fifteenth Street, in Renmark, at 2am on Sunday, November 20.

The 21-year-old male Victorian driver returned a positive reading of 0.105 when breath tested, was arrested and charged with drink driving.

The man was issued a six-month instant licence disqualification, and was bailed to appear in court on December 19.

Then, around 5pm on Tuesday, November 22, a 21-year-old Moorook man was located driving on Worman Street, in Berri, with a disqualified licence and when drug tested, returned a positive result for methamphetamine.

The man, who will face court at a later date, was reported for driving while being disqualified and may be further charged with drug driving.



Approximately 250 people attended the Brave for Dave Walk4BrainCancer event in the Riverland recently, with over \$44,000 raised so far in the fight towards finding a cure for brain cancer. PHOTOS: Facebook

ALEXANDRA BULL

A RIVERLAND charity event to raise funds for brain cancer research has raised over \$44,000, with \$32,026 going towards the Cure Brain Cancer Foundation.

The Brave for Dave Walk4BrainCancer walk and head shave was held on Sunday, November 6, in Barmera and has so far raised \$44,200 towards finding a cure for brain cancer.

The walk was organised by Barmera woman, Chloe Drogemuller-Fiebig, who sadly lost her husband Dave Fiebig to glioblastoma (GBM) in July this year.

“Around 250 people attended. We weren’t expecting that at all, so to have that many people come together was wonderful,” she said.

“To all our sponsors and volunteers, thank you for making the day a success.

“It is such a generous and supportive community, we are just so fortunate. Thank you just doesn’t seem enough.

“Cancer affects a lot of people, so to be able to



Chloe Drogemuller-Fiebig with sons Banks (left) and Duke (right) at the Brave for Dave Walk4BrainCancer event in Barmera.

come together and show support for other families who have been through something similar is important to us.

“It’s important to be a voice and advocate to change the story of not only brain cancer, but all cancers that results in rais-

ing crucial funds directed to towards research.”

Out of the \$44,200 raised so far from the Walk4BrainCancer event, \$32,026 will be donated to the Cure Brain Cancer Foundation, and \$12,170 will go towards the Neurosurgical Research

Foundation, with the plan to create a scholarship in Dave’s name.

“We are very fortunate for our partnership with the NeuroSurgical Research Foundation. They have been vital in helping us share our Brave for Dave story,” Mrs Drogemuller-Fiebig said.

“This will be an ongoing partnership, with the primary goal of funding crucial research on brain tumours.”

Mrs Drogemuller-Fiebig said the support on both the day and towards the cause has been “just incredible”.

“We had our wonderful community members here, but we had people travel from across South Australia including family and friends,” she said.

“Personally, I am very touched by it; it’s a legacy for Dave, and that’s my long-term goal, to have a legacy for Dave and our two boys.

“I love talking about Dave; Brave for Dave isn’t just something that rhymes, it’s everything that he encompassed.

“It’s also important to be able to help other peo-

ple who are going through brain cancer. It’s just such a complex and unrelenting disease that obviously affects the patient but it also affects the families and the carers.”

Looking forward, Mrs Drogemuller-Fiebig hopes to work with local sporting clubs to continue to raise awareness of GBM.

“Brain cancer awareness month is in May – Grey in May – and I would really love to work with our local sporting organisations to have a round dedicated to brain cancer awareness during the winter season,” she said.

“We are going to be looking at different types of events that we can have to bring the community together and support other people as well.

“After watching what Dave went through this is the least I can do to honour him and support others wherever possible.”

Donate to the Brave for Dave cause can be made via the website (<https://drct-nrf.prod.supporterhub.net/donations/nrf-brave-for-dave>).



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Carpet stolen from local bowling club

POLICE are investigating the recent theft of green felt carpet from the Waikerie Bowling Club.

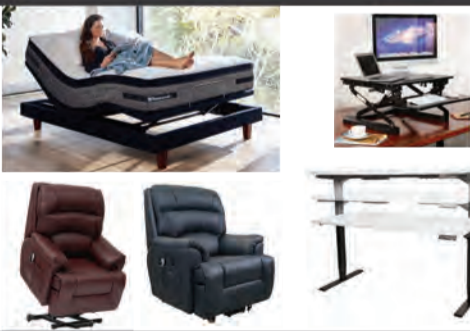
They said sometime between 7pm on Saturday, November 19 and 7am on Tuesday, November 22, a 20-metre roll of green felt carpet – used on the bowling greens – was stolen from the premises.

Police said the roll is “quite heavy” and would have needed several people to carry it, plus a trailer or similar to transport.

Anyone who saw or heard any suspicious activity in the vicinity of the bowling club earlier this month is asked to contact police.

Anyone with information about the theft or whereabouts of the stolen green felt carpet is asked to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online (crimestopperssa.com.au).

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4-knot speed limit on river

THE “fast-walking speed” of 4 knots is the new limit for all boats travelling along built-up areas of the swollen River Murray.

The Department of Infrastructure and Transport says the new limit applies to all vessels and watercraft operating within 250m of any partially or wholly submerged building or levee bank, and all those operating at night or in restricted visibility.

Jet-skis cannot exceed 4 knots on any part of the river.

Further safety measures include banning people swimming or using canoes, kayaks, surf skis or other human-powered vessels or aquatic toys within 250m of a lock or weir.

“These additional restrictions are necessary for community safety due to the risks posed by higher flows and to limit damage to property and infrastructure caused by river users travelling at higher speeds,” a department spokesperson said.

“Marine safety teams and SAPOL officers will have an increased presence on the water, with any person or vessel operator found in breach of any one of these restrictions subject to a maximum penalty of \$10,000.”

A 4-knot speed restriction will continue to apply within 50m of a person or a non-powered vessel, and within 30m of any other vessel.

“During rising water levels and flooding, contaminants and debris can often become submerged and create additional risks for those operating vessels and in the water,” the spokesperson said.

“River users are reminded not to swim, ride, walk or drive in high flow waterways.

“Locals are also urged to check that their vessel moorings are secure as water levels rise, if it is safe to do.

“Marine Safety officers are continuing to mark hazards on the river using yellow buoys and signage, particularly in high-traffic locations.”

The department also reminded locals that vessel operators are required to ensure each passenger on board is wearing a lifejacket (level 50 standard or above) on the open deck at all times, even when the vessel is at anchor.

To report a hazard on the River Murray visit the Marine Safety website (www.marinesafety.sa.gov.au/river-murray-high-flows-2022-marine-safety-advice).

Visit the jolly man in red in Barmera

ELYSE ARMANINI

BONNEY Theatre will see Santa’s Cave back up and thriving this year, with visitors welcome to see the man in red from this Sunday.

Elf Rachel said she was looking forward to welcoming many more visitors to Santa’s Cave this year after 2021 required a scaled-down event.

“We still had a Barmera Santa’s Cave last year, but it was just a little bit smaller,” she said.

“This year we’re hopefully going to be back to normal with more activities and everything.”

Activities on offer this year include writing letters to the big man, Christmas story time and colouring-in.

“There will also be face painting and a little toy shop

set up where kids can test some of the toys and indoor games for them to play, plus some crafts,” Elf Rachel said.

“We have a good number of volunteers this year. We’ve even got some really nice people coming in to read our stories for us in Christmas story time.”

Parents and caregivers will need to bring their own camera or phone to take photos with Santa.

“We will have elves there to help with the photos and there will also be photo stops and photobooths throughout where they can take some photos,” Elf Rachel said.

Children will have as much time as they like with the jolly man, and Elf Rachel said she loves to see young visitors to the cave enjoying

their time with Santa.

“Santa is very talkative, so depending on the child he could go on and on,” she laughed. We did have to shuffle him along last year because he just kept talking.”

Santa’s Cave is open every Saturday and Sunday in December from 10am to 2pm, and on Thursday, December 22 from 3pm to 7pm.

The Cave officially opens this Sunday at 10am, however activities will unfortunately not be on offer.

Elf Rachel thanked all those involved in helping to set up and supporting Santa’s Cave.

“We’ve had a lot of support from local Barmera businesses,” she said, “so thank you to all of them for helping us out.”

SEE PAGES 18-19



● Councillor Margaret Howie

Margaret gets nod as deputy mayor

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

A RENMARK woman’s “extensive” experience throughout the community is set to benefit the new-look local council after she was elected deputy mayor.

Renmark Paringa councillor Margaret Howie was made deputy at last week’s general meeting and Mayor Peter Hunter said Ms Howie’s previous council and business experience would be an asset to the wider community.

“Margaret is a primary producer and has an extensive background over some 50 years with community volunteer roles,” Mr Hunter said.

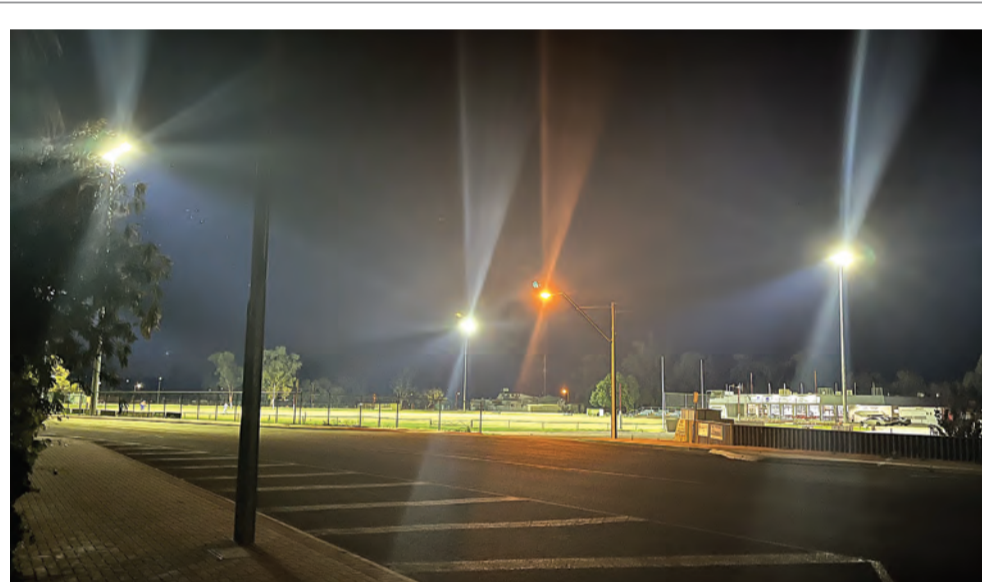
“Margaret has a background in property management, risk management and finance, and has served on regional boards and worked within the export and investment advisor role for Austrade.

“Within council roles, she has been an active and positive contributor to general meetings, while also chairing the Policy Committee and supporting the Audit and Risk Committee across the past four years.

“Margaret has also been the council representative on the Murray Darling Association, Friends of the PS Industry, the Argo Barge Restoration Group and the Renmark to the Border Landcare Committee.”

Ms Howie was re-elected to council with 252 first preference votes at the recent local government election.

The deputy mayor role was previously filled by Henry Du Rieu, who ran for mayor this year.



LET THERE BE LIGHTS: The scene in Barmera last Thursday night when the oval’s upgraded lights were switched on for the first time. A local who lives adjacent said the surface was “lit up like the MCG”. PHOTO: supplied

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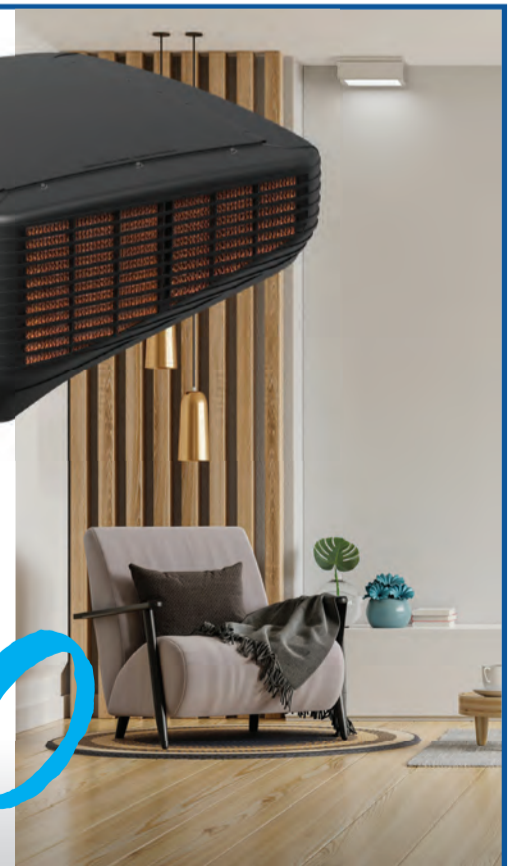
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Barmera pageant back to former glory



Santa will make his way around Barwell Avenue twice during the Barmera pageant float parade before sticking around to hear the Christmas wishes from community members. PHOTOS: supplied



Large crowd numbers are expected for Barmera's pageant event this year after the event was cancelled in 2020 and scaled down last year due to Covid-19.

ELYSE ARMANINI

FOR the first time since 2019, the Barmera Christmas Pageant will be back to pre-Covid strength, with large crowds anticipated for the popular event. In 2020, Covid-19 forced the cancel-

lation of the pageant and 2021 saw a scaled-back event with a small float parade due to Covid restrictions at the time. This year the festivities are back to former glory, starting from 5.30pm on Friday, December 9

Barmera Christmas Planning Committee member and Barmera Central co-ordinator Kelsey Hogan said various amusements and entertainment options will be on offer. "We'll have Mr Oopy, from Adelaide, here with a bubble machine, and we've got a petting zoo coming," she said.

"At 6.15pm we have the vintage car parade. At 6.30pm we'll have our Christmas floats and they'll do two laps (of Barwell Avenue) so after that, around 7.15pm, we'll announce the float winners and the cash raffle.

"After the parade Mr Oopy will do a bit of a performance, Rosie Clark Princesses will do a dance lesson, Santa will be available to talk with and put in all your Christmas wishes. And of course we'll have the fireworks at 9.15pm."

Ms Hogan said everyone was looking forward to this year's festivities after the 2021 pageant was scaled back due to Covid-19 restrictions and lack of volunteers.

"We are expecting a big crowd this year since we haven't had a proper one for a couple of years," she said.

The theme for the float parade this year is Christmas Around the World, and cash prizes are on offer for the four best floats, with a \$250 top prize.

According to Ms Hogan, parade entrants are keeping the details of their floats tightly under wrap.

"We pick a theme every year and that's how we judge the floats but we don't know what entrants are doing this year," she said.

"It'll be a surprise for everyone when the floats make their way down the street."

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Bonney Theatre's Christmas decorations have been improved this year. PHOTOS: supplied



Leigh Krollig (back) and Mike Fuller helping put the final touches on the Bonney Theatre decorations.

Christmas decorations sleighing Barwell Ave

BARMERA'S main street has been decked out with Christmas decorations to start the festive season off right.

The annual decoration effort by the Christmas Window and Street Display Group – under the Barmera Christmas Planning Committee – brings Christmas cheer to Barwell Avenue in the lead-up to the town's Christmas events.

Christmas Window and Street Display Group co-ordinator Julie Krollig said stage one of the process was completed last week, with help from Berri Barmera Council and elves Leigh Krollig and Mike Fuller.

"The second stage is currently in progress with elves Julie G, Vanessa and Janette working on two of the shop windows," Mrs Krollig said.

"The final window we're doing is where

the Christmas pop-up is, next to Barmera Bakery, and we can't get in there until December 5. Stage two will be completed this week.

"This year we have been able to purchase a few larger items for our displays, so please look out for them."

Mrs Krollig said the committee and Display Group were fortunate to have a number of community groups helping behind the scenes and financially.

"These groups have included Barmera Men's Shed, Barmera Library Connect Circle, Barmera Bingo Club, Barmera Community Fund, Barmera Op Shop, Barmera Central, and Berri Barmera Council," she said.

"Berri Barmera Council have been fantastic. When you stop to think about what the council is involved in at the moment

with floods, levee banks, storm damage... yet they've still been willing and down here at 7.30am to help.

"Barmera Op Shop donated a number of Christmas trees to the cause and last year Barmera Bingo Club presented us with a \$1000 cheque from their fundraising nights. I get blown away with all the support, I really do."

Mrs Krollig said the planning committee was "in desperate need" of more volunteers.

"We would really love for more people

to come on board because the more people that are there, the more ideas we get," she said.

"We know when talking to the community some people may have a passion for a certain area of the Christmas festivities in Barmera, be it the pageant, Santa's Cave or the window and street decorations.

"If you are interested or would like more information please contact Kelsey at the Barmera Visitor Information Centre on 8588 2289."

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Paul and Jordan from Berri Barmera Council helping to hang Christmas garlands on Bonney Theatre's veranda facia.

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Denise McKay, Kate Melvin and Katherine Edwards are co-owners of the business.

The firm's senior conveyancers deal with the more complex matters with a particular focus on business settlements and commercial and land division matters.

The company has strong ties with Waikerie.

Waikerie-based conveyancer Alisha Wilson's husband and his family are long-time locals.

Alisha's speciality is looking after residential matters.

When Alisha and her family moved back to Waikerie in late 2021, McKay Business Services took the opportunity to bring their professional service to the region by opening a local office.

Katherine's great grandparents originally settled in Waikerie in the early 1930s.

Her great grandfather, H.A. Stevens, owned the old Butcher Shop back in the 1930s and 1940s.

Both sets of grandparents made Waikerie their home and her own parents went to school together in the town.

For all your conveyancing needs, phone McKay Business Services at Waikerie on 8333 3525.



Waikerie Christmas Decorations committee members Donna Matthews (left) and Erin Jones, and Loxton Waikerie councillor Clive Matthews among the field of Christmas trees. PHOTO: Paul McCormick

Waikerie embracing Xmas

THE Waikerie community is entering into the spirit of Christmas by placing decorations across the CBD.

Waikerie Christmas Decorations committee spokesperson Donna Matthews said this year three more giant Christmas trees had been added to the decorations.

She said the new trees have been funded by Loxton Waikerie council and the new additions brought the total number of trees to nine.

"That will run the trees all the way down White Street and Peake Terrace, which are the main streets with median strips," Ms Matthews said.

She said council also funded some marine grade plywood, which the Waikerie Men's Shed used to make giant reindeers.

Christmas wreaths have also been put up, while the Norfolk Pine's Christmas lights were also officially switched-on at dusk following Waikerie's Christmas Pageant on Friday.

Ms Matthews said about 10 Waikerie High School students and several community volunteers last week helped the committee erect the Waikerie Christmas Tree trail

By **CHRISTINE WEBSTER**
Riverland West reporter



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in Federation Park behind the Rain Moth Gallery.

The field of 100 3D wooden trees were decorated by local businesses, community organisations and schools and will be on display until January 15.

Ms Matthews said the trees were delivered to participating organisations to decorate and put solar lights on six weeks before pageant week and returned last Monday.

She said it had become a popular tourist attraction.

"We have a lot of tourists that say 'this is amazing I can't believe your community does this every year'," Ms Matthews said.

She said they are "especially a magical sight from dusk".

For more information about Waikerie's Christmas festivities including Christmas light displays visit the Christmas in Waikerie Facebook page.

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Waikerie Pageant brings out community



The Waikerie CFS was among the community organisations that took part in the town's Christmas pageant on Friday.
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CHRISTINE WEBSTER

AN estimated crowd of 1000 people attended or took part in Waikerie's annual Christmas Pageant on Friday.

It was the first time the town's traditional pageant had been held since 2019 – after Covid-19 restrictions caused it to be cancelled in 2020 and replaced by a fair in 2021.

Waikerie Lions Club president Pamela Stendara described community support for the event as "fantastic".
"I was so impressed," she said.

Ms Stendara said it was the first Christmas pageant she and her husband Henry had organised since becoming part of the local Lions club.

"It was a bit of a learning curve," she said.

Mr Stendara is the Waikerie Lions Club treasurer and together the couple organised last year's Christmas fair.

Mrs Stendara said the Waikerie Men's Shed played a "tremendous role in helping making the event a success".

She said the floats that participated in the parade through the town's CBD were "amazing".

Ms Stendara said the food vans, refreshment stalls and entertainment for the children at the Waikerie Civic Centre were also popular with the crowd.

"We can build on this for next year," she said.

"We saw that people congregated there and we could have a few more things for them there."



The Waikerie Bakery's float in the Waikerie Christmas pageant. PHOTO: Paul McCormick



The Waikerie & Districts Machinery Preservation Society won the humorous category of the pageant. PHOTO: Christine Webster

WAIKERIE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT FLOAT WINNERS:

CHRISTMAS CATEGORY

First: Waikerie Lutheran Church/Waikerie Lutheran Primary School

Second: First National Real Estate Marschall

HUMOROUS CATEGORY

First: Waikerie & Districts Machinery Preservation Society

Second: National Trust of SA - Waikerie Branch

OPEN CATEGORY

First: Waikerie Men's Shed

Second: Waikerie Army Cadets

CHILDREN'S CATEGORY

First: Waikerie Scouts group

Second: Ramco Primary School



Wills and Co Mitre 10 put a float in the 2022 Waikerie Christmas Pageant last Friday night. Pictured are Poppy Steinert and Harry Nitschke. PHOTOS: supplied



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ZONTA AT WHITE RIBBON DAY: Zonta Club of the Riverland members Dianna Schulz (president), Anne Wall, Deb Kennedy, Margot Kranich and Desiree May attended the White Ribbon Day breakfast at the Renmark Club last Friday. PHOTO: supplied



RFDS Riverland volunteers Cathy Howell, Margie Matthews and Monica Schell at the Loxton Club Melbourne Club Luncheon earlier this month. PHOTO: supplied



GRAND OPENING: Growers Services Renmark last week celebrated the grand opening of its new workshop, show floor and parts areas, with local staff, customers and suppliers on hand. Pictured at the event are Joe Gallo (sales) and Steve Ayling (owner/proprietor) with valued customers Dino Sigismondi and Ashley Sleep (Woolenook Fruits).



Rick Frahn and Ben Dring from Agri Exchange with Growers Services Renmark services manager Stuart McCarthy.

COMMUNITY DIARY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Barmera Theatre Art & Craft Gallery in the Bonney Theatre complex open for sales Tuesday to Friday 10am to 2pm, and Saturday 9:30am to 11:30. Inquiries to Ruth (0428 899 506).

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

U3A Riverland fourth term vacancies: Card cafe, third Wednesday of the month, 1pm-4pm in the clubrooms. Social bridge, Fridays, from 9.30am in clubrooms. Mahjong, Barmera Library on Wednesdays, Renmark Library on Thursdays, 1pm-3pm. French and German conversation Thursdays, 10am-12 noon and 1.30pm-3pm, respectively.

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Line dancing at the Monash Club every Thursday, 11am to 2pm. Lunch and drinks available.

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Riverland Concert Brass Band. Monday nights 7pm to 8.30pm, except public holi-

days. 1 Verran Terrace, Berri. All musicians welcome.

WEEKLY

Berri Seniors meet every Tuesday, 1pm to 4pm at the club rooms at 4 Draper Road, Berri. Pool, cards, games, computer or just socialise. Everyone welcome.

WEEKLY

Loxton Historical Village is open Tuesday to Sunday, 10am to 4pm, including public holidays. Closed Good Friday, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Inquires phone 8584 7194.

WEEKLY

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

WEEKLY

Tea nights at Barmera RSL, Sturt Street, Barmera. Every Friday night, served from 6pm. \$15 for a two-course meal. For bookings contact Peter (0408 813 882).

WEEKLY

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

Charity for all bingo at the Loxton Club. Eyes down at 7pm. Supper and raffles available.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

Chaffey Rose Club members and friends are invited to celebrate together with Christmas tea. Plate to share, BYO drinks, Kris Kringle gift \$10 max. Held at 81 Murtho Road, Paringa at 6pm. RSVP to Dale Kerin (0420 383 948) by November 28.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Moorook Christmas markets and carols at sunset. Markets 2pm to 7pm, barbecue at 5.30pm, Santa at 7pm. Stall holders contact 0467 735 969.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Loxton Mardi Gras committee together with Berri Pacemakers Bingo at Berri Hotel. Raising funds towards running the 66th Family Festival in 2023. Eyes down at 2pm. Don't be late to join the fun.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Barmera Library's after school activities for kids. Making reindeer biscuits and tealight snowmen, 4pm. Bookings essential, phone 8588 2872.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

Barmera Library's after school activities for kids. Robots on parade, 4pm. Lego and Edison robots to make our own indoor Christmas pageant. Bookings essential, phone 8588 2872.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

U3A Riverland invite members to a Christmas celebration lunch at the Berri Hotel from 12.30pm. RSVP Cheri or any committee member by December 5.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

Mega Christmas market at Berri Church of Christ. Set up from 7am, market 8am to 12 noon. To book a site contact Trish Wardle (0409 900 380) by December 1.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Barmera Library's after school activities for kids. Christmas pudding biscuits and lanterns, 4pm. Bookings essential, phone 8588 2872.



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THURSDAY JANUARY 19 AT 2PM
FRIDAY JANUARY 20 AT 2PM
SATURDAY JANUARY 21 AT 2PM
TUESDAY JANUARY 24 AT 10AM
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25 AT 10AM

I WANNA DANCE WITH SOMEBODY (CTC)
THURSDAY JANUARY 19 AT 10AM *Coffee Flix
THURSDAY JANUARY 19 AT 7PM
FRIDAY JANUARY 20 AT 8PM
SATURDAY JANUARY 21 AT 8PM

BLUEBACK (PG)
TUESDAY JANUARY 24 AT 2PM
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25 AT 2PM & 6PM

THE AMAZING MAURICE (CTC)
FRIDAY JANUARY 27 AT 10AM & 2PM
SATURDAY JANUARY 28 AT 2PM

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LIGHT UP DAY: Enjoying the Loxton Light Up Day on Saturday were Dean, 9, and Morgan Patterson, 7, of Loxton. The Reindeer Road initiative was popular with children.
PHOTO: Paul Mitchell



WAIKERIE HOSPITAL: Former Waikerie registered nurses Jill Eustice and Julie Webber celebrating the 100-year milestone of the Waikerie Hospital and Guild at the Waikerie Hotel Motel recently.
PHOTOS: Paul McCormick



Flinders University medical student Patrick Sheridan and Waikerie GP Dr Ken Wanguhu at the centenary dinner.



The Loxton Hotel's Alfresco on Pflaum, which was completed recently. PHOTO: Italo Vardaro

Hotel posts healthy profit

A HEALTHY profit of \$542,000 has capped a milestone financial year for the Loxton Hotel.

The figure is around half of the previous year's number (\$1.07m), however re-elected chairperson Wendy Mudge described the results as "outstanding", given the circumstances, including the end of federal government Covid-19 support and other pandemic-related factors.

"In 2021 the hotel was supported by the federal government's JobKeeper payment scheme through a cash-flow boost of \$373,000, while no payments were received in 2022," Mrs Mudge told last week's AGM.

"The other major impact on 2022 expenses was the temporary payroll tax reduction all companies received in 2021, which was removed in 2022. This increased costs by \$100,765.

"Interstate and international travel restrictions were in place during much of 2021, which resulted in a boost for regional tourism and hospitality operators.

"The impact on trading, once travel restrictions eased, was forecast in my chairman's report last year. Considering these circumstances, the 2022 result was an outstanding achievement."

The strong results announced at the AGM followed hot on the heels of the long-awaited completion of the latest stage of the community hotel's renovations, Alfresco on Pflaum, and earlier in the year the unveiling of its new bistro and sports bar.

The AGM heard that sales revenue of \$9.678m for 2021-22 was up marginally on the previous year's figure of \$9.616m.

"Sales revenue was maintained across the entire hotel and costs have been extremely well-managed, considering the above changes and inflationary pres-



The Loxton Hotel's executive team at the recent Australian Hotels Association SA Awards, executive chef Daniel Anderson, general manager Darren Morrison, assistant manager Tracy Schulz and operations manager Mal Hahn.
PHOTO: supplied

ures," Mrs Mudge said.

"Results were marginally above budget.

"All cash generated in the current year will be used to cover short-term liabilities, including tax, with the balance used to complete renovations, including the Pflaum Terrace Alfresco and beer garden projects."

The end of Covid-19 restrictions has also seen the hotel resume its level of community support and donations, Mrs Mudge said.

"As restrictions eased many of the 60 local groups, clubs, associations, charities and events to which Loxton Hotel contributes each year resumed their activities," she said.

"It has been rewarding to witness community life returning to normal, and we have been pleased to be able to recommence our support accordingly."

The hotel's recent success at the 2022 Australian Hotels Association Awards (SA) was also featured in the chairman's report. Loxton Hotel won four awards, including Best Overall Hotel (Country).

Hotel representatives were in Sydney this week for the nation-

al AHA awards.

"These achievements are only possible because of the continued support of our local community," Mrs Mudge said.

"Our successes, both in operational and awards terms, belong to everyone in Loxton.

"We congratulate and thank general manager Darren Morrison, acting general manager during the GM's extended leave Mal Hahn, executive chef Daniel Anderson, assistant manager Tracy Schulz and functions manager Danielle Anderson, and the scores of loyal, hard-working staff who have each contributed to producing another outstandingly successful year of operations."

Mrs Mudge told The Murray Pioneer that local firm Michael Kregar Building deserved special mention for its efforts with the renovations.

She said those at the AGM were "very positive about the hotel and what a fantastic development it is for the town of Loxton and the people of Loxton".

Loxton Hotel's directors are: Wendy Mudge (chairman), Shane Semmler (deputy chairman), Matthew Hutchinson, Murray Najjar, Mark Fielke and Max Gray.

Mrs Mudge has been a board member since 1995 and chair since 2006.



Wendy Mudge

Pub's staff face flood challenge

ISSUES arising from the Riverland flood – including the Bookpurnong Road closure inconveniencing up to 20 staff members – are the latest hurdles that need to be overcome for the Loxton Hotel.

Fresh from enduring over two years of Covid restrictions, the hotel – along with other Riverland businesses – now faces an extended period of flood-impacted trading, however chairperson Wendy Mudge remains positive.

"We've been through tough times before as a business and as a community, and we will prevail," she said, speaking after the hotel's AGM last week.

"We'll adjust to the circumstances that are occurring at the time, although the next few months are not going to be easy – for us and for anybody.

"The last couple of years have been very difficult, but we'll get through it again."

A sizeable portion of the hotel's workforce live in Berri, presenting an extra challenge for management, given the closure of the section of Bookpurnong Road linking the two towns.

"We've got about 20 staff who live in Berri and that's including our executive chef," Mrs Mudge said.

"That's going to be a major issue for them and the hotel. That's something that our team is working through at the present time.

"They're looking at all the rosters and working out how best we can help our team overcome what they're going to have to do to get to work and home from work."

- PAUL MITCHELL

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Business group backs \$51m flood package

THE state's leading business group has given the stamp of approval to the \$51.6m assistance package announced by the SA government last week for the state's flood-hit river communities.

Business SA's chief executive Andrew Kay says the government's response reflects the urgency he heard from businesses when visiting the region a fortnight ago.

"When emergency situations like this happen, the business community need support that is simple to obtain and readily accessible for a broad range of operators," Mr Kay said.

"The grants of up to \$50,000 for business owners should be delivered immediately and without unnecessary red tape to support businesses with the costs of bringing levees up to a certified engineering standard.

"The Early Business

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Closure Grant will go some way to support those businesses who are now without trade for the foreseeable future because of the floods and also those affected by cuts to power supply."

Ahead of additional looming power disconnections as the River Murray continues to rise, Mr Kay said Business SA was keen to see plenty of generators available for local businesses.

"It would be a good additional support if the government would provide a temporary fuel subsidy to run them too," he said.

Measures provided for the region's tourism operators – including \$3m for three round of time-limited \$200 vouchers and \$1.1m for a Book Them Out-style marketing campaign – were also welcomed.

"Previous rounds of the accommodation/tourism vouchers had a really positive impact across South Australia and particularly in the CBD.

"The \$1.1 million for a tourism marketing campaign is an excellent initiative, but I would encourage South Australians not to wait until post floods to visit as the Riverland is looking absolutely beautiful right now, and these businesses need their support while the region is still open."

Mr Kay said a Business SA report on the impact of the Covid-19 lockdowns revealed that up to 80 per cent of business operators or their teams suffered a mental health impact as a result.

"Therefore, the \$1m in mental health support will absolutely be necessary to support everyone in the Riverland right now," he said.

Red Cross supports flood-hit Riverland

AUSTRALIAN Red Cross is lending its support to the flood-hit Riverland community.

"Trained staff and volunteers are working with the community, from primary school students to vulnerable community members, to ensure they are preparing themselves and taking steps to look after their wellbeing during a time of high stress," an Australian Red Cross spokesperson said.

The spokesperson said Red Cross teams are:

Running the group's Pillowcase emergency preparedness program in seven pri-

mary schools in the area.

Calling vulnerable community members to complete wellbeing checks, encouraging them to take steps to prepare before the emergency impacts them. Information gathered in these calls also helps assist Red Cross and other agencies with response planning.

Preparing to support the community as they access relief centres as they open.

Staff are available at the Berri office at 2A Ahern Street, Monday to Friday, for community members to visit to get further information and support face to face.



The roar of motorbikes will be heard around the Riverland this Sunday morning for the annual Toy and Tucker Run for the Riverland Christmas Appeal. The region's flood event has forced a change to routes.

Amended route for Toy and Tucker Run

DUE to the closure of Bookpurnong Road, amendments have been made to the route of this year's Riverland Christmas Appeal Toy and Tucker Run.

The start point for the ride is still on Industry Road, Renmark, between Twentyfirst Street/Renmark Avenue intersection, and motorcyclists will be leaving this area at 9.15am

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to head to Loxton via Paringa, instead of taking Bookpurnong Road.

Motorcyclists from Waikerie will be leaving Waikerie Hotel at 8.45am to meet with the group at Loxton.

At 10.30am motorcyclists will be leaving for

the Riverland Plaza, Berri via Renmark and Paringa, stopping at the plaza before departing at 11.45am for the Barmera Markets' new site opposite the Lake Bonney Yacht Club.

A large van will be following the motorcyclists and will accept money, non-perishable foods and toys at each of the stopping points for the Riverland Christmas Appeal.

TV GUIDE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30 TO TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6



WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 The Great Acceleration; 11:00 Australia Remastered: Wild Kakadu; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 National Press Club Address; 1:40 Media Watch; 2:00 Parliament Question Time; 3:00 Gardening Australia; 4:15 Long Lost Family; 5:00 Back Roads; 5:30 Hard Quiz; 6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 Hard Quiz
8:30 Question Everything
9:00 Fisk
9:30 Would I Lie To You?
10:00 TBA
10:45 ABC Late News
11:00 The Business
11:15 Death In Paradise
12:15 Marcella

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:10 Dot.; 5:25 Baby Jake; 5:35 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Reef School
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Alva's World
6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures
7:00 Odd Squad
7:10 Shaun The Sheep
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Anh's Brush With Fame
8:00 Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road
8:45 Courtney Barnett - Anonymous Club
10:15 Stuff The British Stole
10:45 Our Brain - Recharged
11:40 Staged
12:05 Starstruck
12:50 Louis Theroux's LA Stories
1:50 Catalyst
2:45 ABC News Update

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Test Cricket
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Test Cricket
8:30 S.W.A.T
10:55 Border Security - Australia's Front Line
11:25 The Amazing Race
12:25 Borderline Normal
2:30 TBA
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Calling For Love; 1:50 Garden Gurus Moments; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 5:00 Millionaire Hot Seat
6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Country Home Rescue With Shaynna Blaze
8:30 Dream Listings Byron Bay
9:30 Tba
10:30 Nine News Late
11:00 Family Law
11:50 Bluff City Law
12:40 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 A Current Affair
5:00 Nine News Early Edition

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 10 News First; 8:30 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Challenge Australia Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 The Dog House Australia
9:30 My Life Is Murder
10:30 Bull
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping

5:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Wales V England; 8:00 DD India Prime Time News; 8:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Match Replay; 5:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Daily World Cup Show
6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 The Toys That Built The World
8:30 Riveted: The History Of Jeans
9:30 Boeing's Fatal Flaw
10:30 The Artist's View - Fleetwood Mac
11:00 FIFA World Cup Classic AUS V JPN 200
12:30 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 AUS V DEN
4:00 FIFA World Cup Classic ARG V ENG 1998

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australian Story; 10:30 That Pacific Sports Show; 11:10 All Creatures Great And Small; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Hard Quiz; 1:30 Question Everything; 2:00 Parliament Question Time; 3:00 Gardening Australia; 4:10 Long Lost Family; 5:00 Back Roads; 5:30 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 You Can't Ask That
8:30 Q+A
9:35 Baby Surgeons
10:25 Stuff The British Stole
10:55 ABC Late News
11:10 The Business
11:25 Love On The Spectrum
12:25 The Cult Of The Family

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:10 Dot.; 5:25 Baby Jake; 5:35 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Reef School
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Alva's World
6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures
7:00 Odd Squad
7:10 Shaun The Sheep
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:30 Would I Lie To You?
9:00 Starstruck
9:45 Question Everything
10:15 Penn And Teller
11:00 Doctor Who
12:05 Staged
12:25 This Time With Alan Partridge
1:00 Blunt Talk
1:25 Archer

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Test Cricket
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Test Cricket
8:30 The Meg
10:45 Border Security - Australia's Front Line
11:15 Code Blue: Murder
12:15 Fantasy Island
1:15 Travel Oz
2:00 TBA
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 Country Home Rescue With Shaynna Blaze; 1:00 Dream Listings Byron Bay; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 5:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Rbt
8:30 Paramedics
9:30 Police After Dark
10:30 Nine News Late
11:00 Emergency Call
11:50 Pure Genius
12:40 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 A Current Affair
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
5:30 Today

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 10 News First; 8:30 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Living Room; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 Ambulance Australia
9:30 Law & Order
10:30 Blue Bloods
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping

5:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 POL V ARG; 8:00 DD India Prime Time News; 8:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Match Replay; 5:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Daily World Cup Show
6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:35 Europe's Greatest Christmas Market
8:30 Scotland's Riverwoods
9:30 Rebuilding Notre Dame With Lucy Worsley
10:35 The Artist's View - Whitney Houston
11:05 FIFA World Cup Classic SCO V MAR 1998
1:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 CRO V BEL
4:00 FIFA World Cup Classic GER V ESP 1994

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Q+A; 11:10 Secrets Of The Museum; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Belgravia; 1:45 Doc Martin; 2:35 Poh's Kitchen; 3:10 Gardening Australia; 4:10 Long Lost Family; 4:55 Back Roads; 5:25 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 Gardening Australia
8:30 Vera
10:00 Fisk
10:30 Troppo
11:25 ABC Late News
11:45 TBA
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5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:10 Dot.; 5:25 Baby Jake; 5:35 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Reef School
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 Hard Quiz
8:30 The Babadook
10:00 Doctor Who
10:45 Staged
11:10 Archer
11:55 QI
12:25 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces
1:15 ABC News Update
1:20 ABC TV Plus Programs Resume At 7.30pm

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 Test Cricket
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Test Cricket
8:30 The Fugitive
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2:00 Home Shopping
2:30 TBA
3:30 Home Shopping
4:00 Million Dollar Minute
5:00 NBC Today

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 The Christmas Cure; 1:50 Talking Honey; 2:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Nine's Afternoon News; 5:00 Millionaire Hot Seat
6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Taronga - Who's Who In The Zoo
8:30 Bridget Jones's Baby
10:55 I Don't Know How She Does It
12:40 Tipping Point
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Take Two
4:30 Global Shop
5:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
5:30 Skippy - The Bush Kangaroo

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 10 News First; 8:30 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Living Room; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 The Graham Norton Show
8:30 The Flatshare
9:30 Just For Laughs Australia
10:00 Just For Laughs Uncut
10:30 Rhys Nicholson
12:00 The Project Encore
1:00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
2:00 Home Shopping

5:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Japan V Spain; 8:00 DD India Prime Time News; 8:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Match Replay; 5:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Daily World Cup Show
6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:35 Engineering Reborn
8:35 Inside Central Station
9:35 Tutankhamun With Bettany Hughes
10:30 The Artist's View: Olivia Newton-John
11:00 FIFA World Cup Classic AUS V NED 2010
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1:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 KOR V POR

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 rage; 10:30 rage Guest Programmer; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Vera; 2:00 Midsomer Murders; 3:30 Stuff The British Stole; 4:00 Folau; 5:00 Landline; 5:30 Re-Frame 2022
6:30 Nigella's Cook, Eat, Repeat
7:00 ABC News
7:30 Doc Martin
8:20 Shetland
9:20 Midsomer Murders
10:50 Lion
12:45 rage Guest Programmer
5:00 rage

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:10 Dot.; 5:25 Pablo; 5:35 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Reef School
6:05 Interstellar Ella
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7:00 Andy And The Band
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 QI
8:30 Melbourne Comedy Festival 2021
9:25 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
10:10 Would I Lie To You?
10:40 Doctor Who
11:25 Ride
12:55 Friday Night Dinner
1:20 Everything's Gonna Be Okay
2:05 Universe With Brian Cox
3:00 ABC News Update

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Test Cricket
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Test Cricket
8:30 U.S. Marshals
11:10 World's Deadliest
12:10 Repco Supercars Highlights 2022
1:10 Black-ish
2:00 TBA
4:00 It's Academic
5:00 House Of Wellness

6:00 Getaway; 6:30 A Current Affair; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Today Extra - Saturday; 12:00 Our State On A Plate; 12:30 Taronga - Who's Who In The Zoo; 1:30 Cross Court; 2:00 Australian Open Golf; 5:00 Nine News
6:00 Nine News Saturday
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Justice League
9:50 Birds Of Prey
11:50 The Disappointments Room
1:20 Cross Court
1:45 Explore
2:00 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
5:30 Skippy - The Bush Kangaroo

6:00 Reel Action; 6:30 Leading The Way With Dr. Michael Yousef; 7:00 Tough Tested; 8:00 Escape Fishing With ET; 8:30 What's Up Down Under; 9:00 Australia By Design; 9:30 Studio 10; 12:00 Well Traveller 2:30 The Offroad Adventure Show; 1:30 Healthy Homes Australia; 2:00 All 4 Adventure; 3:00 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn; 5:00 10 News First
6:00 Bondi Rescue
6:30 Hungry CC
7:00 Jamie's One-Pan Wonders
7:30 Blue Bloods
8:30 CSI
9:30 NCIS Encore
10:30 My Life Is Murder Encore
11:30 FBI

5:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 CMR V BRA; 8:00 DD India Prime Time News; 8:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Match Replay; 5:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Daily World Cup Show
6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:35 Michael Palin
8:30 Christmas at The Tower of London
9:25 Titanic - Genesis Of A Giant
10:25 The Artist's View - U2
10:55 Best Wishes
11:00 FIFA World Cup Classic NED V BRA 2010
45:00 FIFA World Cup Classic NED V ARG 1998
1:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Rnd of 16

6:00 rage; 7:00 Weekend Breakfast; 9:00 Insiders; 10:00 Offsiders; 11:00 Compass; 11:30 Songs of Praise - Edwardian Christmas; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 12:30 Landline - Summer Series; 1:00 How Deadly World - Five Impressively Dangerous Wild Land Animals; 1:30 Gardening Australia; 2:30 Question Everything; 3:00 Fake Or Fortune?; 4:05 The Pacific; 4:55 Nigella's Cook, Eat, Repeat; 5:25 Antiques Roadshow
6:30 The ABC Of Evonne Goolagong Cawley
7:00 ABC News Sunday
7:30 Death In Paradise
8:30 Judy
10:25 Ridley Road
11:25 Mystery Road
12:25 The Heights

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:10 Dot.; 5:25 Pablo; 5:35 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Reef School
6:10 Interstellar Ella
6:20 Bluey
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6:40 Andy's Dinosaur Adventures
7:00 Andy And The Band
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Australia Remastered
8:25 Pilgrimage
9:30 Folau
10:30 Courtney Barnett
11:55 The Babadook
1:25 Long Lost Family
2:10 ABC News Update
2:15 ABC TV Plus Programs Resume At 7.30pm

6:00 NBC Today; 7:00 Weekend Sunrise; 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend; 12:00 Test Cricket
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Test Cricket
8:30 The Rock
11:15 Autopsy USA
12:15 Repco Supercars Highlights 2022
1:15 Medical Emergency
2:00 TBA
3:30 Million Dollar Minute
4:00 Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Fishing Australia; 6:30 A Current Affair; 7:00 Weekend Today; 10:00 Great Australian Detour; 10:30 Women's Footy; 11:30 Australian Open Golf; 4:30 Driving Test; 5:00 Nine News; 5:30 Hello Sa
6:00 Nine News Sunday
7:00 Tba
8:40 60 Minutes
9:40 Nine News Late
10:10 The First 48
11:10 Tba
12:00 Tipping Point
1:00 Great Australian Detour
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 Take Two
5:00 Nine News Early Edition
5:30 Today

6:00 Mass For You At Home; 6:30 Turning Point With David Jeremiah; 7:00 Joseph Prince; 7:30 Joel Osteen; 8:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey; 8:30 Luca's Key Ingredient; 9:00 Destination Dessert; 9:30 Studio 10; 12:00 The Challenge Australia Encore; 2:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield; 2:30 Jamie's One-Pan Wonders; 3:00 Cook With Luke; 3:30 Well Traveller; 4:00 All 4 Adventure; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Sunday Project
7:30 The Graham Norton Show
8:30 NCIS
9:30 FBI
11:30 The Sunday Project Encore
12:30 Home Shopping
4:30 CBS Mornings

5:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Rnd of 16; 8:00 DD India Prime Time News; 8:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 R16 Replay; 5:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Daily World Cup Show
6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Treasures Of Cyprus
8:30 Egypt - Exploring The Largest Museum
9:30 The Colosseum - A Jewel In Rome's Crown
10:30 The Artist's View - Bon Jovi
11:00 FIFA World Cup Classic BRA V FRA 2006
1:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Rnd of 16
4:00 FIFA World Cup Classic ENG V CMR 1990

6:00 News Breakfast; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Australia's Ocean Odyssey; 11:00 Antiques Roadshow; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Rosehaven; 1:25 Vera; 3:00 Gardening Australia; 4:10 Long Lost Family; 5:00 Back Roads; 5:25 Hard Quiz
6:00 The Drum
7:00 ABC News
7:30 7.30
8:00 Australian Story
8:30 Media Watch
8:50 A League Of Her Own
10:15 Our Dawn
10:45 ABC Late News
11:00 The Business
11:20 Q+A
12:25 The Pacific
1:10 Operation Buffalo
2:05 Total Control

5:00 Hoot Hoot Go!; 5:10 Dot.; 5:25 Baby Jake; 5:35 Children's Programs; 5:50 Peppa Pig; 5:55 Reef School
6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
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7:10 Shaun The Sheep
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Universe With Brian Cox
8:30 Long Lost Family
9:20 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces
10:05 Catalyst
11:05 TBA
11:45 Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road
12:30 Penn And Teller
1:10 Staged
2:00 Would I Lie To You?

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 A Holiday Wish Come True; 2:00 Gold Coast Medical; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Border Security - Australia's Front Line
7:30 Motorway Patrol
8:00 Highway Cops
8:30 9-1-1
9:30 S.W.A.T.
11:30 Heartbreak Island Australia
12:30 The Resident
1:30 Medical Emergency
2:00 TBA
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

6:00 Today; 9:00 Today Extra; 11:30 Nine's Morning News; 12:00 A Christmas Comeback; 1:45 Explore; 3:00 Pointless; 3:00 Tipping Point; 4:00 Millionaire Hot Seat; 5:00 Nine's Afternoon News
6:00 Nine News
7:00 A Current Affair
7:30 Tba
8:40 Inside The Superbrands
9:40 Suburban Gangsters
10:40 Nine News Late
11:10 The Equalizer
12:00 Almost Family
12:50 Hello Sa
1:20 Talking Honey
1:30 Tv Shop - Home Shopping
4:00 Believer's Voice Of Victory
4:30 A Current Affair
5:00 Nine News Early Edition

6:00 The Talk; 7:00 Judge Judy; 7:30 The Bold & The Beautiful Encore; 8:00 10 News First; 8:30 Studio 10; 12:00 Dr Phil; 1:00 The Challenge Australia Encore; 2:00 Entertainment Tonight; 2:30 Good Chef Bad Chef; 3:00 Judge Judy; 3:30 My Market Kitchen; 4:00 Farm To Fork; 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful; 5:00 10 News First
6:30 The Project
7:30 Bondi Rescue
8:30 The Challenge Australia
9:30 FBI - Most Wanted
11:30 The Project Encore
12:30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert
1:30 Home Shopping

5:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Rnd of 16; 8:00 DD India Prime Time News; 8:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 R16 Replay; 5:30 FIFA World Cup 2022 Daily World Cup Show
6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Celebrity Letters And Numbers
8:30 24 Hours In Emergency
9:25 Zelenskyy - The Story
10:30 The Artist's View - AC/DC
11:00 FIFA World Cup Classic GER V CRO 1998
12:00 FIFA World Cup Classic GER V NED 1990
1:00 LIVE FIFA World Cup 2022 Rnd of 16
4:00 FIFA World Cup Classic NED V BRA 1994

6:00 News Break; 9:00 ABC News Mornings; 10:00 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One; 10:30 Dream Gardens; 11:00 Restoration Australia; 12:00 ABC News At Noon; 1:00 Shetland; 2:00 Call The Midwife; 3:00 Gardening Australia; 4:10 Long Lost Family; 5:00 Back Roads; 5:30 Hard Quiz
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7:30 7.30
8:00 Stuff The British Stole
8:30 Love On The Spectrum
9:30 Fake Or Fortune?
10:30 Summer Love
11:05 ABC Late News
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6:05 Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom
6:20 Bluey
6:25 Octonauts
6:40 Andy's Aquatic Adventures
7:00 Odd Squad
7:10 Shaun The Sheep
7:20 Bluey
7:30 Spicks And Specks
8:00 Would I Lie To You At Christmas
8:30 TBA
9:35 Friday Night Dinner
10:00 Fisk
10:30 Everything's Gonna Be Okay
10:55 This Time With Alan Partridge
11:25 Black Comedy
11:55 Whose Line Is It Anyway?
12:35 Melbourne Comedy Festival 2021

6:00 Sunrise; 9:00 The Morning Show; 11:30 Seven Morning News; 12:00 A Merry Holiday; 2:00 Gold Coast Medical; 3:00 The Chase; 4:00 Seven News At 4; 5:00 The Chase Australia
6:00 Seven News
7:00 Border Security - Australia's Front Line
7:30 Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly
8:30 The Good Doctor
9:30 S.W.A.T.
11:30 Chicago Fire
12:30 The Resident
1:30 Medical Emergency
2:00 TBA
4:00 NBC Today
5:00 Seven Early News
5:30 Sunrise

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7:30 Travel Guides
8:30 The Dish
10:30 Nine News Late
11:00 Skin A&E
11:50 Bluff City Law
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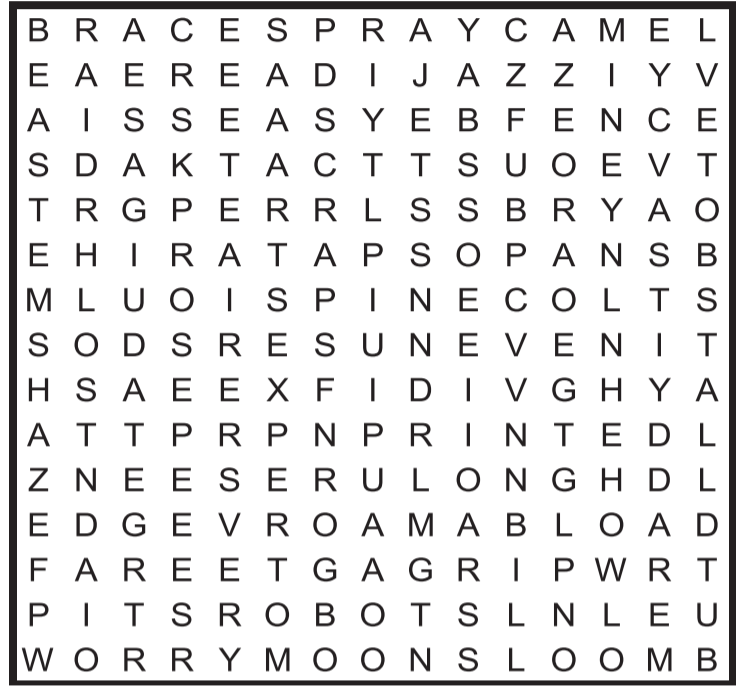
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6:00 FIFA World Cup 2022 Preview Show
6:30 SBS World News
7:30 Who Do You Think You Are?
8:30 Norfolk Island With Ray Martin
9:40 Inside Air Force One
10:30 The Artist's View - Guns 'N' Roses
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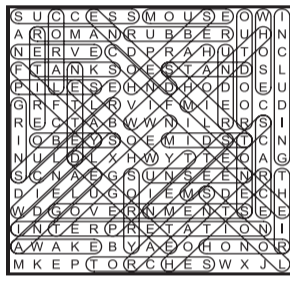
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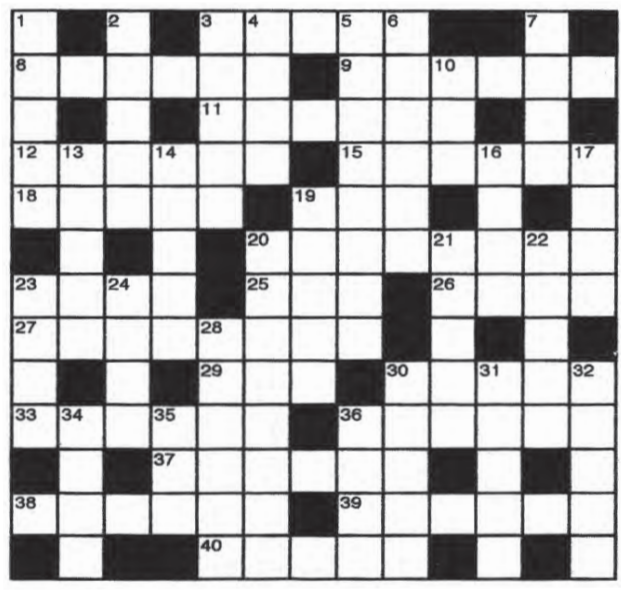


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Last Week's Solution



- Crossword**
- ACROSS**
3. Skilled
 8. Bovine animals
 9. Alloy used in cheap jewellery
 11. Piece of instruction
 12. Weaker
 15. Chirps
 18. Song of mourning
 19. Open (poet.)
 20. Developing
 23. Consequently
 25. Decimal basis
 26. District
 27. Ointment
 29. Goddess of dawn
 30. Buoy
 33. Regular
 36. Establish
 37. Asian wild ass
 38. Floor covering
 39. Scarcest
 40. Make merry
- DOWN**
1. Ambit
 2. Pebble
 3. Narrow street
 4. Ruminant animal
 5. Adjourn
 6. Plastering tool
 7. Prepare for publication
 10. Single
 13. Extreme
 14. Eskimo hut
 16. Eastern ruler
 17. Legend
 19. Kilns
 20. Make pale
 21. Leap
 22. Himalayan country
 23. Ardour
 24. Growl
 28. Thinner
 30. Untamed
 31. Alternative
 32. Irritable
 34. Egg-shaped
 35. Cleaning implement
 36. Shrivelled



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



December 2022 Horoscopes: week 1

- ARIES (March 21st - April 20th)**
You have put in a lot of effort over the past few days and deserve to get the rewards. Don't be too demanding for the time being, however. **Romance.** A compliment from somebody whom you hardly know could take you by surprise. This person is interested in you, but is very shy.
- TAURUS (April 21st - May 21st)**
A financial issue needs to be solved as soon as possible. You have more money coming in but it will be a while before you have more than you need. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Venus around the middle of the week will help you to understand your partner's concerns.
- GEMINI (May 22nd - June 21st)**
An improvement in your finances will help to cheer you up. If you keep a better track of things you will avoid getting into problems in the future. **Romance.** At times this week you may feel a little lonely. A phone call will help to put you in touch with some more people but you will have to take the initiative from then on.
- CANCER (June 22nd - July 23rd)**
A favourable aspect to Jupiter will bring some luck your way. A long-term gamble will come off, so long as you are prepared to keep going. Don't give up until you are through with everything. **Romance.** Your love-life may have been in the doldrums recently. A get-together later in the week will help to turn the tide.
- LEO (July 24th - August 23rd)**
A favourable aspect to Neptune will boost your powers of intuition. An idea which you have in an unusual place will prove to be worth following up. **Romance.** A get-together with your partner will be rewarding. You will be in a calm and romantic mood and will enjoy spending time together.
- VIRGO (August 24th - September 23rd)**
A get-together with a friend later in the week will help you to get a better perspective on your relationship with this person. You may need to think carefully before you criticise them again. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Neptune may make you a little dreamy and unrealistic at times.
- LIBRA (September 24th - October 23rd)**
Check through all the details of an agreement before you sign it. You may be tempted by a situation which is not as rosy as it seems. **Romance.** At times your partner may not be quite as supportive as you would like. There may be some issue which hasn't been properly dealt with.
- SCORPIO (October 24th - November 22nd)**
A decision which has been hanging over you for several weeks must finally be sorted out. Any answer will be better than none. **Romance.** A favourable aspect to Mercury early in the week will help you to communicate well with your partner. A few concessions will help to smooth things over in the coming weeks.
- SAGITTARIUS (November 23rd - December 21st)**
People at work may be a little tense at the moment. Don't be surprised if you are criticised more than normal: just do your best to keep up the pace. **Romance.** Try to be more consistent in your responses to a new admirer. This person is very serious and will be disappointed if you are not as well.
- CAPRICORN (December 22nd - January 20th)**
This should be an excellent period for new ideas. A favourable aspect to Uranus will give your creative juices a boost. An idea you have later in the week will be especially fruitful. **Romance.** An unobtrusive approach by a person whom you hardly know may embarrass you slightly at first.
- AQUARIUS (January 21st - February 19th)**
A difficult aspect to Mercury early in the week could lead to some misunderstandings with your friends. Write down an important detail rather than trying to commit it to memory. **Romance.** Stress from work may cause problems in your social life, especially at the beginning of the week. Do your best to keep the two separate if possible.
- PISCES (February 20th - March 20th)**
A meeting will focus your thoughts on the future. Time will tell if everything plays out the way you expect. **Romance.** A get-together with friends will put you in touch with a new contact. Be patient and this person will gradually become attracted to you.

BUDDY BUNYIP BIRTHDAY LIST

Madison Ryder - 1/12/2011
Seth Balaza - 2/12/2013
Xavier Balaza - 2/12/2013
Nate Greenhalgh - 3/12/2011

Interested in appearing on Buddy's Birthday list?
Contact: Murray Pioneer
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SUDOKU No.405

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

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

Level of Difficulty: **Medium**

Solution No. 404

LOOKING BACK AT 130 YEARS



FLOOD PEAK

REACHES DOWN RIVER CENTRES

CARAVAN PARK UNDER

Flood Peak Reached

1974



1973

The peak of the River Murray flood reached Renmark yesterday (Wednesday), when a rise of just one centimetre was recorded at the town gauge.

The reading of 18.13 metres (about 25 feet) was only slightly less than the peak of 25 ft. 2 ins. reached on November 5 last year.

The river level has remained stationary at Lock 6, upstream from Renmark, where the peak was reached on Monday.

A spokesman for the Engineering and Water Supply Department said in Adelaide yesterday that the peak would now pass slowly downstream and was expected to reach Morgan on July 24.

He added that the daily flow into South Australia was averaging 50,000 megalitres and could be expected to continue at this rate for at least another month, keeping river levels "bank high" until well into August.

It was reported yesterday that the Highways Department had placed a load limit of 10 tonnes on vehicles using the Taylorville approach to the Waikerie ferry.

The limit was imposed owing to the effects of rising flood waters on the roadway.

However, all ferry services are being maintained and it is now considered unlikely that any will be forced to close.

Several feet of water now cover parts of the Renmark Caravan Park but the two ablution blocks, the house and canteen are still above the flood level. Lynette McIntosh, 15, the caretaker's daughter, was wading through the park when this photo was taken. She is standing on the roadway between the entrance and the first ablution block.

FLOOD NOW SIXTH GREATEST IN S.A.

The flood has now passed last week's predicted peak of 24 ft. 11 in., at Renmark, making it the sixth greatest in history.

The latest figure of 24 ft. 11½ ins. this morning on the town gauge has exceeded both the 1952 and 1955 peaks, leaving it behind only 1870 (est. 29 ft. 5 in.), 1890 (25 ft. 3 in.), 1917 (27 ft.), 1931 (26 ft. 10 in.) and 1956 (30 ft. 7½ in.).

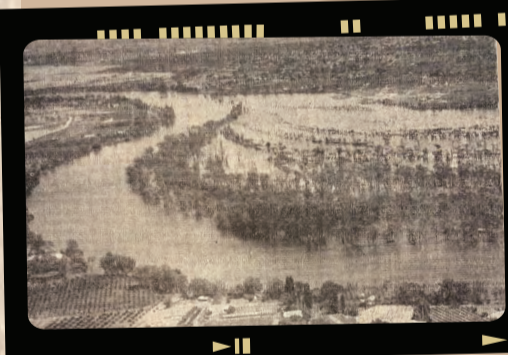
No further predictions or revised estimates were issued by the Engineering

and Water Supply Department this week.

The estimated peak for Morgan in Prediction No. 4, issued on October 22, was 25 ft. 8 in. Yesterday's level was 23 ft. 11 in.

The flood has caused the closure of Twenty-first Street to traffic and both the Renmark Caravan Park and Grimshaw's Tourist Camp at Paringa have been forced to close.

The Renmark town clerk (Mr. R. E. C. Thompson) reported that a section of road had subsided near the entrance to the caravan park and this had been temporarily repaired last Thursday to enable vehicles to be moved before the park closed on Friday. A sandbag levee was constructed to protect the first amenities block, but (Continued on page 4)



MARTINS BEND - 1973



LOXTON HISTORICAL VILLAGE - 1973



LOXTON CARAVAN PARK - 1973



Renmark Club chairman Sam Albanese, Renmark Paringa Community Museum chairman Wayne Howell, ps Industry maintenance and operations manager Denis Smith, and Renmark Club general manager Lyn Wilksch outside the museum's new rotunda exhibit focused on the ps Industry, refurbished with a \$2000 donation from the Renmark Club. PHOTO: Hugh Schuitemaker. INSET: The rotunda after restorations. PHOTO: supplied

Citrus resources to save growers 'time and money'

SIMPLIFYING record-keeping processes and the implementation of food safety guidelines for Riverland citrus growers is the goal of new resources being created by a state industry body.

Citrus SA, in partnership with New South Wales-based company Freshcare, earlier this month announced specific tools and resources would be developed to assist growers with standards program management and preparations for audit.

Citrus SA chair, and Sunlands-based citrus grower, Mark Doecke said utilising the new resources would "save growers time and money".



Mark Doecke

"The aim of the review was to cut audit preparation times by up to 50 per cent, without compromising on food safety," Mr Doecke said.

"Citrus producers have an exemplary record of producing safe food and these changes streamline the system without compromising food safety.

"We believe other commodities could benefit from working with Freshcare. A reduction in time spent doing paper-

work means growers can concentrate on producing the highest-quality and safest food possible."

The new resources will focus on implementation of the Food Safety and Quality Standard version 4.2 for single or specific-commodity crop growers.

Freshcare CEO Jane Siebum said specific risks and needs were provided for different crop types, ensuring "certification is accessible while still fulfilling international benchmarking requirements".

"This is a great step forward in supporting growers' certification journey and shows what can be achieved when industry works together," Ms Siebum said.

"We've listened to the feedback from our participants running smaller-sized, or single-crop farms and worked together with Citrus SA to provide this resource.

"We are proud to provide a robust and comprehensive certification program, giving our citrus growers access to international markets, through a resource which has expanded beyond a 'one-size-fits-all' approach."

For further information contact Freshcare on 8039 9999, or email (info@freshcare.com.au).

Museum, club and Industry team up for history's sake

HUGH SCHUITEMAKER

SUPPORT from the Renmark Club has helped a local museum showcase the history of an iconic steam ship.

The Renmark Paringa Community Museum recently used a \$2000 donation from the Renmark Club to establish a new rotunda exhibit dedicated to the ps Industry.

Museum chairman Wayne Howell said the rotunda – also donated to

the museum by the Friends of the ps Industry group – would be restored by volunteers.

"Friends of the ps Industry approached us and said they wanted to display historical memorabilia surrounding the vessel," Mr Howell said.

"The problem we have with the rotunda is that it's full of white ants, so we'll use the funding to upgrade it.

"Renmark Club is a great community

club, and it's about to support two great community organisations."

Renmark Club general manager Lyn Wilksch said supporting local tourism attractions would benefit the whole area.

"Wayne dropped a letter in and approached us," Ms Wilksch said

"It's a very understated attraction, so we should get the word out about it as much as possible.

"I want to bring my grandkids here."

the quiz



- Who was the Ancient Greek God of the Sun?
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- What was the name of the crime boss who was head of the feared Chicago Outfit?
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- What year was the United Nations established?
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- Who has won the most total Academy Awards?
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- What car manufacturer had the highest revenue in 2020?
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- How many elements are in the periodic table?
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- What is the maximum length of a TikTok video?
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- How many faces does a Dodecahedron have?
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- Queen guitarist Brian May is also an expert in what scientific field?
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- Aureolin is a shade of what colour?
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- How many ghosts chase Pac-Man at the start of each game?
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- What Renaissance artist is buried in Rome's Pantheon?
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- Who was the last Tsar of Russia?
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- What character have both Robert Downey Jr. and Benedict Cumberbatch played?
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- What sports car company manufactures the 911?
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- Roald Amundsen was the first man to reach the South Pole, but what country was he from?
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- What is the highest rated film on IMDb (Internet Movie Database) as of January 1st 2022?
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- Who discovered that the earth revolves around the sun?
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- What country has won the most World Cups?
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- What art form is described as "decorative handwriting or handwritten lettering"?
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BONUS QUESTION:

The works of Mrs Darrell Waters have been translated into 128 languages, but by which author's name is she better known as?

Answers on page 35

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WAB learns about nursing in remote indigenous Australian communities

HEATHER EVERINGHAM

CHRIS Haar, of Renmark, recently spoke to the Paringa branch of Women in Agriculture and Business on the subject of her 50-year nursing career, spent mainly in rural/remote communities of WA, NT and SA.

Chris was born at Moorook – an Aird descendant from the Moorook Village Settlement era – and after initially wanting to join the army, chose a nursing career starting in Berri and moving onto the Royal Adelaide Hospital.

Marriage followed while training in midwifery in Melbourne, and her first placement was to Ceduna SA. This was also her first introduction to traditional indigenous owners.

Transfers followed to Port Broughton and Port Pirie – the latter for 10 years – until a promotion meant a move to Jamestown, by then as a single mother with two sons.

As director of nursing with good mentorship, her qualifications grew and after her sons had left home she applied to work at Fitzroy Crossing in the Kimberley region of WA.

There was no hospital there at that time but a clinic, and after earning acceptance from the indigenous population there was mutual respect.

Chris met the Ngangkari, who are the tra-

ditional Aboriginal healers, and was privileged to be taken to special places. She witnessed firsthand an Ngangkari feeling all over the body of a patient and identifying the internal afflicted area which was then treated with western medicine.

On her part she learnt the protocol of “sideways talking”, when it was respectful not to look directly into the eyes of the person with whom you are speaking.

Chris recalled the beauty of the reefs, gorges and sand country, but there was also adventure and danger when attempting to reach Derby during flood season.

Some years later she was proud to leave Fitzroy Crossing with a 14-bed hospital, with integrated services and a great staff.

Her next appointment was to Wingellina, an indigenous community 12km south-west of the borders of WA, SA and NT, where traditional hunting and gathering of bush tucker was followed. Here the Flying Doctor Service visited every fortnight and once again Chris had a working relationship with the Ngangkari.

There followed another move to Norseman as CEO/director of nursing for four to five years before applying to become a rural/remote nurse practitioner.

This involved several hours of interviews which took into account all areas of her nursing experience. The outcome was that Chris



WAB member Lorraine Pinyon, guest speaker Chris Haar and Jenny Curtis at the recent meeting of Paringa branch of Women in Agriculture and Business. PHOTO: supplied

was appointed 13th nurse practitioner in Australia.

Her next posting was Marble Bar hospital where once more she found herself engaging with traditional owners and sometimes found herself in challenging situations, but she had earned the trust and protection of the elders.

Emergencies were sent to Port Hedland, but she often dealt with serious wounds as the result of mining accidents.

After seven years at Marble Bar, Chris undertook skin cancer studies for 12 months in Brisbane. Her final appointment was to

Coober Pedy, then a diverse community of 76 nationalities with a largely cash economy. Retirement came next and it seemed only natural to return to the river country of her birth. Chris enjoys volunteer work in the mobile skin cancer unit of the Lions Club and playing bowls with a local Renmark club.

WAB members are invited to a Christmas lunch at the Renmark Hotel on Tuesday, December 6 at 12 noon.

Meetings will be in recess until February 2023.

THE festive season is here. The Waikerie Christmas pageant is over, with Santa in residence at Waikerie Santa's Cave until Christmas Eve. The Christmas Tree Trail is set up behind Waikerie Rain Moth Gallery and Loxton Lights Up is glowing with colour and fairy lights. We welcome the festivities and events of all local towns, with Morgan looking forward to welcoming us at the twilight pageant on Saturday, December 10, from 6pm.

Despite the serious and unknown concerns we have with the River Murray, now in flood, we are still able to carry on, thanks to the strength and positive attitudes of our communities. I recall when, as a few friends together, we started Santa's Cave all those years ago. It was when our region was having difficult times, particularly families on fruit blocks and farms, and businesses in the towns. We wanted to give something special to local children, as families were unable to take them to



KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH
GWEN WEBBER
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Adelaide to see Santa at the John Martin's Magic Cave. Thanks to all those residents and groups who have continued to volunteer to this event over the years, making it the success it is today.

The Waikerie Rotary Christmas Market will be held on Sunday, December 18 from 9am until 12 noon. Because the River Murray is in flood it will be held at the Civic Centre gardens, adjacent to the Waikerie Library. This will be a popular

venue change, as many senior residents enjoy catching up with friends for a cuppa and chat, enjoying lunch, and supporting the many stalls – particularly the cakes, biscuits and produce.

As many residents have been busy setting up the coloured lights on their homes and gardens this week, we say thank you for sharing this. Many families drive with their children to see these displays. Thanks to Waikerie Men's Shed members for assisting Warrawee residents with their lights again this year.

Have you called in at the Rain Moth Gallery lately? There's an extensive range of hand-crafted gifts for sale – or something for yourself. Check out the garden accessories in metal or the popular, hand-made bucket hats in several colours to keep the hot sun off your face (hot sun will come eventually) when you're out in the garden. The Waikerie Photography Club

has 2023 calendars for sale at the Rain Moth.

If you want to be creative and enjoy playing with flowers, don't forget to book for the Christmas wreath-making workshop with Natasha, from Flowers on Segneri, this Sunday, December 4 from 2-4pm. Bookings at 0435 648 282. This workshop will be held at the Waikerie Youth Hub adjacent to the Waikerie Uniting Church.

Congratulations to community members recently elected to local councils. Thanks also to those who won't be there after many years of continued service to their community.

Thought for the week:
“Negative or positive – one of these two can make you or break you, depending on what you choose.”

- Maria Fontaine

THE FAIR-WEATHER GARDENER

WELL, it's hard to believe that November is almost over and until this coming weekend, we had no sign of our usual hot weather.

It has been an extremely wet and cool spring. This finds many plants loving the conditions and some others being slow to move. My self-sown tomatoes have produced the odd fruit, but newly planted are only about to flower.

I have two gardenias in pots that have excelled, as have alstroemeria, clematis and penstemon.

In the vegie patch the rhubarb, silverbeet and spinach are going flat out.



GINGER, TURMERIC and GALANGAL

I recently read an article about growing these tropical plants. They add another dimension to your cooking.

If you have ever bought them from the supermarket or local fruit and vegetable shop you will have been taken aback by the high price they command.

They grow well in tropical areas requiring both heat and humidity. I am expecting that our climate this summer will probably take on these properties.

It is suggested that in temperate areas they be grown in a pot in sheltered areas.

If you are adventurous and decide to give it a go, buy ready-to-grow rhizomes from a garden centre or reputable online company.

PLANT AND SOW NOW

There is a long list of seeds and seedlings to plant now in the vegie patch.

Beans, beetroot, cabbage, capsicum, carrot, Chinese cabbage, cucumber, eggplant, herbs, lettuce, melon, mustard, okra, parsnip, pumpkin, radish, rhubarb crowns, silverbeet, spring onion, sweet potato, tomato and zucchini.

SUNFLOWERS

Plant some sunflowers now for some summer cheer. They are great plants



for children as the seed is large and the results are exciting.

They can be planted in the garden or in pots. Sow 2cm deep in full sun, in soil enriched with compost or a few handfuls of manure.

Use 30cm pots for dwarf varieties or 45cm for taller varieties. They require a good quality potting mix.

As well as producing brilliant flowers they are great pollinators, attracting beneficial insects and butterflies. If left to dry on the plant they will attract many birds, who will devour the seeds.

If you want to save seeds you will need to cover the flower heads.

They are fascinating to watch as the flower heads follow the movement of the sun.

ROSES

Once again the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival was a great success. Some blooms were a little slow however this did not detract from the many events and open gardens. Well done to all concerned.

It is a good time to dead-head, and give a mini prune, as well as fertilise to encourage further flowering. The weather has made everything a little later than usual.

Watch out for rust and blackspot, and remove affected leaves and spray.

FLOOD WATERS

As our river continues to rise I wonder how our low-lying gardens will cope. There are a number of online sites that can help with recovery.

Pots can, if possible, be moved to higher ground.

In the meantime I hope and pray that we all remain safe. Gardens are replaceable, but not so people, pets and livestock.



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Vintage is the perfect time to enter the wine industry with the opportunity to secure full-time employment. If you prefer seasonal employment, we welcome you to join our high rate of returning vintage team members.

Vintage commences in Late January/February and concludes in April/May. To increase your chance of gaining employment, you are encouraged to submit your application as soon as possible.

Cellar Hands

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

Vineyard Operators

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

Winemaking Technical Assistant

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

Transport Supervisors

Transport Supervisors will provide leadership, training and expertise to transport team members ensuring all transport operations are achieved on time, safely and compliant with road transport regulations. You will have experience in managing schedules, ensure that turnaround times are minimised, and that fruit deliveries and pickups occur on time. Applicants must have an MC licence and also have the capacity to work shift-work and possible weekend work.

Truck Drivers

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

Vintage Intake Scheduler

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

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The Graduate Registered Nurse will be supported by Riverview and the ACCPA Nursing Transition to Practice Programs.

A Job Description is available at www.riverviewresthome.com.au/aboutus/employmentopportunities

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JMA Engineering is a locally owned and operated business specialising in stainless steel fabrication.

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We are seeking to employ a full-time Qualified Maintenance Fitter & Turner with minimum 5 year experience, to join our team at our Stainless Steel Workshop.

Your role will require you to work mostly with stainless steel tank fabrication machines and tools providing you with a wide and varied range of tasks.

QUALIFICATION SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

Essential:

- Qualified Fitter & Turner.
- Experience in maintenance role.
- Drivers License.
- Full Australian working rights.

Desirable:

- First Aid Certificate.
- High Risk License.
- Confined Space Qualifications.

Suitable Remuneration based on experience.

Please send your applications with cover letter and resume to: mel@jmaeng.com.au

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Loxton Irrigation Centre
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Irrigation Store Manager

Loxton Irrigation Centre is proudly locally owned and operated. We have been designing, supplying and installing Irrigation Systems in the Riverland and surrounding districts for 40 years.

The role of Store Manager will predominately be in Loxton and require some occasional work at Ultimate Irrigation in Barmera. Experience in irrigation product and sales would be required.

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide friendly and efficient customer service
- Inventory management
- Stock ordering and receiving goods
- Maintaining store display
- Confidently handle in-store, phone and email enquiries.

The successful applicant will have a good work ethic and be a team player with a focus on customer service.

To apply please include your resume with contactable references to:
bernie@loxtonirrigation.com.au

Application will be accepted until COB, Friday 2nd December.

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- Almond / Wine Grapes

Boscaro Farms has a position for a farmhand at our Bookpurnong almond / wine grape property.
Prior vineyard experience would be an advantage.

The successful applicants will have experience in:

- irrigation, spraying, fertilising, pruning, and general orchard practices.
- operation of tractors, forklifts and associated orchard machinery.
- be able to comply with all WHS directives and responsibilities.
- must have a valid drivers license
- Chemcert qualifications would be highly regarded but not essential.

We are looking for a motivated worker who can work unsupervised and is happy to be a part of strong and dedicated team.

Applications to:
Managing Director – Ben Taylor
bt@murraypioneer.com.au

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Vacancy No: 511493
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KINGSTON
ESTATE

Kingston Estate is one of Australia's largest and most progressive family-owned wine growers, having achieved award winning international recognition and success.

Our Vision: To be the Leading Grower and Producer of Australian Wine for the World

We are looking for a new Winemaker

An opportunity exists for a Winemaker to provide experience and expertise to our enthusiastic and energetic winemaking team.

The Job:
As our new Winemaker we want you to be an active part of the team, you will be hands on and fully engaged in all aspects of winemaking. You will be required to have opinions, ideas and look to genuinely improve our processes and the quality we can provide our customers.

The role is full time, based at our winery at Kingston on Murray, you will be involved in managing all operation types from vintage to dispatch, blend allocations and scheduling your work into our daily program.

This role has the potential to grow, as you grow and develop your experience and knowledge.

The person we want:
Will have previous winery experience and will have completed a relevant winemaking qualification. Ideally you can demonstrate the ability to manage many complex operations, in a co-operative team environment.

The work ethic and communication skills you possess along with your passion for understanding and controlling the processes you manage, will inspire your team and command respect.

You will understand that extra hours including weekends will be required during vintage. You will need a current Australian driver's license and have current Australian Working Rights.

The perks:
We will pay you a competitive salary.
You will also get a generous wine allowance and an annual uniform allocation.

If this sounds like you and you are up to the challenge, then we can't wait to hear from you!

Successful candidates will share the values of our Company; Accountability, Teamwork, Continuous Improvement, Integrity and Respect.

To apply please forward a resume or request an employment application form by contacting the Human Resources Advisor
Sean Leesue on [0437 767 839](tel:0437767839) or hr@kewines.com.au

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Export Logistics Coordinator

We are currently seeking a highly motivated administration professional to join our sales team in the role of Export Logistics Coordinator, exporting wine around the world in the dynamic wine industry.

This position is responsible for coordinating domestic and export wine orders including acknowledging and processing orders, organising shipping and export approvals, and preparing export documentation.

Our preferred candidate will ideally possess:

- Excellent organizational and communication skills
- High level attention to detail
- Ability to manage conflicting priorities
- Strong problem solving skills
- The ability to build strong customer relationships
- Proficient in the use of Microsoft Office suite of products

Key responsibilities include:

- Ensuring all orders are acknowledged, cross checked against the relevant allocation and the customers financial status is reviewed.
- Liaising and co-ordinating with freight companies daily.
- Receiving, checking, acknowledging, and distributing all export and domestic orders.
- Ensuring the dispatch of bulk wine meets customer, company and regulatory requirements and expectations.
- Preparing and ensuring the accuracy of all sales documentation.
- Maintaining order databases and ensuring company systems are accurate.

Benefits:

- Competitive salary.
- Uniform and wine allowance.
- Opportunity to work in a great team environment.

This role would be an excellent opportunity for a school leaver ready to start their career in the FMCG industry or someone looking for a career change.

Experience is not required as full training will be provided to the right candidate.

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To apply for either position please email your resume and covering letter quoting the specific role title you seek to apply for and detailing your interest in the position by addressing the key criteria to hr@kewines.com.au or apply via our website (click on the 'Careers' tab)
For all enquiries contact the Human Resources Advisor, Sean Leesue on [0437 767 839](tel:0437767839)

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MAINTENANCE AND GROUNDS MANAGER

25-30 hours per week

We are looking for someone with excellent attention to detail and time management skills to maintain the beautiful Big River Tavern and accommodation inside and out. Previous experience in a similar role would be an advantage.

This is a casual position based Monday – Friday.

Please forward your resume to Kelly gm@bigrivergolf.com.au or drop your resume with cover letter to the Tavern during business hours.

Phone: 8582 3425
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BERRI OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE DIRECTOR – LEVEL 6.7

This Permanent/Part time position for 30 hours per week will require the Director to work before school care, after school care, vacation care and administration duties.

Desirable knowledge and experience:

- Sound leadership, operational and financial management skills
- Ability to relate well with children, families and staff
- High level organisational skills

Required Qualifications

- Diploma or Degree level qualification
- First Aid qualifications
- Responding to Risk of Harm, Abuse and Neglect (RRHAN-EC) training
- Child Related Employment Screening

A Job and Person Specification is available by contacting the Principal on 8582 1077 or email maria.rivera224@schools.sa.edu.au

One copy of application with three professional referees to be addressed to:
'Director's Position'
BERRI PRIMARY SCHOOL,
11 Sultana Street,
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75th BIRTHDAY

FENNELL, Grace.
Happy 75th birthday, Mum.
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Love from Lynda.

100th BIRTHDAY

JERICO, Naomi.
Congratulations on reaching the wonderful blessing of 100 years. Best wishes from all your family.
Raymond, Andrew and Margaret, and family;
Miranda, and family.

THANK YOU

JERICO, Naomi.
To all those who helped me celebrate my recent birthday milestone, a very warm thank you for your presence, congratulations and good wishes in whatever way; personally, by card, phone, flowers or other. It was a joyful and memorable occasion.
Naomi Jericho.

DEATHS

HARVEY, Allan Lewis.
Passed away peacefully in Melaleuca House on November 23, 2022 with family by his side.
Aged 75 years.
Much-loved father of Alicia, Brenton and Lee, father-in-law to Mickey.
Adored pop of Jake, Ryley and Kade.
Special brother and brother-in-law to Errol and Caroline.
Resting peacefully.

MANGELSDORF, Peter Kym.
Passed away peacefully in the Loxton hospital on November 22, 2022.
Aged 69 years.
Dearly loved husband of Julie.
Adored father and father-in-law of Sonya and Ashley, Jacob and Catherine, Nattapol and Mikayla.
Loving papa of Ethan, Joel, Seth, Mahalia; Charli, Eadie; Rhiley, Maddisyn, Arabella, Carson, Kohen, and Jett.
Resting peacefully in God's care.

DEATHS

MANGELSDORF, Peter Kym.
16/10/1953 – 22/11/2022
Aged 69 years.
Youngest brother and brother-in-law to Robert (deceased) and Mary, David and Di, Barry and Judy, uncle to their families.
Now in God's care.

MANGELSDORF, Peter Kym.
Passed away in Loxton hospital on November 22, 2022.
Aged 69 years.
Loved brother and brother-in-law to Barry and Judy.
Uncle to Damien and Lyn, Indie and Emme; Nicole and Michael, Zac and Phoebe; Taryn and Andrew, Matilda, Sophie and James.
Now at peace.

MINNIS, Trevor Thomas 'Mungey'.
Passed away at Riverland General Hospital, Berri on Saturday, November 26, 2022.
Aged 60 years.
Dearly loved father of Ash.
Loving son of Ian (deceased) and Bloss.
Loved brother of Andrew, Julie (deceased), Roger, Bronwyn and Jenny (deceased), and their families.
Rest peacefully.

MITCHELL, Michael 'Mitch'.
Taken from us much too soon on November 11, 2022.
Aged 60 years.
Loving husband of Michelle.
Loved father of Deane, Matthew, Josh, Thomas and Adam. Father-in-law to Jess, Hannah and Brit.
Grampy to Bella and Lachie.
Our world, our love.
Until we meet again.

MITCHELL, Michael 'Mitch'.
My love,
My life,
My soul mate.
In my heart forever.
Your loving wife,
Michelle. xx

DEATHS

MITCHELL, Michael.
To all of us you meant so much, You were loved by all you knew. You left behind a trail of tears, And precious memories, too.
We'll remember the sunshine in your smile, And the kindness in your heart. That little twinkle in your eyes, Your hugs when we would part.
For you were someone wonderful, And words just can't convey. How much we wish that you were here, Once more with us today.

Rest in peace, Daddio.
We'll miss you always, Deane, Jessie, Bella and Lachster.

MITCHELL, Michael, 'Mitch'.
Our lives go on without you, But nothing is the same. We have to hide our heartache, When someone speaks your name.
Sad are the hearts that love you, Silent are the tears that fall. Living our hearts without you, Is the hardest part of all.

You did so many things for us, Your heart was kind and true. And when we needed someone, We could always count on you.
The special years will not return, When we were all together. But with the love within our hearts, You will walk with us forever.

Rest in peace, Mitch.
We will miss you always and forever.
Love Matthew, Josh and Hannah, Thomas and Britt, and Adam.

DEATHS

MITCHELL, Michael William.
21/5/1962 – 11/11/2022
Son of Bill and Glo Mitchell (both deceased).
Brother of Karen and brother-in-law of Cam.

Yo, Bro. Hope wherever you're going you have a thirst for Bintang and an appetite for your epic Xmas lunches.
You made it to 21 and 30 but I don't think 60 was your nominated number.

Rest well, Mate.
Love from ya sis. xx

MITCHELL, Michael.
What can we say?
Too soon, our beautiful brother-in-law, uncle and mate.

Sooo many memories - thank you.
In our hearts forever.
Jeff, Lisa, and family.

SCHILLER, Craig Anthony.
29/8/1968 – 7/11/2022
Loved partner of Rick, adored by their Angus and Douglas. Loved son of Carole, Peter and Ken (both deceased). Elder brother of Wayne and Sue, Matthew and Vanessa, and their families. Step-brother to Briony and Paul, Chris and Poppy, and their families. Loved uncle of 13 nieces and nephews. Son-in-law of Peter. Brother-in-law of Tania, Peter, and family.
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HARVEY, Allan Lewis.
Relatives and friends are advised that Allan's funeral service will be conducted in its entirety at the Paruna cemetery on Friday, December 2, 2022 at 1:30pm.



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MANGELSDORF, Peter Kym.
Relatives and friends are respectfully advised that Peter's funeral service will be conducted at the Berri Church of Christ, 1025 Old Sturt Highway, Berri ON THIS DAY, Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at 11am.

A private burial will be held in the Loxton Cemetery.



ALTSCHWAGER FAMILY FUNERALS
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MINNIS, Trevor Thomas 'Mungey'.
Relatives and friends are advised that Trevor's funeral service will be conducted at the Loxton Club, Bookpurnong Terrace, Loxton on Thursday (tomorrow), December 1, 2022 at 1pm.
After the service, Trevor will be privately cremated as per his wishes.



ALTSCHWAGER FAMILY FUNERALS
0400 012 089

MITCHELL.
The relatives and friends of Mitch are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service to be conducted entirely at the Riverland Funeral Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri on Monday December 5, 2022 at 11am, followed by a private cremation at the Riverland Crematorium.



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AMBARAS, John 'Poddy'.
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Nine years have passed.

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We miss and love you so much.
Love your wife, Maria and daughter, Fotini.
Keep on trucking, Poddy.



OWENS, David Llewellyn.
7/4/1929 – 28/11/2016
Missed beyond measure, loved forever.
Loving husband of Heather, amazing dad to Annette, Karen, Christine, Mark, and families.
Poppy to six, poppy-o to eight.

YATES, Merle.
2/5/1919 – 29/11/1998
Fondly remembered by sons, Bronte, Roger, and families.

RETURN THANKS

RIEDEL, Ngari Helen.
Roger, Meridy, Mark and Janet, and Hugh, sincerely thank everyone who has offered their condolences, cards, flowers, messages and such kindness at the time of the sad loss of Ngari.
Please accept this as our heartfelt personal thanks.
Forever in our hearts.



CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
Sharyn, Bill, Colin, and the Riverland Funerals staff invite the community to a Candlelight Service of Remembrance, to pay tribute to those who will not be with us this festive season.

This service will be held at the Riverland Funerals Chapel, 32 Hughes Street, Berri, on **Wednesday, December 14, at 7.30pm.**

As part of the service, if you choose, there will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of your loved one.

Light refreshments with a Christmas theme will be served after the service.



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CHRISTMAS trees, cut. 21715 Sturt Highway, Paringa (Wonurra GPS). Paringa Christmas Tree Farm. Open every Saturday from November 26th - December 24th, 8am - 8pm. 1-2m, \$60 - \$70. Choose your own tree. Native pines and Aleppo pines available. Contact Ed 0408266776 or Marg 0428674295.



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GENERATOR - Yamaha EF2600 KVA, excellent condition. Price on application. Phone 0418854140.

HAY - Oaten hay, 5 x 4 rolls, \$70. Phone 0429095646.

HAY - oaten. Large, round rolls, net wrapped, new seasons, can deliver. \$80+GST. Phone 0418615099.

LA-Z-BOY platinum luxury lift chair with power to sit, stand or fully recline at the touch of a button. Display use only. Has been thoroughly disinfected and cleaned, fabric in neutral colour. \$3500 RRP selling for \$2550 ono. Can deliver. Phone 0438253986.

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FOR SALE

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RECLINER - Topform electric lift petite recliner chair with top suede mink and remote control. Still under warranty. \$925. Phone 0419847442.

ROSES - new season roses have arrived at Brad's Roses. Floribunda, climbers, standard hybrid teas. Phone 0417855014. 13 Riverview Drive, Paringa.



STORAGE - 24/7 keypad entry, CCTV and monitoring. Various site sizes available. Phone 0488050482. Renmark Central Storage.



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VARIOUS - Gas BBQ, gas heater, large fan, outdoor plastic chairs, single bed, baby high chair, baby car seat and 2 coffee tables. Phone 0402897167.

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MOTOR VEHICLES

HOLDEN VE Commodore SS wagon, 2012, 6 litre V8. Reluctant sale due to lack of use, 144,000km. Registration DD4-11G, \$28,000 ono. Phone 0447927613.

NISSAN Navara Titanium, 2009, silver. Dual cab auto, good condition, 214,000kms. Registration S430-AXS. \$16,500 ono. Phone Neil 0400653726.

TOYOTA tray top, 2003, white, WXT-949. 3 months registration. 286,775kms. \$8000. Phone 0409697653.

TRACTORS AND MACHINERY

APRICOT cutting machine, 3-lane, \$2000. 590 x apricot trays, 50c each. Phone 85951671.

COMMUNITY NOTICE

FIREWORKS - a fireworks display will take place at the Barmera oval, Friday, December 9, 2022 at 9.15pm. Contact Mike 0417877521.

LOXTON Uniting Church. Remembrance service with candle lighting to remember lost loved ones at Christmas time. All welcome to this short service. Sunday, December 11 at 6pm.

WORK WANTED

RAINWATER tanks, 1000 gallons plus. Will remove unwanted cars at no cost. Riverland areas. Phone 0418839115.

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Riverland CHURCH NOTICES



BERRI | BARMERA

Sunday, December 4
Berri 11am
Barmera 9am
Pastor S Trautwein

All Welcome
Phone 0493021960

LOXTON

2nd Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 4

St Peter's 10am
Concordia 10am HC Georg
Myrla & New Residence 9am HC (Myrla) da Costa
Bookpurnong 8.30am HC Georg

Riverview Rest Home Wed, Dec 7 10.30am dC
Unfortunately, until further notice only residents can attend - no visitors

Lutheran Ministry Centre
Phone 8584 5522
Pastor Chris Georg (Concordia and outlying)
Pastor Jason Sander (St Peter's)

RENMARK | PARINGA

Sunday, December 4
Renmark 9am
Paringa 10.30am HC

All Welcome
Pastor Roland Adams
Phone 0460 300 492

WAIKERIE

Sunday, December 4
Waikerie 10am
Lowbank 8.45am
Ramco 8.45am

All Welcome
Phone 8541 2689

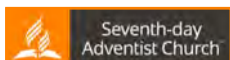


Saturday, December 3
5pm - Monash St Oswald's

Sunday, December 4

9am - Barmera St Edmund's
9am - Renmark St Augustine's
11am - Loxton The Resurrection
11am - Waikerie St James

Contact: Fr. David Patterson 8586 3288



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Catholic Church Mass Times

Our Lady of the River Catholic Parish

WEEKS 1, 3 & 5

Saturday
Renmark 6.30pm
Morgan 6.00pm
Sunday
Berri 9.00am
Loxton 11.00am
Waikerie 11.00am
Barmera 6.00pm

WEEKS 2 & 4

Saturday
Berri 6.30pm
Waikerie 6.00pm
Sunday
Renmark 9.00am
Morgan 11.00am
Loxton 6.00pm



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Sunday 10am
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Sunday, December 4
10am
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Rev Linda Forsyth
0401 815 488

RENMARK

10am
Renmark Avenue HC 8.30am
Renmark West

Rev Linda Forsyth
Phone 0401 815 488



Sunday, December 4
10am

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25 Tobruk Terrace

Ps Red Elliott
0439 507 096
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is looking for volunteers to fundraise to assist with providing food, water and medications to housebound elderly and disabled members of the Kyiv community in Ukraine. If interested, please contact the co-ordinator Solomon Fogel on (solomonfogel@gmail.com).

Riverland Youth Theatre

is seeking a suitably qualified and experienced person to fill the volunteer position of Secretary on the four-member executive of the RYT Board. They should have some experience in meeting organisation skills, corporate governance, administration and an understanding of the not-for-profit charitable sector regulatory frameworks and standards. If you have an interest in contributing to RYT's wonderful work, please email an expression of interest to board@ryt.org.au including your relevant qualifications and experience.

Loxton Show Society

Conveners needed for the 2023 LOXTON show to be trained for this year's Show in October for the following sections: Vegetables, Floral Art, Amateur Winemaking & Brewing and Scarecrows Please call 0497 147 890 for more information.

Wilabalangaloo (Berri Branch of National Trust)

are seeking able bodied volunteers to help with maintaining walking trails, weed control, pest control, revegetation & other projects. If you enjoy the outdoors please contact Gordon on 0427847896 for more information.

Meals on Wheels

There's a volunteer in all of us! Meals on Wheels have a variety of Volunteering opportunities in kitchen, delivery and administration, at a number of locations across the Riverland. If you have some time to put to good use, please contact Rozz on 0409928248 (or the Renmark kitchen on 85866040) and see if Meals on Wheels tickles your volunteering tastebuds!

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Annual General Meeting

will be held on

Tuesday, December 13, 2022, 7.00pm
at the Renmark Paringa Council Chambers.

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

Apologies & RSVP's to
Rachael 0405 305 836

RZ11861



District Council of
Loxton Waikerie

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR TRADING

Council Offices

The Loxton and Waikerie Council Offices will be closed from 5pm Thursday 22 December 2022 and will reopen at 9am on Tuesday 3 January 2023.

Libraries and Visitor Information Centres

The Loxton and Waikerie Library and Visitor Information Centres will be closed from 2pm Saturday 24 December 2022 and will reopen at 9am on Tuesday 3 January 2023.

Council Swimming Pools

Loxton and Waikerie swimming pools will be closed on Christmas Day and Public Holidays. All other operating times remain unchanged.

Waste Transfer Stations

Loxton, Waikerie and Moorook Transfer Stations will be closed on Public Holidays. All other opening times remain unchanged.

Please note that the Waste Transfer Stations will operate from 9am-12noon on days forecast 40 degrees and above.

Kerbside Waste Collection

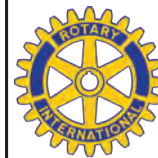
There will be no changes to the current kerbside waste collection roster. Full details of all Council facilities open times over this period are available on the Council website: www.loxtonwaikerie.sa.gov.au

For an emergency in relation to a Council service, please call 08 8584 8000.

We wish all our community a happy and safe festive season!

David Beaton
Chief Executive Officer

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Rotary Club of Loxton

Vocational Scholarship

The scholarship is valued at \$10,000 over the first 2 years of full-time study and will create an opportunity for young people wishing to undertake a vocational study (degree) course to attend a South Australian University in 2023.

The scholarship holder will be selected on academic merit, vocational commitment and community involvement.

Applicants who meet the scholarship criteria should reside in the Loxton - Browns Well district and most likely have attended Loxton High School for full-time study.

More details are available from
Paula Nitschke 0409 849 029

Written applications addressing the criteria should be sent to:
Rotary Vocational Scholarship
PO Box 893, Loxton 5333

Applications close on Monday
16th January 2023 at 5:00pm

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Applicants with previous vintage experience will be highly regarded however, if you are self-motivated and have a can-do attitude, we encourage you to apply. A forklift licence will be required for some Cellar positions.

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Murray Mallee Community Consultative Committee

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Expressions of Interest sought for Committee Members

Murray Zircon is planning to recommence mineral sand mining at Mindarie in the Murray Mallee region of South Australia, and is currently working through the approval process for this activity.

The Murray Mallee Community Consultative Committee (MMCCC) was first established in 2004. When operations discontinued in 2015, and with a care and maintenance regime in place, the MMCCC ceased.

The MMCCC is now being re-established as a forum focused on engagement between the local community and Murray Zircon. It will consider opportunities being presented by the mining project to local stakeholders, as well as the local social, economic, and environmental impacts of the mine.

Expressions of Interest are sought for five positions from community members to participate in and contribute to this forum. Applications are encouraged from people who have a genuine interest in community activities.

Please contact the Murray Mallee Community Consultative Committee to receive an application form and a copy of the MMCCC Terms of Reference.

Email: community@murrayzircon.com.au Phone: 08 8410 8884

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Annual General Meeting
All financial members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Barmera Monash Football Club to be held in the clubrooms on
Monday 12 December 2022 commencing at 7:30pm


Agenda

- Attendance/Apologies/Proxy
- Confirm minutes from Previous AGM
- President's Report
- Financial Report
- Football Director's Report
- Manager's Report
- Elections (4 vacancies)
- General Business

All board nominations are to be handed to the Club Manager or emailed to barmeramonashfc@sanflcfl.com.au prior to the start of the AGM.

For further details contact the Club on 8588 2025

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ROAD CLOSURE ORDER RIVERLAND BROADCASTERS

The Berri Barmera Council exercise power delegated to it by the Minister for Transport under Section 11 of the Road Traffic Act and through the Instrument of General Approval, part 1, Clause G: Delegation of Power to Close Roads and Grant Exemptions for Road Events to:

1) To close the Road specified in the Schedule (below) to vehicles as provided in Section 33 (1) (a) of the Road Traffic

THE SCHEDULE


Location	From	To
Fielder street from the corner of Kay Ave to the laneway at the rear of the building.	6th of December	Potential additional dates of 5th and 7th of December

For further information please contact the office on 8582 1922 or bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au

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ROAD CLOSURE ORDER BARMERA CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND FIREWORKS

The Berri Barmera Council exercise power delegated to it by the Minister for Transport under Section 11 of the Road Traffic Act and through the Instrument of General Approval, part 1, Clause G: Delegation of Power to Close Roads and Grant Exemptions for Road Events to:

(a) Declare the Barmera Christmas Pageant and Fireworks to be held on Barwell Avenue, Bice Street, Pascoe Terrace, Laffer Street and Nookamka Terrace, Barmera, as an event to which Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act applies.

(b) Hereby make an order –

(1) To close the Road specified in the Schedule (below) to traffic including bicycles and scooters excluding motorised wheelchairs as provided in Section 33 (1) (a) of the Road Traffic Act

THE SCHEDULE

Location	From	To
Barwell Avenue between Nookamka Terrace, Laffer Street and Bice Street, Pascoe Terrace and Scott Avenue, Barmera.	3.00pm Friday 9 December 2022	10.00pm Friday 9 December 2022
Fowles Street between Langdon Terrace and Pascoe Terrace, Scott Avenue between Barwell Avenue and Sims Street, Sims Street between Scott Avenue and Langdon Terrace, Langdon Terrace between Sims Street and Fowles Street Barmera.	6.00pm Friday 9 December 2022	7.30pm Friday 9 December 2022

2) Exempt persons in these areas when they are closed to vehicular traffic from Road Rules 230 (crossing a road) and 238 (pedestrians travelling along the road).

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Tammy's got it down to a fine art

A LOXTON student was one of two South Australians to be recently selected for a prestigious art scholarship.

Loxton High School year 11 student Tammy Tran won the National Summer Art Scholarship for 2023, with just 16 students from around the country chosen.

The scholarship, now in its 25th year, is an immersive and comprehensive arts program for young Australians interested in a career in visual arts.

Tammy will spend a week at the National Gallery of Australia in Canberra in January where she will experience the Gallery's environment, meet art professionals, engage with artworks in the national collection and participate in artist-led studio workshops.

"We were asked to create an A4 artwork in a response to the work of Joel Bray's, Giraaru Galing Gaanhagirri, 2022," Tammy said. "I decided to show a mix of my Australian and Vietnamese culture."

"The blue dragon is a symbol of water in Vietnam and the decorative foliage is a clear link to Australian botanicals."

"I used Prisma pencils to create this colour rendering which took about 30 hours



Loxton High School year 11 student Tammy Tran is one of two South Australian students to be successful in applying for the 2023 National Summer Art Scholarship. She is pictured with her winning artwork depicting a mix of her Australian and Vietnamese culture. PHOTO: Facebook

over the course of a week.

"I'm extremely happy that my outcome was recognised and can't wait to go."

Tammy will continue her visual art studies in year 12 next year.

In a post on its Facebook page, Loxton High School said it was "excited at the prospect of this trip and what that means for her, and also proud of her inclusion in the program" and congratulated student Jenna Vowles for also applying for the scholarship.

End-of-year celebrations for cadets

ALEXANDRA BULL

THE Riverland-based 410 Army Cadet Unit is gearing up to celebrate its end-of-year parade and dining out luncheon which engages the cadets in ceremonial activity.

The end-of-year parade, which is this Sunday, December 4, is the culmination of all the drills the cadets have learnt throughout their time with the 410 Army Cadet Unit in Berri, and gives cadets the opportunity to show parents, guardians and community leaders what they can do.

"Our dining out luncheon is a formal meal for cadets, invited guests and staff," captain (AAC) Trudie Biddle, officer commanding, 410ACU Berri said.

"Throughout the meal presentations and awards are announced, and these awards cover many aspects of the Cadet Development Program.

"Events like these put together many of the program modules cadets have been learning throughout the year and gives them a way to showcase their newly developed skills.

"It also gives the cadets an insight, and a way to experience formal Army activities."

The 410 Army Cadet Unit was established 24 years ago as part of a national youth development organisation that shares the character and values of the Australian Army, and the organisation is a partnership between the Australian Army and the community.

"The cadet program is enabled and supported by the Australian Army; it is supervised by adult volunteers, with cadets not only participating but also having opportunities to develop their abilities and lead their peers," captain Biddle said.

"Australian Army Cadets is a diverse organisation open to young people aged between 13 and 18 years of all abilities.

"Part of youth development is providing challenging opportunities in a safe manner that also encourages fun and friendship."

Cadets parade during the school term on Monday nights between 6.30pm-9.30pm, with some activities held over selected weekends and during the school holidays.

Bill for in-utero babies killed by crime

A BILL that would legally recognise deliberate or negligent criminal acts that result in the death of unborn babies will be introduced to the SA upper house this week.

The Bill aims to bring SA into line with NSW, which passed similar legislation – known as Zoe's Law – last year with bipartisan support.

"At present, the loss of an in-utero baby due to a criminal act is legally recognised only as an injury to the mother," said proponent Sarah Game, a Legislative Council Member for One Nation.

"There is no validation for the profound loss and grief for the mother and family.

"(However), let me be



MLC Sarah Game pictured in the Riverland recently.

clear: this Bill does not, nor has any intention of, impacting a woman's right to choose an abortion."

Ms Game said the NSW law was sparked by a terrible tragedy.

"Zoe passed away at 32 weeks in-utero after a collision caused by a drug-affected driver," Ms Game said.

"Brodie Donegan was walking in her neighbourhood before she was struck by an out-of-control van and pinned against a tree.

"This could happen to

any expectant family. South Australian families deserve the same recognition and support as is now available in New South Wales.

"Earlier this year, charges were dropped against an Underdale man, accused of kicking his pregnant wife deliberately in the stomach with steel-capped boots.

"Had he been successful in procuring a miscarriage and causing the death of that baby, there would be no charge under South Australian law for that death. It would be listed only as assault against the mother.

"I have tabled this Bill with empathy to all the unnamed children and unknown pregnant women who never met their expected child."

Berri Regional dives in to its new era

By **BEN LENNON**

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IT looked a bit different to what students are used to, but Berri Regional Secondary College's inaugural swimming carnival was held at Renmark last week.

Covid-19 caused the event to be delayed from its usual spot at the start of the school year and ongoing works at the Berri swimming pool meant the location had to change, but HPE and sport co-ordinator Josh Vater said the day was "really successful".

"Because it's the first year as Berri Regional Secondary College, we didn't want to fully cancel it," Mr Vater said.

"It was a balance of trying to find a suitable time when the pools open and it's warm enough.

"The Berri Pool was still under maintenance so we had to move it to Renmark and we thank them and the Renmark Swimming Club for having us.

"It was a great success and heaps of kids had fun. The weather could have been a bit warmer but it was still okay.

"All our house leaders did a fantastic job of organising it which was not easy when you consider all the hurdles we had.

"The year 12s were finished by then, it was in the wrong time of the year so it doesn't have the momentum of summer and we had to travel, but then on top of that the weather wasn't that nice, so all that considered our students and house leaders did a great job."

McIntosh took out the Championship

Shield after an impressive performance from its students, with Deakin narrowly behind in second place.

Mr Vater said the day provides students a chance to showcase a skillset they otherwise don't get to show off.

"We see that sort of event as really important for two reasons," he said.

"One is that we love our whole school events and it's our first swimming carnival as BRSC, but also because although not everyone is a swimmer, for some of our students that is their main sport and their time to showcase their ability."

RESULTS CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELD

- 1st McIntosh - 438
- 2nd Deakin - 433
- 3rd Parkes - 343
- 4th Hughes - 249

BALL GAMES SHIELD

- 1st Deakin - 30
- 2nd Hughes - 20
- 3rd McIntosh - 15
- 4th Parkes - 14

STOEKEL CUP

- GIRLS - 1st Amity, 2nd Charlotte, 3rd Lily
- BOYS - 1st Rory, 2nd Lachlan M, 3rd Lachlan S

AGE GROUP WINNERS

- U13B - 1st Dillon, 2nd Lachlan, 3rd Zach
- U13G - 1st Bailey & Lauren, 3rd Kianna
- U14B - 1st Jacob & Anthony
- U14G - 1st Amity, 2nd Ayla, 3rd Layla
- U15B - 1st Fletcher, 2nd Ryder, 3rd Charlie
- U15G - 1st Lily, 2nd Anastasia, 3rd Mia
- U16B - 1st Rory, 2nd Lachlan, 3rd Ayden
- U16G - 1st Charlotte, 2nd Alex, 3rd Molly
- U20B - 1st Lachlan, 2nd Heath, 3rd Ryan
- U20G - 1st Tahlia, 2nd Molly, 3rd Ella

LAPATHON

- 1st McIntosh - 128
- 2nd Deakin - 91
- 3rd Parkes - 53
- 4th Hughes - 39



Berri Regional Secondary College held its inaugural Swimming Carnival last week at the Renmark Pool. PHOTOS: Facebook



Berri Red pitcher Tony Halupka picked up 12 strikeouts as his side ran out comfortable winners over Riverland Pirates last week. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

Tony's diamond dozen

TWELVE strikeouts from star pitcher Tony Halupka helped set up a comfortable win for Berri Red in last week's round of Riverland baseball.

The experienced campaigner was impressive on the mound and limited scoring opportunities for Riverland Pirates, with the side amassing just three runs in the match.

Excellent pitching from Pirates Riley Halupka and Kane Liddell kept the score from blowing out further, but strong showings from Jesse Stemberger and Jamie Frazer meant the table-topping side was never under any true pressure.

Elsewhere, Renmark kept up its strong form with a 14-run win over Berri Blue, with Nick Tregeagle impressing with the bat.

He managed a triple in the second inning that helped the Angels to an 8-0 lead after

two innings, with Tim Golding also in good form with ball in hand.

Golding finished with five strikeouts as Blue struggled to get bat on ball.

RESULTS

Innings	1	2	3	4	T
Renmark	4	4	2	6	16
Berri Blue	-	-	2	-	2

Safe hits: Renmark - N. Tregeagle 1t 2s, B. Anderson 1d, H. McDonald, D. Grenfell, T. Golding 2s, C. Lawton, B. Anderson, G. O'Brien, L. O'Brien 1s. Strikeouts: Renmark - T. Golding 5, N. Tregeagle 2. Berri Blue - L. Sutherland 4.

Innings	1	2	3	T
Berri Red	3	4	3	10
Pirates	2	-	1	3

Safe hits: Berri Red - J. Stemberger 1t 1d, K. Taylor 1t, J. Frazer 2d 1s, C. Mancini 2d, P. Reid, A. Arnold 1s. Pirates - B. Halupka 2t, S. Goldspink 2s, A. Halupka 1s. Strikeouts: Berri Red - T. Halupka 12. Pirates - K. Liddell 2, R. Halupka 1.

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TIES GALORE: Skippers Ray Minge (Renmark, above) and Janet Bradford (Berri, left) saw their rinks tie in last weekend's round of Bowls Riverland third division pennants. Honours were also shared in the overall clash between the two clubs. **PHOTOS:** Grant Schwartzkopff



Top three triumph

THE gap between the top and bottom halves of the Bowls Riverland Saturday pennants division one table widened after last weekend's round of fixtures, with Barmera, Berri and Waikerie all picking up wins.

The latter ensured it would remain at the top of the tree with a comfortable win over The Lawns at home, with all three rinks picking up a victory.

Wayne Collins' quartet was the stand-out, securing a 24-shot victory over Ron Adam's four.

Berri kept the pressure on the ladder leaders with the biggest win of the round, after impressive performances from Mason Kaufer and Andy Hill's fours secured the side a 40-shot win against Renmark.

Dennis Treloar's quartet made it three wins in three rinks for the home side, with Berri still just one win behind Waikerie.

Meanwhile, Barmera saw off a spirited Loxton outfit to keep pace with Berri in the top half.

The Lakesiders won just one of the three rinks, with John Morena's side emerging victorious over Des Schliebs' four by 12 shots.

The margin was enough to cancel out wins to skippers Peter Kimber and Richard Coombs for the travelling side, with the Pelicans on top by five shots at the end of the day's play.

Berri suffered just its second loss of the campaign in second division when it went down to Loxton by 13 shots, while Renmark and Berri split the points in third division, with both sides locked on 56 at the end of play.

RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

Barmera 58 d Loxton 53.

J. Morena 21 d D. Schliebs 9; A. Gapco 17 lost to P. Kimber 22; R. Reynolds 20 lost to R. Coombs 22.

Berri 92 d Renmark 52.

D. Treloar 24 d M. Lacey 20; M. Kaufer 37 d K. Schulz 16; A. Hill 30 d B. Dopson 16.

Waikerie 76 d The Lawns 47.

W. Collins 35 d R. Adam 11; G. Frahm 21 d R. Lawton 19; A. Fulwood 20 d P. Lawton 17.

Waikerie 60 d Renmark 53.

M. Morley 20 d C. Eagle 12; J. Morley 20 lost to S. Schulz 25; J. Strauss 20 d J. Cooper 16.

The Lawns 69 d Lyrup 34.

M. Spano 24 d R. Smith 14; J. Knight 23 d B. Howe 9; S. Machell 22 d R. Adams 11.

Monash 54 d Berri 50.

R. Potts 10 lost to J. Grosser 21; J. John 19 d Y. Jex 16; S. Elsdon 25 d J. Price 13.

Points: Monash 177; Barmera 174; Waikerie 152; Berri 11; The Lawns 110; Loxton 103; Renmark 81; Lyrup 26.

SECOND DIVISION

Waikerie 39 d Barmera 28.

S. Short 15 drew with M. Wade 15; N. Dellazoppa 24 d C. Pickering 13.

Points: Waikerie 177; Berri 158; Barmera 143; Renmark 70; Loxton 44; The Lawns 32.

SECOND DIVISION

Renmark 60 d Berri Red 54.

H. ter Bogt 20 d S. Hall 18; L. Warren 13 lost to D. Spicer 27; B. Knight 27 d J. Grosser 9.

Loxton RSL 71 d Monash 57.

D. Drabsch 26 d M. Voight 18; C. Inglis 28 d M. Wood 19; G. Huppatz 17 lost to I. Potts 20.

Barmera 68 d The Lawns Red 45.

C. Gamble 21 d B. Haby 12; D. Mills 17 drew with R. Ashworth 17; P. Thompson 30 d M. Hudson 16.

Loxton 71 d Berri 58.

T. Thurston 13 lost to K. Carpenter 26; H. Appleton 31 d B. Hollis 12; W. Harrison 27 d G. Elleway 20.

Lyrup 58 d The Lawns 52.

S. Munro 20 d K. Smith 12; P. Drewett 17 lost to D. Ludas 18; J. Wrigley 21 lost to M. Spano 22.

Points: Berri 131; Waikerie 125; Lyrup 98; Loxton RSL 85; Monash 82; The Lawns Red 81; Barmera 78; The Lawns 78; Renmark 65; Loxton 54; Berri Red 33.

THIRD DIVISION

Renmark 56 drew with Berri 56.

R. Minge 19 drew with J. Bradford 19; M. Walker 22 d B. Bland 15; B. Warren 15 lost to K. Tanner 22.

Loxton RSL 63 d Moorook 59.

A. Patterson 24 d M. Couzner 18; J. Smith 12 lost to A. Wachtel 28; P. Smith 27 d C. Pantic 13.

Monash 78 d Lyrup 33.

S. Voight 25 d J. Calgie 14; C. Traeger 37 d D. Hill 10; J. John 16 d B. Tankard 9.

Loxton Red 74 d Berri Blue 39.

R. Lee 34 d R. Grosser 11; M. Schulz 23 d P. Ledsham 16; T. Harrison 17 d G. Pahl 12.

Waikerie 82 d Loxton White 45.

D. Trandafill 29 d F. Armfield 16; W. Burris 23 d G. Sichler 13; B. Hill 30 d B. Arnold 16.

Barmera 68 d The Lawns 44.

I. Lloyde 19 d L. Pinyon 17; H. Robinson 15 lost to A. Eckermann 16; T. Brown 34 d C. Haar 11.

Points: Waikerie 197; Berri 161; Barmera 152; Loxton Red 139; Renmark 104; Monash 102; The Lawns 101; Moorook 89; Loxton RSL 69; Loxton 60; Lyrup 42; Berri Blue 30.

FOURTH DIVISION

Waikerie Regents 52 d Moorook 23.

J. Mortimer 18 d L. Tschirpig 16; G. van der Myle 34 d N. Battams 7.

Waikerie Hornets 40 d Loxton 36.

M. Morley 21 d K. Brandsma 15; S. Moritz 19 lost to N. Milich 21.

Monash 36 d Barmera 27.

T. Swansbury 16 d K. Brown 13; R. Wright 20 d T. Daelmon 14.

Points: Waikerie Regents 120; Monash 114; Waikerie Hornets 91; Barmera 72; The Lawns 52; Moorook 49; Loxton 6.

Mid-table logjam in Wednesday pennants

A WIN to The Lawns in last week's round of Bowls Riverland Wednesday pennants has caused a gridlock in the race for fourth place, with three teams now tied on four wins.

Berri currently holds the coveted fourth spot by the skin of its teeth, one point ahead of The Lawns overall.

Loxton trails The Lawns by seven points but faces Berri this week in what is likely to be a close encounter.

Monash remains at the top of the tree after its win over Berri last time out, but

faces pressure from the chasing Barmera, with the Lakesiders trouncing Loxton last week by 26 shots.

The two sides face off today, with the winner set to go clear on top of the first division ladder.

Meanwhile in second division, Berri Red bounced back from its first loss of the season with a win over Loxton RSL.

FIRST DIVISION

Barmera 70 d Loxton 44.

K. Mellon 27 d B. Mattner 11; J. Gartner 17 drew with J. Badcock 17; C. Shugg 26 d M. Schutz 16.

Stokes 15 drew with T. Daelman 15.

Loxton Blue 98 d Renmark Green 72.

D. Schliebs 30 d J. Thompson 9; T. Hucks 24 d B. Knight 13; D. Kimber 22 d D. Leedle 20; T. Inglis 22 lost to M. Rice 30.

Loxton RSL 75 d The Lawns 68.

T. Wurst 13 lost to R. Ashworth 19; D. Drabsch 16 lost to K. Knight 23; G. Huppatz 27 d M. Hudson 10; B. Manuel 19 d P. Brown 16.

The Lawns Red 89 d Loxton White 67.

S. Ivanovic 30 d H. Appleton 10; R. Adam 19 d P. Vaughan 17; P. Lawton 19 d T. Thurston 16; R. Lawton 21 lost to P. Kimber 24.

Loxton Red 92 d Renmark Gold 62.

G. Schulz 24 d R. Andt 19; R. Coombs 21 d H. ter Bogt 12; W. Harrison 25 d P. Amos 21; G. Cockshell 22 d B. Dobson 10.

Barmera 99 d Berri Blue 58.

A. Gapco 28 d K. Carpenter 15; C. Karantonis 18 d J. Centofanti 14; C. Healey 30 d B. Hollis 12; J. Morena 23 d G. Thiele 17.

Points: Barmera 231; The Lawns Red 184; Renmark Gold 162; Loxton RSL 157; Loxton Red 141; Waikerie 136; Renmark Green 113; Berri Blue 106; Lyrup 104; Berri Red 92; Barmera Pelicans 86; Loxton Blue 85; Loxton White 77; Monash 49; The Lawns 39.

Unbeaten run continues for Barmera

BARMERA'S run of matches without a defeat continued in last week's round of Bowls Riverland midweek triples, with the Lakesiders trouncing Berri Blue by 41 shots.

All three rinks were victorious in the fixture, taking Barmera's overall tally to eight wins and one draw to start the midweek season.

The Lawns Red remains within striking distance and picked up its seventh win of the season last Wednesday, taking down Loxton White by 22 shots.

Meanwhile The Lawns' struggle for form continued, with the bottom-placed side suffering its seventh loss of the season, going down by seven shots against Loxton RSL.

RESULTS

Lyrup 82 d Waikerie 76.

R. Jury 15 lost to D. Trandafill 24; G. Milich 26 d R. Pickett 20; R. Bedson 20 d D. Morley 15; P. Denton 21 d N. Harcombe 17.

Berri Red 75 d Barmera Pelicans 53.

S. Eichenberger 32 d D. Button 10; P. Tanner 15 d H. Robinson 12; G. Elleway 13 lost to T. Brown 16; K.



TIME TO HIT THE ROAD: Riverland Cycling Club members Peter Francis (left), Steven Battye, Mick Gray, Lee Rasheed and Lee Stevens following the club's annual 45km Lindsay Point road race. Rasheed won the sprint from Battye and Gray, while the lone scratch rider Stevens was fastest, less than a minute behind, after giving a seven-minute head-start.

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Waikerie star Sienna Lehmann (left) was named in the all-star five following Australia's successful 2022 FIBA under 15 women's Oceania Championship campaign.

PHOTO: FIBA

Hey now, you're an all-star Sienna

AUSTRALIA made history by defending its FIBA under 15 women's Oceania Championships crown in Guam last week, and a local rising star was at the heart of the action.

Waikerie's own Sienna Lehmann starred for the Australian side that went through the tournament undefeated, taking down New Zealand in the grand final by 46 points.

Lehmann's impressive play saw her named alongside Australian teammates Jesse-May Hall and Sophie Taylor, as well as L'Oreal Hiko of Samoa and New Zealander Pahlyss Hokianga-Heather in the tournament's all-star five.

Playing a myriad of roles for the team, Lehmann impressed on both end of the court, averaging 11 points per game from her four appearances as well as four steals

per game.

Her stand-out performance came in game two against the eventual silver medallists, when she dropped 15 points to go with her six rebounds, seven assists and three steals in just under 22 minutes.

Lehmann was able to stuff the stat sheet as well as make an impact on the scoreboard, with the 170cm utility amassing 19 rebounds for the tournament as well as 21 assists, making her one of the highest contributing overall performers at the championships.

The win means Australia has earned its spot in the FIBA under 16 Asian Championships next year.

The top four sides from the Asian Championships will then progress to the World Championships the following year in the under 17 age group.

Steam train rolls on as Renmark tops the table

RENMARK made it five consecutive wins to start the Riverland men's division one basketball season last Thursday when it handed Waikerie a 64-point loss.

The Steamers were unstoppable on the offensive end, with six of their eight players registering double figures in the points column, headlined by 26 from Declan Johnson.

Alex Curtis dropped 20 on the Warriors, who are still searching for their first win in the campaign.

The travelling side was at least able to hit the scoreboard with some regularity, with Ryan Turner and Luke Exton combining for 34 points, but Waikerie was unable to stop the considerable scoring power of the Steamers.

Loxton rebounded well following its first loss of the season the week prior, with the Supercats running out victors over Barmera by 13 points.

Rogan Kennedy returned for his first game of the season and topped the scoring charts with 23, while Dillon Millard suited up for Barmera for the first time this campaign and registered 10 points.

The win means Loxton remains just one win behind Renmark, with the Steamers' 5-0 record leaving them top of the men's table.

The good fortune has not spread to the women's side however, with Renmark going down to Barmera's second team in the combined division one/two competition by four points.

Meanwhile, Barmera's first team recorded a mammoth 58-point win over Renmark's second division side, with Tahlia Dillon in top form, scoring 17 points.

Loxton picked up a win over clubmates Loxton D2, while Berri handed Waikerie its third loss of the season.

RESULTS

MEN

Division one				
Loxton	23	40	59	71
Barmera	12	23	41	58
Points:	Loxton - R. Kennedy 23, C. Lange 12, J. Will 10, J. Hutchinson 9, B. Tregagle, C. Wright 6, K. Miller 3, K. Serafin 2. Barmera - Danny Millard 17, Dillon Millard 10, M. Wellington, K. Stokes 9, C. Marks 7, R. Haigh 5, A. Smith 1.			
Renmark	23	45	80	112
Waikerie	17	30	40	58
Points:	Renmark - D. Johnson 26, A. Curtis 20, L. Keynes, A. Vuleta 14, Z. Gartery 13, J. Hansen 10, R.			

Curtis 8, B. Rover 7. Waikerie - R. Turner 19, L. Exton 15, J. Twigden 13, K. Hahn 7, A. Perks 4.

Division two

Waikerie 34 d Berri 22; Loxton 46 d Barmera 40.

Division three

Tigers 35 d Allstars 30; Rovers 50 d Wildcats 44; Supercats 31 d Blazers 30; Renmark 37 d Berri 25; Waikerie White 59 d Chaffey 41; Loxton 36 d Paringa 26; Waikerie Black 43 d Steamers 33; Barmera 28 d Warriors 20.

Division four

Berri 33 d Lakers 27; Barmera 33 d Blazers 16.

Under 18 (div 1)

Barmera 52 d Renmark 24; Loxton 48 d Berri 41.

Under 18 (div 2)

Loxton 34 d Supercats 32; Renmark 44 d Waikerie 24.

Under 16 (div 1)

Barmera 39 d Loxton 37; Renmark 49 d Waikerie 45.

Under 16 (div 2)

Barmera 37 d Blazers 25; Lakers 44 d Waikerie 35;

Under 14 (div 1)

Berri 26 d Supercats 24.

Under 14 (div 2)

Renmark 51 d Barmera 31.

Under 14 (div 1)

Renmark 39 d Loxton 19; Supercats 29 d Lakers 23.

Under 12 (div 1)

Loxton 23 d Waikerie 18; Berri 23 d Renmark 15.

Under 12 (div 2)

Barmera 18 d Supercats 17; Waikerie 24 d Lakers 16.

WOMEN

Division one/two

Berri	14	24	36	45
Waikerie	10	14	22	22

Points: Details not provided.

Barmera D2	5	15	24	29
Renmark	8	11	16	25

Points: Barmera D2 - H. Hodgson 11, S. Whitbourne 6, C. Dupuis, B. Pietrolaj 5, K. Tsorotiotis 2. Renmark - D. Johnson 7, L. Haynes 6, D. Haynes, S. Wiese 4, J. Haynes 3, M. Petersen 1.

Barmera	25	41	55	67
Steamers	2	7	9	9

Points: Barmera - T. Dillon 17, K. Barnett 13, L. Hill 11, A. Haigh 8, J. Kassulke 7, C. Wutke 6, K. Stavrou 5. Steamers - A. Esam 5, K. Schumann, B. Martinson 2.

Loxton	17	37	48	62
Loxton D2	2	4	13	21

Points: Loxton - E. Foulds, S. Rucioch, K. Harman 12, M. Hogan 11, S. Smith 8, B. Hahn 7. Loxton D2 - A. Holmes 7, T. Tickle, C. Thiele 4, H. Bullock, M. Hicks, A. Viney 2.

Division three

Berri 34 d Wildcats 13; Renmark 38 d Supercats 16;

Waikerie 24 d Allstars 14; Catstars 36 d Barmera 30;

Loxton 47 d Tigers 25.

Division four

Renmark 47 d Steamers 16; Waikerie 23 d Supercats 14;

Loxton 31 d Barmera 28; Berri 56 d Blazers 16

Under 18

Berri 49 d Loxton 16; Barmera 41 d Waikerie 23.

Under 16 (div 1)

Loxton 34 d Berri 21; Barmera 28 drew Renmark 28.



Berri's Emily Westley dribbles down the court during her side's 23-point win over Waikerie in last Thursday's round of Riverland division one/two women's basketball. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



Abbey Fenwick drives to the basket for Berri under pressure from Waikerie's Sienna Hide.

Under 16 (div 2)

Loxton 30 d Renmark 18; Waikerie 43 d Supercats 14.

Under 14 (div 1)

Barmera 37 d Berri 29; Loxton 49 d Waikerie 22.

Under 14 (div 2)

Renmark 43 d Waikerie 12; Loxton 23 d Barmera 18;

Supercats 27 d Berri 10.

Under 12 (div 1)

Loxton 35 d Berri 9; Renmark 58 d Barmera 2.

Under 12 (div 2)

Tigers 13 d Supercats 10; Loxton 47 d Berri 4.

Riverland golf results

LOXTON

Wednesday, November 23

Men

Stableford: A grade - M. Lewan 41, G. Morrison 38, A. Lodge 37, S. Patching 37. B grade - D. Marsland 39, E. O'Callaghan 37, C. Harman 36, J. Johnson 35.

Women

Stableford: M. Thomson 37, K. Nolan 37, M. Tyler 33.

Saturday, November 26

Men

Stableford: A grade - A. Hume 40, J. Goldsworthy 39, M. Maczkowiack 39, L. Kruger 38. B grade - H. Campbell 40, B. Gibbs 39, M. Cash 39.

Women

Stableford: J. Cooney 33, M. Thomson 32, J. Ling 32.

BERRI

Wednesday, November 23

Stableford: E. Day 44, M. Boon 41, P. Mudge 39.

C. McKinlay 38, R. Wickstein 38, A. Thurmer 38, E.

Dawson 37, T. Glen 35, L. Berry 35, R. Day 34.

Saturday, November 26

Stableford: J. Parker 36, E. Wade 36, M.

Heuzenroeder 36, B. Hartshorne 36, A. Thurmer 36,

S. Wade 35, S. Pitt 35, M. Gray 35, J. Davies 35, J.

Skinner 33, F. Gray 33, W. Hocevar 33, C. Hyde 33, B.

Eckermann 33, G. Nunn 33, S. Schloithe 33.

Sunday, November 27

Stableford: E. Day 39, M. O'Loughlin 37, M. Gray 37,

M. Heuzenroeder 36, K. Wyman 35, W. Hocevar 34, P.

Efthimiou 34, B. Eckermann 33, I. Bradshaw 33.

Revamped Rovers facing new challenges in 2023

AN ever-changing list and the need to adapt are two challenges facing Josh Vater ahead of his fourth year in charge of the Renmark Rovers A grade football side.

Grady Obst, Tom Charlton, Fraser Sampson, Will Stockman and Matt O'Loughlin are all on the way out for differing reasons after featuring heavily in Vater's A grade side in 2022.

"Don't get me wrong, I'd love to still have them all and they've all been amazing contributors to our football club over the last few years on and off the field, but there's always going to be player movement," Vater said.

"No group stays the same forever so in a sense it's actually really exciting.

"It's more challenging when you lose experience but it opens the door for opportunities for other people to develop.

"We've got a lot of juniors coming up from the under 18s. I think someone told me there's 20 players coming out of that grade now that it's changing to under 17s.

"When you think about that, we need to make sure we keep as many of those involved in footy as we can, because that's massive numbers.

"That's on top of a number of guys that played last season that are going to continue to develop.

"Some guys have probably been starved of opportunity in the last few years, so there's a chance for them to take a spot of their own because we've had some experience move on.

"It's a natural progression and the list

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never stays the same.

"It excites me as a coach because it's a new challenge..."

Plenty of speculation surrounded whether the Berri Regional Secondary College teacher would return to The Kennel in 2023, but Vater said that contrary to popular belief, a move elsewhere was essentially off the cards.

"There were all these rumours about me going to Adelaide, but the only club I spoke to about next season was Renmark," he said.

"The only contact I've had from another club was (Paul) 'Dougie' Stewart from Berri, who sent me a text and it was a link to the Glenelg reserves job. He's a mad Glenelg man, so he said 'Can you apply for this so you can leave up here?'

"That's literally the only contact I've had with anyone else."

While interest from outside the club was evidently minimal, Vater said there was still plenty to be ticked off before he committed to another season at the helm.

"I did go through a more extensive process this time than previous years and the main two things were whether I have the desire and if I can still add value," he said.

"From a family point of view, it was about can we manage it and really can my wife Sarah manage it, because we've got two young kids now and they are my number-one priority.

"I needed to make sure the club and playing group were keen to have me as well, so I ticked all those boxes and if I didn't think I could offer any more then I'd pull the pin."

In a Riverland sense, Vater has achieved all there is to achieve in the past three years, with three back-to-back premierships and a host of individual honours to his name.

Although playing the game is still the thing he enjoys most, the former Central District Bulldog was unwilling to put a ceiling on his coaching career.

"I took on coaching because I thought I could offer something, it wasn't even that I really wanted to coach," he said.

"It stems a bit from my teaching background, but I've enjoyed coaching and continue to enjoy it.

"I don't know where it will take me, but I do also want to play as long as possible and if I had to pick one I'd play rather than coach right now.

"I'm 31 and I hope I've got a few years of playing left and if that meant I dropped back to just playing for a bit, if it was right for me not to do it, then that would be okay.

"I don't have any set ambition or plan, but it does sound pretty cool to be a full-time coach at a professional club. That would be alright, but it would come with a lot of pressure as well."

RFL's top 25

SINCE October 26, The Murray Pioneer has been counting down the top 25 players in the RFL, with last week's edition home to the top five.

This week sees the entire list printed from Jake Smith at 25 to Tim Woolford at number one.

- 1 - **TIM WOOLFORD (REMARK)**
- 2 - **WILL GUTSCHE (LOXTON)**
- 3 - **ZAC GARTERY (REMARK)**
- 4 - **DAN WOOLFORD (REMARK)**
- 5 - **LUKE HARDER (LOXTON)**
- 6 - **FRASER SAMPSON (BARMERAMONASH)**
- 7 - **MATT HODGE**
- 8 - **JOSH VATER (REMARK)**
- 9 - **SAM BUTTERWORTH (BARMERAMONASH)**
- 10 - **DILLON MILLARD**
- 11 - **JESSE WILL (LOXTON)**
- 12 - **LUKE TEASDALE (BERRI)**
- 13 - **MATT WOOLFORD (REMARK)**
- 14 - **RICKY GARRETT (REMARK)**
- 15 - **BRODY THOMPSON (BERRI)**
- 16 - **LACHIE EVANS (LOXTON)**
- 17 - **JOEL WORSFOLD (LOXTON NORTH)**
- 18 - **TRISTAN GEEHMAN (WAIKERIE)**
- 19 - **SHAY HAWKINS (BERRI)**
- 20 - **JACK OBST (LOXTON NORTH)**
- 21 - **TYSON KENT (LOXTON NORTH)**
- 22 - **TOM CHARLTON (REMARK)**
- 23 - **STEVEN BRAUN (WAIKERIE)**
- 24 - **BRENDON MOON (WAIKERIE)**
- 25 - **JAKE SMITH (BARMERAMONASH)**

Will's stock could be on the rise at The Bay

BEN LENNON

A RENMARK triple-premiership player has decided to make the move to the city and try his luck with SANFL juggernaut Glenelg, with PHOS Camden a potential backup if he doesn't make the grade.

Murray Pioneer medallist for his best on ground performance in the 2021 RFL grand final, Will Stockman, is set to try his luck at The Bay after moving to the city with his partner, leaving Renmark after three successful years under coach Josh Vater.

Vater himself is no stranger to the SANFL set-up, having been involved with Central District for a number of years in the early 2010s.

Having coached 'Stocky' for the past three seasons, Vater identified what assets the backman possesses that could see him become an asset for the Tigers.

"He's super athletic and can play big or small... so he's got a lot of potential and I'm really hoping Glenelg can help him develop as a footballer," Vater said.

"I encouraged him strongly to go and give that a crack.

"I remember one person talking to me about recruiting, particularly from an AFL perspective, that you can't teach someone to be athletic.

"You can teach them how to kick, you can teach them skill but you can't teach athleticism, so from that standpoint he's at a real advantage.

"At the same time, he'll have some areas to develop and work on and it won't be easy necessarily, because he hasn't been in the junior program and had that experience with high level coaching."

Vater noted the differences between performing week in and week out at the elite level compared to turning out for a country outfit.

But, he remains hopeful that Stockman's



Winner of the Murray Pioneer best on ground award in the 2021 RFL grand final, Will Stockman is on the move to Adelaide in 2023, with hopes of joining SANFL club Glenelg for the upcoming season.

PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff

time at Renmark can stand him in good stead for a potential SANFL career.

"It is a much bigger demand mentally, playing at that level, than it is at country level and the level of thought that has to go in to every decision and to follow team structure and that kind of thing," he said.

"Hopefully with what we've been doing at Renmark for the past few years he's got a leg-up and a bit of experience with that. I'm really hoping he does well."

Stockman played 13 games for Renmark last season, featuring predominantly on the half backline and providing some trademark forays forward with ball-in-hand.



Riverland Superdogs 2022 Dog Tag award winner for best and fairest, Dale Lellmann. PHOTO: Facebook

Superdogs' strength set to continue

RIVERLAND Superdogs over 35s Aussie rules football club held its 2022 AGM at Lyrup Oval recently, with all positions declared vacant ahead of the 2023 season.

A solid turnout of past and present players attended and were updated on the current state of affairs of the club, which a spokesperson said "continues to go from strength to strength on off the field".

Rob Romeo was reinstated as president, as was Dave Setchell as secretary.

Shannon Harkins will also return as treasurer but with Paul Hall as co-pilot as he

plans to take the reins at the next AGM.

"A succession plan is also shaping up as Romeo and Setchell look to step down over the next couple of years to let some new faces have a crack at running the club," the spokesperson said.

Rob Johnstone is the new coach, with Paul Glassey as assistant coach. The AGM wound up with Setchell being presented with a life membership award for his 11 years as a player & eight years on the club's management committee

Meanwhile the club's 2022 best and fairest count happened on the team's

recent end-of-season footy trip to Crystal Brook.

The winner of the 2022 Dog Tag award for best and fairest was Dale Lellmann, ahead of runner-up Greg Schloithe.

"It was well deserved," a spokesperson said.

"Both guys were rock solid and ever-reliable contributors on the field throughout the season."

Best first year player was a tie between Norm Edwards and Dave Ireland. Most games played was a tie between the club's two oldest players, Robbie Johnstone and Ian Forsyth, who both played every game.

Super Sunday

A BLOCKBUSTER weekend of Riverland futsal saw four of the association's best sides square off across the men's and women's competitions.

Previously undefeated reigning champions ABCDE FC went head-to-head with That's Cooked, with neither side having lost a competitive match all season to date.

It was the latter that prevailed in dramatic fashion, with star tall Cooper Ebert finding the back of the net in the dying stages to give That's Cooked a 6-5 advantage.

Ebert finished with four goals in the clash, as did ABCDE FC's Jacob Trudgian, but it was Marty Barber who was named best for the reigning premier after another expert display of skill.

The match attracted plenty of hype in the lead-up and the result sets up a thrilling final few weeks of futsal action, with the two teams neck-and-neck on the table.

Barmera FC won the other contest in the men's competition, picking up a 6-2 win over The Saints, while a Renmark Thunder forfeit saw Under Construction take the points.

Meanwhile, the top two women's sides couldn't be split as Banana Slugs and Chicks 'n' Kicks played out a thrilling 3-3 draw.

Jiji Mitchell and Holly Amos were named best for their respective sides, with both players hitting the scoreboard in the stalemate.

Sam failed to muster a team, handing Deadly Daggers a default 5-0 victory in the other women's fixture.

Tastes Like Chicken continued on its merry way in the mixed division, handing a nine-goal defeat to would be challengers Rooney Tunes.

Angry Plovers took an early two-goal lead against The Bradys courtesy of a Zakk Gallo double, but Michael Cartwright wrestled back control for his side, booting eight goals of his own on the way to a nine-goal victory.

RESULTS

MEN

That's Cooked 6 d ABCDE FC 5.

Best: That's Cooked - C. Ebert, T. O'Shaughnessy. ABCDE FC - M. Barber, F. Vallelonga. Goals: That's Cooked - C. Ebert 4, R. Mitchell, T. Mitchell. ABCDE FC - J. Trudgian 4, M. Barber.

Barmera FC 6 d The Saints 2.

Best: Barmera FC - J. Tsonis, J. Bourton. The Saints - L. Ransley, K. Lehmann. Goals: Barmera FC - N. Boucher 2, J. Tsonis, J. Bourton, K. Kenefick, A. Halupka. The Saints - T. McCart 2.

Under Construction d Renmark Thunder (forfeit).

WOMEN

Banana Slugs 3 drew with Chicks 'n' Kicks 3.

Best: Banana Slugs - J. Mitchell, A. Perry. Chicks 'n' Kicks - H. Amos, R. Hronopoulos. Goals: Banana Slugs - J. Mitchell, T. Mitchell, own goal. Chicks 'n' Kicks - H. Amos 2, J. Grace.

Deadly Daggers d Sam (forfeit).

MIXED

Banana Slugs 7 d Renmark Thunder 0.

Best: Banana Slugs - L. Ransley, M. Coombe. Renmark Thunder - E. Hoffmann, K. Botten. Goals: Banana Slugs - L. Ransley 2, J. Coombe, K. Skilton, M. Coombe, M. Lockwood, J. Haupt.

The Bradys 11 d Angry Plovers 2.

Best: The Bradys - M. Cartwright, J. Rothe. Angry Plovers - J. Brine, E. Berlage. Goals: The Bradys - M. Cartwright 8, J. Rothe 3. Angry Plovers - Z. Gallo 2.

Tastes Like Chicken 14 d Rooney Tunes 5.

Best: Tastes Like Chicken - T. Mitchell, C. Ebert. Rooney Tunes - J. Perram, K. Verrall. Goals: Tastes Like Chicken - T. Mitchell 8, C. Ebert 2, J. Mitchell, M. Mitchell, C. Mitchell, M. Akaso. Rooney Tunes - M. Barber, A. Halupka 2, J. Perram.

UNDER 14

Liquorice All Sports 16 d Saint Frannies 2.

Best: Liquorice All Sports - M. Mitchell, J. Perram. Saint Frannies - T. Skilton, Z. Preece. Goals: Liquorice All Sports - J. Perram 5, C. Bourton, L. Perram 4, E. Bascomb 3. Saint Frannies - T. Skilton 2.

Royan 4 d Red Devils 3.

Best: Royan - Z. Hronopoulos, A. Lange. Red Devils - B. Lock, A. Watkins. Goals: Royan - A. Lange 3, Z. Hronopoulos. Red Devils - B. Altundag 2, I. Atsaves.

UNDER 13 GIRLS

River Rangers 16 d Honey Bees 1.

Best: River Rangers - C. Formby, E. Passmore. Honey Bees - S. Broughton, O. White. Goals: River Rangers - C. Williams 7, A. Perry 4, K. Bertram 2, C. Formby 2, E. Passmore. Honey Bees - A. Perry.

Project Mbappe 7 d Blue Bombers 2.

Best: Project Mbappe - L. Perre, A. Whiting-Walker. Blue Bombers - E. Isaacs, M. Pitt. Goals: Project Mbappe - M. Mitchell, L. Perre 3, A. Whiting-Walker. Blue Bombers - M. Pitt 2.

UNDER 12

Blues Brothers 24 d Sting Rays 3.

Best: Blues Brothers - J. Sweet, K. Ogle. Sting Rays - M. Sidhu, J. Chilaris. Goals: Blues Brothers - J. Sweet 10, J. Hunter 5, J. Ingerson 3, K. Ogle, C. Setchell 2. Sting Rays - J. Lewin 2, Y. Kalogerias.

Black Bandits 6 d Wild Fire 2.

Best: Black Bandits - Z. Cole, A. Ielasi. Wild Fire - K. Krendl, L. Kassulke. Goals: Black Bandits - A. Ielasi, Z. Cole 2, T. Skilton, C. Bourton. Wild Fire - K. Krendl, J. Peltz.



Tony Mitchell celebrates a goal during That's Cooked's victory over ABCDE FC in last week's round of Riverland futsal. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Cooper Ebert netted four times for That's Cooked, including the go-ahead goal in the dying moments to secure his side a memorable victory.

Hayden Clarke was named in Berri's best players during his side's draw with Cobdogla last weekend. PHOTO: Grant Schwartzkopff



Softball stalemate yet again

BERRI was made to split the points for the second week running in Riverland softball A grade, with its match against Cobdogla last Saturday ending all square.

It was the second draw for the club in the past fortnight, with its match the week prior against Loxton ending prematurely due to rain.

This time around the match ended 6-6 after a full day's play, with Cara Venning again in the best for Berri, continuing her impressive start to the season.

Jo Gregory and Jade Pech were named best for Cobdogla, with the side looking to get back on the winner's list this week

against Loxton.

B grade returned after a week's hiatus with Berri emerging five-run victors over Cobdogla, while Loxton and Cobdogla picked up wins in the C grade competition.

RESULTS

A GRADE

Berri 6 drew with Cobdogla 6.

Best: Berri - C. Venning, S. Sampson, H. Clarke. Cobdogla - J.

Gregory, J. Pech, C. Thompson.

B GRADE

Berri 23 d Cobdogla 18.

Best: Berri - N. Milne, H. Watkins, H. Brauer. Cobdogla - M. Haaja, C. Sharkey, K. Hayes.

C GRADE

Loxton 18 d Renmark 1.

Best: Loxton - O. Johnson, C. Morris, L. Johnson. Renmark - M. Morris, D. Askew, K. Robinson. Cobdogla 16 d Berri 13. Best: Cobdogla - L. Wade, L. Banks, L. Bowers. Berri - M. Fridd, L. Nayda, K. Goldspink.



KNIGHT POCKETS TITLE: Colby Knight (left) took out the Riverland women's eightball singles championship at the Lyrup Club last week ahead of Tahlia Threlfall in second. PHOTO: supplied

Fixing the fault in local tennis

BEN LENNON

TENNIS Australia took to the Riverland last week to meet with some of the region's key stakeholders and find solutions to the low number of female players in the region.

The nation's governing tennis body was contacted earlier this year by Riverland president John Pick, who brought forward concerns around the lack of females involved in tennis in the region.

The call was answered and Tennis Australia's head of women and girls, Andrea Buckeridge, hosted the workshop, which was the "first step" in a broader plan that fits into Tennis Australia's strategy of increasing girls' participating in tennis by 30 per cent.

"We had five or six young players, club presidents as well and then president of the association John Pick," Ms Buckeridge said.

"We had coaches and we had a few parents as well, so it was a wide cross-section of the tennis community."

The workshop saw stakeholders identify barriers to participation, as well as brainstorm solutions to issues facing women and girls playing tennis locally.

"We originally were looking at increasing competitive play. John reached out to me and now what we're looking to do is go a bit broader than just competition and looking at how we can engage girls in tennis," Ms Buckeridge said.

"The first part was really sitting down within groups and assessing what's going now, so coming up with what they like and don't like about tennis, and why their friends might have moved away from tennis.

"We're pulling together that information now, but after that we went on to defining the problem -how can we increase participa-



Key stakeholders of Riverland tennis gathered in Barmera last week to meet with Tennis Australia representatives, with the aim of finding solutions to the low number of female players in the region. PHOTOS: Cassandra Grapsas

tion as well as how can we promote tennis in the region?

"In the final part of the workshop we started to look at what's worked well in the past, what would we change if we could, and what are some possibilities in the future.

"One of the things that came out was that they obviously love the social connection and they love getting better.

"They love spending time with their friends and they want to have girls-only opportunities.

"What can happen is as you get better you start to play against the boys and then you lose that social connection.

"They also identified that they wanted to have more family opportunities, so being

able to play with mum or dad and their siblings.

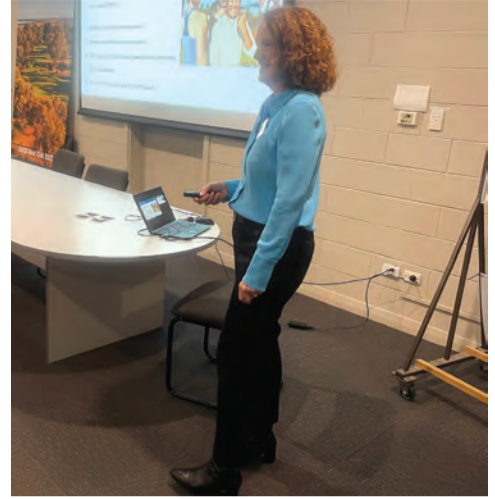
"There were lots of ideas so over the next few weeks we'll formulate what some possible formats or opportunities we can offer."

Ms Buckeridge is based in Melbourne but relished the chance to get involved in the Riverland community.

"I think nothing beats a face-to-face experience," Ms Buckeridge said.

"We broke into small groups so people could have a say and did lots of Post-it notes and things like that, so I think the energy was really good."

Tennis Australia will now collate the results of the first meeting before coming back to the region early in the new year.



Tennis Australia's head of women and girls Andrea Buckeridge hosted the session, with the governing body set to return for a follow-up workshop next year.

"This was the first stage of the process that we're going through and we're looking to have another workshop with the group in January," Ms Buckeridge said.

"So the next part is to pull together a prototype and figure out what kind of programs we can run.

"Then in the next workshop we'll check that with the group and ask what they think and then we're looking to roll things out in 2023.

"It was a really strong start and we'll be providing feedback to each of the groups because that's really rich information to keep and it can get them thinking heading into the next workshop.

"The important part is that the young people in the room had a really strong voice."

Top two looking set in Riverland tennis

A DOMINANT duo has emerged as the Riverland Lawn Tennis Association's division one competition continued last Saturday, with Cobdogla and Loxton White still undefeated to start the season.

White dropped just three sets on its way to a fifth consecutive win, with a 9-3 victory over Barmera Hall of Framers solidifying the side's hold on second place.

Phil Smith returned to the line-up for the first time since round three and won well in his singles clash against Justin Bannear.

Meanwhile, Cobdogla remains the team to beat after it handed Loxton Black a thumping 12-0 defeat last weekend.

Sam Butterworth's impressive form continued as he led from the front with comprehensive wins in his doubles and singles clashes.

Renmark bounced back following the previous week's defeat with a strong win over Loxton Yellow, losing just one set in the process.

Clubmates collided when Berri Red took on Berri Blue, with the former emerging on top after a strong showing from Phil Cresp.

SENIORS

Division one/two

Berri Blue 9-72 d Berri Red 3-47

Doubles: P. Cresp/P. Reid d B. Rogers/ P. Singh 9-2; S. McPherson/S. Vallelonga d R. Mason/R. Cresp 9-6; M. Tzanavaras/E. Reid d K. Kayes/J. Fulham 9-7; P. Reid/S. Vallelonga d B. Rogers/P. Singh 6-3; P. Cresp/M. Tzanavaras d K. Kayes/R. Mason 6-2; S. McPherson/ E. Reid d J. Fulham/R. Cresp 6-1. Singles: P. Reid lost to B. Rogers 6-4; P. Cresp d P. Singh 6-4; S. McPherson d R. Mason 6-4; S. Vallelonga lost to R. Cresp 2-6; M. Tzanavaras d K. Hayes 6-0; E. Reid lost to J. Fulham 3-6.

Loxton White 9-72 d Barmera Hall of Framers 3-49

Doubles: P. Smith/L. Lane d J. Bannear/L. Marks 9-2; S. Gillett/C. Kruger d M. Henwood/S. Jericho 9-8; N. Kruger/Unspecified player lost to S. Albrecht/ E. Marks 8-9; P. Smith/S. Gillett d J. Bannear/ M. Henwood 6-2; J. Lane/ N. Kruger d L. Marks/S. Albrecht 6-2; Unspecified player/C. Kruger lost to E. Marks/S. Jericho 0-6.

Singles: P. Smith d J. Bannear 6-1; J. Lane d L. Marks 6-1; S. Gillett d M. Henwood 6-2; C. Kruger d S. Jericho 6-4; N. Kruger lost to S. Albrecht 3-6; Unspecified player d E. Marks 7-6.

Cobdogla 12-81 d Loxton Black 0-21

Doubles: S. Butterworth/H. Carter d J. Loxton/C. Wall 9-4; C. Battams/N. Battams d T. Jachmann/G. Amaechi 9-1; L. Nettle/E. Carter d S. Rucioch/S. Nield 9-0; S. Butterworth/N. Battams d J. Loxton/T. Jachmann 6-0; E. Carter/C. Battams d C. Wall/S. Rucioch 6-2; H. Drogemuller/J. Inglis d S. Nield/G. Amaechi 6-4.

Singles: S. Butterworth d J. Loxton 6-2; H. Carter d C. Wall 6-1; C. Battams d T. Jachmann 6-0; J. Inglis d G. Amaechi 6-3; L. Nettle d S. Rucioch 6-4; H. Drogemuller d S. Nield 6-0.

Renmark 11-76 d Loxton Yellow 1-33

Doubles: D. Strongman/ J. Pick d B. Reichelt 9-0; A. Qambari/ E. Sleep d M. Roberts/N. Gibbs 9-5; H. Poulish/ C. Martin d J. Pearn/D. Gibbs 9-4; D. Strongman/ A. Qambari d B. Reichelt/M. Roberts 6-2; H. Poulish/C. Cornelius d J. Rubarth/J. Pearn 6-2; C. Martin/E. Sleep d N. Gibbs/D. Gibbs 6-3. Singles: D. Strongman d B. Reichelt 6-2; A. Qambari lost to T. Griffin 1-6; C. Cornelius d M. Roberts 6-4; E. Sleep d J. Rubarth 6-2; H. Poulish d J. Pearn 6-0; C. Martin d D. Gibbs 6-3.

DIVISION THREE

Cobdogla (2) 9-58 d Berri 1-21; Barmera Ace Ace Baby 7-52 d Cobdogla (3) 3-35; Cobdogla (1) 7-53 d Loxton Bashers 3-34; Moorook 8-56 d Renmark Dolphins 2-31; Barmera All About That Ace 5-47 d Renmark Sharks 5-42.

JUNIORS

Green 2: Waikerie Slammers 5-37 d Barmera Bombers 3-22; Cobdogla Kites 5-30 d Cobdogla Falcons 3-29; Barmera Blues 3-31 d Berri 4-27. Green 3: Renmark Kookaburras 4-39 d Barmera Tigers 3-29; Berri 7-44 d Loxton Hewitt 1-21; Waikerie 8-47 d Barmera Lions 0-14. Green 4: Waikerie 7-42 d Cobdogla Eagles 1-15; Loxton Deminaur 6-34 d Loxton Stosur 2-17; Renmark Diamonds 5-38 d Cobdogla Hawks 2-21. Orange 1: Renmark Koalas 7-32 d Cobdogla Kestrels 0-11; Loxton Saville 5-33 d Loxton Popyrin 2-16; Barmera 6-30 d Cobdogla Harriers 1-16. Orange 2: Barmera 5-27 d Cobdogla 2-18; Renmark Possums 5-30 d Loxton Tomljanovic 2-17. Yellow: Barmera Power 8-48 d Berri 0-2; Renmark Sharks 8-48 d Loxton Kyrgios 0-12; Cobdogla 6-45 d Barmera Crows 2-25. Green 1: Cobdogla 8-48 d Renmark Joeys 0-11; Loxton Millman 6-43 d Renmark Owls 2-25.



CENTURION: Gary Abdulla notched up a massive 100no for Gerard in last week's round of Riverland B grade cricket. PHOTO: Facebook

Riverland eightball results

Carter Clan 9 d NFI 7.
The Wannabes 8 drew with Cue-It 8.
All Sorts 10 d The 'A'- Team 6.
Go Gettas 9 d The Late Arrivals 7.
Tryads 9 d Jattss 7.

Cobbers 11 d Titko Radlyanko 5.
Points: Carter Clan 14; Jattss 12; Tryads 12; Cobbers 10; Cue-It 10; All Sorts 8; Go Gettas 8; The Wannabes 6; Titko Radlyanko 6; The 'A'-Team 6; NFI 4; The Late Arrivals 0.

The Jackson five

A FIVE-star performance from one of Riverland cricket's most revered players helped Renmark North escape from a tough position against Berri in last Saturday's round of Riverland A grade cricket.

It was the first game the Bluetongues had played at home all season, but it was Berri that had the upper hand early on the first day of the two-day clash.

Wes Frankel and Nathan Scadden opened up and looked comfortable before one of Jackson's effort balls slipped through the cracks, dismissing Frankel for 10 and bringing Brad Rosenzweig to the crease.

Opening bowler Ben Lennon dismissed Scadden before too long, thanks largely to an excellent catch from Jackson, leaving Berri 2/54.

Wayne Scadden entered the fray and together with Rosenzweig helped Berri to a strong position before

'Rosie' fell to Jackson, with the score now 3/138 and plenty of overs remaining.

A procession of wickets followed, with Jackson's off-spin continuing to cause problems for Berri's batsmen, while Colin Packer began to find his length from the other end.

Packer finished with three wickets and Jackson claimed his fifth to bring the innings to a close, with Berri one player short on the day.

Renmark North batted out the remaining seven overs without loss and finished the day 150 runs away from victory.

Meanwhile, Gerard batsman Gary Abdulla produced a sensational century in his side's B grade clash against Loxton.

He raised the bat and finished his innings unbeaten after being well supported by a number of his teammates, as Gerard finished its innings 9/285 which proved to be too much for

the Tigers.

Brown's Well claimed its sixth-straight win of the season, defeating Waikerie Ramco by 21 runs and continuing the side's unbeaten run in the B grade competition.

RESULTS A GRADE

Berri 9/158 (B. Rosenzweig 70, N. Scadden 30, W. Scadden 21, W. Frankel 10, L. Jackson 5/34, C. Packer 3/33, B. Lennon 1/37) vs Renmark North 0/9.
Loxton vs Berri Colts (details not provided).

B GRADE

Brown's Well 7/145 (J. Patterson 57, C. Patterson 23no, D. Ireland 15, B. Hoffmann 11, T. Waanders 2/28, M. Waanders 2/29, A. Williams 1/12, P. Liebich 1/19, F. Andrew 1/38) d Waikerie Ramco 9/124 (T. Waanders 34, F. Andrew 22, N. Andrew 22, S. Taylor 10, M. Carter 10, J. Patterson 3/19, A. Cunnah 3/25, D. Ireland 1/5, L. Patterson 1/24).
Gerard 9/285 (G. Abdulla 100no, G. Halls 36, A. Abdulla Sr 25, B. McPherson 23, T. Wilson 21, G. Taylor 20, S. Mitchell 11no) d Loxton 5/91 (G. Abdulla 3/22, M. Abdulla 2/36).
Monash vs Renmark North (abandoned due to rain).



Liam Jackson was in fine form for the Bluetongues last Saturday, picking up five wickets against Berri in Riverland A grade cricket. PHOTOS: Grant Schwartzkopff



Colin Packer toiled hard for Renmark North, taking 3/33 from his 10 overs.

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Hey now, you're an all-star

WAIKERIE basketballer Sienna Lehmann was named in the all-star five at the FIBA under 15 women's Oceania Championships in Guam last week.

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Waikerie basketball star Sienna Lehmann attempts a free-throw for Australia during last week's FIBA under 15 Oceania Championship final against New Zealand in Guam. PHOTO: FIBA



Renmark will need to adapt to stay at the top of the RFL in 2023, with a number of key players on the way out.

Revamped Rovers

BEN LENNON

AN ever-changing list and the need to adapt are two challenges facing Josh Vater ahead of his fourth year in charge of the Renmark Rovers A grade football side.

Grady Obst, Tom Charlton, Fraser Sampson, Will Stockman and Matt O'Loughlin are all on the way out for differing reasons after featuring heavily in Vater's A grade side during 2022.

"Don't get me wrong, I'd love to still have them all and they've all been amazing contributors to our football club over the last few years on and off the field, but there's always going to be player movement," Vater said.

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