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## Lions Club of Yankalilla & Districts

### Normanville Beach Fun Run

Lions have been busy again in the last few weeks. The club organised a fun run on Sunday 21st March at Normanville Beach. Weather was excellent and the participants appreciated this. There were 57 entries, which was a great turnout for the first event and we think this could become an annual occurrence. Big thanks to Fleurieu Visitors Centre for handling registrations and a huge thank you to local sponsors whose support helped to make this a success.



### Easter Farmers Market

For the start of the Fleurieu Festival on Easter Saturday a farmers market was organised and the Lions BBQ was present. The good weather brought out the crowd and we were kept busy between 9.00am till 2.00pm feeding hungry mouths. An enjoyable day was had by all.



### Car Boot Sale

The Lions Club car boot sale was held on Easter Sunday at the Showgrounds. At 6.30am there were half a dozen cars at the gate and we were wondering how it would go! By opening time at 8.30 there were 24 stalls, and a large crowd coming through the gate. As well as locals there were several stalls from outside the region. Feedback was positive. Stall holders commented on the good crowd. The general feeling was that the district could handle more of these events. The Lions Club intend to organise more of these.



### Scouts

Lions have been working with the Scout Association to try and encourage the reformation of a scout group in the Yankalilla district. On Thursday 15th April a group of Lions assisted scouts to clean up the Scout shed and surroundings. We trust that in the near future Scouting will be flourishing in the Yankalilla district, as it once was.

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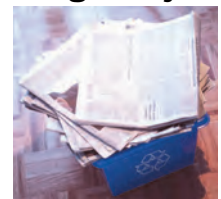
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## Editor's Comments

Hello Readers,  
It is starting to feel like winter again or perhaps as your letters indicate, the *winter of our discontent* may be more appropriate. The latest council meeting provided a few tense moments and even a few sparks as I viewed the 'entertainment' via Zoom. (*Captain Tone Deaf & the Eclectic Minions - good name for a band*). Congratulations DCY, finally after about 18 months we are able to hear the audio clearly and not just look at the pictures! To catch up on the latest, grab a coffee and head to the discussion pages.

It's a big issue with the Festival Fleurieu wrap up and May is History Month too. There are a number of local events as part of the history festival, some that were unable to happen during last year's covid restrictions have been rescheduled.

Next Issue: June 2021  
Deadline:  
15th May 2021

### In other news...

Jon Jaensch, our favourite long-time Ambulance volunteer has clocked up 45 years of service - congratulations!

The Wirrina flotilla of SA Sea Rescue has a big new boat named the *Paul Brown*, after another long-time dedicated local volunteer.

I ran out of room for a couple of items but I hope to include them in next issue.

With that, I am out of space too (even though I could... 'go o-o-on, like a blister in the sun!')

Until next issue...

Cheers,  
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The past, present and future will be celebrated in a concert on May 16, 2.30pm, 2021, at Club Fleurieu, Yankalilla. This event is part of the South Australian History Festival 2021, and will be an updated version of the one we had planned for 2020, unfortunately postponed due to the pandemic. The program will be an amusing and thoughtful look at the passage on time during our human existence over thousands of years. The tickets include afternoon tea/coffee and cake. \$18 per adult, \$10 per child.

Bookings over the counter or by phone at the Yankalilla Visitor's information Centre, 8558 0240, or online at:

<http://bit.ly/thereisaseason1605>.

Enquiries, Liz Gordon-Mills, 0411189023, or [elizabeth@albeth.com](mailto:elizabeth@albeth.com).

## There is a Season

South Australian History Festival Concert

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An amusing look at our  
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Racing starts at 12noon with all classes from 'Standard' to 'Fully Modified' with up to 450cc engines.

This is a great all round family sport for kids and adults alike so come out and enjoy the day.

The racetrack is directly opposite the Cape Jervis Tavern. There will be food and drinks available and will only cost a gold coin donation to enter. 2020 was a great success - even with the covid restrictions - and it is anticipated to be bigger and better this time.

Pictured are Paul Mayers with his 'race' mower and Delamere Store owner Kaye Maslin, who has sponsored the slick machine.

## Yankalilla Hockey Club

### HOCKEY SEASON STARTS

South Coast Hockey Association is preparing a full season in 2021.

Yankalilla Hockey Club is entering an Under 10, Under 14, Under 17, Women and Men team.

We are always looking for new players in all our divisions. The men's team in particular would love to be able to field a full team of players but at the moment is struggling with numbers.

The season will be starting with games at Goolwa on the 24th April with the first game

Under 10 starting at 9am.

Club training has started at the Hockey Grounds at Yankalilla Memorial Park on Wednesdays at 4.30pm.

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# Festival Fleurieu... at Club Fleurieu

What a wonderful, busy time we had at the Club during the Festival! At the Festival Opening, "Carnival Fleurieu", our Line Dancers and Rock & Rollers took to the stage on Normanville Green. They did a great job, so congratulations to them all.

Our Line Dancers at the Festival opening



On Friday 9 April the Club had the pleasure of hosting a Books & Words event, "An Evening with the Vegetarian Librarian", performed by Tracy Crisp. Patrons enjoyed our cheese, antipasto and hot savoury platters as well as a drink or two from Bjorn's Bar. The following night was our first Club event, "Lights! Camera! Action!" presented by Upstage Theatre Group. What an entertaining evening it was, with many of us dressed in showbiz style and eating, drinking and dancing the night away!



"Lights! Camera! Action!" Upstage Theatre inspired us to go Showbiz Style



Our final event on Friday 16 April was "Cocktails, Craft Beers & Good Vibes". Bjorn's Bar was transformed into a cocktail bar with the lovely Anita & Claire assisting Bjorn. The highlight of the evening was the music of "Boxy, Chop & Jus" Acoustic, playing both old and current songs which again enticed many of us onto the dance floor! There are numerous people who contributed to our successful Festival program.

Many thanks to

- "Boxy, Chop & Jus" acoustic band
- Upstage Theatre Company
- Anita, Claire and their enthusiastic helpers
- Our Line Dancers and "Seaside Rockers"
- Our wonderful volunteers working front of house and behind the scenes, who made sure all the events ran smoothly
- And of course, everyone, both members and non-members who came along and enjoyed the shows!

Excellent music from Boxy, Chop & Jus at our "Cocktails, Craft Beers & Good Vibes" night; Claire & Anita our cocktail ladies



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### Historic Flagpole Unveiling and Book Launch

Join us for the unveiling of an important piece of Delamere Community History, a lovingly restored flagpole, originally commissioned and installed in the grounds of Delamere School in 1936 to celebrate the centenary of the first landing of Light's party on mainland South Australia at Rapid Bay in 1836. The new booklet, Old

*Delamere, a tour of the old townships of Delamere and Bullaparinga*, which was meant to have been launched in the 2020 Festival, will now be officially launched and will be available for purchase, as will the updated edition of *Schools of the Western Fleurieu Peninsula*.

**When:** Thursday 6 May, 2-2.30 pm  
**Where:** Delamere Store, Main South Rd

### Yankalilla District: its people and its news

From farmers and flour millers to preachers and nurses, discover how the lives led by some early

residents impacted on the District. The display at historic Myponga Hall showcases some of these lives and also reveals how the *Yankalilla Regional News* has preserved stories of the past and reported on history in the making. Take this opportunity to examine the Historical Society's records as well as back copies of the *Yankalilla Regional News*, which celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2020. You never know who you will find.

**When:** Saturday and Sunday, 15 & 16 May, 10am - 3pm  
**Where:** Myponga Hall



### Normanville's significant trees - a guided walk

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**When:** Friday 21 May, 10.30am (approx. 60-90 minutes)  
**Where:** Apex Park, cnr Jetty Rd & Kemmis St, Normanville

### Sister Dorrington tree storyboard unveiling.

A commemorative storyboard, at the base of the Cypress Pine tree that was planted in memory of Sister Amy Dorrington in 1935, will be unveiled, with a brief history of her contribution to the community.

**When:** Sunday 16 May, 1pm  
**Where:** Corner of Pages Flat & Main South Road, Myponga



Amy Dorrington, District Nurse, Yankalilla

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## Alexander Christie and Harry Bates ... early mailmen of Cape Jervis and Hog Bay

Scottish-born Alexander Christie from Edinburgh, Midlothian, along with his twin brother Maxwell, was just three years old when his father died leaving a young family of three boys and two girls.

According to their nephew, Hugh Anderson Watson, after leaving school Maxwell served his apprenticeship to a house carpenter and builder while Alexander spent most of his youth on the quays and wharfs on the Firth of Clyde where he learnt all there was to learn about sailing boats and handling small craft, and fishing boats. He always loved the salt water. People used to say that it ran in his veins. Alexander was known as Sandy. On 26 December 1838, Alexander married Ann Dowie in the Parish Church of St George, Edinburgh.

Malcolm Collins, author of *The Christie history*, stated that: 'The twins and their wives said farewell to Edinburgh on 3 January 1839, en route to Liverpool and South Australia. The *Sir Charles Forbes* of 363 tons was at Liverpool docks loading for Port Adelaide. She sailed on 23 January 1839 with 171 passengers, Captain Charles Lang in command. They arrived at Port Adelaide on 7 June 1839. At that time land in the colony was being sold for one pound per acre, an 80 acre section for 80 pounds, with one acre in the city as a bonus. Records show A & M Christie purchased Section 93 in District B for 80 pounds. Records of 1843 show Alexander on Section 90, Sturt Road, Mitcham.

On 31 July 1856, Alexander Christie purchased Section 103, Hundred of Waitpinga (at Cape Jervis), 115 acres for 115 pounds, and on 1 September 1856 bought Section 102 (77 acres) for 77 pounds; these were original land grants. On 20 January 1858, he purchased land at Delamere, part Section 1519 Hundred of Yankalilla, 31 acres.

Alexander and Ann's eighth child, Henry Samuel Christie, was born at Rapid Bay on 30 May 1856, so the family must have already moved south from Mitcham before then.

At Cape Jervis, Alexander met an old sailor, Jock Thompson, and his two sons, George and Alex, who lived in a hut on the beach near the boat harbour. Jock had a small boat with which he made a scant living catching fish which he would sell to the miners at Talisker, and to the local residents. In due course, Alexander

procured a new larger boat, about 26 feet long, a cutter rig with masts and sails. In this boat he and Jock Thompson often crossed to Kangaroo Island carrying passengers or goods.

About 1866, the people of Kangaroo Island wanted a regular mail service and petitioned the Government for a weekly service to go overland too, and from Cape Jervis by boat to Hog Bay, a distance of 8-9 miles, and from there along the coast to Kingscote, about another 30 miles. After many attempts, eventually tenders were invited for the boat service. A Christie and J Thompson were successful, and their term was for three years from April 1871. They had the first two terms and carried the mail for six years.

However, Harry Bates was the first man to convey the mails overland, starting January 1870 and he also carried the mails by water from Cape Jervis via Hog Bay to Kingscote for two years before Mr Christie carried them by the same route. Harry's horse Champion, bred on the island, carried him from Rocky River to Hog Bay in one day. Harry also carried the mails from Delamere to Cygnet River, bringing the mail from Cape Jervis to Hog Bay in the boat *Victory* and then carried it by horseback to Cygnet River, every fortnight.

Prior to 1870 the mails were conveyed by Alexander Christie between Talisker Mines, Cape Jervis and Hog Bay once a fortnight in a small whaleboat *Pearl*. The Hog Bay Post Office was just across the road from the residence of Harry Bates. A few years later, Harry was approached as to what he would do the service for – first from Hog Bay overland, second from Talisker, Hog Bay and Cygnet River. Mr Bates' offer was £98 a year from Talisker and the work was given to him for three years from 1877. At that time no person had ever travelled overland from Mount Tisbury to Cygnet River. They always went round the river, by way of John Buick's, or swam the horse across the river, which Mr Bates did more than once. From Cape Jervis Harry walked to Talisker, six miles away, then he would walk back to the Cape where his brother (ES Bates) would have the boat ready for a start. They would then have to 'battle' to Hog Bay, rain or shine. After sorting the mail at Hog Bay (which usually took 1½ hours) Harry would get his horse and travel overland with the mail. The mails, made up in a bag at the Cape, were

marked Cape Jervis and Hog Bay. They were sorted at Hog Bay and put in a bag marked Hog Bay and Cygnet River. At Hog Bay they were again sorted and placed in a bag marked Cygnet River and Kingscote. Finding this method slow and cumbersome causing loss of much valuable time, Mr Bates, on 26 April 1878, pointed this out to the PMG and asked that the bags be made up at Cape Jervis – one bag Cape Jervis and Hog Bay, one bag Cape Jervis and Cygnet River, and one bag Cape Jervis and Kingscote direct. This was assented to on 1 May 1878, effecting a saving of three hours' transit time. Mr Bates would deliver the bag and pick up what was called a road bag.

After a time Alexander Christie secured the mail contract again and carried it on with the help of his sons. Harry Bates did not tender for the last boat service as he could see steam taking over in the very near future.

Although Mr Christie secured the contract, it was later cancelled in favour of the steamer, and for a few months a sailing boat from Cape Jervis operated in tandem with a steam service. This 15 months was the only time Mr Christie carried the mails wholly by water to Kingscote, which was also the winding up of the sailing boat service.

The jetty was built at Hog Bay in 1902. Before this, boats anchored off Christmas Cove and cargoes were brought ashore by dinghies and lighters and transferred to bullock wagons. The Cape Jervis jetty was not built until 1938.

– Lorraine Day

The Yankalilla & District Historical Society Inc. meets on the second Monday of the months of September, October, November, February, March (usually on the Tuesday in March as Monday is Adelaide Cup Day) and April. We meet at 7.30pm at the Council Chambers. Also, on Wednesday mornings (10am-12noon) there is usually a member of the society at the library to assist people who have local history enquiries – free, but please book at the library.

The next meeting will be on 13 September 2021.

Photo: Alexander Christie launching mailboat in Cape Jervis Bay



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This qualified him to be a Member of the HMAS Hobart Association and he was joined up in 1947 and was made a Life Member at that time. He received each edition of the Association newsletter "THE BUZZ" and we are advised from time to time that he read it. Our condolences go to Her Majesty, The Queen and his large family at this very sad time.

The Lady Bay Hotel on a glorious summery Easter Saturday was alive with the fabulous jazz & rock tones of the **Royal Australian Navy Band SA** followed by transfer to the '**HMAS Hobart Memorial Lookout**', Lady Bay for a very special Naval '**Sunset Ceremony**' in honour of fallen Service personnel from both **HMAS Hobart 1 (WW1)** and **HMAS Hobart (2) DDG 39** memorialized at this local Memorial location, the latter warship now resting out in the Bay. Veterans present from far and wide and the public were moved by the echoing traditional brass & percussion assembly below the White Ensign, the Band under the command of Chief Petty Officer Simon P. playing - **Hymn 'Abide With Me'**  
**Evening Hymn**  
**Harmonised version of the bugle call 'Sunset'**

## Song of Australia Waltzing Matilda March

Special comment was conferred on '**Friends of the HMAS Hobart Memorial Lookout SA**' by Navy for organisation of the occasion and the assembly was honoured by the presence of President, Mr Neville Sampson (RAN Rtd) **HMAS Hobart Association SA** and formerly of **HMAS Hobart DDG 39** when on 17 June 1968 the lives of Ordinary Seaman **Raymond J Butterworth** and Chief Petty Officer **Raymond Henry Hunt** were lost (and 7 others wounded) when missiles struck the warship off Tiger Island, Vietnam. Both Members are memorialised at the Lady Bay site. The assembly was also honoured by the presence of Mr Alan Ferris (RAN Rtd) formerly Captain of **HMAS Vendetta D08** that also had distinguished service in Vietnam (and coincidental to the present moment with His Royal Highness passing), under the command of Captain Ferris escorted **The Royal Yacht Britannia** during its visit to Australia in 1974.

Special thanks is extended to the Management & staff of **Lady Bay Hotel** and for the '**Fare of The Fleurieu**' menu on the occasion of Festival Fleurieu 2021 and for allowing the **HMAS Hobart DDG 39 'Green Ghost' pennant** to be flown on the hotel foreground on such a special day. Thanks also to the South Australian Government - **Department for Environment and Water** for the spectacular underwater footage and display facilitated especially for the occasion.

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# Festival Fleurieu 2021 - In Pictures!

What an exciting and full two weeks of activity it has been across the region for Festival Fleurieu 2021. On behalf of the Festival Fleurieu Board I want to sincerely thank all who contributed to making this wonderful community Festival such a success.

From the opening event on a sunny Easter Saturday on the Normanville Green to frolicking by the beach two weeks later, the Festival had something for everyone. The Artist Studio Trail was again popular with so many talented artists opening up their studio spaces and sharing with Festival goers. The youth programme really shone brightly with a number of activities including the wonderful digital art that was shown on the RSL Club and the Victor Harbor Cinema. The cello was a featured instrument with one concert in the Yankalilla Christ Church and one in a private garden the following day. There was poetry, dance, a colour run, music, drawing workshops, literature events and an opportunity to understand Aboriginal places, provenance and culture....and so much more.

Many thanks to people who purchased tickets and attended the free events over the Festival. Over the course of the opening event on the Normanville Green close to 2,500 people came through the gates to hear the many performances on the main stage. Our artistic community shone brightly and we extend our thanks to them and everyone who was involved in the planning and holding of an event over the Festival. Right across the region there were so many individuals, businesses and community groups holding events. It is this rich diversity that makes for the vibrant tapestry that is Festival Fleurieu.

We are extremely grateful to our major funders and our sponsors. The District Council of Yankalilla, Festivals Australia and Carclew provided major funding to support the Festival. Many individuals and local small businesses also provided financial support and donated items to our major fundraiser, the Silent Auction. As a small independent organisation we are absolutely reliant on this financial support to put

the Festival on. These businesses will remain on our website so please continue to support them.

Finally, our heartfelt thanks to the amazing volunteer team without whom the Festival would not be possible. They worked tirelessly, even before the Festival started, to assist in every possible way to support the Festival being such a successful event.

Once again, thanks to everyone who contributed to making Festival Fleurieu 2021 such an amazing event.

Kind regards

*Desmond Ford*  
Chairperson, Festival Fleurieu



Opening of Carnival Fleurieu with the call of the Didgeridoo (Yidaki from Yolgnu) by Karl Teller with his family dancers.



Colour the Cape. Day 2 of Festival Fleurieu. The joy at Cape Jervis in full colour and laughter.



Wearing crowns made at Judith's workshop, children drum along with the African drummers on stage at Carnival Fleurieu.



With a grant from Carclew, young people worked on creating digital images, shown on the walls of Yankalilla RSL hall. A 30 minute interactive digital display. ONEONE was Festival Fleurieu's flagship event, part of the Youth program Light It Up.



Flowering the Fleurieu: Saraya's Carnival Fleurieu workshop created these floral beauties for a wall hanging hung later in the Hub Soirée marquee.



At Carnival Fleurieu, The Borderers get down and dance with an enthusiastic audience; voted as the top act in feedback!!



## Positive Festival Feedback

Having organised a few events this festival we received positive feedback more truly due to other people.

The concert in Christ Church featured wonderful cellist **Claire Oremland** compered so ably by **Luke Altmann**, then Claire excelled again at Eliza Cottage with entertaining readings by poets **Kate Alder** and **Louise Nicholas**. The Barbara Robertson exhibition was heightened by the presence of Barbara's niece **Deb Robertson** coming from Melbourne to share memories. We are grateful for all their talents, and their hard work to present professionally. Such performances don't just happen but require hours of preparation and practice.

Behind the scenes there are others to thank: **Allan Whellum** delivered picture hanging screens to and from Christ Church Hall and **Sue Hetzel** and **Christine Davis** convened a bevy of sitters for the exhibition. And for the cello and poetry in the garden, a team just came in and organised seating and food, drink, signage and amplification, then cleared up everything afterwards. It was an astonishing effort by **Matt and Libby Robertson**, and **Joy** and

**Allan Whellum** (and **Kenny**). They deserve recognition because the work they did for these events was just the tip of the iceberg of their efforts assisting many key festival events, always efficiently and with good humour. Our own events would not have been as successful without them.

We thank all of the above people for their outstanding efforts.

*Lorraine McLoughlin and Peter Fitzgerald*

## Festival Fleurieu 2021: the need for revitalisation & funding

We write briefly to make a few points about Festival Fleurieu 2021. Firstly, we understand that Covid-19 will have had a huge impact on the administration and organisation of the 2021 festival. The organisers are to be congratulated for actually managing to stage a festival at all in 2021. The launch day in particular was brightly optimistic on the new 'village green' in Normanville.

We believe, however, that the future festivals may need more funding to adequately address some specific practical issues: namely the staging - which seemed not to

comply with Occupational Health and Safety standards as far as the 'proscenium arch' structure was concerned: a rudimentary timber and rope set-up that would have collapsed in a stronger wind. In addition, the sound quality of the entertainers on the opening day was also inadequate for the choral and group singing - and this was a disappointment for the audience. Even *The Borderers* had to suffer sound issues at the beginning of their first set. Perhaps adequate funding would ensure the hiring of professional audio equipment and sound technician. Just a thought! (*Albeit Ian Main does his best on a shoestring!*)

In addition, it was a very warm day and more shade was needed - as many people were prone to comment on. Perhaps building a rotunda on the village green could help with two of the three issues we have just mentioned. Certainly, it would create a useable area for music and entertainment, additional shade when not in use for entertainment, and a focal point in the green. It would not have to be centrally located but could be located close to where the stage was perhaps - taking into account any proximity to trees and branches.

Disappointingly, communication

with festival organisers was not always optimum. It is a pity that the committee who runs the festival treats some of us in the arts' community as a 'joke'. Insulting comments from a couple of the organisers do them no justice, and those of us who have contributed much in the past creatively, are even more dissuaded from being involved in the future!

However, we do wish to congratulate in particular the artists and musicians who took part in Festival Fleurieu 2021. We spent our money on buying art: furniture, paintings, embroidery, and are all the richer culturally and spiritually for it! The standard of visual arts is generally commendable and the music lifts everyone's spirits - albeit it would be great to expand the types of music on offer in the future.

Finally, we think it's time for a refresh as far as the structure and imaginative side of the festival is concerned. We are no doubt 'pissing into the wind' here as we are not generally listened to in this regard but we did want to mention it in case anyone at all is listening!

*Dr Kathryn Pentecost (writer/producer) and Geoff Bromilow (sculptor/musician), Delamere*

*Photos from K Pentecost*



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herbs in the cupboard and helping in the bottling where I could; all whilst waiting patiently for the first taste of a new batch. The memories of doing this with my Nan are never far as the aromas take me back to my childhood and the fun times I shared helping her. She may have also left me her handwritten pencil recipe book too! The written weights and measures may be out of date (not that she used a lot of them being a pinch of this and a dash of that type of cook), but the end product was always perfect. Some of Mrs Wallis' recipes have been updated for today's tastes adding some chili and garlic here and there or using ingredients like tahini, but my ethos is to develop the natural flavours of the ingredients just how my Nan made them. Cooked low and slow in Le creuset cast iron pots, jars boiled, hand filled, hand sealed, hand labelled and made without fillers, thickeners or colours added. Nature's preservatives are vinegar,

olive oil, salt and garlic.

I lost my mother 10 days before Christmas 2020 in what was a difficult year for all, so now even more, the above practice gives me time to think of the wonderful times spent with both my nan and my mum. She left behind my father who is 93 after 67 years of marriage.

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## Successful Night Owls Competition for Season 2020-21

Night Owls wrapped up with a sausage sizzle (come dressed in rainbow colors), after a very successful season, seeing 72 plus bowlers experiencing the sport of lawn bowls each Tuesday night under lights. The emphasis was on fun and having a good time, while competing was very evident and enjoyed by those participating.

None of these events are possible without willing volunteers to run and coordinate the weekly sessions. A big thank you to Anna and Roxanne for running Night Owls and creating an opportunity to compete and have fun at the same time. A great distraction from Covid-19 restrictions.

**Division A** had a draw with "Terry White Normanville" (Geoff & Emma Rosser and Ian Luke) and "Absolutely" (Scott Bevan, James Fisher and Matt Hunt) with Anna Richards holding trophy.

**Division B** "Stray Cats" (Tracey & John Wegner and Raelene Rigoir) and runners up "Odd Bods" (Brian Alexander, Tony Taylor, John Bell and Chris Chanahan).

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Above: Winners Division A  
Below: Winners Division B



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Since writing the April issue of the Men's Shed Newsletter, another significant project has been completed, which should benefit the membership greatly. We have chosen to refer to it as, the ALFRESCO DINING area, which should provide much greater space for members to gather for lunches and barbecues etc. And in the interim period, before completing his office, it will give our secretary John, considerably greater peace and solitude.

This area will be adorned with planter boxes, which should make it a very attractive place to meet, eat and converse, as loudly as we wish. We plan to equip it with a suitable dining table and chairs.

We have needed a shaded out door area for some time now and will make life much more enjoyable. My God we won't want to go home!

No further progress has been made on our metal working shed, as we are awaiting arrival of critical materials.

Due to increased sales through the "A Birdie Told Me" shop at Normanville, several members have been actively engaged in making more product for the shop. As we were entering the



Australian Men's Shed Association

school holiday period we anticipate an increased demand for our handmade wooden items such as toy trucks, cutting boards, rotating Party Susan's, wine glass and bottle holders, boxed wooden coaster sets and boxed notepads. So we have a veritable production line running at the shed at this time, which keeps everyone out of mischief and hopefully increases our coffers.

As Winter is rapidly approaching and the nights are certainly becoming chillier, we have bags of firewood available at the Men's Shed, for those who need them. Members will be on hand on Tuesday, Wednesday evening and Friday of each week.

### Humour Column

☺ Paddy says "Mick, I'm thinking of buying a Labrador."  
"Bugger that," says Mick, "have you seen how many of their owners go blind."

☺ I went to the cemetery yesterday to lay some flowers on a grave. As I was standing there I noticed four grave diggers walking about with a coffin. Three hours later they're still walking about with it. I thought to myself, they've lost the plot.



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See you all next month, until then stay well, enjoy life and get your Covid Vaccinations done(if you can).

Jim Vessey.

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## Further to "Basic Facts"

A letter to the Editor titled "Basic Facts" in the April edition of Yankalilla Regional News, corrected my statement in the March edition, that the trees in the basin were Douglas Firs. They are almost certainly Aleppo pines (*Pinus halepensis*) which originate on the Gallipoli Peninsula. I thank the author of that letter, because it elevates the importance of these trees as many were planted throughout Australia as memorials to the ANZACS who were lost in WW1.

Photographic evidence exists showing these trees well grown in 1929, enclosed in a fenced reserve, so they have apparently represented the fallen for over 100 years. Perhaps our Council could place suitable information about the reason the trees were planted and promote the area as a place of reflection and peace.

I acknowledge that Aleppo pines do pose an invasive threat to the broader environment, as do many other species including Radiata and Athol pines, however the trees in the basin are an exception if my information is correct and should be recognised as such.

Interestingly, the Moreton Bay figs on Jetty Road were established to form an Avenue of Honour. Was that to lead to the pines in the basin?

The Battle of Lone Pine stands out in the Gallipoli Campaign. The original lone pine was a *Pinus brutia* and these also exist in Australia. Seeds from 2-3 species of pines were brought back home by ANZACS fortunate enough to survive.

Lest We Forget.  
**Lawrie Baldock**  
**Hay Flat**

## Deep Frustration

I write from a sense of deep frustration that some Yankalilla Councillors are not taking their fiduciary and governance responsibilities appropriately.

The community no longer has confidence in the deliberations of the Council.

The Council's own Code of Conduct requires that Councillors have a commitment to serve the best interest of its community, foster community confidence and trust in local government, consider all relevant opinions and honour community consultation obligations. These are clearly not being observed.

The Council's: *Code of Practice Proceedings of Council and Committee Meetings* require Council to;

- (a) be fair and contribute to open, transparent and informed decision-making
- (b) encourage appropriate community participation in the affairs of the Council
- (c) reflect levels of formality appropriate to the nature and scope of responsibilities exercised at the meeting
- (d) be sufficiently detailed to give the community and decision makers confidence in the deliberations

The refusal of Council to properly heed community opinion is well recognised throughout the district. Over the past four years appropriately constituted feedback from ratepayers has been initially ignored and only reluctantly accepted after considerable efforts on behalf of the community to overcome the intransigence of the Council. Some examples of this are:

- The dogs on the beach fiasco.
- Disregarding the District's 30 year plan
- The lack of consultation and ignoring of residents feedback over ECO tents
- The obfuscation over matters dealing with the community library
- The initial refusal to listen to feedback over the move to relocate the SLS clubrooms to the car park and the lack of any detail in the supposed consultation on the beach lawns in January.
- The attempt to silence free speech in threatening the Yankalilla Regional News (YRN)
- The consistent ignoring of feedback against the cabins in the caravan park
- The farcical consultation around the Normanville foreshore when Council had already made decisions.
- The bullying refusal to allow a ratepayer to speak to the Council earlier this year.
- The bully boy antics of some Councillors and the Mayor refusing to communicate with some ratepayers.

The current intransigence of the Council in pushing ahead, against the wishes of the majority of ratepayers, with the huge financial debt associated with cabins in the caravan park is contrary to its fiduciary duty. There are a number of high risks and extreme risks contained in the risk assessment prepared for Councillors.

This is not news to Councillors, as despite a warning in the Council Agenda, it appears Council intends to ignore ratepayers' concerns and high level financial risks:

**"Examples of increased risk through borrowing – 16th March 2021 – Item 14.9 Page 293**

**Risk Description – Increase in debt levels limits Council's inability to invest in future projects – likely outcome – major. Council will lack financial capacity to implement future plans Risk Level – high**

**Further risks identified**

**Prudential review to be performed to confirm Council's capacity to undertake projects. High**

**Ratepayer limited capacity to pay – severe risk**

**Ratepayer can't afford to pay raised rates – extreme risk**

**Council decisions on projects to fund and rate rises to set need to take into consideration household capacity to pay – high risk"**

The Council cannot adequately provide governance, is not acting within its fiduciary duty and does not listen and act upon community and ratepayer issues and at times acts as a bully.

**Peter Vandeppeer OAM**

## There's none so deaf as those who will not hear

Having just read the Mayors Report in the Council Agenda 20 April 2021 (page 8, Item 6.1) I am appalled by the attitude given to our Ratepayers' feedback. Below is only one (of many) paragraphs I take exception to.

Mayor Rowlands states "When I go to consultation forums or read YourSay feedback 90% of the comments or attendees are from our older community. Council looks across the whole community and in reality, the decisions made are for the up and coming generations, they are the ones who will use, maintain, operate, the infrastructure not us oldies. The few in the district who keep playing the drum had better make sure their drive is what the younger generation see as something they want to happen. It's not about us baby boomer era, we've had our time, it is about our children and grandchildren, listen to them."

With regards to our Districts age demographic, it is completely obvious why 90% of the comments are from the older community. I am left wondering, is there now an age cut-off for being listen to by Council and Elected Members? I am 49, perhaps the Mayor can confirm if this is too old?

Whether you are for or against the development is irrelevant. It is your ratepayer money being spent (or debt being put on the credit card as in this case) and you have earned the right to be listened to with OPEN EARS.

*There's none so deaf as those who will not hear. Proverb You will never be able to make some understand or accept something if they are too stubborn or unwilling to learn or notice. You can present facts and try to reason with him all you want, but his mind is made up.*

**Jo Little**  
**Yankalilla**

## Bungala Working Group

### Seeking expressions of interest for an Independent Chair Person

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Bungala Working Group is seeking to bring together interested parties to work to improve the water quality and condition of the Bungala River.

The Group is a collaborative between:  
**Yankalilla District Residents Assoc**  
**Normanville Natural Resource Centre**  
**District Council of Yankalilla**

## Normanville Foreshore

Further to last issue's comprehensive letter from Peter Hamilton, I fully concur with, support and commend his thoughts and ideas re a master plan of the Normanville foreshore 2021-2035.

For the sake of everyone involved – local residents, businesses and tourists – the issue is far too big to make a hasty decision. Proper planning and informed forethought are needed.

Mr Hamilton's suggestion for the establishment of a small task group comprising local residents and Council staff is, I think, a good starting point which, as a concerned taxpayer and resident, I thoroughly support. I think the district has ample suitably qualified people who could lend their educated and knowledgeable ideas to such a task force to discuss the best approach and options to achieve the best outcomes.

The last thing the community needs is a hasty decision that is regretted later down the track because of the desire to push ahead with a project that has not been thoroughly explored for the best commercial and environmental outcomes long term, not just a short-term fix.

*Lorraine Day, Yankalilla*

## Grants and Normanville/ Yankalilla Development Projects

I refer to the DCY Mayor's report for the 20 April meeting, agenda item 6.1 under: **Additional Information**

It is gratifying to learn that the Mayor has invested efforts into the issue of obtaining grants. As long as I can recall this is an area considered by many in the community as having been inadequately "managed".

What I find sad is the fact that we have obtained \$2,045,000 for cabins at the caravan park, but have not been able to get funds for what many would deem a higher priority project to serve the community, namely the library. The spin-doctor explanation of why council is giving preference to the cabins reminds one of the old game of finding the pea under which walnut shell.

The report stresses the "business opportunity" aspect without addressing the question as to whether Council should be running a business which is in direct competition with the numerous B&B businesses in the district, and other caravan parks. Also others with better accounting skills than myself have questioned for years the claimed profits, finding inadequate consideration of depreciation, maintenance and the like. The promised revenues tend to be based on optimistic occupancies, and in the light of current times, would need to take into consideration the impact of lockdowns. The epidemiologists have indicated that we will need to live with the potential of these for some years, vaccine or not. Ask Alan Joyce how difficult it is to plan.

I am at a loss to appreciate the statement: *Council has had the foresight to look at the caravan park over some 5 years, as its business opportunity.*

Since I have been a somewhat regular member of the gallery at Council meetings over the last 15 years or more, the caravan park has frequently been an issue. Under a previous CEO and Council a glossy prospectus was prepared to entice a contractor to take up a 21 year lease, with rights to extend, which if it had progressed would have resulted in a de facto sale of our Community land. Many recall this which is a factor underlying distrust in some Council's decisions, particularly when it comes to the caravan park.

The talk about Council not listening is justified in the Mayor's text. To paraphrase: *"We have the money so let us push ahead irrespective of Community sentiment."* What is happening to the original project concerning the SLSC and Kiosk? These were the original projects and then the Foreshore Plan just grew like a weed.

So, the Mayor does not like that most of the feedback comes from older members of the community. Is it to be understood that we might be senile and hence our ideas and concerns are irrelevant?

What gives the Mayor the right to infer that he knows what the younger generation needs, without any data to back that up? How will the younger generation "use the infrastructure"? I would be pleased to learn from the younger members of the community, whether they understand that the Caravan Park excludes them having access to their Community land.

The caravan park section on the right bank of the Bungala could be relocated to the left, and then run by a commercial company that has expertise in running a caravan park. There are plenty of them out there. Running a caravan park is not core council business, and we, the community, have been telling Council that for more than five years. Council could charge rates on the "new" caravan park and the now open area on the right could be landscaped providing more lawns for kids to play on, and parents to share beach BBQs with family and friends (as an example). Has something visionary like this been offered to them for consideration? Have they been clearly informed of the financial burden from the current Council plan that they will inherit when we oldies have

fallen off the perch and when this Council exits the stage?

Returning to the early Hamletian question: *Should we give up the development of the cabins at the Jetty Caravan Park?*

I would suggest yes! What to do with the grant is however a dilemma, but the application was for the wrong project. A Library will serve the Community. The Caravan Park serves only visitors, who have a myriad of alternative accommodation sites, and we Community members, young and old, remain excluded from enjoying our Community land.

*Alex Anderson, Normanville*

*Proudly an antique usual suspect (I don't have the required musical skills to claim being a drummer).*

## Attention Mr Mayor: How old is too old?

Mayors report April 2021 Agenda, and I quote:

*"When I go to consultation forums or read YourSay feedback 90% of the comments or attendees are from our older community. Council looks across the whole community and in reality, the decisions made are for the up and coming generations, they are the ones who will use, maintain, operate, the infrastructure not us oldies.*

*The few in the district who keep playing the drum had better make sure their drive is what the younger generation see as something they want to happen. It's not about us baby boomer era, we've had our time, it is about our children and grandchildren, listen to them."*

According to the last Census, 47.5% of the Yankalilla District community are Baby Boomers. Are their opinions not valid Mr Mayor? To dismiss this population's feedback is the very definition of age discrimination. Certainly, when I offer feedback, it is with consideration for the best interests of the whole community not just my selfish needs as you are suggesting.

What makes this council, who are also of an older generation, experts in what the district needs for the youth of the future? How have you captured this information?

Most of us have children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. We are all driven to provide a healthy, sustainable and prosperous future for them. That you dismiss 90% of the comments, unless of course they support your stance, is frankly appalling.

With this attitude, is it any wonder I often hear people say that it is a waste of time giving feedback at consultation because Council has already made their decision? Mr Mayor, your report goes a long way to demonstrate their concerns.

Now that you have covered the ageist issues so well, I shall stay tuned for next month where perhaps you might like to place gender issues on the agenda.

*Karen Gibbs, Normanville*

## Cabins at Normanville Jetty Caravan Park

I initiated the full page statement regarding community resistance to elevated cabins in the caravan park.

All names were collected by me and others over two weekends through face-to-face conversation about the issues. All participants contributed to buying the space. The public consultation is still open - you are welcome to send your name to me if you support this action via email, and I will forward the list created to the Council.

*Ruth Trigg, [ruth.trigg@westnet.com.au](mailto:ruth.trigg@westnet.com.au)*

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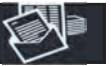
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## How about listening?

I could not agree more with the letters in last month's edition by Alex Anderson and Fay Mills. There will be many people I'm sure who think the foreshore development is great but it needs to be thought through very carefully by us, the community and rate payers. Is it necessary or needed? Perhaps some items may be but not all. Isn't the area lovely as it is? We live in an unspoilt beautiful coastal area. The debt which will be incurred by our council if the proposed plan is implemented needs to be paid off by the ratepayers, minus income from parts of the development, interest rates are predicted to stay low for another 2/3 years and as they rise the cost of servicing the debt will be significant and we'll have to pay for it so I expect our already excessively high rates will further increase. Our "quiet lifestyle" as Fay put it is already deteriorating with the significant increase in visitor numbers, putting the infrastructure under increasing pressure and coming up as inadequate. Do we want two story cabins/apartments across the back of the caravan park in view from the foreshore? More Mawson Lakes/Glenelg type development further eroding the original character of our town and street scenes. As far as the "no deputation" letter by Val Gubbin, I am not at all surprised by the motion put forward by C Verwey being voted down by the usual voting bloc, as I observed and experienced when I attended council meetings some years ago relating to the dogs on/off leash debate with council. I could name the councillors who voted no even if Val hadn't told us who voted yes, let's call them the "usual suspects". The same voting bloc who voted down every motion put forward by Ruth Trigg after three public meetings when Ruth presented material to council on behalf of the people who attended the public meetings with accompanying motions. No wonder Ruth resigned you can't keep bashing your head against a brick wall for ever. I just hope enough residents stand up for council at the next elections to out the "usual suspects" otherwise nothing will change and we will still be whinging about council for the duration.

This council needs to listen to the constant negative feedback from many in the community and stop implementing ideas that some councillors personally think need to be implemented rather than what the community needs and wants.

How about fixing the broken asphalt in the exercise area at the skate park and reinstating the exercise bike that was removed. How about putting some SS wire beneath the balustrade on the walkway onto the beach at Carri Sands before a child or dog walks/falls off at the top near the seat onto the beach below. How about treating people with respect when they put comments and opinions forward, in particular the group who put all that work into the new library upgrade. How about fixing the traffic bottle neck problems in the main street in Normanville during holiday periods, how about putting up a bus shelter in Normanville rather than a bus seat with inadequate shelter. How about providing more parking around the shops in Normanville. Focus on your residents who pay the wages for all inside the council chambers. How about reducing spending and debt and trying to reduce or freeze rates.

**Pam Kirsten**

## At what price?

I have lived in Normanville full time for eight years now and for two years before that on a part time basis. When we moved here we loved it for its quiet winters and bustling summers. Now, I have fallen out of love with summer here and look forward to the stillness and peace of the cooler months. I know that summer's tourists bring revenue to our town, that businesses might struggle over winter and summer is what keeps them open and that progress and population expansion is inevitable. What I ask is 'at what cost does the Council's push for expansion and development come?'

In the street where I live we used to have 3 holiday houses, we now have 8. Summer now means weekend after weekend of music, loud voices and lack of sleep. The 2 storey house opposite has a balcony and for the past 2 weekends there have been late night parties, we ask them politely to turn the music down and frequently we are ignored or abused.

More and more holiday houses are being crammed on to tiny blocks at astronomical prices and it is now almost impossible for some to find a home to rent in what may be the town they have called home for many years. Effectively, they are being priced out of their accommodation and unable to find anything else.

The supermarket is packed, the lines at the cafes are long, parking in my street is almost impossible, and turning right out of Cheeseman Street calls for incredible patience.

The beach is packed, the bins overflow, the rubbish piles up. The pristine

beach and natural beauty of the area is being littered with the debris of tourists.

Do we want more and more of this, do we need streets filled with 2 storey houses with their eaves almost touching, do we want the summers to be so full of noise, cars and queues that it loses its magic?

Do we want people to have to move away as rental properties are increasingly given over to AirBNB?

I am all for improvement but only if it comes with benefits for all of our community. Sadly, I cannot see that this is the direction we are headed in.

**Kerry Rochford**  
 Normanville

## Are we losing our future?

Are we losing what we value in Nature because we are too polite to speak up? Are we losing what we value in Nature because systems take it over without our consent – systems that are incapable of listening to us? In fact, we know this system well, the system that exists for itself, not to listen to real people.

So when the things we value – the Normanville foreshore and caravan park – are reduced to tourist glitz, don't complain if you have not spoken up.

Sit and do nothing, and watch the speed that Nature slides away from your view. Now earning dollars for a corporate profit motive.

What is that 'profit' worth when you can no longer enjoy the natural beauty of this area?

What is that 'profit' worth when your children and grandchildren play with plastic replicas of Nature, not the real thing.

And when Nature is described as 'something nice to look at', it is the most immature way to think about Nature. What it looks like and how that makes us feel. We are the centre in that immature understanding – it all exists for our needs.

What about knowing Nature for its exquisite interconnectivity? Within this interconnectivity we are the most destructive part of Nature. And in 2021 we are challenged to act a lot differently than we have in the past. Me me me – wanting international travel to resume asap, instead of choosing to keep planes out of the sky.

We can be choosing new actions, displacing us from the centre, getting hands dirty, hearts broken and minds stretched doing the proper work needed right now. Not possible if all we are worried about is staying polite. Not speaking up. Allowing destruction of the natural world right here, right now. We. Our choices, our inaction. Our failures. An enormous loss, never to be regained, for a few lousy dollars.

Some defend their inaction because 'progress is inevitable'. But what kind of progress? Why not imagine and create conditions for progress which works with Nature, and along the way, the right way, creates new forms of employment?

The Normanville Jetty Caravan Park has been run for several decades with no accounting ledgers for depreciation and maintenance. The profit has been skimmed off – not the way to run a business. The proposal to ramp the 'profit' up with new cabins repeats the past pattern – the costs such as bedding, cleaning, supplying provisions, running to tens of thousands per year, have not been factored in. Or the maintenance costs. Or the depreciation. Can we trust the figures?

Imagine this community land – there for everyone's enjoyment, not only visitors – returned to open space. The existing brick building could be repurposed as a marine interpretive centre, and an Aboriginal cultural centre. These projects would draw many visitors into the area, supporting existing businesses, not competing against them.

These focuses on the Foreshore can offer students future work as marine scientists and guides, developing educational and environmental knowledge. The local Aboriginal culture and languages can be 'recovered' and non-Aboriginal people can learn how to live with proper respect on the land and with the sea. You know about the new work with seagrasses, carbon sequestration and climate change.

These focuses align us as a community with the work to address current catastrophic threats to the future – environmental degradation and climate change. So much more real wealth in this developing knowledge-arena than propping up a caravan park. That project needs to be relocated and developed by commercial firms, not the council.

The time for new, not old and hackneyed 'solutions' from the past, is here. The 'Made by Nature' mantra needs to be practised, not exist as a mere marketing ploy. Knowledge-based economy is the present and long-term salvation for current threats. Knowledge is the gift to the young for their future. We can, as a community, create these conditions, to preserve this ancient, beautiful area from wrongful destruction, and instead, show how to recover past damage and then maintain it in its rightful form.

**Ruth Trigg**

# District Council of Yankalilla

## We, the Ratepayers, are talking, you are not listening.

**We say NO to 2-storey cabins overlooking the carpark**

View from the ground

Estimated view from balcony of elevated unit



The improved view that \$50,000 per unit will provide is worthless.

We do not accept the 'profit per unit recouped over time' estimates, as provided by the DCY.

Visitors who do not want elevated cabins are:

- the elderly
- families with small children
- people with disabilities

*The concerned residents and visitors listed below have sponsored this page to keep the wider community informed.*

## We say No...

- to destroying the undeveloped natural beauty of the Foreshore
- to an extended 'plaza' at the expense of lawn area and reduced car parking'.

## And we say No, we do NOT want an \$11.5 million debt hanging over our heads

Chris Carter	R	Ray Beavis	R	Patrick Moran	R	Ruth Trigg	R
Pamela Kirsten	R	Val Beavis	R	Alan Oliver	R	Alex Anderson	R
Carolyn McShane	R	Anne Nicholls	R	Pauline Foster	R	Philip Lock	R
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Elaine Hunt	R	Amanda Reinschmidt	R	Trevor Bywaters	R		

R = Resident of DCY V = Visitor to area

## Books and Words Group

The Books and Words Group's two Festival events were well attended and enjoyed by all. Festivalgoers were delighted by Tracy Crisp's performance of *The Vegetarian Librarian* held at Club Fleurieu on Friday 9 April. The Butterfly Theatre's renditions of Shakespeare's soliloquies and songs were much appreciated by an enthusiastic audience at the Normanville Hotel on Sunday 11 April.



We are looking forward to our next event at 5pm on Monday 10 May at the Normanville Hotel. Entertainment for the evening will be a Mock Court presentation in which David Quick, a retired QC, will cross-examine former Police Chief John Murray about his latest novel, *Adolf Hitler: Behind the Door at No. 16*. John will have to be on his toes when this skilled barrister calls on him to justify why people should read his book. If he is convincing enough, you might want to buy a signed copy of the book on the night.

Following John and David's presentation, our new Chairperson, David Panter, will outline some proposed events for 2021. We will also be asking for suggestions from attendees. Membership forms will be available on the night. Books and Words members and other interested people are invited to come along. We look forward to the reinvigoration of the BWG program post-COVID.



Photo supplied by John Murray

A Review of a book by a Yankalilla District Community Member and Member of the Normanville Whisky Club: Alex Anderson, Normanville.

### Adolf Hitler: Behind the Door at No.16 By John Murray.

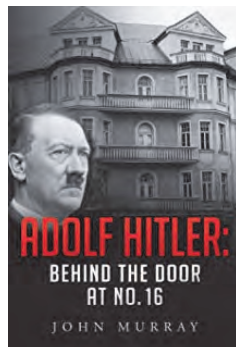
The hero, born in Austria between the wars at a time the depressed economy also in Germany gave rise to Adolf Hitler and the Nazi movement, is then taken by his Scottish father, after the death of his Austrian mother, to an equally depressed Glasgow, forcing him to leave his childhood sweetheart Geli. His tough upbringing gives him skills which, together with his naturally acquired linguistic assets, made him a figure of interest for the British Secret Service during the war. This evolves into a gripping story and a book that is simply hard to put down after the first few pages.

The author has accurately portrayed the historic scenes around what is known of Hitler in his early days and in particular after his installation in the Munich apartment at No.16 with his niece Geli. The same is for the description of the Mauthausen Concentration Camp, the extensive tunnels there and forced labour use

to secretly build early Messerschmitt jet aircraft in the latter stages of the war.

Out hero's adventures are like a thread drawn through these scenes skilfully and credibly such that not a hint of conflict with fact arises. His naïve lack of appreciation of how deadly the Nazi environment in Munich was as he makes contact with Geli gives rise to several tense moments which compel the reader to read-on. His actions at this point form the direction for the rest of the story which finishes with many surprises and a pleasant sign-off.

The author's story telling style flows smoothly facilitating progression of a suspenseful tale. Truly a good read.



Available from online book sellers or the author: [murraydymond@bigpond.com](mailto:murraydymond@bigpond.com)

## Cheryl's Blog

A "Game Changer" grant of over \$2,000,000 is on its way to boost a revamp at Normanville's Jetty Caravan Park.

The \$2,045,450 State Government boost will help provide 23 higher-quality cabins.

They will form part of a masterplan to revamp the foreshore.

The grant for the stand alone project is a bonus that should keep on giving.

Mayor Glen Rowlands said, "Unlike many infrastructure projects, tourism infrastructure brings the added benefit of offering a return on investment."

"This project will have the effect of generating income to offset reliance on rate revenue to service loans and fund projects across the whole district."

The council will put the same \$2,000,000-plus figure toward the cabins project.

Councillor Peter O'Neil said, "The success of our grant funding applications is a game changer. I say watch this space."

There is no doubt camping has taken off since Covid.

With international travel currently off the table, many people are

holidaying in their own state, or, borders permitting, interstate.

Anecdotal, there are many more grey nomads and travellers of all ages, on the road.

Many access parks while others free camp and stay overnight in car parks and side streets.

While free campers can be great for tourism, it can also lead to run-ins with locals with accusations of travellers disrespecting the environment, leaving mess and hoarding car parks.

It does seem as though the Yankalilla area has avoided the brunt of these issues.

A recent community forum chat on Facebook revealed no comments on this issue.

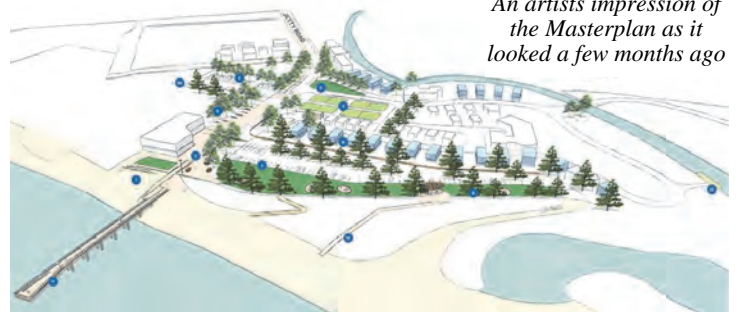
Perhaps one fact is the district is an RV friendly region.

This means free campers have access to a dump point, plus good parking near shops and taps where they can take water on board.

There are also low cost campsites, like Rapid Bay and Deep Creek.

As the YRN goes to press, the council is meeting again to discuss more details of the foreshore redevelopment plan.

Cheryl Willie for YRN



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## THE NIGHT SHIFT at The Backyard Universe

During April we almost ran out of evening planets with only a distant (and tiny) orange Mars to look at. This month is your last chance to see an evening Mars before it goes behind the sun and becomes a morning planet for the rest of 2021. On May 16 the Moon is close by.

But Venus and Mercury both return to our evening skies this month, and on May 13 a very thin crescent Moon is located about midway between them during twilight. Venus is the brighter of the two planets and closer to the sunset this month.

Saturn & Jupiter have been morning planets since early January, but by mid-May Saturn will be rising at about 11pm and Jupiter rises about 80 minutes later. You'll still need to be outside in the pre-dawn to see both of them high in the sky.

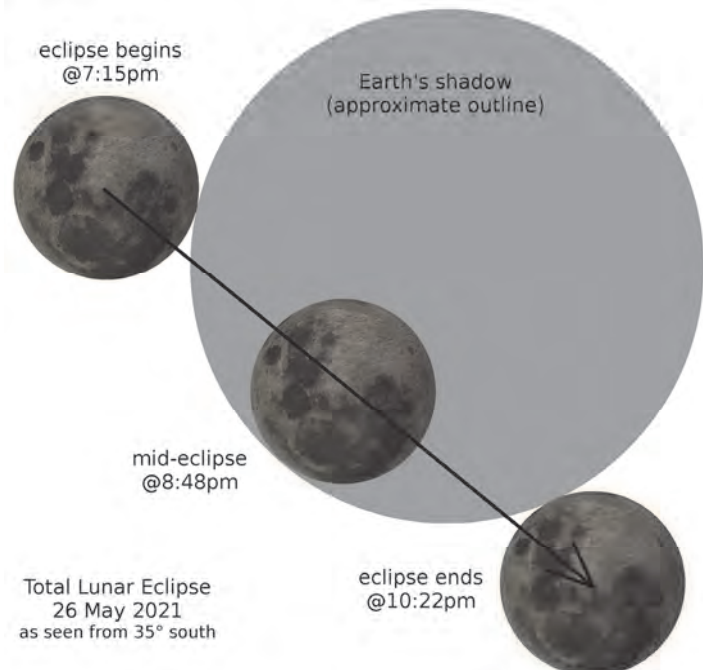
Our word planet comes from the Ancient Greek for "wanderer"; because the planets move through the background of the starry night sky. And our modern names for the planets are the Roman equivalents of various Ancient Greek gods. The Greeks weren't the only culture to notice that planets were different to stars. Many indigenous traditions around the world associate them with specific creator beings or significant cultural ancestors. Take a photo or do a drawing every week or two of your favourite planet + adjacent stars, and detect the

movement for yourself.

This month's headline event is the total lunar eclipse on the evening of May 26; visible (weather permitting) from anywhere on the night side of the Earth at the time. The Moon begins to enter the Earth's shadow at 7:15pm (SA time) and is totally eclipsed by 8:41pm. Totality lasts just over 14 minutes, so at 8:56pm the Moon begins to exit the Earth's shadow and has fully emerged by 10:22pm. From our latitudes the Moon enters the "left side" of the shadow, passes just inside the lower left part, and then exits from the "lower right side". The Earth's atmosphere makes its shadow boundary look fuzzy, rather than sharp as shown in the illustration. Best seen with binoculars or a small telescope.

The eclipsed part of the Moon is usually red or orange or yellow, because it's being illuminated by the combined light of all the sunrises & sunsets around the edge of the Earth at the time. There's often a distinct colour gradient from the edge of the shadow towards its centre (see photo of the July 2018 eclipse). Lunar eclipse colours are affected by the weather in those sunrises/sunsets, and by any major volcanic eruptions in progress. Volcanic dust in the stratosphere can produce a very dark total lunar eclipse.

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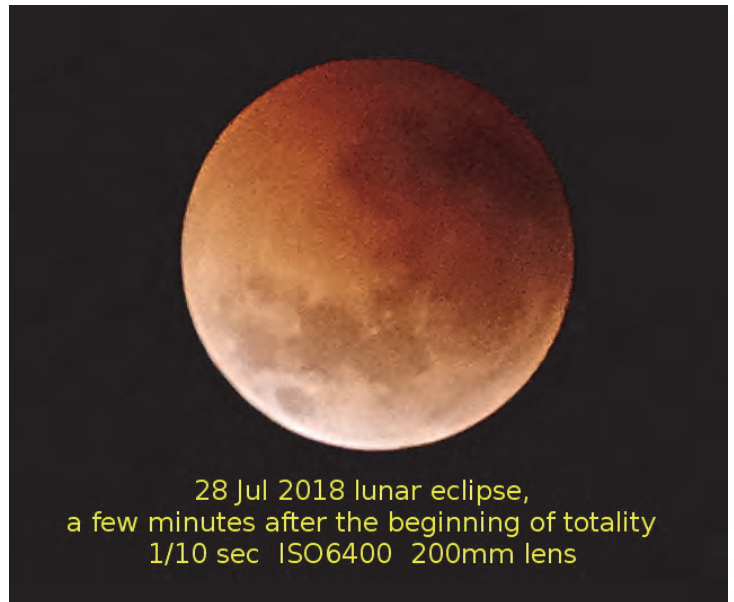
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Scorpius and to the left of a rising Milky Way centre. Coincidentally on April 1 this year, the Moon was in nearly the same position (see photo, taken with a mobile phone camera). So here's hoping you get some beautiful starry photos of an eclipsed Moon.

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Above: lunar eclipse 28 Jul 2018  
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Left: lunar eclipse diagram 26 May 2021

Below: moon and scorpius 1 April 2021



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All bids have been honoured for the auction of Barbara Robertson paintings during Festival Fleurieu with the grand total reaching \$5,200. The works for sale came from the Robertson estate and the collection of the late Mark and Jill Pearse.

The families of each generously donated all proceeds to go to the Salt and Pepper project which helps Indigenous women transition from prison.

Locals and out of town people bid with enthusiasm seeing this as a truly worthwhile venture to support.

Thank you to everyone concerned with the exhibition from owners donating paintings, to sitters encouraging interest in Robertson works and of course the purchasers opening hearts and purses.

**Note: watch this space for more recognition later in the year of this South Australian artist, Barbara Robertson, who lived the last 25 years of her life in Carrickalinga.**

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**A lifeline for the community: A-G Vickie Chapman launches SA Sea Rescue Squadron's new rescue boat**

The South Australian Sea Rescue Squadron on Saturday 27th March commissioned a brand new boat for its Worrina Flotilla that will now be a key part of South Australian Volunteer Marine Rescue's (SA-VMR) and SA Police's search and rescue response on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

The Attorney-General and Deputy Premier of South Australia, Ms Vickie Chapman MP commissioned the boat at a special ceremony organized at Yankalilla. The vessel was blessed and commissioned with the pouring of the champagne on the bow. She was then escorted onboard the vessel by Worrina Flotilla Senior Skipper Bruce Stark for a tour.

The boat was locally manufactured for the Squadron by Nautic Star at Lonsdale at a cost of \$448,000 provided under the South Australian government-funded Vessel Replacement Programme. Project Manager and former SASRS Operation Captain Mike Shaw coordinated the successful completion of the build.

It replaced a 15-year-old Clayton and has been equipped with advanced electronics and navigation systems that comprise VHF DSC marine radio, 27MHz marine radio, AIS Transponder, Command Radio, SA GRN, Furuno Radar and Navigation System and Forward-Looking Infrared System (FLIR) to assist with searching for people in water that is particularly useful at night.

Speaking on the occasion, the Attorney General said, "Boat-related accidents are one of the leading causes of fatalities at sea. The SASRS has been provided a funding of \$490,000 for the boat and Trailer. This is a great outcome and I acknowledge everyone who has worked to bring this project to fruition. I hope this vessel will serve you well in the years to come."

The Attorney General also acknowledged the Squadron's proud history of providing a service since 1960 and that the Worrina Flotilla's 'driving force' Paul Brown was now being recognized with the boat being named in his honour. She also thanked the volunteers for contributing their service to the community.

Welcoming the guests, SA Sea Rescue Squadron Commodore Frank Miller said the new rescue boat greatly enhanced the Worrina Flotilla's ability to tackle the needs of our local regional community.

"Without equipment, the best-intentioned volunteers are limited in what they can achieve. Without trained operators, available and willing, the best equipment cannot be used effectively. To achieve the optimum result takes time, money for equipment, operations and maintenance, training for skippers and crew and support at home," said the Commodore acknowledging South Australian government assistance in enabling the upgrade of critical infrastructure such as rescue vessels.

The Commodore thanked Mr Dominic Lane, Chief Executive, South Australian Fire and Emergency Service Commission and Mr Chris Beattie, Chief Officer, SA State Emergency Services for their support in the commissioning of the new boat and who were among the senior SA Government officials attending the ceremony. The other officials attending the function included Senior Sergeant Phil Grear, Operations Manager, SAPOL Water Operations Unit and Mayor Glen



Rowlands of Yankalilla District Council. He also acknowledged the role of South Australian Volunteer Marine Rescue manager Darryl Wright for making the timely upgrade possible. Project Manager and former SASRS Operations Captain Mike Shaw was commended by the Commodore for his efficient management of the project along with SASRS volunteer Mel Curyer who contributed his engineering skills to ensure that the trailer and tow vehicle were correctly designed and constructed to meet all legal requirements.

The Squadron's Worrina Flotilla is responsible for the area between Port Willunga to Kangaroo Island and includes the Pages. This stretch of the ocean has routinely posed serious challenges in the past when the Flotilla has been involved in major marine rescue operations over the years saving many lives, added the Commodore.

The Fleurieu Peninsula is very popular with boating, fishing communities as well as tourists and adventure sports enthusiasts. More recently, this February, the Flotilla was involved in a major rescue response for two missing fishermen at

Cape Jervis along with 13 VMR and SAPOL vessels, helicopters and fixed wing aircraft in the search for two missing fishermen.

The new boat was named *Paul Brown* with the call sign Sea Rescue 05 (SR 05). Addressing the function, Squadron's Worrina Flotilla chairman Geoff Taylor talked about its early days and its founder Paul Brown who headed the group in 2003 as its first chairman. A member of more than 20 years, he was also a recipient of the Ministerial Commendation for 'Meritorious and Courageous action', Emergency Service Medal, National Medal and Bar, and a Bronze Medal from The Royal Humane Society for his part in a rescue of three people off Rapid Bay in January 2009.

*Left: Attorney-General and Deputy Premier of South Australia Vickie Chapman (right) with the daughters of Paul Brown, the late founder of the SA Sea Rescue Squadron's Worrina Flotilla. The vessel has been named Paul Brown in honour of its late founder. Photo by Peter Carter.*

*Cover: SR05 Paul Brown: SA Sea Rescue Squadron's new search and rescue vessel at Worrina was officially commissioned at Yankalilla on Saturday 27 March. Photo by Ian Kelly*

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It seems like Myponga has become an overnight sensation with the introduction of kayaking on the reservoir. Freshwater angling brings a whole new level of excitement as most of the fishing is done using lures, which can be a challenge if you are predominantly a bait fisherman. Although the reservoir has been stocked with Perch, Cod and Trout - Redfin will be the most likely catch, and the larger ones will become more active during the colder months. When using lures, I suggest doing some research as to whether you need a swivel or what type of swivel to use, as these can interfere with the lure action, but some used with a short leader can help prevent line twist.

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**Normanville beach** had quite a few large Flathead caught, Silver whiting and Mullet from **Carrickalinga beach** were the options over early April. Nice chunky Salmon in the North Bay were landed too, some on metal lures and others on pilchards. The local jetties have been a bit quiet on squid catches but **Worrina Rocks** and **Cape Jervis** have still been producing. There have also been some fat Tommies down at the Cape now that the jetty has reopened. **Rapid Bay** has had Trevally, Snook and Tommies with some Salmon Trout thrown in.

\*Check out Ausocean's Youtube live stream of the underwater action at the old Rapid Bay jetty - amazing!



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The story of Normanville's village green is pretty much the opposite of the Joni Mitchell anthem *Big Yellow Taxi*. When they pulled down the old servo and rolled out the grass, it gave the town a lively hub.

With Yankalilla Council now asking the community to decide if the temporary green should become permanent open space YRN sought retailers, user groups, planning experts and the site's previous occupants' thoughts.

"It really feels like we are more a part of the town now," Fleurieu Coast Event and Party Hire owner Julie Fox says.

"People didn't necessarily know I was here before. Now they can see the signage and my displays out the front easily and I get so much more foot traffic.

"And just look at it out there now. It is green and vibrant. Most days you can see people out there having a picnic or kids kicking a footy. It really feels like a village green."

The area the green covers is not large - equating to barely four residential houseblocks - but it punches above its weight in aesthetic impact and place-making.

The site purchased by council for 600,000 in 2019 had operated as a service station since the 1950s and before that was part of the old stockyards.

Local architect and urban designer Andrew Russell describes it as a great example of how you can "unlock the hidden potential of existing places, by simple yet powerful interventions.

"Council's insightful purchase of a former, ageing petrol station for community purposes has become a trigger to revitalise the town centre," the principal of Inizio Consulting says.

"The simple act of greening the site has instantly created a new community focal point that reconnects the town centre in ways not previously possible. Different parts of the centre now look onto The Green activating its edges and generating new vitality, particularly when the space is used for markets and community events.

"And new vistas have been created to the impressive stand of eucalyptus trees on the NE edge which now anchor and ground The Green, creating a sense that it's been a loved community asset for



Julie Fox

generations.

"The local's instant adoption of the Village Green as their own provides council with a great chance to tap the community's creativity and come up with ideas to enhance it further. A community based 'design charrette' would be an excellent way to start that journey."

You really can't go past Tracy Taylor for ideas. When Tracy set up the community arts and crafts cooperative A Birdie Told me three years ago no one, least of all the real estate agent she leased the shopfront from, expected it would do so well.

Now boasting 153 traders ranging from a 97-year-old nursing home resident named Phyllis who crochets coat hangers to a 10-year-old Josie producing keyrings, the

shop enjoys a remarkable turnover.

Tracy has been an enthusiastic driver for the use of the green, setting up the Normanville Farmers' Market on the side road and a highly successful live music event on the grass itself.

"I only ever wanted to do this shop, but when the green happened we needed to be able to use it," she says.

While Tracy worked hard to get the market running she worked even harder to get all the necessary approvals and insurances for the Gig at the Green, which combined dancing, crowds and alcohol in time of Covid.

"It was hard because we had a cap of 500 people. We had our Covid marshalls on the four entrances and I was sort of running between them



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The Servo was built in the 1950s



Way before the green and servo the site was part of the old Normanville stockyards



Andrew Russell

and every hour I had to go and quickly clean the toilets because that was part of the whole management plan.”

The Gig at the Green was a great test of the space ahead of the ninth biennial Festival Fleurieu opening. “From the Festival Fleurieu Board’s perspective once it was established the green was always going to be our venue,” secretary Libby Robertson reveals.

“We saw it as a focal point for the community. Something that from a commercial perspective had good passing traffic that was likely to be attracted to anything we did there.”

The carnival-style festival opening on the green attracted the highest attendance in several years, which organisers attribute to at least partly to



Tracy Taylor

the high-profile location. Volunteers manning the Combined Christian Church Opportunity Shop enjoyed prime seats for any action on the green. “It is lovely to see the green being used by families,” one of the shop coordinators, Elaine Eicher, observes.

The South Coast Surf is also riding high on the vibe from the new public space after almost two decades as Normanville’s gateway business. “I love it. I think it is great,” owner Ann-Marie Collins says.

“I think it kind of makes the community come together because of the visual, also you see a lot of people over there, so it gives a nice sense of space.”

Across the other side of the green Bridget Fox, owner of lifestyle and homeware icon Maudie and Fox,

observes it has improved the look of the town as well as adding space for people to chill, mill and meet.

“From a business point of view, it has been very convenient for family groups especially with restricted numbers in store. People have somewhere to go to sit, play, have some lunch instead of just standing outside shops waiting.”

As previous occupants of the site, watching the development of the green has been bittersweet for Bruce Allen, Jeanette Pretty and their children.

“It has been a challenge,” Bruce acknowledges. The family has regrouped and continues to be an important part of the Normanville retail landscape with their Fleurieu Fishing and Outdoors business in Edwards Avenue.

“Without the support of the



Ann-Marie Collins

community we wouldn’t have been able to continue in business and follow our passion. I can’t say it has not been hard, but at the end of the day we are part of this community and want what is best for Normanville,” Jeanette adds.

Following community consultation, a council decision on gazetting the green could be made as early as next month.

“If the community love it, I am really happy for that. It is a really great story of community connection,” Mayor Glen Rowlands says.

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▲ Hans Heysen. *Flinders Ranges Landscape*. 1956.

## But what do we know about Nora Heysen?

His daughter is less well known and John Neylon brings Nora out of the shadows of her father's reputation, explains the need for 'two studios' and reveals Nora Heysen's talents as a war artist and the first female winner of the Archibald Prize in 1938. The lecture traces a unique story of two creative journeys separated by an independence of spirit and linked by a love of art.

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Over the next few months ADFAS Fleurieu will be presenting lectures on 'The David Roche Museum' the

'English Country Garden... from the grand landscape to the Cottage Garden' and finally the work of William Morris. To learn more about the Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Societies, go to [www.adfas.org.au](http://www.adfas.org.au).



▲ Nora Heysen. *Self Portrait*. 1932.

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There will be few in the community who have not interacted with Jon, either socially, professionally or in times of need.

Jon has built good relationships and friendships with SAAS and CFS volunteers, the local medical team, the Lutheran community and United Church groups. All this, while raising three young men with his supportive and patient wife, Eileen.

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In recognising this outstanding milestone of dedication and commitment, the Yankalilla ambulance team would like to take this opportunity to express their thanks.

Thank you, Jon for the many years of service you have provided to the Yankalilla community. We are very grateful.

If you would like to become a volunteer ambulance officer go to [saasvolunteer.sa.gov.au](http://saasvolunteer.sa.gov.au)

*From the SAAS Yankalilla team.*

*Jon Jaensch with the 2021 team of SAAS Yankalilla volunteers: (back) Chiquita, Rob, Mel, John, Jon, Clive, Tony, Monique, Ollie, Anne, Carrie Jo, Peter, John. (front) Ronnie, Lesley, Anne Marie, Nicki, Megan, Nicole, Faith, Paquita, Amanda. Absent team members: Cam, Jenna, Lisa, Tasha.*



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*Jon calling on the radio 'Yankalilla 81'*

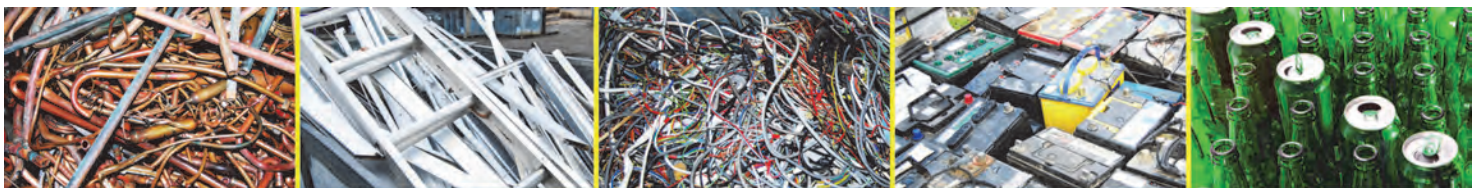


*Jon receiving the Premier's Certificate of Recognition for outstanding volunteer service, from Jay Weatherald*



*Sandy and Jon at the beach*

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Tom Curtain entertains and engages the audience

The Show Grounds have been well used as a vibrant community venue over the first few months of this year.

The Tom Curtain Show in February attracted an enthusiastic crowd to see some amazing horsemanship, dog control and a live concert with some great local story telling.

Earlier in March the Supper Hall was the venue for a Bush Food Tasting experience run through the Natural Resource Centre. For news of future experiences like this contact 8558 3644.

A new SA Sea Rescue Squadron boat which will operate as part of the Wirinna Flotilla was formally commissioned on March 27th in the Show Grounds at an event attended by Attorney-General and State Deputy Premier, Vicki Chapman. The locally made boat is part of South Australian Volunteer Marine Rescue's and SA Police's search and rescue response on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

Three live shows of Doors & Ladders by Yankalilla Youth Theatre were part of the Festival Fleurieu. These exuberant and entertaining performances used the grounds and the main hall of the Showgrounds and included 360 degree audience chair revolution.



Young scientists perform in Doors & Ladders

The group run weekly sessions in the main hall for young people 9-18, starting again on May 3. Contact Evette on 0480292 920.

Also part of the Festival was a stunning display by 12 local artists in the light-filled Pavilion. The group meet monthly in the Supper Room as part of the Yankalilla Art group. They run workshops with celebrated guest artists. Workshops start again on Wednesday, May 12, with Judith Sweetman focusing on water reflections. Contact Diana 0426 233 771 or Rhonda 0439 944 491.

The local Pony Club also regularly uses the grounds and they have some exciting events lined up for the year. They (Fleurieu Equestrian Clubs) are very family friendly and welcome new members. Check out their website at [www.ydec.com.au](http://www.ydec.com.au). They also have a Facebook page. The regular monthly market is on the 3rd Saturday of each month, from 9am - 1pm. Potential stallholders can contact Mattie on 0447 044 721 or Judy on 0411 287 201.

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their name early (from 7:00pm) on the whiteboard to be included in the Main Hall concert, 7:20pm. The campfire is a less formal opportunity for music experiments and a yarn. For more information contact Ian on 0439 861 001. Visitors and new hirers always welcome at the Yankalilla Show Grounds.



Seasonal produce at local markets



Yankalilla Art: coastal townscape, the beachside kiosk, Sturt Peas

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# Yankalilla Cricket Club Receives McGrath Foundation Pink Service Award

The Pink Service Award has been awarded to just seven cricket clubs nation-wide, acknowledging their long-term and ongoing support of Pink Stumps Day

Yankalilla Cricket Club has been recognised by the McGrath Foundation as one of just seven clubs nation-wide awarded with a Pink Service Award for their ongoing support and dedication to fundraising.

For the past nine years, Yankalilla Cricket Club has hosted a Pink Stumps Day, bringing their community together to raise over \$30,000 for McGrath Breast Care Nurses.

Pink Stumps Day is the McGrath Foundation's largest community fundraising campaign where cricket clubs and teams, workplaces, schools and backyard players across the nation turn their cricket game

pink to fundraise for the McGrath Foundation.

"We are so grateful to Yankalilla Cricket Club for their enthusiasm and ongoing dedication to Pink Stumps Day," said McGrath Foundation Ambassador and Director Tracy Bevan.

"Breast cancer is now the most commonly diagnosed cancer in Australia so the reality is that everyone will know someone who has been touched by this disease."

"It's incredible that clubs like Yankalilla Cricket Club turn out each year to show their support and raise funds for McGrath Breast Care Nurses – especially in such a challenging year. It's only through this generous support that we can continue to provide these vital nurses for free.

Gary Hogben, President said hosting a Pink Stumps Day was a great way to bring the community together and raise funds for a good cause.

"We were absolutely thrilled to hear the club was receiving a Pink Service Award from the McGrath Foundation. Pink Stumps Day has been a key date on our club calendar for the past 9 years and the cause is close the heart of so many in our club, so it's wonderful to receive this recognition," he said.

Yankalilla Cricket Club will host their tenth Pink Stumps Day on 27th March and is in the stages of planning their next Pink Stumps Day. Those looking to get involved should reach out to the club by contacting Gary Hogben 0410 497762 or Jeremy Parsons 0417 891472.

Find out more about hosting your own Pink Stumps Day event by visiting <https://www.pinkstumpsday.com.au/>.

Anyone who registers has the chance to win some great prizes, including a visit from Glenn McGrath!

"The Yankalilla Cricket Club have also raised and donated \$5500.00 to the Kangaroo Island bushfire appeal. A truly amazing effort from such a small member based Club," said Gary.

"The McGrath Pink Day fundraiser through the YCC was first established by Susan Bartlett and (the late) Trish Hogben, the first year we raised \$700.00 and thought that was massive, however it has gone from strength to strength and now we are raising thousands at a time. I am a very proud President."

## New matting thanks to Yankalilla Bakery

The Yankalilla Cricket & Football Clubs would like to express their sincere gratitude to the Yankalilla Bakery for its generosity in helping secure new protective matting for the oval pitch. In years gone by, the

clubs went to considerable expense to lay and remove turf at the change of season. This new matting allows the transition from football to cricket, and vice versa, with a minimal amount of fuss, and with the ongoing financial savings.

To Anthony and his wonderful staff at the Yankalilla Bakery we say thank you!



## Gallery 88

Our Community Art Collective has farewelled founding member Ena Harvey. Ena has been an active member - artist and fulfilled several positions within the Collective's committee from its start in 2002. We wish Ena all the best with her further endeavors and

thank her for her longstanding commitment.

The Collective has also attracted a few new members in the last year, one of which is Lynette Maddock.

Lynette's passion is to design and create beautiful one-off pieces of jewellery with semi-precious gemstones, crystals, and genuine pearls.

Her earrings and necklaces are true works of art. For her necklaces, she only uses high-quality tiger wire - which is a wire coated in colour - known for its strength and durability.

Lynette started making jewellery about three decades ago. At that time she taught meditation classes, using crystal energy for calmness. From these classes with crystal work, she developed her interest in creating jewellery for specific health benefits. Lynette also makes beautiful sun catchers with high-quality pieces of check-glass, crystals, and gemstones which she has been collecting for years.

Besides her jewellery, Lynette creates artful, one of a kind berets. The pure woollen berets are sourced during her travels in Japan. She decorates and embellishes these individual berets with silk stitching, felted flowers, buttons, and genuine pearls.

Lynette is not only a versatile artisan, but also had her own painting exhibitions in the past, and is planning to further develop her painting art in the near future.

To view Lynette's or any of our other artist's works, we invite you to visit Gallery 88.

Gallery 88 is Yankalilla & District's Community Art Gallery and represents 16 local and regional artists.

We are located at 88 Main Street in Yankalilla and open Wednesday to Sunday, and all school and public holidays, from 11.00am - 4.00pm. Entrance to the gallery is free.

**For more information, please contact:**

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You can also follow us on Facebook.



Bonnie & Gary with a cheque for the McGrath Foundation



Piaf, Gary (YCC President), Anthony (Yankalilla Bakery) and Amber on the pitch



Jess Mikulcic, Kelly Willsmore, Hayley Madden, Bonnie Willsmore, Maddie Willsmore, Charlotte Mallia dressed up for the Pink Stump fundraiser

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## Second Valley Indigenous Basket weaving event

An enthusiastic group of basket weavers gathered at the Second Valley hall on March 27th and after a shaky start, (the tutors found themselves in Inman Valley!) we got to work wrestling the dried, then dampened, native sedges into the beginnings of coiled baskets. Starting the coil is difficult but the Southern Elders Weavers, Janice, Lorna and Di, encouraged, assisted and offered raffia alternatives so everyone was able to get started. We were thrilled to have local Kaurna representative, Susan Roberts call in and spend time with the group, adding an important perspective and insight in this cultural exchange.

After lunch we were lucky to have sunny weather to go and see the sedges where they grow in the Paranacooka valley and to look at other possible basket weaving plants.

I would like to thank everyone involved, especially Peta Kruse who quietly made sure everyone was supplied with refreshments and took photos of the event.

The Southern Elders will be back for another basket weaving event during the Festival of Nature on September 17th so look out for the programme.

**Sue Speck**

Supported by a Country Arts Grant.



## Fleurieu Coast Swing Legends Pro-Am

This prestigious tournament was allocated to the Links at the Lady Bay Hotel and held on the 19th April. It is a three part event with the first round being held right here in Normanville. It should be said that this links course attracts golf purists such as these senior professionals who have graced the fairways in America, Europe, Asia and of course Australia.

This is partly on account of the course being designed and built by Graeme Grant the long-term superintendent of the Kingston Heath Golf Club often rated as number two in Australia. The Links was Graeme's first foray into golf design about 23 years ago with Jack Newton as his consultant. Since then he has put down the Ocean Dunes course on King Island which is in the top ten in Australia and top 100 in the world in its first year. With that in mind these guys want to see how our course stacks up.

At the end of the day and going into the next round with 69 are the gracious Peter Lonard, also Brad Burns and Andre Stolz.

Brad Burns is the best teaching professional on the Sunshine Coast (Qld) and was snookered by that canny Scotsman, the guru of the renaissance of the Lady Bay Hotel, Steve Finlayson as a playing partner. Lessons all the way round! Andre Stolz (Qld) has eleven victories to his credit in Australia, Japan and in USA.

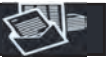
Peter Lonard a gentleman's gentleman has 12 victories including two Australian Opens. Mike Harwood (Victoria) featured below hitting a 7 iron 168 metres into the 8th hole to fifteen feet! He has had an illustrious career characterised by his epic play off with compatriot Ian Baker Finch for the British Open in 1991 watched by millions around the world on TV. The Toyota car was donated by Victor Harbor Toyota for a hole in one on the seventeenth. It was not claimed, but Lonard made a good fist of it with

his two iron into the breeze.

The course was well presented with staff out at 5am (don't you love it when the neighbours mow their lawns 2 hours before daybreak!) on the day bringing it up to scratch and James Xiao being the peripatetic host working on a return visit no doubt!



**Tony Nicholl**



**Wave Energy Generator  
DANGER**

The now abandoned Wave Energy Generator in Carrickalinga Bay for 7 years continues to be as much a danger as it ever was. It will continue to be a serious danger whilst the government does little to make it safer.

The danger is even more evident in the current demolition period. There are no buoys, no beacons, no warnings of any kind. This places the government on record as being negligent in the process. It is a perilous situation and one that can bring untold injury or damage.

To make matters worse, Corey Wingard MP will not disclose the insurance amount, saying the payout was "in confidence", however the CRA's own investigation uncovered \$1.8 million was paid to the liquidator (Deloitte's) from the insurance company. In the CRA's view, his money should have been used to remove the WEG as previously promised.

The Liberal government has so far refused to meet with the local community and dialogue in any open communication.

Yet, the government spuriously sends out repeated PR releases to the media making off the wall statements saying, cutting the top off the Wave Energy Generator is a "win win" for the community and "we came up with a solution that benefits the community".

These statements are not accurate, nor are they based on any community consultation. The community have not been consulted nor included. It is an insult to the people that utilise the gulf.

In The Advertiser recently Minister Wingard MP was quoted as saying "the saga would come to an end and this eyesore will be forever removed from

Carrickalinga". What Minister Wingard didn't say was, the environmental waste dumped in Carrickalinga Bay will be replaced by a permanent Danger Marker and left as a marine, environmental and navigational hazard in perpetuity.

The current demolition will place the structure just 1 metre below the surface of the water, a-topped with what the government refers to in its own words as a "Danger Marker" with a 100 metre diameter exclusion zone imposed around the waste pile, attracting a \$1,250 fine if anyone is found in breach.

The government has offered no community consultation whatsoever, despite the CRA's many pleas to do so. Yet, the government continues to keep the community in the dark and chooses to only communicate with various media, in turn, making maligned comments saying it is communicating with the community. This is unsatisfactory behaviour.

We will continue to plead with the government to make safe the structure for the long term and cut it down to a level, safely away from shipping and the like.

**Kim Baker - President  
Carrickalinga Ratepayers Association**

**Goodbye**

I am Sea Change has closed and it's a sad goodbye from me [Aoy] but all being well I have good times ahead.

I have had a 14+ year experience that has been very close to magic. My life has been enhanced by the people I have had the pleasure of meeting and I wish to thank you all for that.

So, it's good bye for now, I hope to be back for a holiday when the virus has been beaten. I won't be

working, retirement is beckoning. It's a very big thank you to Normanville and district, it will always have a special place in my heart.

**Ratchanee [Aoy] Khoryun.**

**Lions fun run/walk on 21 March**

I wanted to endorse the efforts of those in the Lions group in putting this on.

It could be something much bigger. A lot more could be made of the majesty of the beach from the jetty to the far end of the beach of Carrickalinga. Perfect weather as well.

I entered and came a serious last but I was much better for it and the swim after!

Watch for it next year.

**Tony Nicholl**

**Found Glasses Case**

Found at Combined Churches Op Shop, Normanville. Glasses case with Fraser Island inscribed on it. 2 Wedding Photos. Left Sat. 10 April.

**The story has two sides**

Dear Community, please be aware as I am sure you all know that there are always two sides to a story. It is the right of anyone to make their own opinions about what they hear. As you wish if you choose to have that opinion after hearing only one side of that story but in respect to both parties keep that information to yourself as one side of story only might not be the given truth. Distributing this information without true knowledge or fact can be damaging and hurtful to all involved.

**Leanne**

**Food for Thought for the  
Community: Extract from the  
DCY Mayor's Report to Council  
Meeting 20/4/21**

Council has recently achieved a large amount of grant funding towards the development of cabins in the Jetty Road Caravan Park. I, along with many others, am very grateful and I offer the following thoughts.

**Should we give up the development of  
the cabins at the Jetty Caravan Park?**

This is a very good question.

Ever since I have been on Council, I have driven the campaign to have the Federal Assistance Grant Funding (FAG's) distribution reviewed to be more equitable to regional councils with high absentee landowners. The District Council of Yankalilla is one of those councils.

The inequity to this council is in the vicinity of \$750k but my drive is to get another \$500k per year, year on year indexed, (\$500k is game changing for this community, it relates to 5% of rates). My campaign has been heard in many areas of government and by many MP's as well as the grants commission, I continually ask for a review, but it is not forth coming. The long and short is, the councils who get the large portions won't let a review happen as it is money for nothing, and they use it however they want, it is untied federal government funding.

I don't believe that our council will see any change soon.

I have been advocating to our members of governments of the great work our council does on a shoestring budget and that no substantial help ever comes our way via grants or things done for our region.

What the June 2020 budget was saying to the governments of the day, council is putting up projects and money including \$1m stimulus for the State or Federal Governments to match.

There were promises of grant funding, but it wasn't

till early 2021 that the \$100m Local Government Infrastructure Program (LGIP) hit the table, it had criteria attached to it, one in particular, being it had to be new projects, projects did include libraries, but this funding became unavailable to us because of our commitment to a new library building in the June 2020/21 budget.

I believe that this budget commitment also sent a message to Treasury that we are serious to do projects and that we are prepared to borrow to support the request of the Premier, Steven Marshal (sic), to help the state to come out of the COVID economic down turn, help to put income back into the community and help to create jobs.

**Local Government Infrastructure  
Program (LGIP)**

The Chief Executive visited the Local Government Association - Shovel Ready Program Panel in January, while on holidays, to put forward our case and what the investment would do for our community. We have achieved \$2,045,000 to invest in the cabin development, this will help compensate the FAG's inequity. I am very grateful because the cabin project will put added \$ back into the community that FAGs should be.

There are business opportunities available, but those opportunities are only realised by the ones who have the gumption to take up those opportunities. Council has a business opportunity to invest to create profit that will make a different (sic), and the beneficiaries are the community.

Council has had the foresight to look at the caravan park over some 5 years, as its business opportunity to give the visitors a better experience and to take away underperforming annual licences, to be replaced with high performing assets to create profits for the benefit of the whole community.

I see future councils earmarking the caravan park/cabin profits and allocating those profits to specific projects for better community outcomes, this would lower the impact of rate rises, to support projects like the Bungala River linier park, stormwater management/wetlands, walking trails, youth programs.

There is some talk about council not listening, or worse still, community distrusting council's decision-making process. Is this chatter real or is it just a few not getting their own way and keep playing the drum? I see those few as ones not wanting change or worse still trying to tell future generations what they need or want. When I go to consultation forums or read YourSay feedback 90% of the comments or attendees are from our older community.

Council looks across the whole community and in reality, the decisions made are for the up and coming generations, they are the ones who will use, maintain, operate, the infrastructure not us oldies. The few in the district who keep playing the drum had better make sure their drive is what the younger generation see as something they want to happen. It's not about us baby boomer era, we've had our time, it is about our children and grandchildren, listen to them.

I came on Council to do the best I could for the better of the whole community not just a few loud drummers, who I have just offended again, but I will not stop the progress made nor will I change the decision-making process because when I came on Council in April 2014 decisions lacked vision, business knowledge, gumption, and not wanting to rock the boat.

The Caravan Park Committee tried various options but weren't able to progress it to the position we are in today.

There is consultation/engagement as part of the process and legislation, when is enough, enough how many ways do we need to ask the questions. As Elected Members we listen to the thoughts of the community, we have to decipher the information to make a decision, often there are changes to plans to accommodate the wishes of the community, not everyone will be happy with all the decisions.

My approach is to get on and do it as long as a good sound process has been followed, the cabin project should go ahead because the outcomes of the proposal will be beneficial to the majority of our people.





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**MAY**

Saturday 1st Veggie Swap  
 Monday 3rd Community Nursery  
 Working Bee  
 Friday 7th Nixon Skinner  
 Working Bee  
 Saturday 8th Biochar Workshop  
 Saturday 8th Banksia Park  
 Working Bee  
 Thursday 13th Social Sewing  
 Monday 17th Community Nursery  
 Working Bee  
 Monday 31st Bird Field Trip To  
 Ferris McDonald Con. Park

**JUNE**

Friday 4th Nixon Skinner  
 Working Bee  
 Saturday 5th Veggie Swap  
 Monday 7th Kiss The Ground  
 Movie Screening  
 Thursday 10th Social Sewing  
 Saturday 12th Banksia Park  
 Working Bee  
 Monday 21st Community Nursery  
 Working Bee  
 Monday 28th Bird Field Trip To  
 Onkaparinga Hills

## The NNRC now has seven different bins where you can recycle the following items:

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- **Aluminium:** We do take aluminium lids such as those used for wine bottles, but the plastic inserts must be removed first. All aluminium brought in must be clean and dry please.
- **Pens and Markers:** Pens, biro's, highlighters, and markers can all be dropped off.
- **Batteries:** All sizes, including hearing aid batteries.

- **Printer Cartridges:** Of all types & brands.
  - **Blister Packs:** Empty plastic tablet packs
  - **MobileMuster:** Mobile phones, iPods and MP3 players are accepted.
- All these items can be dropped off to the NNRC and we will recycle them for you!



## Southern Elders Weavers Workshop

Indigenous peoples all over the world and throughout history have developed basket making techniques to utilise locally available materials. On March the 27th the Southern Elders Weaving group ran a workshop at Second Valley Hall where participants learned the skills to identify local sedges and how to weave them into baskets. We would like to thank Janice Ringey and her daughter Lorna from the Southern Elders Weaving Group for presenting, Sue Speck for her organisation of the event and all these who attended and helped out on the day. This was a fantastic event that was supported by a grant from the Australian Government's Regional Arts Fund. We look forward to running another weaving workshop later in the year!



## Heritage Fleurieu Coast Tree Trail Launch

The NNRC would like to thank everyone who attended the launch of the Heritage Fleurieu Coast Tree Trail on the 11th of April at Garnet Kelly Reserve! The NNRC was thrilled to unveil the first of five interpretive signs funded by the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board Grassroots Grant program as part of the event. After the ceremony, the attendees enjoyed a walk up the Great Gorge behind Garnet Kelly Reserve. Thanks to all those who contributed to the creation of the tree trail, particularly Sue Speck for her many hours of work to bring this project to life.



If you'd like to access a copy of the tree trail pop into the Normanville Natural Resource Centre, the Fleurieu Coast Visitor Centre or find a digital copy online at [www.nnrc.com.au/trees.php](http://www.nnrc.com.au/trees.php)

## Community Film Screening: Kiss the Ground

*"This film represents the culmination of tens of thousands of hours of research by scientists around the world who have finally cracked the code on managing climate-change before it's too late"* – Josh Tickell, author of the book *Kiss the Ground, How the Food You Eat Can Reverse Climate Change, Heal Your Body and Ultimately Save Our World.*



Join us at the NNRC for a Free community screening of Kiss the Ground narrated by Woody Harrelson. At 6.30pm on Monday the 7th of June at the Normanville Natural Resource Centre. Homemade popcorn and light refreshments will be available for a small donation. **Please RSVP by the 1st of June** as limited seats are available.

## Veg of the Month: Garlic



Garlic is a kitchen staple for most households and a delicious vegetable that truly makes any savoury meal taste better. Not only is it tasty but it has been used as a medicine throughout ancient and modern history and is specifically known for its immune system boosting abilities. Although it is a slow maturing crop, growing garlic at home is quite simple and doesn't require much garden space. Once harvested and properly dried it will store for many months, meaning that with little effort you can grow a year-long supply for your kitchen. Here is a quick guide to growing garlic at home.

**Selecting seed:** We recommend buying organic garlic from a local farmers market as you can be sure that the variety is climatically suited to our region. Once you've sourced your garlic, separate each bulb and keep the largest, most plump and well-formed cloves for planting. Each clove grows into a bulb, so how many you plant will depend on how much you want to grow.

**Preparing your garden:** Garlic requires full sun throughout the growing season and prefers well drained soil and lots of good quality compost. It likes soil that has been loosened up with a fork to a depth of at least 20cm. Once you have added a thick layer of compost, gently combine it into the soil and create a flat surface.

**Planting:** Garlic can be planted in a grid at 10-15cm, depending on the variety. Smaller varieties such as Italian purple can be planted at 10cm, while Russian garlic requires 15cm. Plant each clove with the pointy end facing up, at a depth of 5cm. Firm the soil afterwards, water it well and cover with mulch.

**Growing:** Here in South Australia the high rain fall throughout winter means you shouldn't need to water the garlic until springtime. You can also give the garlic an extra mineral feed of diluted worm juice or seaweed solution once a month. As it reaches maturity, a thick stalk called a scape may emerge through the centre of the foliage.

**Harvesting:** Garlic takes around 9 months to grow to maturity and is usually ready to harvest in the first few weeks of summer. When the lower foliage begins to yellow, stop watering the plants to allow it to dry off for about one week. Gently pull the entire plant out of the ground, brush away excess dirt and lie them on a rack in a dry and well-ventilated area to begin curing. After a couple of weeks, the outside of the garlic will begin to feel papery and dry. At this stage you can trim the foliage so that about 15cm of stem remains, remove some of the dirty outer leaves and trim the roots. Cure for another month and then store the garlic in a dry and well-ventilated spot, either hung in bunches, in hessian sacks or recycled net bags. Be sure to put aside some of your best cloves for replanting the following year. Happy growing!

For more information on fruit and vegetables that are in season this month see the Adelaide Farmers Market Seasonal Produce Guide: <https://adelaidefarmersmarket.com.au/food-and-produce/seasonal-produce-guide/>



## Herby Garlic Confit

You can spread the cloves on grilled bread, marinate olives and feta with the garlicky oil, mash cloves into store-bought mayo, or stir into mashed potatoes.

**Makes:** 2 cups

**Prep time:** 10 minutes

**Cook Time:** 60-75 minutes

### Ingredients

- 4 heads of garlic, cloves separated, unpeeled
- A small handful of thyme sprigs,

rosemary sprigs, and/or bay leaves

- 1½ cups extra-virgin olive oil

### Method

Preheat oven to 120°C. Place garlic, herbs, and oil in an 8x8" baking dish or a small saucepan. Cover with foil and bake until garlic is tender, 60–75 minutes. (You will have to pop one out of its skin to test it; it should be soft and jammy). Let cool.

Garlic confit can be made 2 weeks ahead. Transfer to an airtight container and keep in the fridge. Reheat over low heat before using.

# Normanville Natural Resource Centre

## Condolences for Brian Freeman

It is with much sadness that we report that Brian Freeman from Inman Valley died last month. Brian was a passionate native gardener, with incredible knowledge about Australian plants and a spectacular garden sprawling over 2 hectares. His propagation and grafting sheds were always full of the most amazing native species from all over Australia. Brian moved to the property 19 years ago and has been transforming bare paddocks into dense flowering gardens ever since. The NNRC gardening club were very lucky to have been invited to Brian's property each spring to wander around this remarkable colourful garden and take cuttings. It was always a fun event finishing with a shared meal and drink. Brian will always be remembered by our members each time they walk around their own gardens watching their native cuttings flourish!

Brian's Garden



Brian's garden was featured on Gardening Australia last October if you would like to see more go to <https://www.abc.net.au/gardening/factsheets/life-of-brian/12804450>

## Are you a local food retailer that would like to know more about reducing plastic takeaway items from your business?

In collaboration with the District Council of Yankalilla and the Plastic Free SA program, the Normanville Natural Resource Centre is helping local food retailers within our area transition to certified compostable takeaway food packaging. This is part of a project working towards our region become a Plastic Free Precinct. If you would like to know more about this program, please go to the Plastic Free SA website: <https://www.plasticfreesa.org/join> or send an email to [maddie@nnrc.com.au](mailto:maddie@nnrc.com.au)

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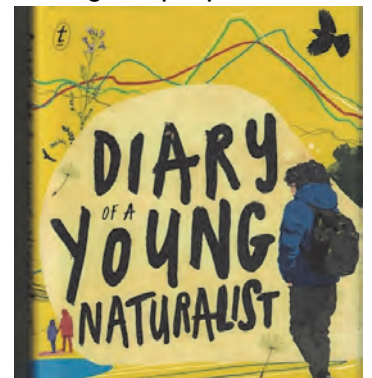
## Diary of a Young Naturalist

Dara McNulty. 2020. The Text Publishing Company, Melbourne.

**D**iary of a Young Naturalist chronicles the turning of Dara McNulty's world, from spring to summer, autumn to winter, on his home patch, at school, in the wild and in his head.

Evocative, raw and beautifully written, this very special book vividly explores the natural world from the perspective of an autistic teenager juggling homework, exams and friendships alongside his life as a conservationist and environmental activist. With a sense of awe and wonder, Dara describes in meticulous detail encounters in his garden and the wild, with blackbirds, whooper swans, red kites, hen harriers, frogs, dandelions, skylarks, bats, cuckoo flowers, Irish hares and many more species. The power and warmth of his words also draw an affectionate and moving portrait of a close-knit family making their way in the world.

Dara McNulty is a naturalist, conservationist and activist from Northern Ireland. He's received many awards for his conservation work, including from BBC Springwatch, the Daily Mirror and Birdwatch magazine. He's written and presented numerous natural history programs for BBC radio and television, and is an ambassador for the RSPCA, the iWill campaign and the Jane Goodall Institute.



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## Yankalilla Ladies Probus Club Inc. A New Year – A New Committee

March is Annual General Meeting month within the Probus organisation, and that means election of new Committee members to work for members during the coming year.

We had received nominations for management positions and we welcome Bev Skinner as our President for 2021/22. Retiring President Avril Clark – who leaves with our sincere thanks for leading us in a difficult year - presented Bev with the President's collar.

And now onward and upward for a new year of fun, friendship and fellowship. Many interesting outings are in the pipeline – lunches at Inman Valley and on the River Murray, tours of cheese factories and farms, entertaining speakers from within and without the Club. The hardworking committee is on it, so please be ready to join in.

Our members come from many and varied backgrounds, and sometimes we can persuade one of them to share some anecdotes. We were fortunate to have two of our members happy to share some memories at the AGM, by way of a little light relief on what can be a heavy procedural day.

Thanks Pat, for your great tale of mixing and delivering barium enemas as a 16-year-old trainee. Talk about starting at the bottom! And Lynne's story of on-the-job training at St. Andrew's Hospital in the late 1950's, early 60's, really brought home the fact that nursing is a calling and not just a job. True dedication.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings. If you would like to know more about our Club, please contact Lorraine or Bev on the numbers below.

**Lorraine Felix – Publicity Officer**  
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Above: The 2021-22 Committee  
Left: Avril ready to hand over to Bev (r)





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## Making a difference – one piece of art at a time

ACH Group has welcomed experienced and prize-winning artist Linda Hammond to the role of art teacher for Art in Focus, an arts class for people 65+ years old run at Yankalilla.

Linda, who owns her own studio, is enthusiastic about all different types of art and is committed to making a difference in the lives of those she teaches and supporting charities that help injured wildlife. Linda is also a proud participant in '100 Artworks for Koalas', an initiative raising funds to support koalas, that will be going live soon. She has also donated a watercolour koala artwork to be auctioned with funds raised going to the Adelaide Koala and Wildlife Hospital.

"I also do a lot of charity pieces during the year, in last year's devastating bushfires I managed to raise over \$500 for charities that help injured wildlife and then rehabilitate them back into nature", Linda said.

"I love our Australian lifestyle and wildlife and a lot of my work is inspired by what is around me. I generally have a camera ready wherever I go, and I am constantly taking photos of our native fauna and flora.

"Yankalilla is about an hour drive from where I live, and I love how after a short drive you are on the winding roads on a road of discovery. I am forever amazed at what is in the gullies and hills along the road as you drive to Yankalilla, the native wildlife and scenery is breathtaking. The hills as you come into Yankalilla are lovely, the big trees and light shining through them, it's a picture postcard that needs to be painted."

The Fleurieu region as the backdrop made the position to work as the lead artist for ACH Group's Art in Focus even more appealing to Linda.

"I was aware of many of ACH Group's programs due to my father recently being diagnosed with early onset dementia. He receives regular support with outings and housework. When I told him I had taken this position he was so proud of me. Silly, I know, but even at 51 years of age, your dad being proud of you still makes you smile."

Linda said that ACH Group's Art in Focus is for everyone, from beginners to pros and everyone in between.

"It is an inclusive environment where peer learning is encouraged. Everyone is so excited to see each other's progress in the group, it is such a great environment to work in," she said.

"You're never too old to learn something new or try to reconnect with art even if it has been 20 or 30 years since doing it. I love how

each person is so happy to learn or mentor each other, it really is a lovely environment to work in."

Visual arts and the practice of it helps with an increase of self-esteem, socialising and building a social network which encourages a feeling of place in society.

"There are so many art exhibitions ACH Group customers can enter. Showing their work publicly will get their art and stories into the world and give themselves pride in what they have accomplished," Linda said.

"I find in my classes that people feel relaxed and calm as they leave the session, because creating something has lifted them spiritually and physically. I know art is a wonderful place to let go of a lot of stress.

"You may never be a Van Gogh, but you can give it your best shot and enjoy yourself while doing it in the process."


For more information and to join ACH Group's Art in Focus class, visit: [achgroup.org.au/group-experience/art-in-focus/](http://achgroup.org.au/group-experience/art-in-focus/), call **1300 22 44 77** or email [enquiries@ach.org.au](mailto:enquiries@ach.org.au)

Art in Focus classes at Yankalilla are held on Wednesday at the Yankalilla Uniting Church Hall, 121 Main South Road, Yankalilla from 9.45am – 11.45am.

Read more about the benefits of art here: [achgroup.org.au/blog/healthy-ageing/staying-active/benefits-of-art/](http://achgroup.org.au/blog/healthy-ageing/staying-active/benefits-of-art/)




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## Watch Out For Wild Mushrooms

Thursday, 22 April 2021

As the weather turns colder and wetter, South Australians heading outdoors are reminded to not pick and eat wild mushrooms. The Department for Health and Wellbeing's Scientific Services Branch Director, Dr David Simon, said while some wild mushrooms might look like common supermarket varieties or mushrooms popular overseas, ingesting them can cause serious illness or even death.

"Mushroom poisoning causes violent stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea," Dr Simon

said.

"It can take several hours for symptoms to appear and can last for up to three days. Poisoning from varieties such as the death-cap mushroom can cause serious liver damage, which can be fatal.

"These types of mushrooms commonly grow and thrive in wet weather conditions and we often see a surge in calls made by South Australians to the Poisons Information Centre coinciding with this time of year.

"Each year, around two-thirds of calls made to the hotline about mushroom poisonings involve

children less than five years-of-age. Nine of the 14 cases handled by the hotline so far this year involved young children and four of these were referred to hospital. "In 2020 there were 20 per cent more calls made about mushroom exposure to the Poisons Information Centre than the previous year, which may be attributed to more people being active outside when COVID-19 restrictions were in place."

Senior Botanist for the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium of South Australia, Dr Teresa Lebel, said this year's mushroom season is expected to be bountiful, with ideal growing conditions after South Australia's particularly wet summer stimulating bumper growth in the still warm earth. "This is why it will be especially important this year to keep an eye on children and pets outside, as mushrooms are easily in reach and can look interesting and attractive to eat," Dr Lebel said.

"People should only eat mushrooms purchased from a reliable greengrocer or supermarket, as there is no simple way to tell if a mushroom is safe to eat or not, and even experts can have difficulty identifying certain species from each other.

"Even if a mushroom looks exactly like one you would pick up off a supermarket shelf or like other edible mushrooms people are familiar with from overseas, the best advice is not to eat them at all.

"One major problem is that species such as the death cap can be easily mistaken for the Stubble Rosegill *Volvopluteus gloiocephalus*, since the latter species is very similar to the Paddy Straw Mushroom *Volvariella volvacea*, a delicacy in

## Readers Poetry

### Missing Person

Lately, I've been thinking about my mum  
She's been missing ~ for about five years  
I often wonder, "Where has she gone?"  
Memories of her well up my tears.

Her love of nature, songs she'd hum  
Interest in people, a ready smile  
Kind hearted ~ friendly to everyone  
Passion for health with papers on file!

It's curious which traits now are most endearing?  
If I could wish her return and see  
Into her blue eyes, it would bring  
Smiles of gratitude, for all I've come to be.

I'm glad I had the chance to show  
The beautiful part of me to her  
A loveliness legacy on me-bestowed  
Worth more than gold, frankincense and myrrh.

She is a missing person, with no ill intent  
Our dear mum who's still missed now.  
Though I do find comfort when I reflect,  
My mum is in me ~ she's here with me, somehow.

~ Elizabeth Ellis ~ ©

Year	Total Mushroom Cases through Poisons Centre	Calls regarding children under five-years-of-age	Calls referred to hospital
2021 (Jan-Mar)	14	9	4
2020	111	68	12
2019	93	72	31
2018	68	38	9
2017	80	48	13
2016	79	51	19
2015	68	44	17
2014	85	50	20
2013	106	72	23

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"In addition to the death cap, there are other wild mushrooms in Australia that have caused fatalities or can make you seriously ill, including species of *Cortinarius* and *Galerina*, and the ghost mushroom which is commonly mistaken for oyster mushrooms." If you suspect you or someone you know has eaten a wild mushroom, do not wait for symptoms to appear. Contact the Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 for advice and always call triple zero (000) in an emergency. If you suspect your pet has eaten wild mushrooms, seek veterinary attention immediately.

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## Yankalilla Men's Probus Club

Our monthly meeting 334 - held first Tuesday of each month - was undertaken on 5th April. A substantial 28 members were there. Paramount in the newsletter handout was a message from the president Don Binney extolling the virtues of being resident here and sometimes we need reminding. Allan Barnes advised us Rebekha Sharkie apologised for being unable to speak at this meeting but has reappointed for September. Our guest speaker was Christine Bell the principal at the Yankalilla Area School and she outlined to us the progress and outcomes being achieved at the school. Christine, once a teacher always a teacher, went to the trouble of bringing along a couple of exercises for us to undertake. This was not to test our memory deficits but rather to keep us focused and no members were relegated to the "naughty corner". Our indomitable secretary and ambassador, Bruce Burford (not the Bruce Burford who writes published letters of complaint in the advertiser twice a week), went to

considerable lengths to produce and distribute the minutes of the march meeting which included the treasurers account of our healthy bank balance which is getting healthier. Craig Harris outlined the outings organised and 29th April will be a visit to the Strathalbyn, Gilbert's motor museum and a good attendance is expected as is the case with all the interesting undertakings put in place by Craig. Born: 12th August 1943 in Tasmania (congratulatory messages and gifts may be sent to PO Box 2437, Normanville!). Came to Melbourne, age four, bayside Black Rock where I attended the primary school which abutted Royal Melbourne Golf Club. Secondary school Haileybury a devout presbyterian school at the time. First job: counter jockey in Collins Street at P&O the shipping company as a sallow youth, 6 pounds 12/6 a week.



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The next meeting will be on Tuesday May 4th at 10am at the RSL Hall, Main South Road. The guest speaker on this occasion will be Mr Glen Benveniste MBBS Adelaide and FRACS Melbourne University. Glen is an endovascular (minimally invasive) and vascular surgeon at the Ashford Clinic on Anzac Highway. The topic designated is "the French paradox and its relation to men's health". For those that don't know the French paradox pertains to male gender and coronary artery disease.  
**Tony**



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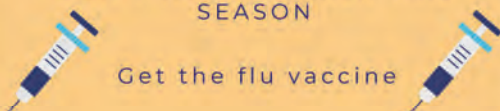
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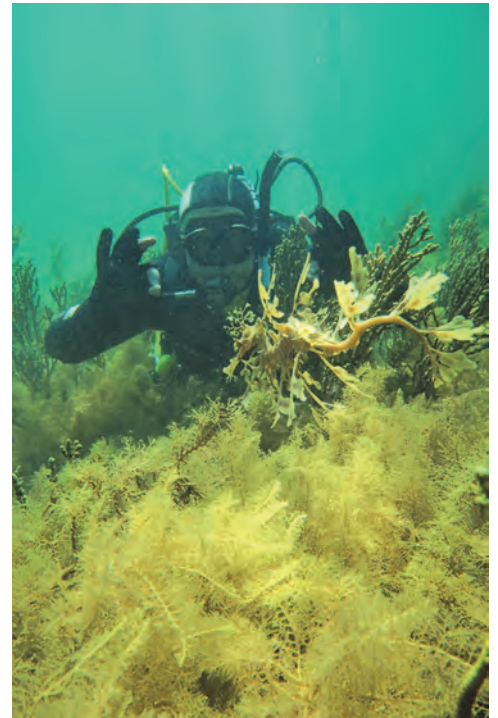
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## Reader's photo

**A** happy buddy indeed; Leafy nonchalant by David Muirhead.  
Taken on Friday 19th March Second Valley about 10 metres north of the jetty.



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**Deadly virus found in South Australian bats**

Thursday, 8 April 2021

People heading outdoors are reminded to avoid any contact with bats, after it was confirmed that two recent exposures in South Australia last month involved bats carrying Australian Bat Lyssavirus (ABL).

The Department for Health and Wellbeing's Communicable Disease Control Branch Director, Dr Louise Flood, said the latest exposures were the third time in SA that ABL had been confirmed in bats, with the first detected in 2012.

"ABL is a rabies-like disease that can be transmitted to humans if they are bitten or scratched by an infected bat and if treatment is delayed until after the onset of symptoms, the condition is invariably fatal," Dr Flood said. "While only one per cent of bats usually carry ABL, these two recent exposures are concerning and is an important reminder that bats should only ever be handled by appropriately trained and vaccinated animal handlers.

"While the development of ABL from bat bites or scratches can be prevented through prompt wound management and post exposure prophylaxis, it is important to avoid contact in the first place."

The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) Chief Veterinary Officer, Dr Mary Carr, said exposure to ABL from bats is also a concern for other animals as well as

humans, and pet owners should ensure their animals also avoid any contact with bats.

"If you notice bats around your home, ensure your animal is physically separated from them by either relocating the pet either indoors or elsewhere until the bat is gone," Dr Carr said.

"If you suspect your animal has been either bitten or scratched by a bat please contact your local vet or the **Emergency Animal Disease hotline on 1800 675 888.**" In 2020 there were nine bat-human exposures in SA that required precautionary treatment, including rabies vaccine and rabies immunoglobulin and eight have required treatment in 2021.

If you are bitten or scratched by a bat, or come into contact with bat saliva, you should take immediate action by:

- Cleaning the area with soap and water for at least five minutes
- Applying antiseptic such as povidone-iodine
- Contacting a doctor or hospital emergency department and commencing a course of post-exposure prophylaxis if necessary

If you do come across a bat that appears to be dead, injured or in distress, contact the **Fauna Rescue SA bat helpline on 8486 1139** or **Bat Rescue SA on 0475 132 093.**



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