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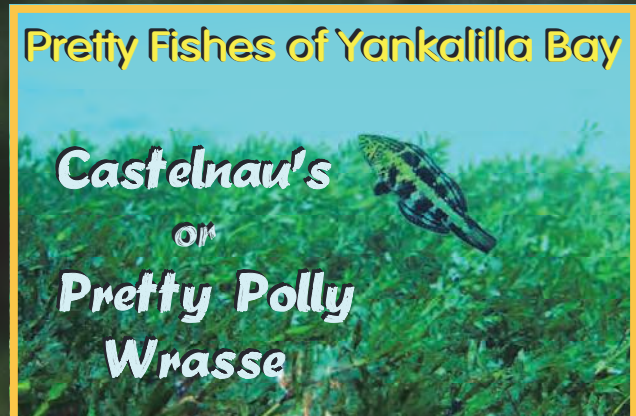
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# The Cattle are Back at Yankalilla Show for 2023

Cattle-based exhibitions return to Yankalilla Show this year. For many years cattle have not been shown. However, at the 2022 show, we had one dairy cow, that proved to be a highlight. Another highlight this year, is that our committee was joined by our new Young Regional Ambassador (YRA), Katie Bell. Katie is a very keen to bring cattle back to the show, initially starting with beef cattle but also re-introducing dairy cattle.



Andrew Norton

Katie is our newest and youngest section convenor. She is also keen to encourage young participation with junior events, for Under 12s to Under 25s.

The show is always on the Saturday of the October long weekend, and in 2023 this falls on 30th September. Andrew Norton, one of the regular Tuesday morning working bee team, has been busy renewing existing facilities, to welcome the cattle back. They will have a wash bay, tie-up rail, and access to electricity for blowers but breeders will need to bring a fold-up gazebo to provide shade.

If you are interested in entering, please commit as soon as possible, as we will need to know the number of cattle we are expecting. The Show Book is in preparation and we will have information on classes. Check our Facebook page, too, for information as it happens.

We are also excited about early interest in sponsorship. **Safe-T Consultants P/L** and **From Paddock to Plate** have already thrown their hats in the ring. Anyone interested in sponsoring, or needing more information, please contact us at

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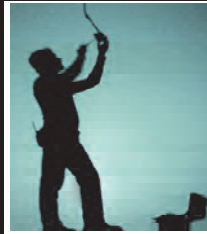
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## Yankalilla Hockey Club

**B**y the time you read this in early July, the Yankalilla Hockey Club will be halfway through its 2023 minor round! Where is the winter going?

We took a break for the King's Birthday long weekend, but July will be filled with hockey every weekend. Our women's and juniors divisions continue to field strong teams. But how about our under 14s! They are enjoying a run of six wins, as of the start of June. We'd love to have a few more for the men's team. Never too late to give it a go. Ring Vanessa Black (0415 647 271) if you're interested.

Yankalilla Hockey is looking forward to its annual Quiz Night fundraising event. We are booked for Friday 11 August at the roomy Club Fleurieu. This is a bit later than our July date of previous years, but July is traditionally quite crowded with sporting club quiz nights. Table bookings can be made with our treasurer, Vanessa Black (0415 647 271). Details as follows:

**Where:** Club Fleurieu  
**When:** Friday 11 August. 7pm for 7.30pm start

**What:** \$10 entry, BYO nibbles, bar facilities available. Tables of up to 8 people.

Stay tuned for the August YRN, with perhaps a few teasers about prizes and format.

Back to hockey, the Club has home games coming up on Saturday 1 July and Saturday 5 August. Come along to cheer on the mighty Hockey Tigers, have a snag, and enjoy the Memorial Park.



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## Editor's Comments

Hello Readers,  
Winter has set in with everything looking lush and green. It is this time of year - until 31 August - that **Trees For Life** take orders for native seedlings. Details on page 25.

On the subject of revegetating, **Friends Of Bungala River** have just received a \$2000 grant - woohoo! - and they would like some volunteers to help plant this in the form of seedlings along Bungala River and Salt Creek. See page 17 for details.

It appears we have a large number of residents that rather enjoy a night at the movies. There were over 60 who attended a recent free screening at Club Fleurieu held by the **Southern Fleurieu Film Society**. The interest shown has warranted the trialling of a group in this district. See page 7.

The next meeting of those instigating the proposed local Dog Park is 7 July at 1pm. The venue is yet to be confirmed at the time of going to press but check the Facebook page of **Yank / Normie Dog Park Friends**.

Rates for DCY ratepayers are looking like increasing by 7.4% as the Elected Members essentially approved the budget at a recent meeting. What is concerning is the complete lack of feedback from the community, and it is nothing new, it has been building up to this over a number of years. There were only 31 submissions from

our 5000+ population. Is it apathy? In general conversations around the place, most are of the opinion that the Council do what they want, regardless and sometimes in spite of the ratepayers who are concerned enough to say something. "...I will not discuss/reply to you any further..." is something you don't expect from an EM but that is a standard reply of one current EM. The new EMs for this term are listening so maybe it's time for another attempt at communication.

I also wonder how many of the local residents actually know what is happening. According to sources, the DCY produces about 200 copies of their 'Loop' to spread around and emails about 1200 electronic versions out to those on the register. Which is only going to cover about 1/5 of the ratepayers at the most.

Information is a commodity that can be used to manipulate as much as to spread knowledge. Russia are good at controlling their population with tight controls on information. *War? What war?*

Councils can either inform or withhold information to ratepayers. If there are unscrupulous members, the ratepayer always ends up with the bill.

Similar to Russia making holes in Ukraine with mortars we will have holes in our finances and infrastructure.

Until next issue...

Cheers,  
Paul Jelfs  
Editor

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## Yankalilla Men's Shed

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after he moved around for a few years, holidaying in Tasmania, Darwin, The Grampians and of course for a younger man, Bali. Then returning in 2005 to where his roots are. Josh's first job was as a shop assistant, and to get to and fro, his first car was a VW Passat. Josh now is a Ranger, enjoying his picnic basket for evening meals on Wednesday nights at the Men's shed. He joined the Shed in 2018, after listening to his older brother's suggestion, and has not regretted it. Josh's music pleasure comes from listening to a range of styles from classical, right through to boot scooting electronic songs. I wonder what his daughter and son think of Dads taste in music!



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# Club Fleurieu – A Club for Everyone!

On Friday 2 June the “River Rats” returned to the Club for a fantastic evening of rhythm & blues music. They had us all up dancing and, as the night went on, we also gave them some “help” with the singing! Delicious food from the kitchen, and refreshments from Bjorn’s Bar kept us energised. Many thanks to the band and all our volunteers for organising such a fun night.



## Weekly Club Activities

If you are new to the area, or would like to meet people and try something different, don’t forget our weekly activities here at the Club. There’s something for everyone, so don’t hesitate to contact us if you’re interested.

The return of Bingo on Thursday mornings has been particularly popular, and numbers are steadily growing. Please arrive by 10.00am for “eyes down” at 10.30am. We’d love you to join our friendly group, have some fun and see if you can win! You don’t need to be a Club member to play. Cost is \$4.00 for 20 games and \$1.00 for each game of Get Six.

<b>Monday</b>	2.00pm	Mahjong
	6.30pm	Rock & Roll Dancing
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.00am	Threads Quilting (Weeks 2,4 & 5)
	2.00pm	Line Dancing
<b>Wednesday</b>	5.00pm	Zumba
<b>Thursday</b>	10.00am	Bingo
<b>Friday</b>	10.00am	Macrame & Mosaics
	2.00pm	Cards

## What’s on in JULY?

**Thursday 6 July**

**Film Night**

**6.30pm for 7.00pm start**

Southern Fleurieu Film Society presents “Wash My Soul in the River’s Flow”... a story of love, loss and home, starring Archie Roach, Ruby Hunter & Paul Grabowski. It’s only \$25 to join the society for the remainder of 2023, and view a movie at the Club on the first Thursday of each month!

**Tuesday 11 July**

**at 12 noon**

**Winter Warmer Lunch**

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**Friday 14 July**  
**from 5.00pm**  
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**Wednesday 19**

**July at 12noon**

**July Club Lunch**

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*Dessert: Chocolate Banoffee Pie or Fruit & Icecream*

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**Friday 28 July**  
**from 5.00pm**  
**Happy Hour & Games Night**



Enjoy a drink, buy a snack platter, and relax with a friendly group of people. Pool, darts and chess will be set up for those who wish to play.

*\*Bookings are required for all functions except Games Night\**

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## Bottle shop now open at Myponga

The Reservoir General Store at Myponga opened their take-away bottle shop during June. It has been a while since this facility has been available in Myponga - since the previous general store shut its doors - but now locals no longer need to go for a long trek to get a cold beer, pre-mix or bottle of wine. New signage on the building frontage has been updated to

highlight the new facilities too. The 'Reservoir' has also re-vamped the menu, adding some tasty dishes to tempt your taste buds. The Breakfast menu is available from 8am to 11am and the Lunch menu from 11.30am to 3pm daily. Friday and Saturday evenings are open for take away meals until around 6.30pm. Drop in and experience the new Reservoir General store today!



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July's movie for 2023 from the Southern Fleurieu Film Society (SFFS) is **Wash My Soul in the River's Flow** which looks at the collaboration of Australian music legends, Paul Grabowski, Archie Roach and Ruby Hunter, in 2004. Critics have praised the wonderful landscape photography of Hunter's Ngarrindjeri homelands and The Canberra Times called it "a glorious and intimate experience, telling the story of the Indigenous artists' lives together song by song" after they first met at the Peoples Palace in Adelaide. The first screening is at Victor Harbor at Victa Cinemas on Tuesday 4th July. Other dates and venues are:

- ♦ Goolwa in Centenary Hall on Wednesday 5th July
- ♦ Yankalilla at Club Fleurieu on Thursday 6th July
- ♦ Milang in the Milang Institute on Friday 7th July

Doors open at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start.  
Get the 2023 programme at <https://sffs.org.au>

The SFFS screen 11 quality films, one each month, from February to December. Each film is preceded by an insightful and humorous preview. Audience can rate each film using the voting box at the end of the screening. Membership, if you join mid-year in July, is \$25. It is usually \$50 for the year and guests (non-members) can attend one screening free. No tickets are sold.

Films screen at the beginning of the month, on first Tuesdays at Victor Harbor, first Wednesdays in Goolwa and first Fridays in Milang, and hopefully, in Yankalilla on a day and time that is most convenient for local members and venues. For July, at least, this is likely to be Thursday).

Visit the website to find out all you need to know, to renew membership or join for the first time. <https://sffs.org.au>

You can also contact Mike Tye (Chairperson SFFS) on **0438 800 066** or through [mike@michaeltye.com.au](mailto:mike@michaeltye.com.au)



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### Wash My Soul in the River's Flow

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**Writer:** Philippa Bateman  
**Stars:** Archie Roach, Ruby Hunter, Paul Grabowski

**A love story in song.**

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## Yankalilla Lions

### June Dinner Meeting

**A**t our June dinner meeting, we found out how some of our local milk is produced when Michael Krichauff and his daughter Chloe from Three Bridges Dairy shared the process behind setting up their robotic dairy at Delamere. Finding sourcing labour increasingly difficult, they decided to install the robotic dairy in 2021. Michael's grandfather established the first dairy on the property and

Michael has milked cows for more than 30 years.

The decline in the number of dairy herds in Australia needs to stop and this is one way of preserving what's left of the industry.

They endured many setbacks in getting the new dairy operational, but it has been functioning for more than a year now. Not only do the farm workers now start work at a respectable 8am, the Krichauff's have noticed a huge improvement in the quality of the milk produced as well as in the health of the herd. They are planning to install another robot and increase the number of cows to 250. Thanks to all the farmers who produce our food.



### Lions Youth Park Shade Cloth Project Update

**Y**ou may have seen our recent Facebook post that we are seeking assistance from our community to help us raise funds to erect a shade sail over the very popular playground in the Lions Youth Park, providing vital sun protection to children and their adults.

This continues to be the club's Number 1 project for the year with the shortfall now reducing to \$9,000. This has been possible as a result of the club's fund raising activities, assistance from the Lions Club organisation, the very generous donation from the Yankalilla Op Shop and individual donations. We thank you all.

If you wish to make a donation, please feel free to donate to Yankalilla & District Lions Club BSB: 105-092 Account: 351120040 Ref: SC and your name.

We are getting closer to achieving success with this project so please share this with your family and friends as every little bit will help us reach our goal and provide this much needed asset for our community and visitors alike.



### Bush Dance featuring the Hard Yacka Bush Band

**O**ur dancing correspondent claims to never have seen such a bunch of talented dancers!

The Club held a fund-raising Bush Dance at the Club Fleurieu which was well attended by members of our community.

More than 70 people of all ages enjoyed the music by Hard Yacka Bush Band and enthusiastically participated in the dances during the evening.

Thanks to our sponsors with all proceeds from the night going towards the shade sail at the Youth Park playground. A special big thank you to the Hard Yacka Bush Band and Club Fleurieu who provided their services free of charge to assist with this fund raising activity.



## Fleurieu Refugee Support Group

Refugee Week (June 18 to June 24) was introduced to R/6 students at Yankalilla Area School at a school assembly on June 15. Members of the Fleurieu Refugee Support Group were invited to address the students.

Nicole explained the many reasons people all over the world make the decision to flee their homes, work, family and community to seek sanctuary in another country. Refugees who arrive in Australia have often experienced war, religious or racial oppression, political turmoil, torture, grief and loss. She asked students to imagine how desperate people must be to abandon their homes, often with nothing but what they can carry, to endure years of detention and waiting to know if they will be accepted as refugees or not. She reminded students that there are

millions of refugees all over the world, and that climate change is likely to increase that number as parts of the world become unliveable or drown in rising seas.

It is important that students understand that under the United Nations convention it is the right of every person to seek asylum (It is not illegal). The UN expects every country to treat every refugee with compassion and fairness.

Nicole outlined the formation of the Refugee Support Group as locals became increasingly concerned about Australia's response to refugees and who wanted to do something positive and practical to assist. She described a number of projects the FRSG have undertaken to increase awareness in the community, raise funds to support refugee families (especially in the

education of children), provide beach holiday opportunities, encourage business enterprises (lovely food at the Show) and cultural exchanges, and through a series of art exhibitions.

The theme for this years Refugee Week is FINDING FREEDOM. In an important collaboration between the FRSG and YAS students R/6 are invited to use their creativity to develop art work with their teachers to make an exhibition that will be featured at the Yankalilla Show in October.

Nicole and Olivia see the project as a major step in FRSG developing strong community links, as the school is one of the most influential organisations in the district. We congratulate Carmel Taylor for her efforts to develop an exciting program for YAS.



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## The French Connection A fun sing along.

Fleurieu Refugee Support Group



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Fundraiser for the Fleurieu Refugee Support Group.

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## Yankalilla Bowling

As a fairly recent player particularly of "social" lawn bowls played at our local Yankalilla Bowling Club situated adjacent to the netball/tennis courts in the Memorial Park at Yankalilla, I would like to encourage any member of our community (whatever age) to come along and watch our games played on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10am during the winter months and, hopefully, this will further encourage you to have "a go" at this very social, challenging game played with another team member.

"NO you do not wear white trousers, skirts or a white sun hat on your head!" - just come as you are but with trainers or flat soled shoes on your feet to make the playing more comfortable - quite a lot of walking up and down the green but... a great easy exercise and all in the company of like minded people.

I cannot stress the happiness of the atmosphere you will encounter, we will welcome you, believe me.

Please come along and speak with any member present or ring for a chat with either Thelma Anderson on 0403 508 235 or Steve Tarrant 0448 250 892.

*Phyllis Rutter (social player)*

## A message from YRN website

Great local news!

*Jill Hutt*



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## Farewell To A Leading Light

Recently a leading light in the community bid farewell without fanfare. There was no need for fanfare - this is the type of person she is. Ruth Trigg, considered by some elements as a "nutter" and the "usual suspect" worked tirelessly to ensure truth and accountability was provided to the community by those that are in position of leadership and trust. Ruth Trigg was unwavering in her pursuit of democratic principles in particular where the community should be heard and not ignored.

Ruth Trigg may not have appealed to everyone - someone with such strong convictions rarely are the darling of all and sundry.

I admire Ruth Trigg. We did not agree on everything but her conviction and dedication on all matters of social justice needs to be admired. This is the main reason I decided to stand for Council when she resigned as a Councillor late in 2019.

As a fellow "nutter" and one of the "usual suspects" I wish Ruth well in her new adventures.

*Cr. Bill Verwey*

## Honesty defines this area and this short saga proves it!

I was at the ATM in Yankalilla about a month ago and withdrawing \$900 to transfer into another account fortnightly since the bank closed.

However the app facilitating deposits of money had been taken out. I rolled up 18 \$50 notes put them in my pocket in order to take them over to Victor [Harbor] and open an automatic deduction the next day and went into Sonora's lovely cafe.

When I got home the money was not there. What would you do? I went back and retraced my steps then rang our favourite cop S/C Darren who said he would check "but don't hold your breath".

Darren rang about 30 mins later (after I had almost gone into apoplexy for such a stupid thing to happen).

Apparently two ladies were amazed to see the footpath covered in \$50 notes gathered them up and handed them in at Victor Harbor police station and yes, I did give a reward!

To me and by my experience honesty defines this area and is one of the great attributes about

living here. I ask "what would you do if you found \$900 on the footpath?"

*Tony Nicholl*

## Referendum - First Nation Voice

The First Nation people of Australia were very successful caretakers of this land for likely more than 50,000 years. We ignore their expertise at our peril.

A "no" vote does not pass the pub test; and a "Yes" vote is the only choice.

With care and respect,

*Dalton Dupuy*

## Keeping Democracy Alive

There have been many campaigns in the Yankalilla and Districts community over the past two decades to keep the relationship between the community and the council in its best form - that of mutual respect. This respect is the cornerstone of democracy. 'Cornerstone' makes democracy seem strong and reliable, something established in the past and there for us all forever. In fact, it is in a constantly fragile state, needing to be cared for and maintained with constant review and contribution.

Many in the community have donated to the efforts to keep the quality of democracy alive and vibrant in this, our own area, which we have responsibility for. I am writing to acknowledge all of you and thank you. The books showing the contributions are open and available for scrutiny.

The action in October '22 to delay the demolition of the café and Surf club was defeated in court when the judge refused to extend the injunction on the demolition. This rendered the action void. This is different from 'quitting'. There was nothing left worth fighting for.

I have written a review and analysis of the failure of the case. Contact me if you wish to read it.

I have sold my home in Normanville and am now happily relocated at Port Elliot.

Again, I say thank you to all who have worked so hard in the past and who have contributed to the actions taken.

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# REVISITING THE ORIGINS OF FESTIVAL FLEURIEU

In April I was pleased to speak at an event of the Friends of Festival Fleurieu in the beautiful Mistletoe Project exhibition at Myponga. I was asked to give background to the festival's history. As it was the tenth festival, I also aimed to thank and honour the thousands of people who have been part of the festival since its inception in 2005.

To reach a wider audience, I am now placing a version of that talk into the Yankalilla Regional News, and I would like to recognise Paul Jelfs' unwavering support in this publication since the very first festival.

Lorraine McLoughlin

In February 2004, I convened a public meeting for YACCA (Yankalilla Area Commerce and Community Association) which was then our local business and community organisation. The group, chaired by Phil Palmer, proposed a regular event to showcase the arts of the district and attract visitors here outside of peak tourism times.

We chose our coast's leafy seadragons for the festival's name as a symbol of all that's beautiful in the Yankalilla district, a place with a stunning physical environment and a colourful creative community.

Erika Inhofer of Studio 13 sold the idea to the Yankalilla District Council, which supported us strongly, particularly Mayor Peter Whitford and CEO Rodger Sweetman, but also elected members, the office and outdoor staff, and its Tourism Officer.



Artist George Tetlow's painting of a leafy featured on the first poster with a very simple logo.



Creative people from Cape Jervis to Myponga to Inman Valley and in-between towns and farms came forward with ideas for events and exhibitions. Erika pushed me into nailing the program to meet printing deadlines to promote the festival happening in April 2005, and we were off.

Our talented and loyal community made it happen, as Ruth Davis, YAS Principal Rosie Harden, Ian Main, and vital others helped rally creative thinkers and positive workers. Together we succeeded.

For the second festival, graphic artist John Nowland, who had a weekend farm in Myponga, designed the more stylised logo which has been used ever since. He also created the 2007 poster which has been repeated this year to honour the festival's history.



Now, here we are celebrating a tenth festival, thanks to the work of thousands of people along the way. (Looking back at the review of the 2007 festival I see we estimated over 500 people up front and behind the scenes helped make it work. Multiply by ten and it's a huge community effort).

I am honoured to be a patron of the festival as bestowed by the present festival board, although I get far too much of the spotlight as I passed the baton for leading future festivals to Ian Main who delivered those in 2009 and 2011. He brought on board graphic artist Alison Fort who is a fellow patron and has been pro bono graphic designer seven times.

I returned for the 2013 festival, then Jillian Langford led exciting festivals in 2015 and 2017, followed by stalwart teams directed and convened in various ways by Greg Mackie, Jane Mitchell, Jenny Jenkinson, Desmond

Ford and Libby Robertson. It's not possible to name everyone but so many have been extraordinary in retaining the vision and keeping our festival going.

Like a leafy seadragon and still beautiful, the festival, with a new name, continues to morph into various shapes as individuals come and go, and circumstances change. The artist's trail was there from the beginning. While Peter Fitzgerald and Karen Hammat have opened their studios every festival, new people have continually come on board.

A constant that remains is the glue of our strong community. Creative and enthusiastic artists, performers and creators, and tireless volunteers behind the scenes, have made the festival an ongoing success. We could hardly have dreamed nearly twenty years ago of getting to a tenth festival. And what a wonderful festival it will be.

I congratulate the current team of innovative organisers and all participants in Festival Fleurieu 2023. Beginning in this wonderful exhibition, the whole program looks amazing. I am thrilled that the festivals continue and that they still uphold the founders' belief in the potential of the arts to contribute to the district's economy and sense of community.

(Speech given 20 April 2023)



## Post Script re artists' profiles

I would like to thank the twenty creative people who have agreed to be part of my regular profiles of artists, and also thank members of the public for their warm responses to their stories. The next interview in August will feature painter Jane Smeets from Second Valley. In September in my final profile, I'll interview Paul Jelfs whose support for the arts has made these articles possible.

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## Yankalilla Art

An interesting day was enjoyed by all who attended a day of drawing using charcoal and pastels to create a still life. Our guest artist was Dr Katherine Pentecost who provided a range of different items which she arranged in groups for us to draw. It was amazing how she managed to transform our art room into a museum of art. Our first task was to draw a group of items using charcoal or charcoal pencil without looking at the paper! Our eyes had to stay focussed on the still life which was arranged on a stool covered in a silk cloth. So without looking at our paper we did a series of drawings which was quite an experience and we found that after a few tries we became more confident.

which included a range of materials. An Asian metal bust, some pieces of china, plastic flowers just to name a few. Several different groups were designed and placed in different areas of the art room. We found ourselves moving across the room to different groups Katherine had set up for us to draw. All the time we were focussed on the task, with lovely music playing that helped us to focus on the task. Only after we had sketched a few designs without looking at our work were we ready to move onto the next stage which was to start afresh on a new piece of paper and actually study the objects and also focus on the relationship between objects to create a design.

Our art room was set up in such a way that we were able to move to different parts of the room to capture different views of the items

A wonderful day was enjoyed by all. Our thanks to Katherine for providing all the materials for us to draw which really stimulated our



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creative side and gave us more confidence to try and draw more difficult items.

*Diana Wallfried*

## Books and Words Group

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# Have your say on Fleurieu Parks management

13 June 2023

Fleurieu Peninsula locals and nature lovers are encouraged to have their say on the Parks of the Central Fleurieu Peninsula Draft Management Plan.

The draft plan is now out for three months public consultation via the State Government's YourSay portal. The parks of the central Fleurieu Peninsula are situated between the townships of Yankalilla, Ashbourne and Victor Harbor. There are 15 parks within the region, including the Hindmarsh Valley National Park, which was proclaimed in 2021.

The strategies outlined in the plan were developed by the Department for Environment and Water with input from First Nations people, key stakeholders, park managers and technical experts. The parks have similar ecological and geographic features and are subject to similar issues. Establishing one management plan will allow a consistent

approach to biodiversity conservation and public visitation across the area.

Some of the parks in the region contain the Fleurieu Peninsula Swamps, which are listed as critically endangered under the Australian Government's Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act.

There are 119 plant species and 37 animal species within the parks that are listed as threatened under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972.

National Parks and Wildlife Service Executive Director Mike Williams said he welcomed and encouraged input

from the public on the future management of this area.

"Their views will help us to develop a strong and adaptive strategy for the whole of the area," Mr Williams said.

"This approach will help strike the balance between continuing to provide opportunities for visitor access and conserving the area's many threatened species."

The plan sets out a strategy for conserving the region's native flora and fauna, particularly its endemic and threatened species.

Many of the parks contain walking trails

and other opportunities for visitor access. A strategy for continuing to provide low-impact opportunities for recreational experiences is also outlined. Feedback received will be considered during the development of a final plan. Once complete, the final plan will be adopted under Section 38 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972.

**To have your say visit:**

<https://yoursay.sa.gov.au/parks-central-fleurieu-peninsula>

**Submissions close on Monday 28 August.**

## Discussions - Letters - Opinions

### Nearly Time To Go

I am the local Uniting Church minister for three lovely churches - Yankalilla UC, Delamere UC and Range Road UC. As many of you know, I work every Wednesday morning 9am-12noon from the local Yankalilla cafe, 'Arranging Matters'... I feel very lucky to work from such a lovely venue! Of course I enjoy their coffee - and their breakfasts - but I also enjoy their friendly, laid-back ambience, lovely staff and beautiful surroundings. As I sit with my back to the sun, working on my laptop, or chatting to anyone who drops by, I have a sense of deep contentment that I have been called to be in this place at this time. What a wonderful community we have, and how grateful we can be to live here!

However, my placement here is coming to an end and I will be finishing up at the end of September. Normally a first placement would be three years, and I will have been here nearly three years by then. I will be very sad to leave here, a community which I have loved being part of.

But now it is time for me to prepare to leave. I am surprised but pleased to be able to tell you that I will be moving to New Zealand, to become the minister at Pathways Presbyterian Church, Palmerston North.

I have three more months here in this beautiful place. If you want to come and see me, you can pop in to the Yankalilla UC office any Thursday morning, 10am-1pm. Or you can call me for a catchup at another time. Or you might like to

come to one of our Sunday services - all are welcome!

If you have any questions about the Christian faith, or just want someone to listen, I am available at 'Arranging Matters' every Wednesday morning. If there's something you've always wanted to ask/debate/think about, I will be really happy to see you there. This is your chance - get in now, before the end of September :)

Go Well,  
Shelley

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# Who else uses the Yankalilla Memorial Park?

In the May Yankalilla Regional News, the Yankalilla Memorial Park Committee introduced the community to the Yankalilla Memorial Park and presented a bit of its history. In the June issue we learned that the Park is funded nearly entirely through the hard work of each of its six sporting clubs: footy, cricket, golf, netball, bowls and hockey. Any sports fees, fund-raising and sponsorship go to pay for any necessary repairs and upgrades to buildings and infrastructure. This format is similar to sports clubs around South Australia and even across the country. What is nearly unique for our Yankalilla sports users is that they must also pay for maintenance of the sports grounds. This includes the golf grounds, the footy and cricket ovals and the hockey grounds. Watering systems, mowing, and all general field maintenance are included in this significant workload and significant cost impost.

But who else uses the Memorial Park? It turns out, a whole range of folks! Here are a few snippets of what else folks do in Memorial Park.

One cheerful woman was walking across the golf fairways on a gorgeous winter morning. For years she walked her dog in the mornings. Although her dog passed on, she continues her walks, and loves the scenery across the course.

Over at the playgrounds, a family of two children and mom were enjoying the slides. She said her children loved the playground, and she appreciated how safe the location was with respect to traffic.

Finally, there are dogs. Kelpies, poodles, border collies, shepherds, small dogs, big dogs. Singly or sometimes in pairs and trios, accompanied by a range of happy dog walkers. The Council has generously supplied dog faeces pickup bags and dispensers for use by folks. The Committee is pleased that by and large most folks do the right thing and pick up after their dogs.

Unfortunately, the Committee has had to confront the fact that dog faeces can spoil a sports surface for a large number of people. This is not just about stepping in a pile of 'poo' (which is always quite unpleasant). What is more serious is that the bacteria in dog waste, including E coli, Salmonella and giardia, can present serious health problems for humans, and especially children (see chart below on dog doo-doo illnesses). A particularly dangerous disease for children is hydatid disease, from tapeworms carried by dogs. Salmonella infection can cause severe kidney damage to young children.

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\*CONDITIONS THAT CAN BE TRANSFERRED FROM CANINES TO HUMANS.  
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Unfortunately, just scraping the offending pile up from the grass does not mitigate the risk. Even tiny amounts of faeces can carry a huge amount of pathogens; 1 gram may carry 23 million faecal bacteria! (Van der Wel (1995) Dog Pollution. The magazine of the Hydrological Society of South Australia 2)

It is incumbent on the Committee to take any reasonable actions to keep children safe from illness on the Park footy, cricket and hockey grounds. The Committee has decided that the safest course is to prohibit dogs from the Park's two playing fields; the footy oval and the hockey pitches. (signs will go up soon, and also see attached map for dog no-go zones.) This will provide healthier playing conditions for both senior and junior footy, cricket and hockey players from around the Fleurieu. The remainder of the 30+ hectares of Memorial Park remain open for dogs and dog walkers to enjoy. As always, dogs should be under effective control, and we trust that dog owners will continue their good work on cleaning up after their pets.

The Committee is confident that the community will support this action to ensure the health of our sports players, young and old. If you have any comments or questions about this new policy (or other Park topics) please contact the Memorial Park Committee through the online contact form on our website [yankalillamemorialpark.org.au](http://yankalillamemorialpark.org.au) or directly through our email at [yankalillaparks@gmail.com](mailto:yankalillaparks@gmail.com).



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## Whale watching season starts across SA

16/06/23

South Australia's whale watching season has officially commenced, with sightings of humpback whales throughout Encounter Marine Park in the past week.

Large numbers of whales can be seen in the area each year between May and October.

Whales, generally either humpbacks or southern rights, can also be sighted along Far West Coast Marine Park at Head of Bight, as well as along both the Eyre and Yorke Peninsulas.

The Coorong coast is an important whale migratory pathway.

National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Senior Ranger Nikki Zanardo said the annual migration to SA waters occurred during the cooler months, which was when they mated, gave birth and nursed their young.

"Whale-watching is a fantastic nature-based experience, and about 400,000 people take part in the activity each year in SA," she said.

"You can enjoy watching these magnificent whales breaching, body-rolling and tail-slapping from on-shore viewing platforms at Head of Bight and Victor Harbor, or, by booking a boat tour with a private tour operator."

Ms Zanardo said in order to help protect whales in SA waters there were **approach limits in place**.

"Generally vessels must not approach closer than 100m, but where whale calves are present and in more sensitive areas such as in **Encounter Bay**, there is a 300m limit," she said.

Operators must not fly drones within 300m of a whale. Expiation fees apply if people do not adhere to these limits.

These rules are intended to minimise disturbance to marine mammals and allow them to rest.

The reminder comes after NPWS rangers last year issued an expiation notice to a person who used a drone to photograph a whale mother and calf resting in the Encounter Bay Sanctuary Zone at Basham Beach, within the Encounter Marine Park.

Signs were in place throughout the area advising whale watchers of the rules around drone use.

Southern Right Whales are listed as endangered species under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act.

For more information check out the **SA Whale Centre** website. For whale-watching tips, read the department's **Good Living blog**.

## Heritage Fleurieu Coast Festival 2024

### Public Meeting July 14th 5.30 at the Visitor Centre

Come along to an evening chat over wine and nibbles to help bring ideas for The Heritage Fleurieu Coast Festival 2024 (HFC)

Early planning has started for the month-long festival of events reflecting the heritage of our district. Held every other year, when the Festival Fleurieu is not on; HFC is also part of the SA History Festival in May which is promoted State-wide.

May 2024 is our next Festival and a public meeting will be held on

Friday July 14th 5.30pm at the Fleurieu Visitor Centre, Main Rd Yankalilla. We welcome anyone with ideas for events, interested in holding events, volunteering to help or finding out more about the festival.

Hope to see you there to meet others creating an engaging and uniquely local festival.

If you are interested but unable to attend, contact: YDHS  
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## New SA heritage conservation grants funding

21/06/2023

Twice as much money over twice as many years is being made available to preserve the state's heritage with the launch of a new conservation grants program.

The new Heritage Conservation Grant Program provides a total of \$2.5m in grants during the next decade – up from \$1.25m provided during five years under the previous program initiated in 2018.

The grants assist with essential conservation works at privately owned State Heritage Places. In South Australia there are 2323 such places of which more than 80 per cent are owned by private, commercial, community or local government entities who are all eligible to apply.

Previous State Heritage Place grant recipients are situated across the state and include well-known places with significant visual impact such as small rural cottages, hotels, lighthouses, breweries and tanneries.

Examples include the \$20,000 renovation of a building known as Pastor Rechner Cottage at Light Pass - one of only two known German barn houses in South Australia.

Under the program, up to \$5,000 is available for simple projects, \$10,000 for complex projects and

\$20,000 for major projects.

Heritage SA Manager Beverley Voigt said South Australia had a rich heritage that contributed to our quality of life and connected us to our history and stories.

"Heritage Conservation Grants aim to rejuvenate the state's heritage, ensuring these significant places are protected and preserved for future generations," Ms Voigt said.

"The grants program is designed to stimulate genuine interest and passion for revitalising and conserving our heritage.

"Since 2018, the Heritage Grants Program has been funding conservation works with benefits including the reuse of historic buildings, support for heritage trades, and support for State Heritage Places in rural and urban areas across South Australia."

Heritage grants cover up to 50 per cent of the anticipated costs of conservation works or documentation, with the recipient responsible for matching funding.

The previous program awarded funding to 113 properties, over five rounds, stimulating a total direct investment of \$8.22 million into heritage conservation works.

More information is available at:

<https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/heritage/heritage-grants>

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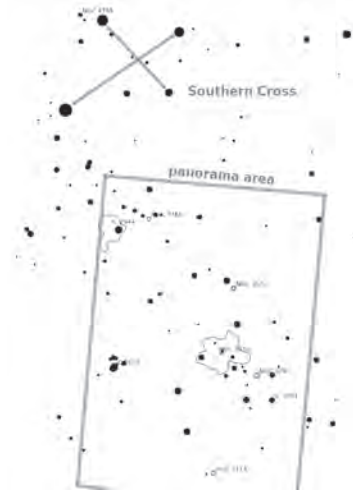
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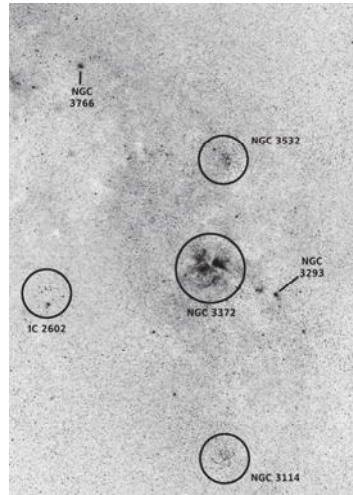
Welcome to Part 1 of *Some Star Clusters For Binoculars and small telescopes*. This chapter features the very busy swathe of the Milky Way that's "below" the Southern Cross during July evenings. The star chart (from Stellarium) shows where to look, high in the southwest sky. The panorama photo shows this month's targets' locations and their catalogue names.



"NGC" refers to the *New General Catalogue of Nebulae and Clusters of Stars*, first compiled in 1888 from thousands of visual observations of clusters of stars and assorted fuzzy / blurry blobs. It was called "New" because it replaced an earlier catalogue published between 1786 and 1864. In those days everything that looked fuzzy were called "nebulae" because telescopes weren't good enough yet to distinguish actual nebulae (clouds of gas & dust) from distant galaxies (containing billions of stars, plus nebulae) from faraway star clusters. But within a few years photographic surveys of the night sky had got good enough to reveal many errors and omissions in the NGC. So in 1895 a major addendum called the *Index Catalogue* was published, which is where the "IC" names come from. During the last 60 years there have been several more attempts to update and correct the NGC and merge it with the IC.

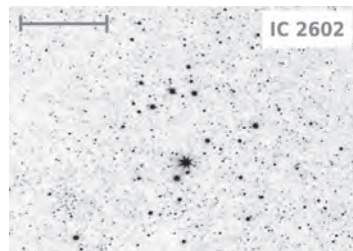
A problem with all star clusters is identifying their members. Some stars may be much closer than the cluster, or further away, or moving through space in a different direction. Many clusters are surrounded by very starry

backgrounds - so where's their boundary? There are places in the sky where star clusters overlap each other. How far from the cluster centre can a star be, before it's considered a non-member? What's the minimum number of stars to qualify as a "cluster"? And so on....



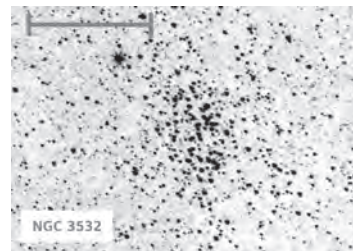
The photos of our targets are all monochrome negative versions of my originals so hopefully they'll print clearer. All taken with a 200mm lens on a digital camera. The grey scale bar on each photo is 0.5 degrees, the same width as a full moon. So if you're not sure of your binocular's field of view then look at the moon.

We begin with **IC 2602**, also known as the *Southern Pleiades* and considered the 3rd brightest star cluster in the entire sky. Its brightest members are visible in small binoculars. Five of them define a little M (or W or  $\Sigma$ ) on the side nearest the Southern Cross. There's about 75 stars in this cluster and their light takes about 485 years to get here.

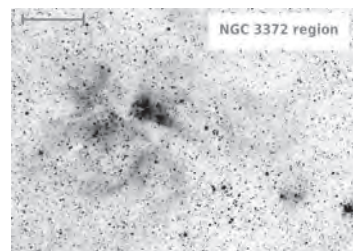


**NGC 3532** consists of about 150 stars nearly all about the same brightness and colour. Consequently this cluster is a standard test target for spacecraft cameras, space telescopes and

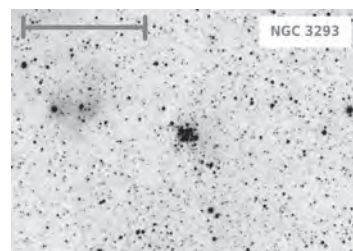
southern hemisphere professional telescopes. In binoculars it looks like an ellipse filled with faint sparkles, hence its common name in Australia of the *Football Cluster* (which works for both AFL and rugby). A common name outside Australia is the *Pincushion Cluster*, due to its appearance in a small telescope. But for some reason the Americans call it the *Wishing Well*. In any event, you're looking at light that took about 1300 years to get here.



**NGC 3372**, also known as the *Carina Nebula*, appears much larger on photos than it will in binoculars. The photo approximates the view in 10x60 binoculars. The glowing nebulae gases (pink on photos but grey in binoculars) are divided by a V-shaped dark band. NGC 3372 is among the largest nebulae known and its light takes about 8500 years to get here. It's home to several thousand stars including the enigmatic Eta Carinae. And some of the bright "stars" visible in binoculars are actually densely-packed star clusters within the Nebula, containing some members that are more than a million times brighter than our sun.

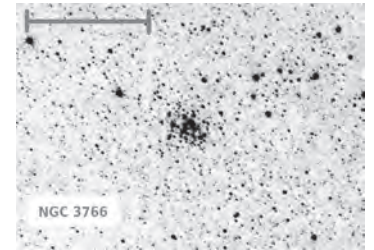


The sky around NGC 3372 features many other clusters at a similar distance including **NGC 3293**. In binoculars it resembles a tiny slightly sparkly blob, but a small telescope will reveal why it's known as the *Gem Cluster*. About 100 stars including a few coloured ones are packed into a dense ball.

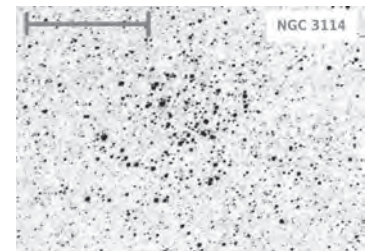


Closer to the Southern Cross **NGC 3766** looks like a non-coloured

copy of NGC 3293, leading to its popular name of the *Pearl Cluster*. The light from its 100 stars began its journey here at about the same time as the Sumerians invented writing.



And finally our most difficult binocular target this month is **NGC 3114**. Mostly because it's spread out, across a very busy background. We think it has about 200 members....



## Bright planets in July:

**Mercury** reappears low in the western evening sky mid-July and remains visible during the early evening until late August. It's close to the bright star Regulus (in Leo constellation) on July 28 & 29. **Venus** still dominates the northwestern evening sky, and if you're in a dark rural location it's bright enough to cast shadows this month. During late July it's near Mercury & Regulus too. **Mars** continues its slow descent into the sunset all month. It's less than one degree from Regulus on July 10, and Venus is also nearby from late June to early July. **Jupiter** rises during the early morning hours throughout July, so look for it in the northeastern sky before the sunrise. **Saturn** is an evening planet in July; look for it in the eastern sky. The Moon passes near Saturn on July 6 & 7, near Jupiter on July 12, near Mercury on July 19 (very low in the evening twilight), and near Mars on July 21.

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## \$2000 For Friends Of Bungala River

Friends Of Bungala River (FOBR) has applied for and received a \$2,000 grant from Planet Ark as part of National Tree Day. FOBR now have 1200 trees, shrub and ground covers to plant on Saturday 8th July starting at 9.30am and you are welcome to come and help. Meet at the BBQ area in Bungala Park and from there the group will be planting at 3 sites along Salt Creek and Bungala River. Many hands make light work and volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Food and drinks will be supplied. **See the advert below.**

## COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING DAY

**YDRA** | YANKALILLA DISTRICT residents association

**Friends of Bungala River**

Saturday, July 8th, 2023 starts 9.30am  
Meet at the BBQ Area at Bungala River Park, Normanville

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# FLEC - Fleurieu Environment Centre

## Welcome to new FLEC staff!

We are thrilled to welcome TWO new staff members to our team here at FLEC!



**Michael: Nursery Manager.** Michael has been a volunteer at FLEC for 3 years and he brings with him a lifetime love of gardening and in more recent times, training in horticulture and landscape design. Michael also loves to organize and so he brings all these skills to help implement more sustainable systems to our Nursery set up. You will see him at the Community Nursery on working bee days and occasionally throughout the week.

**Claire: Admin Assistant.** Claire is at FLEC Thursdays and Fridays to support the running of the ECOstore, management of promotions and marketing, assisting our coordinator, Maddie, with workshop facilitation and anything else required. Claire lives in Normanville with her family and is passionate about the environment, sustainability and in finding creative solutions.

## PLASTIC FREE JULY

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### FACTS ABOUT PLASTIC

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- ⊗ One million tonnes of Australia’s annual plastic consumption is single-use plastic.
- ⊗ 84% of plastic is sent to landfill and only 13% is recycled.
- ⊗ Every year in Australia approximately 130,000 tonnes of plastic leaks into the marine environment.
- ⊗ Our use of plastic is increasing and across the world will double by 2040.
- ⊗ By 2050, it is estimated that plastic in the oceans will outweigh fish.

By you making a small change, you will collectively make a massive difference to our environment. You can choose to refuse single-use plastics in July (and beyond!). Best of all, being part of Plastic Free July will help you to find great alternatives that can become new habits forever. We have many alternatives at FLEC to help you. Like refilling your single-use plastic containers. Come in to get some Free paper balls instead of plastic balloons and purchasing Beeswax wraps instead of cling wrap. We have a Free workshop where you can learn how to make both of these. BE THE CHANGE.

To find out more go to Plastic Free July – Be Part of the Plastic Pollution Solution <https://www.plasticfreejuly.org/>

### THE STICKY PROBLEM OF CLING WRAP

The slick, transparent film we now know as *plastic wrap* was originally a mistake of chemistry, a residue clinging stubbornly to the bottom of a beaker in a 1940s laboratory.

*Plastic wrap* contributes to the larger plastic pollution crisis as it continues to be difficult to recycle, being made from potentially harmful chemicals and it can take between 10-100 years to break down!

When Ralph Wiley discovered polyvinylidene chloride (PVDC) while working in the physics lab at Dow Chemical in Midland, Michigan, he nicknamed it *eonite* after a fictional, indestructible material in the comic strip “Little Orphan Annie”. His task had been to create a new product out of hydrocarbon and chlorine, two byproducts of manufacturing the dry-cleaning agent; perchloroethylene. The newfound chemical was so water-resistant that it couldn’t be washed clean from its distillation flask. PVDC molecules bind together so tightly, they’re nearly impenetrable by oxygen and water molecules. By the 1960s, the Australian company GLAD had created its own version of *plastic wrap* from polyethylene instead of chloride, as consumers grew concerned about the health impacts of wrapping their food in a plastic made with chloride.

*Plastic wrap*, as with most soft plastics, is difficult to recycle and without

## FLEC events and activities coming up in July

Veggie swap Sat 1st, 9.20am  
Community Nursery working bee Monday 3rd and 17th  
Bird Watching Monday 31st – Myponga Reservoir  
Plastic Free July All month - take the challenge to not buy anything containing plastic.



### School Holiday Events

Beeswax wrap making Thursday 13th 12.30-2.30pm  
Jewellery Making using recycled pens Thursday 20th 12.30-2.30pm

### Upcoming Community Planting Events

Friends of the Bungala River tree planting day Saturday 8th 9.30am  
National Tree Planting Day Sunday 30th

specialized equipment, they clog machines. And even when plastic wrap is recycled, it’s more costly than using virgin materials. When it ends up in landfills or incinerators, both PVC and PVDC can release a highly toxic chemical called dioxin.

*Plastic wrap* contributes to a larger plastic pollution crisis, but unlike other plastics, scientists are finding that PVC and PVDC picks up bacteria and metals. Those contaminated pieces of microplastic then harm the fish that mistake them for food.

As for human safety, in order to make *plastic wrap* softer, more flexible, and more transparent, it is often mixed with plasticisers called DEHA, or diethylhexyl adipate, but its effects on human health is unclear as yet.

### FOUR THINGS YOU CAN DO TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

- ⊗ Switch from plastic wrap to a reusable wax wrap. You can buy these from FLEC. Bee’s Wraps are made by melting and infusing bee’s wax and pine resin into pieces of cotton.
- ⊗ Store leftovers in glass containers.
- ⊗ Cover foods with aluminium foil instead of plastic wrap.
- ⊗ Wax paper was frequently used in the decades before plastic wrap and it’s a reusable and compostable alternative to throwaway plastics.



### THE BEAUTIFUL DISASTER

Balloons are a beautiful, colourful, fun filled addition to many cultural celebrations. But in the animal world, these balloons often lead to some nasty life-threatening injuries and maybe even death.

The horrible truth is that they don’t keep that magical appearance once they fall to earth, landing on beaches, in our oceans and other bodies of water. And with the increased use of balloons, comes the increased impact

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on the environment. This is when our marine and bird life mistake them for food or become entangled in the attached ribbon or string on the balloon. When a balloon washes into the sea, they take on the appearance of jelly fish floating in the ocean which turtles then attempt to eat. Birds will often try and swallow balloons thinking they are fish or marine scraps. Once they are swallowed, they can block the airway or digestive tract, leaving the animal with no way of dislodging the obstruction or getting real food into their stomachs.



The ribbons can also get tangled around limbs and cut into the creature's flesh. If they are lucky, they may be found and saved before too much damage is done, but sadly many do not get help before it is too late.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP

- ☺ Share this knowledge.
- ☺ Pick up any balloons and rubbish from our beaches and waterways while you are out enjoying them.
- ☺ FLEC has FREE Paper balloons (made from toilet paper wrappers)! You can come in and take as many as you like. There is also a variety of colours.



## Friends of Worrina Landcare group

Friends of Worrina start their planting season with a Birthday Cake!

The 4th of June was a fantastic day spent celebrating our first Friends of Worrina Landcare group birthday at the May Working Bee, a little rain to start with and then the skies turned blue, and the sun shined ready for our birthday celebration. It's just over 12 months ago that Jane Power, Sally Wiadrowski and Troy Boaf pitched their idea of forming a Worrina based community land care group to Yankalilla Council. With the support of the Coastal Conservation Officer Corey Jackson, and the Yankalilla Community Nursery the newly formed group put together a plan to target areas around Worrina Cove and foreshore. The group were also successful in winning a Grassroots Grant funded by the landscape levy and the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board. The grant helped get their project up and running with the right equipment, plants, and expert advice from local ecologist Paul Green.

Thanks to the amazing volunteers that have helped us over the last 12 months, their support and good cheer is always welcomed, and the hard work is already making a huge difference. The area cleared of the dune weed euphorbia is clear to see and is already allowing the native spinifex to thrive. A great start to the planting season with 100 spinifexes into the dunes in May and more planting days coming up over the next few working bees in July and August.

We are so thankful for the community support around this project, it's been a very rewarding experience and hopefully will contribute to making the dune systems down at Worrina Foreshore into an interesting and biodiverse area showcasing more of our native flora and fauna (especially the rarer native butterflies).

A special thanks to Tom and Kalinda from Mindful Lifestyle Design for helping us out and videoing our project. Good luck and safe trip as you wind your way around South and Western Australia in your amazing designer motor home.

We hold our working bees on the 3rd Sunday of the month so July 16th, August 20th, and September 17th for the rest of the Winter and Spring starting at 9.30am meeting at the Foreshore car park.

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## Normanville Foreshore Planting Day A Great Success!

On Sunday the 4th of June we had a fantastic morning with 22 volunteers at the Normanville Foreshore planting in the sand dunes by the new ramp.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped plant 300 plants in under an hour! A special thanks to all the kids and families who did an amazing job planting and weeding the area.

We planted coastal spinifex, rushes and ground covers to help stabilise the dunes, build habitat for native species and improve the resilience of the sand dunes during high tide conditions.

The event was supported by funding from **Green Adelaide** and the **District Council of Yankalilla**



## Book of the Month

### Plastic Free.

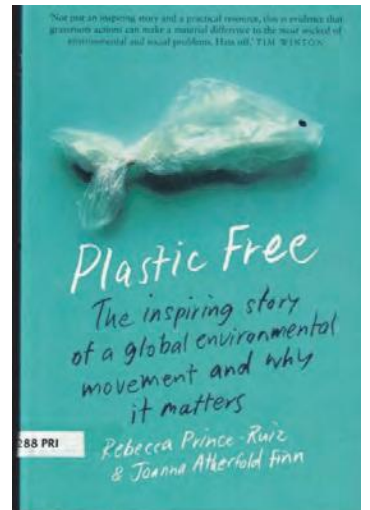
Rebecca Prince-Ruiz & Joanna Atherfold Finn 2020.  
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*'I'm going plastic free next month, who wants to join me?'*

When Rebecca Prince-Ruiz asked her colleagues this question in 2011, she had no idea that less than a decade later it would inspire a global movement of 250 million people in 177 countries to reduce their plastic use. *Plastic Free* tells the incredible story of how a simple community initiative grew into one of the world's most successful environmental movements. It also shares tips from people around the world who have taken on the **Plastic Free July** challenge and significantly reduced their waste.

*Plastic Free* is a book about positive change and reminds us that small actions can make a huge impact, one step – and piece of plastic – at a time. 'Some people feel overwhelmed by the environmental state of affairs and wait for politicians or manufacturers to change; others, like Rebecca Prince-Ruiz, take matters into their own hands, starting with their own lives... Use this book to be inspired, or better, use it as a template to change the world in your own way!' Bea Johnson, author of *Zero Waste Home*.

This book is available for loan from the Fleurieu Environment Centre.



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# Pretty Fishes of Yankalilla Bay with David Muirhead

In my Senator Wrasse article (July 2022), I noted that wrasses (in the very large Family Labridae, and close kin of the mainly tropical parrotfishes) are often very colorful. I still think the Senator, a medium-sized wrasse, was the ideal opener for the considerable variety occurring here.



Male, boat dive Carrickalinga 23-12-2019



Pretty Polly is a good name for this wee wrasse, Old Rapid Bay Jetty



With fucoid brown algae, Carrickalinga 15-11-2013



At a WC Clingfish's station, ORBJ

Its garish hues make it appear as if it should be a tropical and sub-tropical, warmer latitude inhabitant, but it's not alone in that regard. True, Yankalilla Bay's waters are classified as Temperate, but this term covers quite a broad temperature range, seasonally and geographically. So much so that oceanographers had split Temperate into Warm and Cool Temperate, long before we knew about this largely anthropogenic oceanic temperature rise that's such a political hot potato. Regrettably, we now also know that the sea temperature along southern Australia's coasts, especially the continent's SE including SA, Vic, and Tas (plus northern NZ, dear possums) is

rising MUCH faster than in similar latitudes in most other parts of the southern hemisphere. (Mean Surface Temperature is a popular scientific standard measure, and despite the name the rise involves most of Yankalilla Bay's water, down to say 20m depth). This unnaturally rapid warming has already caused big range extensions, shifts, or both, for some coastal marine species, and most worryingly, big range shrinkages in other species. That includes not just the relatively few fish species being adequately studied. There are



Classic upright pose of male at Second Valley depth 4m



Gorgeous and cute (probably male) Old Rapid Bay Jetty 5-12-15



Rapid Bay Jetty 25-11-2013

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many species in other marine animal and plant groups that have already shown similar trends. Such is the pace of this eerily unnatural surface water warming that we're struggling to document the changing species mix, let alone delve into the detail. Incomprehensible for many, sure, but we can't just put our heads in the sand. As Tim Winton says, the next decade is crunch time. Many SA snorkelers, divers and fishers are already noticing fish never previously recorded here. For example, some divers (including yours truly) saw our first Western Magpie Morwong early this year at Noarlunga, prior to which they hadn't been recorded outside of WA. And the Bluetail Leatherjacket, which was unknown in GSV and rarely recorded in SG but has long been common in WA's SW, is now a fairly common resident here in Yankalilla Bay. We're expecting to see more and more 'new' species, from both west and east, becoming established here very soon.

*All well and good Dave, but you're supposed to write about Pretty Polly!*

Actually, the Pretty Polly (also known as Castelnau's Wrasse after its historical descriptor) is an enduring local inhabitant, not a newbie by any means. It has been common here throughout my diving life and is probably at lower risk of population decline here than some of our other wrasses, but again we really don't know.

Looking purely at its distribution, ranging from Bass Strait to southern Western Australia, including eastern Tasmania (but not NE Vic or southern NSW), you'd think it prefers colder ('cool temperate') climes.

But it's not that simple. It may not be mere coincidence that the type specimen used by Castelnau in 1872 to describe this species came from Adelaide, GSV, despite the fact that he served as Australia's French consul in

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Melbourne from 1864 to 1877. Based largely on casual observation by divers, plus very limited transect data, our state's two big Gulfs, with their warmer water, seem to have higher densities of Pretty Pollys than in many other parts of their range. And this species can only survive in well vegetated areas, including seagrass beds and rocky areas with plenty of larger seaweeds as cover. So it is mainly found inshore, where there's enough light penetration for marine plants to dominate.

It's generally not found in sponge gardens, shellfish reefs, or other bottom types with scant marine plant cover, because it needs good seagrass and seaweed cover in which to shelter, forage and breed.

A maximum size of 14cm (TL) also makes it one of our smallest wrasses, and it's lifestyle reflects it's size.

Diet, as with most wrasses, is probably a mix of invertebrates including worms, crustaceans, and molluscs. However, very little is known of this cryptic fish's life history, doubtless because it has no discernible commercial value. I haven't even heard of it being available in the aquarium trade. Many colour variants would look good in an aquarium, but even the most committed of home aquarium enthusiasts wouldn't be able to keep these wrasse alive beyond a few days because, AFAIK, nobody's worked out how to set up and maintain healthy seagrass habitat (of the robust seagrasses this fish requires, ie tapeweeds and wireweeds) in a temperate marine aquarium.



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Like all wrasses they're diurnally active, and are protogynous hermaphrodites, meaning females can become males, usually only when the position becomes vacant in a given home territory.

One unusual feature of the Pretty Polly, which endears it to divers and snorkelers, is it's peculiar swimming habit. It swims by bobbing up and down at an oblique angle, with the head up and tail down.

I suppose that makes sense if you're a little fish living in seagrass. You get frequent glimpses over the top of the meadows you inhabit, helping you to avoid bumping into any free-swimming predators that often lurk low over the greenery, while keeping your body mostly hidden in the seagrass.

Closing with something a bit different, let's look briefly at the life of 'Monsieur Castelnau'. He had so many different given names, which he seems to have used interchangeably, depending on his audience and what country he was in at any given time. Look at Wikipedia and you'll see that I'd need a large paragraph just to list those names, titles (some royal blood there), and other prefixes! Born in London, Castelnau studied natural history in Paris. From 1837 to 1841 he traveled in the US (including Texas and Florida) and widely in Canada. After which he did more globe-trotting, including South America and Australasia.

He had very broad interests, including documenting the languages and customs of minority hunter/gatherer groups, but nature study seems to have topped the lot, and he liked nothing more than to formally describe new species, be they fish, birds insects, even worms! He is regarded by many top historical researchers of his era as having been a savant. High praise indeed. His scientific and artistic endeavours have certainly endured, to such an extent that I'm not sure I should favor 'Pretty Polly' over 'Castelnau's Wrasse'. But, change is the only constant!

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## New Exhibition for July at Gallery 88

Introducing Steven Smart, a new member to the gallery.

Stephen Smart is a self taught artist who began painting in 2005. He started using acrylic paint then moved on to using oils. He has also used pastels and watercolour. Steve has exhibited at many galleries and Art Shows and in 2010 he joined the **RSASA** (Royal Society of Arts of SA ) gaining Fellowship in 2014. He has received many awards and has sold paintings to Australian and international collectors. Steve has

appeared in *Artist's Palette* magazine and other publications. He has also drawn and painted illustrations for books. Steve recently relocated to the Fleurieu Peninsula which has given him

many inspiring ideas for painting landscapes, beach scenes and wildlife.



## Chiton home named Australia's best

23 May 2023

**CHITON:** A Chiton home, designed and built by South Coast Constructions, has been officially named Australia's best display home in the 2023 HIA-CSR Australian Housing Awards.

The Ashton, off Brickyard Road, has taken out the national Display Home of the Year award at the awards announced on Hamilton Island, Queensland on May 20.

South Coast Constructions' director, Jamie Knott, was joined by the company's principal home designer, Matthew Parker, at the prestigious presentation dinner.

He's "over the moon" about the national honour for the Victor Harbor-based regional builder who beat many larger metropolitan home design and building companies across Australia to snare the national award.

"This is an amazing honour which couldn't have been achieved without the exceptional workmanship and attention to detail of our staff and the many suppliers and sub-contractors who assist us," Mr Knott said.

"Like many builders during the pandemic, we have had to face and overcome additional pressures which made this project even more

challenging, so to say we are absolutely thrilled is an understatement."

The display home was handed to its new owners in March 2023 after it was purchased before completion. While open it attracted thousands of visitors from throughout the State and beyond.

The win came after The Ashton took out the Best Display Home \$1m-\$2million category, and the Home of the Year honour at the HIA-CSR South Australian awards in November.

The judges were impressed by the modern Scandinavian barn style home with its stand-out features maximising energy efficiency, a hallmark of homes within the Beyond Today sustainable housing development.

"The Ashton display home offers an inspiring interpretation of the Scandinavian barn style, its sheer size and striking exterior making it a memorable addition to Port Elliot," they said in their summary.

"The expansive single-level layout stretches across the landscape, with the bedrooms adorning the wings and the centralised living spaces connected together under soaring, pitched ceilings and highset double-glazed windows.

"Beautiful, character-laden features, from the enormous stone walls to the French-laid travertine tiles, contrast with the dramatic kitchen island, charcoal joinery and American oak dining bench. Outside, the builder introduced reclaimed timber from old jetties for the decking in the entertaining area.

"Despite the spacious open plan design, areas for quiet reflection can be found in a charming bay window seating nook and an inviting loft platform above the lounge room, which provides sweeping views out to the water and of the surrounding countryside from its high vantage point."

HIA Managing Director Graham Wolfe said the HIA-CSR Australian Housing Awards recognise the best in Australia's residential building industry.

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### Free history consultations at the Yankalilla Library

If you have any questions about local or family history, YDHS volunteers are at the Library every Wednesday morning between 10:00am and 12:00noon. All welcome to call in and have a chat.

### YDHS website

We are currently making improvements to our website. Watch out for our new look Research page, and improved search capabilities.

### General meetings

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## The Age of Jazz

The Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society Fleurieu (ADFAS Fleurieu) will present a public talk by Sandy Burnett in Victor Harbor on **24 July 2023**.

Sandy is a musicologist who has a vibrant career in the UK combining broadcasting, performing and lecturing for The Arts Society.

His talk entitled **The Age of Jazz** will be given

at 10.30am at the Gospel Centre, 2 George Main Road, Victor Harbor.

Sandy will look at jazz from its very beginnings to its rise as a formidable musical genre in the Second World War and beyond.

Price of entry for non-ADFAS members is \$30 payable at the door. Morning tea is included.

ADFAS Fleurieu is one of 36 ADFAS societies across Australia that present speakers on topics ranging from art, architecture and archaeology to jewellery, music and much more. Membership enquiries to [fleurieu@adf.org.au](mailto:fleurieu@adf.org.au)

## Yankalilla Men's Probus

How exciting it was for our members to be handed \$20 notes by **Robert Davis**, our Guest Speaker at our June 2023 Yankalilla Men's Probus meeting! Well, as it turned out they were facsimiles and not the 'real thing', and they were a little oversize - in fact, the size of an A4 paper sheet.

So why would **Robert** do this? Well, **Robert** came to speak to us about the **Royal Flying Doctor Service** where he works as a volunteer at their Central Operations Centre which in turn is the section of the organisation covering South Australia and Northern Territory. **Robert** used the \$20 facsimile to explain the origins of the flying doctor ambulance service founded by the Australian Inland Mission pastor Rev John Flynn, whose image appears on the note. In what was to become a service quite unique to Australia, a flying doctor service commenced servicing outback country out of Cloncurry in Queensland in 1928, and the service now run by RFDS, continues to deliver the finest medical care services to those people living and travelling in outback and rural Australia.

After the meeting members adjourned to the

*Inman Valley Country Kitchen* to celebrate the 33rd Anniversary of the foundation of our Club. A fine time and meal were had and prizes were given out to quiz winners and losers. Correct answers were a rarity given that the questions were constructed in such a way as to avoid collaboration with our friend 'Google'!

Our July Guest Speaker will be **Rev. Tony Gates**, a former merchant mariner and a lover of Italy. Our next event is a guided tour of the hull of the clipper ship *The City of Adelaide*. The tour will be followed by a meal at the *Birkenhead Hotel*, (and no, we don't have to swim between venues)! The clipper *City of Adelaide* was an important migrant ship to South Australia in the 1800's, and she was a sister ship of the *Cutty Sark*.

So, if you are retired and interested in joining our group, then please give it a thought. We meet on the **1st Tuesday of every month at 10am** at the **RSL Hall** (situated 18 Main South Road, Normanville).

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**Discover a Brand-New Way to Book Council Spaces in Yankalilla!**

01 June 2023

The District Council of Yankalilla is delighted to announce a brand-new way for community members to hire the Yankalilla Cultural Centre and Library: Meeting Room and Hall. All bookings for these spaces will now be made through the user-friendly online booking platform, SpacetoCo.

The District Council of Yankalilla understands the importance of providing accessible and user-friendly services to the community. In an effort to create a smooth user experience and to activate these wonderful new or upgraded spaces, we partnered with SpacetoCo to ensure community members and groups can easily find venues, check room capacity and availability information and hire fees. This online platform will streamline the booking process, making it easier for individuals and groups to secure community spaces for their events and activities.

To celebrate this exciting development and to ensure the spaces get maximum exposure, use and activation, all bookings made through SpacetoCo in 2023 will be completely fee-free!! To take advantage of this offer, simply use the discount code FREE2023 when making your booking through the website.

Community members interested in making a booking are encouraged to visit [www.spacetoco.com](http://www.spacetoco.com) and search for Yankalilla. On the platform, you will find detailed terms and conditions, as well as a straightforward booking application process. Additional information about the booking procedure can also be found on the Council's own website.

CEO Nathan Cunningham expressed his enthusiasm for the introduction of the online booking platform, stating, "We are thrilled to offer our community a user-friendly interface to help activate the Council-owned community facilities. With thanks to SpacetoCo, we can now provide a modern yet simple and streamlined customer interface while also improving efficiencies in the administration of our bookable spaces."

SpacetoCo, a renowned web platform for short-term space rentals, was founded in 2017 with the goal of connecting people with available spaces in their vicinity. By utilising this platform, the

District Council of Yankalilla is embracing the future of community space rentals, facilitating flexibility and empowering community engagement.

The redeveloped Yankalilla Cultural Centre and Library opened to the public on 20 January 2023, following the completion of an exciting, state-of-the-art library addition and upgrade. We are thrilled to witness the return of programs and events to the Centre, providing the community with a vibrant hub for engagement and enrichment.

From the new spaces available for booking, the refurbished Meeting Room can accommodate up to 30 people and features a flexible table and chair configuration allowing for both row seating and workshop table layouts. A mounted smart screen with HDMI connectivity is available for groups to connect their device. The Meeting room is the perfect space for workshops, training sessions and community group gatherings and discussions.

The Hall is suitable for larger gatherings of up to 60 people and also offers a flexible table and chair configuration. This space can be adjusted to suit your specific needs with the ability to store away tables and chairs to create a completely usable area. Whilst no specific technology has been set up in the Hall currently, user feedback will help Council to understand the needs going forward. The Halls' versatility allows it to accommodate various event types, including fitness classes, art exhibitions, public meetings and workshops.

For bookings outside Library opening hours, an access card will be issued by the Library for collection 24 hours prior to the booking. The Library's opening hours can be found on our website.

For more information and to book your next meeting, function or event, please visit

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# Yankalilla Ladies Probus Club Inc.

## Aged Care and Cockatoos

May was a lovely month. We had some wonderful weather and some wonderful get-togethers to enjoy. It is the month that the Cancer Council of Australia encourages individuals and organisations to hold a Biggest Morning Tea event to raise funds for cancer research.

Our Probus members enjoyed a wonderful morning tea at our general meeting, with lots of home baked goodies on the tables. We raised \$172 which is a good sum for a small group. In keeping with the morning tea theme, earlier in the month we enjoyed the food and hospitality at the Cockatoo Café run by students at YAS. Really lovely, efficient young people and the best scones, mini quiches, slices and coffee in town!

Our guest speakers for the month were representatives from the ACH Group. Many questions were asked about how to access services provided through My Aged Care. Like many other communities, there is demand and need for services that allow people to “age in place”, as staying at home if you can is so delightfully described! Again, like many other communities, there is a severe shortage of service providers. It is a dilemma, but ACH Group smooths the way as much as possible if you choose to avail yourselves of their services.

Please visit us at a future meeting (the July meeting is on the 26th) or contact the Publicity Officer, details listed below, to find out about Fun, Friendship and Fellowship with Probus.  
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# Talisker

Fraser from the Backyard Universe took us on an interesting trip of this mine during the last History Festival.

The Talisker Mine is located 5kms east of Cape Jervis. Figure 1 shows the mine's location on Google, and beneath is an image of the mine workings in the 19th century.

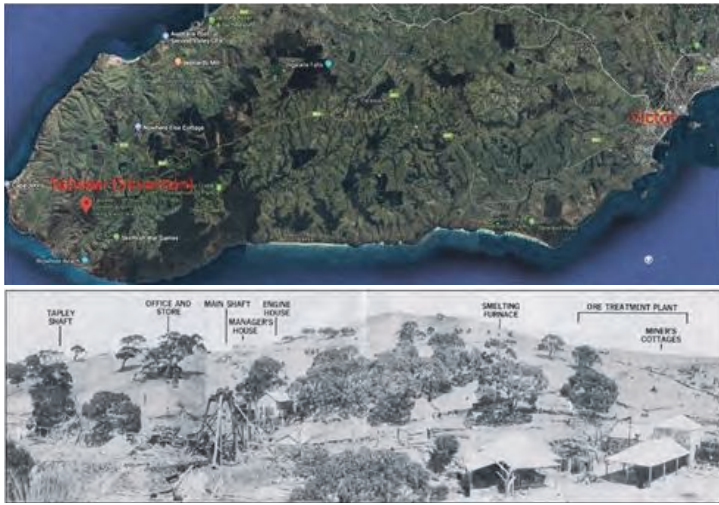


Figure 1-Google and SADME.

Silver-lead ore was discovered on the surface by the McLeod family in 1862 while they were looking for gold. A mining company was established in 1862, and the mine variably worked until 1935. Approximately 1600 tonnes of ore were removed representing 120,000 ounces of silver, 1000 tonnes of lead and 300 tonnes of arsenic.

The ore came out of hot fluids coming up the Talisker Fault from magma, likely associated with nearby deep granite bodies, and was deposited in quartz veins within the Cambrian Talisker calcisiltite (a fine-grained silt with a high calcium content). Figure 2 shows the local geology for this area with pink colours representing different Cambrian rocks. The fault is shown in dotted black and has several other occurrences of mineralization on it, including gold near Second Valley.

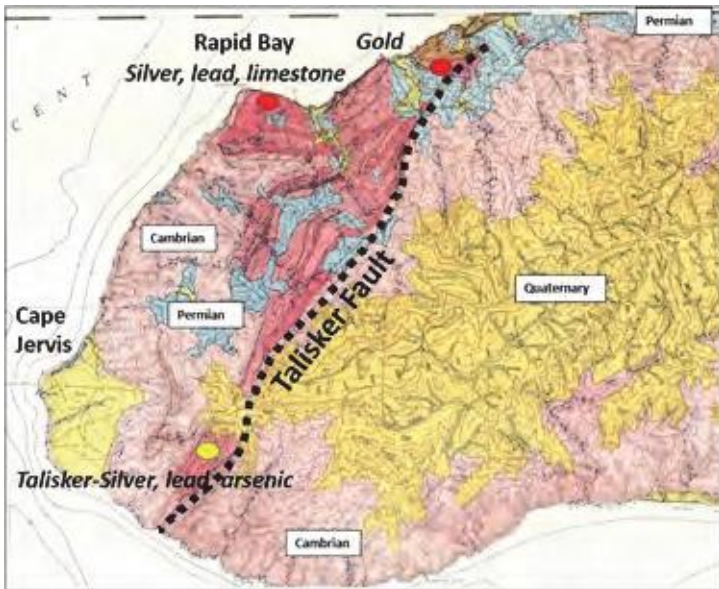


Figure 2-SADME.

The hot, mineralized fluids are a result of the 500Ma (million year) Delamerian period of mountain building when a continent-sized tectonic

plate smashed into this area, which was the east coast of Australia then.

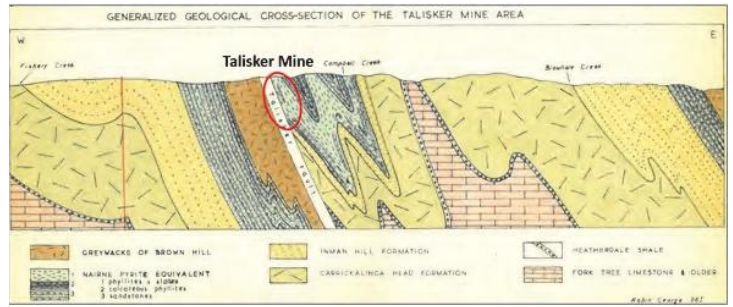


Figure 3.

Figure 3 is a 1963 image from Robin George's thesis of what an E-W slice drawn through the mine might look like. All the sediments were once flat-lying sands, shales and limestones. These were folded and faulted and metamorphosed when the plate smashed into the area coming from the east.

Figure 4 shows a folded belt of a particular Cambrian group of sediments in the Kanmantoo Trough that contains a lot of the ore bodies made during this time - such as at Talisker (black ellipse).

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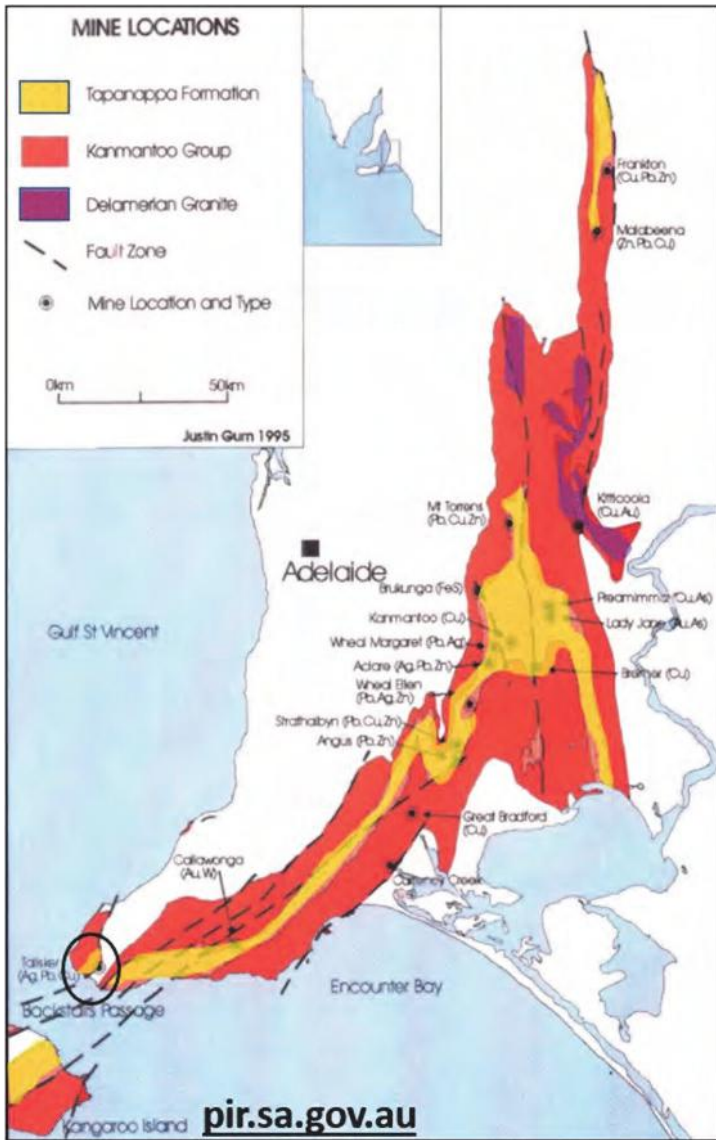


Figure 4-SADME.

Figure 5 shows the underground mine workings along the length of the lode in the Talisker Fault zone, some 6m wide (from an SA government sign on the site). The ore consisted of galena (lead sulphide), quartz, and arsenopyrite (iron-arsenic sulphide). The white areas on the figure are mined out “stopes”, where the Cornish miners removed the ore.

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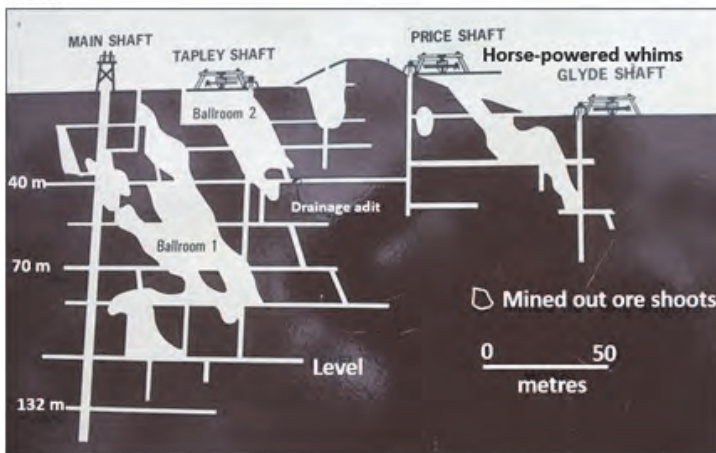


Figure 5.

The mine employed traditional Cornish methods and included a drainage tunnel that led downhill from the 40 m level of the mine. Initially, the ore was sent to Britain for processing, but eventually on-site facilities were built to crush and process the ore, some of which are seen in the period photograph of Figure 1 (lower image). Many miners and their families lived on the mine site, rather than in nearby Silverton, which was built to service the mine’s workers. They lived in wattle and daub or timber slab houses with thatched roofs-see Figure 6.



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Figure 6-SA Government.

Look at the figures in this picture in their Victorian clothes. Imagine bringing up several children in these conditions in a 40-degree summer with no running water, electricity etc!

If you walk through the bush here, you can see piles of chimney debris and flattened areas where these houses once were.

The nearby town of Silverton was surveyed in 1864 and eventually supported a hotel, brass band, a Lodge, post office, chapel, eating house, store, telegraph, and had regular Cobb and Co coach services to Adelaide. There was a resident doctor, a bank, Institute and school, but nothing visible is left today. The modern houses up the hill from the mine are where Silverton was.

This site is well worth a visit and explore - some steps are steep! There are a lot of physical remains, such as shafts, where the horse whims operated, chimney flues cut into the ground, a brick kiln, boiler house, crusher house and various ore processing remains, reservoir, quarries and General Manager’s residence.

When visiting do not pick up the greenish coloured rocks as they are rich in arsenic! Figure 7 shows a greenish-tinged arsenic-rich rock. The left part of the figure shows the nearly filled in entrance to a vertical shaft. In this you can see the near-vertical nature of the rocks in the fault zone - as drawn in Figure 3.



Figure 7.

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## Bullaparinga... Once A Village

Less than four years after Colonel William Light landed at Rapid Bay on 8 September 1836, land was surveyed in the Rapid Bay district ready for selection. The earliest selections were made there in 1840 by four men associated with the South Australian Company. Soon after, selections were made in nearby Bullaparinga and Delamere (originally known as Stockyards, later changed to Glenburn in the 1860s).

By the early 1850s many settlers including Henry and Frederick Jones were living there and farming the land. The name Bullaparinga is believed to be a derivation of an Aboriginal word meaning 'near the dark river'. The river we know today as the Yattagolga flows through this area.

From the 1850s, every settled Hundred in the colony had its own District Council. The Yankalilla and Myponga District Council was formed on 6 April 1854, the first council in County Hindmarsh, with inaugural councillors William Randall, Septimane Herbert, George Fowler Day, Thomas Sclanders and Charles Thomas Hewett, who was elected chairman at the first meeting, held on 11 April that year at the Normanville Hotel.

In 1856 areas were split to form parts of the new District Councils of Inman and Rapid Bay (20 March), and the remainder was divided later that year into two separate District Councils of Yankalilla and Myponga (23 October). The District Council of Rapid Bay encompassed the land from Little Gorge to Cape Jervis, including Second Valley, Rapid Bay, Bullaparinga, Stockyards/Glenburn, Cape Jervis, and later Silverton. Having separated from the Yankalilla Council, the first chairman of the Rapid Bay Council was William Randell, who continued for about nine years. At the first meeting of the council, held at John Newbold's house, Bullaparinga, it was resolved that the meeting place be at Bullaparinga until a suitable place be found at Finnis Vale (Second Valley). By the end of the year meetings were being held in the Farriers' Arms Hotel at Finnis Vale and, later, in a building at Bullaparinga.

Following the discovery of the Talisker silver-lead mine, about three miles further south, which was operating by July 1862, an influx of Cornish miners and others would have boosted the district's residents. Soon after, a township, Silverton, sprang up nearby to accommodate the miners. Several other mines opened in the near vicinity. Although once the largest silver mine in South Australia, work ceased predominantly at Talisker and the other smaller mines in the late 1890s although a small amount of mining continued until 1935. Between 1868 and 1935, an estimated 4.5 tons of silver was produced.

With increasing population around Delamere and Bullaparinga, by 1866 William Whyte, farmer and shoemaker of Bullaparinga, wrote in a letter to the *Register* of 18 December, that there were:

'... more than 20 houses within a short distance from the Post Office, and we have at Glenburn the doctor [Dr John Braddock], the schoolmaster, two butchers (the only ones in Rapid Bay), a saddler, bootmaker, blacksmith, stonemason; also store, Post Office, wine store, a nice chapel, and a new school house building ...'

At a meeting of ratepayers of the Rapid Bay district, held in the council room at Bullaparinga on Tuesday, 8 October 1867, at 3pm, heated discussions took place about the best location for a police station. In the absence of chairman Mr Ransford, Dr Braddock took the chair. It was ascertained that initially government money was put on the Estimates for the Police Station to be built at Bullaparinga, a site favoured by the ratepayers. However, other influencers in Adelaide wanted the location at Second Valley, Mr Bennett claiming he had been duped into thinking he was signing a petition for the jetty when, in fact, he had signed a memorial for the Police Station.

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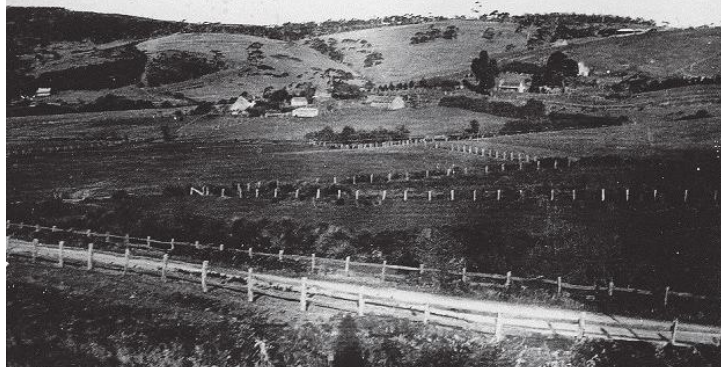
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new council chamber at Bullaparinga for £261 12s, on section 91, granted by the Crown Lands Office. The new chamber opened on 14 August 1878. When the Rapid Bay Council amalgamated with Yankalilla in 1932, this building was modified and rented out as a private residence. Council sold the property in 1988.

Bullaparinga Cemetery, laid out in 1858, is testimony to many early families that lived, worked, and farmed in the area. The first burial records begin in April 1859. Early family names include Bennett, Christie, Chirgwin, Cole, Jones, Leak, Leonard, Mitchell, Morris, Newbold, Norman, Parlor, Payne, Randall, Tarran, Thomas, Way, and Willis.

Although not an early settler, another significant person interred at Bullaparinga is Henri Benedictus Salaman van Raalte. Born in 1881 in London to a Dutch-born merchant and his English wife, Henri was educated at City of London School, St John's Wood Art School, and the Royal Academy of Arts. Henri became an associate of the Royal Society of Painter-Etchers and Engravers, and exhibited at the Royal Academy of

Village of Bullaparinga from Putland's Hill, 1923.



Original Rapid Bay Council chamber, Bullaparinga



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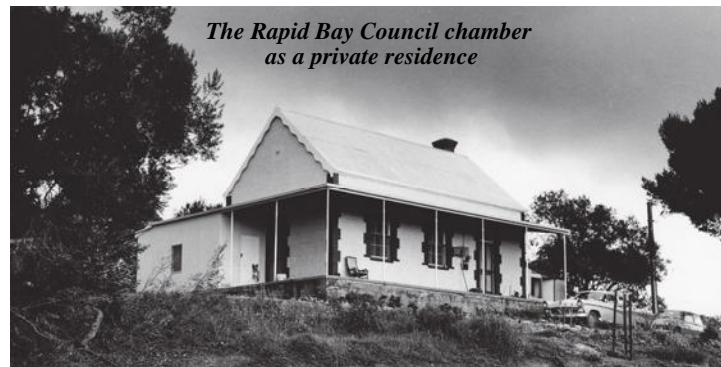



Arts, London. He migrated to Western Australia with his brother in 1910. In 1920 he founded the Australian Painter-Etchers' and Graphic Art Society. After Gustave Barnes died, van Raalte was curator of the Art Gallery of South Australia from 1920 to 1926 when he resigned over differences of opinion with the gallery's board, and with his wife Kitty, three sons, and his press, he moved to a rented cottage at Second Valley. Although accepted by the local community, it seems his melancholy was exacerbated by financial stress and in 1929, while his wife and sons were out, he took his own life.

The Delamere Action Group has approached the District Council of Yankalilla, requesting funds to erect, at the cemetery entrance, a 70cm high stone memorial wall with plaques to commemorate the many early pioneer settlers and families that have no headstones.

- Lorraine Day

The Rapid Bay Council chamber as a private residence



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. **The next meeting will be on Monday 11 September 2023** at 7pm at Sanders Hall, Uniting Church, 121 Main South Road, Yankalilla.

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