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# CARRIETON RODEO ROCKS 2022!

Carrieton's New Years Rodeo enjoyed ideal weather conditions and saw the usual community commitment from locals and beyond to organise and hold a successful night with an estimated crowd of nearly 3,000. New Years Day meant a Rodeo clean up with many helpers again followed by a relaxed unwind at the Carrieton Hotel with entertainment for New Year party revellers and weary locals to relax and recover.

The Carrieton Rodeo Committee would like to thank all volunteers from far and wide. From the small town of Carrieton to 100s of people across the district and wider communities of Orroroo, Hawker, Jamestown, Cradock, Quorn, Wilmington, Burra, Port Augusta and Adelaide just to name a few. Coming together to help on bars, food stalls, officials, yard work and so much more! Your work doesn't go unnoticed, so thank you!

Also a big congratulations to all involved for running a successful show!

Full report and photos from page 28



# 2023 Australia Day Celebrations







Australia Day 2023 Award Winners
See page 5 for the full story.

#### Message from the Mayor

With no December Goyders, its been two months since I last spoke to you and a lot has happened in that time although not always to do with Council affairs. Harvest finally started at a time when some years we would be finished but it was a mixed bag with some excellent barley crops but the wheat suffered from all manner of problems. A new disease "white wheat" reared its head and it is just another hurdle to be overcome and coped with. Rust had a detrimental effect also as well as with such a wet spring and poor establishment early, a growth in weed burden on a scale we'd never seen before so we're still learning in this game. That some are still reaping is testimony to how late the season has been and the size of some farmers operations.

Because almost the entire administration staff and some councillors contracted Covid at our Christmas function (me included!) our December meeting was cancelled through lack of a quorum so we had two meetings together last Wednesday. That had never been done before in my time either so a new experience for all. Covid had quite an effect for a lot of us over Christmas with Rob and I having a quiet day on our own so I didn't get to Christmas Eve in Orroroo. However I did attend "Carols in the Main" and was so sorry that the weather was not kind to the event. The program however was exceptional and the singing first class so to the committee "keep on keeping on". You're doing a great job. And we have some amazing talent locally too!

Australia Day was well celebrated also although the crowd a little smaller than usual. The weather was kind if just a little chilly with a south easterly wind but the venue is delightful (pictured below). The morning ran really well and that is due to the excellent organisation skills and hard work of Ann and her sidekick Adrian. They were there at 6.30am to get everything organised. That is all in their own time too, no overtime, so we are very thankful that we have people like that working for our Council, above & beyond. Congratulations to all winners but a special shout-out to our Citizen of the Year Fred Laskey who was still working hard for the community on "his" day when he helped cook breakfast. There's no stopping some!

Next Council Meeting will be held Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 at 9am in the Orroroo Council Chambers. We had a well attended meeting at Pekina when Telstra came to discuss the mobile phone tower that will be built somewhere in the Pekina area in the next little while. It was a worthwhile get together with lots of question



asked and answered. We all look forward to its quick erection.

All at Council were saddened with the passing of Malcolm Byerlee. Malcolm was a councillor for 31 and a half years all told at both Carrieton Council where he was Chairman for a term and Orroroo Carrieton where he also served as Chairman for a term. Malcolm was well respected for his views which were always well considered and when he spoke everyone listened as it was always worthwhile. Interestingly, when asked what was his most valuable and important project whilst he was on Council, Malcolm declared it was the two locust plagues we encountered when he was one of the leading people in the fight. Malcolm thought it was a huge credit to the people on the ground in this area as he thought we had saved the rest of the state from the ravages of that plague.

I will always remember another side of Malcolm, his very real support and service to the Liberal Party here in this area. I can't remember a time when voting in Orroroo that he wasn't there handing out "How to vote" pamphlets for the blue team.

Later in the month we were also saddened by the passing of John Cozens. As I've mentioned before, John came to our Council meetings to give a talk and a prayer for over 20 years and often stopped to listen to our debates for quite some time. He was probably the most well informed person outside our Council about what actually goes on in our meetings and the deliberations that finally decide our actions. John became a great friend to all of us over the years and we appreciated that even in his last days he was still thinking of us and sent a message via Joy to keep putting this community first in all our decisions. We are all endeavouring to do just that.

Vale Malcolm & John.



#### Mayor's Australia Day Address

It started with the reparation of Price Maurice Road south of Pekina and finished with the Heavy Vehicle Bypass. In between we did a huge amount of flood damage repairs particularly north of Orroroo. Two thirds of the cost of these projects came from the State Government or at least that is supposed to be the case but stage 2 of the bypass blew out unbelievably.

Of course we all know that the Federal Government gifted us \$2million to be spent on infrastructure projects and then of course there were the grants which came thicker and faster than we'd ever seen before. Even the State Government got into the grant picture as well and all these things enabled us to develop our Recreation Ground in Orroroo where we spent well over half a million dollars. We rejuvenated this area here at the Lions Park, did painting and line marking at the Orroroo pool, fibre glassed the toddler's pool and installed 2 shades.

Solar systems were erected on almost all community and sporting buildings including a dozen bores and water tanks were strategically placed around the district. Buildings were not overlooked either with our own Hall receiving air conditioning, painting and a new front office design. The RSL hall received attention along with the Carrieton Community Store.

The airstrip was fenced and lighting upgraded, funds were provided for a solar light at Morchard, kitchen facilities at the bowling club and signage, a rest area and upgrades at the Pekina Recreation Centre occurred along with shelters at our cemeteries.

With a view to becoming self-sufficient in watering our oval, new kerbing was built in the school precinct to eventually catch the storm water from East Tce and Fourth St in a second dam at that end of the town to be pumped over to the railway dam. We upgraded our walking trails and sheeted the road network in the reservoir precinct.

We built our "piece de resistance" with the Black Rock Woolshed and completely renovated our main street facilities.

We should not forget that Murray water arrived in Orroroo in March 2019 and our CWMS Scheme initiated by CEO Stephen Rufus was finally finished and commissioned.

An exhaustive list!! Let's not forget we ran two Despite the Dust musters as well and won the Minister's Award for excellence in Regional Public Health with the first one. And finally Rural Aid finally came to do their personal upgrade and we are still to witness an upgrade of our CBD premises from that quarter.

It was such an incredible undertaking that it could not possibly get done with a workforce of our size so exactly what the Federal Governmeth hoped would happen did. Contractors came, extra employment for locals was created, the shops benefited from extra people in the town. We all marvelled at the expertise of our stone mason and lan McKendrick wished he'd bought a house, he's been here so long.

So what does all this mean for Orroroo Carrieton? One thing is for sure we've created a community far more in keeping with the 21<sup>st</sup> century and I hope we've put in some bones to be fleshed out sometime in the future. I hope that we've developed our tourism credentials to encourage visitors to stop and stay a while. If nothing else I hope the houses on North Terrace don't shake anymore with road trains of all descriptions going past.

So this brings me to the crux of my talk today. All these projects, what we did and how much money we spent on each and the priorities we developed was in the hands of 5 people. Yes we consulted with the community and the newly formed Recreation Ground committee gave valuable input in that area but in the end the big decisions were made by 5 somewhat ageing individuals.

I think we're all pretty proud of what's been done and we hope we got it right but we're not going to be there forever. In deed I had made the announcement at Carols in 2021 that 2022 was my last year and Joy took until almost the last day to put her nomination in. So whilst it was less stressful having no election it was also a concern that even when you didn't know who had nominated still only the expected Carrieton resident came forward. As we look around local government circles more regional councils than ever are having supplementary elections. If we are to be a worthwhile council and continue to make the best decisions we need councillors with leadership qualities to be a part of it. People with vision and a desire to serve their community.

Years ago you told me at one of our community consultations that as ratepayers you wanted Orroroo Carrieton to remain a council in its own right. That can only occur with the right people giving of their time and winning their positions at an election so that they have the confidence that their community wanted them to represent them, not that they were the only people interested in the job. And from me personally, let it not be a place for retirees even though their experience is valuable. Let's have some youth as well. I was in my 40's when I first started on Council and indeed stood unsuccessfully for the Black Rock Ward when I was 30.

On this Australia Day we present awards to those who have done good deeds & influenced their community. The list on our program to day is long varied and contains the names of some wonderful people. We have great people in our community. In the words of JFK with slight alteration (Think not what your community can do for you, rather what you can do for your community).

Australia Day is all about a celebration of communities' right across this vast land, let's keep our Orroroo Carrieton community vibrant and alive.

#### From the Council Desk

It seems like an age since the last update - there is plenty to report from a Council perspective over the last few months! Although being a later than normal season, fortunately most of the harvest is now complete for those in the primary production game; it appears to have been a strong season for a majority of our district in regards to



legume and cereals cropping in particular. Surely a pleasing result for most, following a pretty lean start to the season.

Sadly we have seen the passing of some very highly regarded community members who have provided so much service to the Council and the Orroroo Carrieton community as a whole, our best wishes and condolences to all that have suffered this tremendous loss.

I had the privilege of attending the Australia Day Ceremony and BBQ Breakfast at Lions Park in Orroroo. It was a really fantastic morning for the community to celebrate a wonderful day on Australia's calendar. There are too many people to thank individually however I would like to acknowledge the Orroroo Lions Club for setting up and cooking the breakfast and Sing Australia for some great tunes. I would also like to acknowledge the staff, in particular Ann and Adrian who attend on the public holiday to set up and organise the event for the community. Thanks also to Mayor Bowman for presenting the awards and for the Australia Day Address, the theme being the important role that volunteerism plays to the overall health of the community. There is certainly opportunities available for some new faces to step into these roles from within the younger generations throughout our community.

The significant Heavy Vehicle Bypass project is now largely complete



except for line marking so the works team are able to focus a bit more resourcing towards general maintenance and returning to our delivery of the resheeting program. This project occurs annually and will involve the resheeting of over 20km's of Council's unsealed road network in accordance with Council's budget and the Asset Management Plan that underpin our strategic asset management.

We have also seen a lot of work go into the presentation of the main street with the finalisation of the settlers trail on grounds work. The paving, furniture and the increased lawn areas have certainly lifted the overall appearance of the main street strip, we receive countless comments from visitors at the high level of presentation of the Orroroo and Carrieton townships. Having an aesthetically pleasing town centre encourages people to 'stop and prop' if they are driving through, this in turn provides the opportunity for businesses to increase trade and support the overall community prosperity. All these small things add up and are intrinsically linked to maintaining a successful and growth minded small town.

My attention and Council's will now also turn to the preparation of Council's next Annual Business Plan and the 23/24 Budget; we have some challenging times financial times ahead due to the current conditions across the world, coupled with significant expenditure on Council assets. As we are all aware the financial indicators are definitely affecting the cost of living and the inflation figures are the highest we have seen for many, many years.

Thankfully this Council has ensured a good platform of overall financial management and the key financial indicators (of which Council's report upon) are well within the targeted ratios.

Onwards and upwards for 2023!



**Staff Service Awards** 

At the Council Christmas Party, Staff were recognised for their service to Local Government and in particular the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton. Phil Davies (15 years), Margaret Chapman (15 years), Adrian Hucks (10 years) and Stuart Shute (10 years) are pictured above with their certificates.

Councillor Grant Chapman was also recognised for his service to Local Government of 10 years.

### AUSTRALIA DAY 2023

#### **Citizen of the Year: Brendan Laskey**

Brendan Laskey of Orroroo has been awarded the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton Citizen of the Year for 2023 in recognition of his service to the community.

Brendan (known to many as 'Fred') has volunteered with many community and sporting organisations over numerous years.



Brendan has been volunteering with the Orroroo and Districts Lions Club since 2004 and has held several positions including President, Secretary and Treasurer during this time. He is always there to cook the BBQ or donuts at community events including Australia Day, Anzac Day, Carols in the Main and Christmas Pageant and football matches. The donut van also makes an appearance at the local school for special events with Brendan assisting in its transport and then the making of the donuts. When the Lions Club were the organising body for the Brush with Art event, Brendan would collect, erect, dismantle and return the screens to Peterborough, often without question and his own quiet way.

Brendan has also been involved in the Orroroo Darts Association as a player and as the official recorder/ scorer and president.

Brendan has also been a member of the Pekina CFS Brigade since 2005 and has held the position of Lieutenant during this time. He has attended many fires during this time and been on strike teams out of the district.

More recently, Brendan also been involved with the Black Rock Dirt Circuit Club, firstly as a member and then taking on positions including treasurer, president and Association delegate.



Above: Hayden, Nat, Brendan and Cameron Laskey

# Community Event of the Year: Colours of Orroroo Arts Exhibition

The Community Event of the Year Award has been

awarded to the Colours of Orroroo Arts Exhibition held in the Orroroo Town Hall for 2 weeks during September and October 2022.



The exhibition, which has been running for 8 years, is a part of the Flinders Ranges A Brush with Art trail. The exhibition provided an opportunity for local and regional artists to display and sell their work, ranging in age from 4 to 96 years.

This year's event had a wonderful turn out of local, interstate and international visitors and also gave some local school students the opportunity to sell their art, much to their delight. The exhibition this year also provided visitors with the opportunity to design their own free tote bag.

From the passion of the Exhibition, the Colours of Orroroo Arts Hub have formed and developed. The Hub, a resource for the community and region, have a motto that arts are for all, we pride ourselves on being welcoming, caring and inclusive for all.

A massive congratulations to the hands-on organising committee of Ursula von der Borch, Brian Chaplin, Jacquie von der Borch, Carol Ackland, Wendy Amey, Belinda White.

**Merit Award: Ski For Life 2022** 



This year a Merit Award has been made to Ski for Life and the 3 local teams that are part of this annual event. This year was the 10th anniversary for Ski for Life with the theme for 2022 being Resilience, Family and Friend!

The local teams of 'Slippery Skiers', 'Rooski' and 'Just 'Cause' raised nearly \$100,000 between them, a tremendous effort! The teams ski 456km along the Murray River between Murray Bridge and Renmark, all in 3 days in the hope of raising funds and awareness for mental health, wellbeing and suicide prevention. Locals Ben Piggott, Sophie Gillies and Jaden Carey were able to ski the whole 456km with other team members skiing alongside of them.

## AUSTRALIA DAY 2023



Above: Cutting of the cake (made by local Denise Ogilvy) by 2022 Citizens of the Year Ray and Clara Sims



**Above:** Leonora Gillies, Mayor Kathie Bowman, Mark Piggott, Jodie Piggott, JP Carey, Jaden Carey and Nicolle Carey



Above: Lions Club members cooking the BBQ



**Left:** Margaret and Grant Chapman enjoying the Australia Day celebrations





**Above:** Carol Ackland, Brian Chaplin, Ursula Von Der Borch, Mayor Kathie Bowman, Jacquie Von Der Borch and Wendy Amey (Belinda White Absent)

## ORROROO'S HALF MARATHON ON THE BACK BURNER

To all past participants of the Orroroo Half Marathon, It is with a heavy heart that I communicate with you at this late date to let you know that we are not able to organize and facilitate the 2023 Orroroo Half Marathon. As you know, in 2020 we were days away from the event when the very first Covid social distancing regulations and the later lockdowns changed our whole life perspective! Since then, ongoing Covid restrictions and regulations made it difficult for our small committee to confidently plan the events in 2021 and 2022, to ensure safety for both competitors and our community.

In mid-2022 the Half Marathon committee felt that planning another event for 2023 was becoming more than the remaining members could manage. Not wanting to see the event close we approached other groups and committees to see if they would be prepared to take over the event with our financial and personal support for the first year, and for later events if required. We received a good hearing as many people wished for the event to continue, but as with many other small communities, when these volunteers realised the amount of work involved on top of their current involvements and responsibilities, they withdrew their interest.

I apologise for not contacting you all earlier, I guess we were hoping there may be a last-minute rescue! As the 2020 event was virtually all organized, we had sponsorship and some registrations paid for. Many of you left your registrations in our account for the following year's event. Who would have thought that there would be three events, not just one cancelled! Many sponsors were also happy to leave their money on the table for a future event.

As we have not found a partner or new committee to organise the Half Marathon, we will be closing the

committee and the accounts down.

Our finance on hand, less registrations and sponsorship paid for the 2020 event, will be transferred to the Orroroo Community Gym Inc.

The Orroroo Community Gym Inc Committee were the instigating committee for the Orroroo Half Marathon, organising and running the first few events up until a separate committee was formed to organise the Half Marathon. The Orroroo Community Gym Inc committee have continued to be a sponsoring organization for our event insurance.

If you would like to have your registration fees repaid, could you please email us your name and current bank account details for an electronic transfer.

Sponsoring organisations may also request their financial donations be returned, again with their name and submission of current bank account details.

If you wish to leave your registration or sponsorship as a donation to the Orroroo Community Gym, THANKYOU! It will be used very gratefully for maintaining our local volunteer run Gym facility, and organising training sessions and equipment for our members. We are not a charitable organisation, so the donation is not tax deductible.

Thank You all very much for your past support with our event, it was always a fun day, and we and the Orroroo Community always enjoyed your enthusiasm in travelling to Orroroo to participate.

Good luck in all your future runs, walks and events, we all wish you well!

Di Barrie Secretary,

Orroroo Half Marathon Planning Committee

Email: orroroohalfmarathon@gmail.com
Web: www.orroroo.com.au/halfmarathon

# Pekina Mobile Phone Tower Project progress update!

The Orroroo Carrieton Council CEO Paul Simpson and the Telstra Team of Mel and Sam addressed the Pekina Community on Tuesday 24 January at the recreation reserve. It was an extremely well attended meeting with 28 local community members present.

The Pekina Mobile Phone Tower project received \$868,200 funding allocated through the Coalition Government's



Regional Connectivity program for the mobile blackspot program. Council made provision for an \$80,000 cocontribution to this Pekina phone tower in the 2022/23 Business Plan and Budget to ensure the successful bid.

The meeting discussed the potential location of the Pekina Mobile Phone Tower and provided details around the project and the parameters that would be considered for a suitable location. It was a productive discussion and lots of questions were asked and answered about the delivery of the project, with many suggested locations coming forward! Telstra will now perform some modelling of the potential locations and have agreed to return at a future date to discuss the proposed locations and the benefits of each with the community. Well done to all involved.

#### DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ORROROO CARRIETON ROADS (OPENING AND CLOSING) ACT 1991

#### **Roads Opening and Closing—Orroroo**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 10 of the Roads (Opening and Closing) Act 1991, that the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton proposes to make a Road Process Order to:

- 1. Open as road portion of Sections 348, 431, 337 and 347 Hundred of Walloway more particularly delineated and numbered '1', '2', '3' and '4' respectively on Preliminary Plan 22/0007.
- 2. Close, vest in the Crown and add to portion of Section 348 Hundred of Walloway which land is dedicated under the Crown Land Management Act 2009 for Parkland Purposes the portion of the public road adjoining Section 348 Hundred of Walloway, more particularly delineated and lettered 'A' on Preliminary Plan 22/0007.

The Preliminary Plan and Statement of Persons Affected are available for public inspection at the office of the Council at 17 Second Street, Orroroo and the Adelaide Office of the Surveyor-General during normal office hours. The Preliminary Plan can also be viewed at <a href="https://www.sa.gov.au/roadsactproposals">www.sa.gov.au/roadsactproposals</a>.

Any application for easement or objection must set out the full name, address and details of the submission and must be fully supported by reasons. The application for easement or objection must be made in writing to the Council at PO Box 3, Orroroo SA 5431 WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS NOTICE and a copy must be forwarded to the Surveyor-General at GPO Box 1815, Adelaide 5001. Where a submission is made, the Council will give notification of a meeting at which the matter will be considered.

Dated: 19 January 2023

PAUL SIMPSON Chief Executive Officer

# ORROROO MARKET IN THE MAIN SUNDAY 19th MARCH

9am - 1pm

Come along to the Orroroo's Picturesque Mainstreet and enjoy what we have on offer.

Businesses will be open to welcome you as well. Why not stroll down or hop in the car, have brunch at one of our wonderful cafés and enjoy the morning having a catchup.

Stall sites still available, contact through Orroroo Regional Tourism Group Facebook page via messenger,

email: <a href="mailto:Orroroortg@gmail.com">Orroroortg@gmail.com</a>, Phone: Margaret 0418 800 581



Council is deeply saddened by the passing of **Malcom Byerlee** on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023.

Malcolm served the community as an elected member of Council for over 30 years, elected as Councillor on 4<sup>th</sup> May 1987 for the District Council of Carrieton. He served periods as Chairman and Deputy Chairman until amalgamation with Orroroo in 1997. Malcolm continued to serve the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton as Chairman for one term and Deputy Chairman for several terms, retiring from Council on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018.



Whilst being on Council, Malcolm was involved with many extra Committees such as Central Flinders Soil Board, Upper North Animal & Plant Board, Northern Regional Development Board, Central North East Farm Assistance Program, Locust & Plague Grasshopper Reference Group, Northern & Yorke Natural Resource Management Board, Section 41 Committees of Council, Orroroo Silo Committee, Orroroo Hospital Health Board and Northern Passenger Transport Committee to name a few.

Malcolm volunteered with many other community groups including the Carrieton Rodeo Club, Carrieton School Council, Orroroo Area School, Carrieton Centenary Committee, Carrieton Swimming Pool, Carrieton Recreation Grounds and Orroroo Equine Club.

Malcolm was recognised for his efforts in community service with the 2019 Australia Day Citizen of the Year Award.

Council extends its condolences to the Byerlee Family.

# From Orroroo to Hallett From Melrose to Laura From Peterborough to Crystal Brook

# Northern Area Funerals

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Northeral House www.northernareafunerals.com.au



Meredith Owner/Funeral Director

funerals can be expensive, but it doesn't cost to talk to us

> whatever your choice, whatever your budget, we are here to help





Kylie Funeral Co-ordinator



Mardi **Funeral Director** 

we listen to what you want, we take the time to care

and

we consider it an honour to be able to help at such a difficult time



Mortuary Manager



Technical/Marketing

Northern Area Funerals proud to be local



Shelley Funeral Assistant

If you are over 18 & fancy some light-hearted exercise, join us for a morning swim during the Summer at the Community Pool from 8.30am. Season & 10 swim passes available at the Council Office.

We generally swim from Mondays through Saturdays, depending on other activities within the district!

#### Contact Margaret Breton 0438 629 606

#### **Main Street Parking**

Local businesses have contacted Council regarding parking issues in the central business areas in the main street.

Many of these parks are being taken up by long term day parking of the staff of the local businesses.

Rather than place restrictions Council would prefer that local businesses 'moderate their own parking' in these areas to ensure visitors who spend the money have ease of access to your own businesses. Allowing ease of parking in front of the main business area is likely to increase the expenditure in the business particularly with drive through visitors. Talk to staff and see if we can improve this situation.

#### WOOL PACK BUDDY

#### **FEATURES**

- Strong construction
- User friendly
- One action pinning
- Opens up for easy access wool butt
- Easy to wheel around work space, clean up etc
- Less down time in the work place
- Pack,replaced, removed within seconds
- Bail fastner holder
- Also used for recycling and garden waste



#### GAS KNIFE BUDDY LAMB MARKING

#### **FEATURES**

- Strong construction
- Keeps knife hot
- Self cleaning
- No manual cleaning
- Reduc gas consumption
- Adjustable brushes
- Adatable to suit your needs
- collars,cradle supplied



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#### DESIGNED AND BUILT LOCALLY CONTACT MATT BYERLEE 0448 777 917



#### **COMMUNITY GROUPS INFORMATION LINKS**

- To see all the information on AEDs and The Heart of the Nation
  - https://www.heartofthenation.com.au/
- Go on a scavenger hunt and find the existing AEDs in your community.
- ➤ Encourage existing owners to register their unit with Heart of the Nation at no cost to them. This unit will then be visible on the Heart of the Nation App.
  - <a href="https://www.heartofthenation.com.au/join">https://www.heartofthenation.com.au/join</a>
- Encourage those that have an AED to purchase a GPS tracker so that they can always track where their unit is. (This helps to alleviate the fear of theft if the unit is accessible to the public).
  - · https://www.heartofthenation.com.au/rotary9510-order
- ➤ Encourage your community to purchase a unit through the Rotary page on Heart of the Nation. We recommend the Community Wall Cabinet unit @ \$2990. When ordering choose Strathalbyn Rotary from the drop-down list.
  - https://www.heartofthenation.com.au/rotary9510-order
- Contact Rotary Club of Strathalbyn for any queries or check all the details on your personal USB.

RotaryDefibProject@strathrotary.org.au

## SA AMBULANCE SERVICE

In recent months there has been an increase in injured people being placed into private vehicles and driven to the local hospital when an Ambulance would have been a more appropriate method of transport. The Ambulance Service is available 24hrs a day and when someone is sick or injured the advantages of calling 000 for an Ambulance generally outweighs the risks associated with placing someone in a vehicle and driving them to hospital.

As soon as you call 000 you are quickly connected to the SA Ambulance Emergency Operations Centre – Call taker's record all the information about the case and can provide first aid advice over the phone whilst the Ambulance is on the way .

The Call takers do ask several questions however this is not delaying the Ambulance from being dispatched – we ask lots of questions so the correct resources can be dispatched to the 000 call.

The advantage of an Ambulance attending is they can provide a high level of clinical care to patients prior to arriving at the hospital – the Ambulance Crew can provide good pain management, manage respiratory and cardiac cases, stabilize fractures, stop life threatening haemorrhage along with many other interventions that will be beneficial for the patient. So, whilst it may seem a quicker and easier option to drive someone to hospital it may also be detrimental to the patient's outcome – if in doubt always call 000 and our call takers can advise you the best option at the time.

The local Ambulance Station is crewed by members of your own community who volunteer their time to provide a high level of care when that 000 call comes in.

Lee Dale Regional Paramedic Team Leader SA Ambulance Service



# OFFICE ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTS COORDINATOR

Soil Management Systems is a soil and plant nutrition business operating from our head office in Orroroo. We operate Australia wide and have been in business for 28 years. Our focus is on balanced soil nutrition and treating soils as a living environment.

An exciting full-time opportunity has arisen for an experienced Office Administration Accounts Coordinator to join our hard-working team. Reporting to the Managing Director, you will provide pivotal support to the team based in Orroroo and the extended team across Australia.

To be considered for this role, you will be motivated, organised, proactive and calm under pressure.

Having experience in a variety of computer systems, you will be comfortable working with Xero and if you have exposure to Dear Systems that is an advantage.

You will be working with foreign exchange, imports, biosecurity and inventory but training will be provided.

Responsibilities of the roll include:

- Accounts
- BAS support
- Banking
- Reporting
- General admin
- Customer support
- Invoicing
- Payroll



Being dedicated to ensuring the chosen candidate is the right fit for the role and for our team, we will be looking for these qualities:

- Hard working and dedicated
- Team player
- Effective and tactful communicator (written and verbal)
- Hands on and willing to pitch in wherever required
- High level attention to detail
- Eagerness to learn and enhance knowledge and skills

Detailed and extensive training will be provided for the chosen candidate. You will be rewarded with a competitive salary, work life balance and a role in a thriving country community.

If you feel you are right for this role, don't delay in sending your cover letter and resume including references to Amber.vasquared@gmail.com



#### Bollys Great Treasure Hunt 2022 Winners

1st Nat Laskey

2<sup>nd</sup> Rob Bollinger piped at the post by the pine cones (I counted them only 49 Rob)

Nat's turn this year 2023

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\$40.00

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# HEALTH SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES BENEFIT FROM GENEROUS DONATIONS

The Orroroo, Booleroo Centre and Laura Health Services and communities recently received several generous donations.

Last year, Mr Matthew Maas of Carrieton approached the Orroroo Health Service wishing to make a donation in memory of his late wife, Kay. Following discussion and consultation, Mr Maas kindly donated a remotely operated Braun Ability Lifter (wheelchair lifter) to the Health Service.

Following Mr Maas's generous pledge, a number of community groups from across the region provided generous donations to the Orroroo, Booleroo Centre and Laura Health Services which enabled them to work in partnership and purchase a Kia 8 seater vehicle. The new vehicle fitted with the lifer will provide access for individuals who require a wheelchair to participate in various outings, including attending appointments.

This collaborative project was only made possible due to the initial generous donation from Mr Maas. On behalf of the communities, the Orroroo, Booleroo Centre and Laura Health Services express their sincere thanks to Mr Maas. The Services also extend a sincere and grateful thank you to the key donors from each community who made it possible to purchase the vehicle:

- Orroroo Hospital Auxiliary
- Orroroo Regional Tourism Group
- Orroroo Lions Club
- Melrose Hospital Auxiliary
- Melrose Community Development Association
- Booleroo Centre District Lions Club
- Laura Hospital Auxiliary

Terms of use are available from Executive Officer/ Director of Nursing at the Orroroo, Booleroo Centre and Laura Health Services.



Left: Pictured L-R

Mr Matthew Maas, donor of the Braun Ability Lifter Joan Luckraft, Executive Officer/ Director of Nursing Orroroo Hospital and Orroroo Community Home Barbara Nutt, Associate Nurse Unit Manager Orroroo Community Home, Ryan Ackland, Executive Officer/ Director of Nursing Booleroo Centre and Laura Hospital Fiona Dignan, Nurse Unit Manager Orroroo Hospital and Orroroo Community Home

**KALIOPO (KAY) MAAS** 18/04/1960 - 29/04/2022 62 years

In honour of my wife to whom I was married for 30 years.

The gift of a chair, fitted in a car, to the Orroroo Health Service is to honour my wife - it was her special seat - it's her way of helping other families with their loved ones.



Kay worked for 30 years in a caring role for people with various disabilities including cerebral palsy, intellectual disabilities, autism spectrum disability, aspergers, aged care, palliative care, paraplegia, quadriplegia and mental health. Kay was a well sort after staff member due to her posotive outlook on life and loving care of everyone.

In August 2020, Kay was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiforme (GBM level 4), a fast growing and aggressive

brain tumour. Kay battled with GBM for 20 months with two operations and loving support from myself and her families. Kay was cared for at home throughout her ordeal, with a few hospital visits for treatment. Kay's sister, Mary, must have a mention as she was such a source of strength to us.

My wife, Kay, had a very strong relationship with her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. She centered her hope and faith in Jesus.

Kay knew that in dying, her body would be buried but her soul and spirit would be placed into the hands of God. She is walking with her family now who are in Christ as well as waiting for all her other loved ones. I'm going to see my wife again in eternity in God's Kingdom. Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Kay and I trust him.



Matthew Maas

# **PROBUS REPORT**

We started the New Year on the 3rd January, with a local Guest Speaker, Wendy Hooper & daughter Annika. She gave us an insight of how her daughter living with a disability has managed to make a success of her life and how Wendy and Warren have managed for her to achieve professional assistance, while not easy living in the country.

Most of Annika's life is spent singing music, just about every day of each week is taken up rehearsing. She belongs to a Group called TUTTI Arts, which includes Tutti Ensemble Poco Tutti, and a Band of four Ladies The Sisters of Invention. They have been playing and writing music together for more than a decade. Each of the band members have a disability. Annika has co written her song 'Colours' which has been recorded along with her other songs on her Colour CD.

Annika has a CD called 'Being here'. The Sisters of Invention have also written, sang and recorded their songs.

She is the director of Sing Australia in Orroroo (Wendy assistant) but they have been in recess because of Covid but are commencing rehearsals again in 2023. Being blind has not stopped her from a successful career. It was so inspiring to hear of all her achievements, and hear her beautiful voice sing songs for us.

2023 will be a busy year for Annika with performances at the Adelaide Fringe Festival and also the Perth Cabaret Festival.



On the 6th December we enjoyed our Christmas Lunch at the Commercial Hotel especially the atmosphere created by lovely decorations.

Next meeting Guest Speaker Lyn Forster will be telling us about her work with Northern Passenger Transport Network, now called Community Care & Transport-Care in Motion.

A date to remember is the Combined Picnic at Laura 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Probus meetings are held at the Commercial Hotel the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month, Visitors and new Members Welcome!



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The Small Business Financial Counselling Service supports you to:

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- · develop plans to manage cash flow and creditor payments
- · access dispute resolution services
- · consider succession pathways
- · seek broader professional advice and support
- access government and community grants, programs or schemes

# LIBRARYNEWS





#### **Library Hours**

Monday 8.45am-3pm Tuesday—Friday 8.45am-5pm Closed Weekends and Public Holidays

#### Welcome back to the Library for 2023.

The Library staff: Lisa Reddaway (Library Manager/Teacher), Jo Jesser (Library Assistant) and Sharon McCarthy (Library Assistant) are always happy to assist you with all your enquiries.

In the library we have a wide selection of Adult Fiction and Non-Fiction books, Audio Books, DVD's ,magazines as well as Children's Fiction and Non-Fiction, Picture books and DVD's. If there is a title we don't have we are happy to order it in for you from another library.

We offer Scanning, printing, photocopying, coil binding and laminating at very reasonable rates. We are happy to help you set up Library APPS on your phone, such as ONE CARD, LIBBY, LinkedIn and Borrow Box.

If you're looking for a quiet place to work we provide work tables as well as seated reading areas.

If you would like to join the library come visit us and we can sign you up straight away. Your library card enables you to borrow and return books in all South Australian public libraries. You can use your card to login to our community computers and laptops at any time as well as browse and borrow on the ONECARD online library. All for FREE!





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#### Free Wifi

Currently we have 3 public library computers, 2 public library laptops and an i-pad for our customers to use while in the library.

We also have headphone sets available to plug into the computers/laptops.

Free internet enables you to complete all your computer needs.



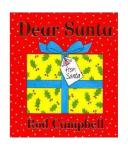


Library books are to be enjoyed by everyone in the community and therefore need to be treated with respect. Please take care of them.

# LIBRARY NEWS







Our final 2 story time sessions for 2022 saw us planting sunflower seeds in the rain after reading "Garden Stew" and of course we had to have plenty of glitter for our Christmas craft activity, decorating Christmas tree door hangers. We enjoyed reading Dear Santa, guessing what was inside the presents.



#### **Adult Fiction**

Love in a Time of War-A Chinn
Her Dark Lies-J.T. Ellison
Little Disasters-S Vaughan
Night Shift-R Cook
Broad River Station-F McDonald
The Pride-T Park
Two Sisters-J Cox
Angels of the Pacific-E Hooper
Desperate Hope-E Camden

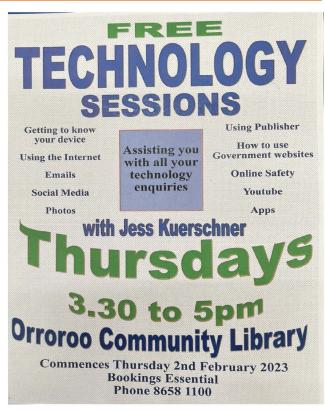
#### **Adult Non-Fiction**

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#### **Large Print**

Wake up tto Murder-D Keone
Dreaming Spies-L King
Heartbreak Hotel-J Kellerman
The Place at Whitton-T Keneally
DVD's

Adeline (PG)



# Orroroo World War 2 Honour Roll Research

# Do you have a family member or friend who served in World War 2, and whose name is on the Orroroo & Morchard World War 2 Honour Rolls which are situated in the Orroroo Town Hall?

The years have passed and nearly all the men and women who enlisted to serve their country in the Second World War have died, and sadly their personal photos and stories could be at risk of being lost.

I am working with the Orroroo Historical Society and the Council to try and find information and photos of every person on the Honour Rolls, and document this and save it for future family and community access

There are 195 men and 15 women who are listed on the Orroroo and Morchard Honour Rolls. Some are well known names, but many aren't. Those unknown personnel were perhaps young people who may have been working locally as railway or postal employees, school teacher or bank tellers. Many men listed their occupation as 'Labourer' which covered anything from farm and station hands to builders and road maintenance.

Some of these names are listed on other local Honour Rolls too. Carrieton, Pekina, Willowie and Booleroo Centre. The Communities were proud of the men and women who enlisted and they were honoured by the whole region.

For all but about 5 or 6 personnel I have been able to access their basic information from the Dept of Veterans Affairs Nominal Roll Website. This gives me the service number and which service they served with, and gives the ability to search for their service records. Not all service records are open and there is a charge to open them, but the National Australian Archives (NAA) are in the process of opening all of the WW2 service records over the next few years, but at this point there are less than half of the Orroroo service records available to view.

Eventually I hope to have a page, or several, for each service personnel, with a record of their birth, occupation, service history and discharge, marriage, and anything else that is relevant. It would be lovely to have a photograph of each soldier and some family anecdotes of their life before and / or after their service. These pages will be preserved as a hard copy so that family's can take a copy of the soldiers service record for themselves, and also stored digitally for the historical archive at the Orroroo Historical Society.

Do you have any photographs of your family member either in uniform, or from about that time. There may have been snapshots of them with their friends during training. Also of great assistance would be postcards or letters sent at the time or written stories or diaries. Any information you may have would be of assistance.

The items can be scanned and emailed to me, or I can scan the originals on your behalf, and then return to you if that is more convenient.

For more information, please feel free to contact me, Di Barrie on 0427 094 614 or email dbarrie49@bigpond.com

# ORROROO COMMUNITY GYM

#### Welcome back for 2023!

### **Orroroo Community Gym Programs**

#### "Pilates Plus": Instructor Kay Parkyn:

Enquiries 0479 111 040

#### These sessions are open to all age groups and for male and female participants. No referrals necessary.

Sessions are conducted on Monday & Wednesday at 5:30—6:30pm, and Friday mornings 9—10am. Participants are welcome to bring own mats and balls, however all equipment is available if you need it. Sessions are held in the Town Hall, so enter through the Town Hall doors please

(Could new participants arrive 10—15 mins early to their first class to enrol with Kay)

Gym members free. Non Gym members \$5 or \$3 concession to cover gym admission.

#### "Strength For Life": Conducted by a qualified fitness instructor.

Are you aged over 60 to 65 years, and would like to take part in progressive strength training sessions to promote strength, balance, flexibility and health?

If you are under 65 years you will require a Doctors Referral but if you are over 65 years you will need a My Aged Care Referral through "GP Plus" at Port Pirie, 08 8638 1100 or My Aged Care on 1800200422. Once these have been received the Physiotherapist will contact you to arrange an assessment to devise a program for you.

These sessions are conducted in the Gym Room

#### "Movers and Groovers": Conducted by the Physiotherapy Allied Health Assistants.

Would you prefer a more low impact exercise session to improve your physical activity and emotional well-being?

"Movers & Groovers" Is a chair based exercise program run during school terms for people over 60—65 years of age. It aims to reduce falls, improve physical activity and emotional wellbeing. You will require a Physiotherapist assessment prior to starting, so contact "GP Plus" at Port Pirie, 08 8638 1100 or My Aged Care on 1800200422.

# **Orroroo Half Marathon.**

For the last three years we have tried without success (due to Covid isolation regulations & various recurring waves) to hold the Orroroo Half Marathon. In that time we have lost some volunteer and committee support and the ability of the current committee to organise the community event has become difficult.

The Half Marathon Committee have tried to interest and work with other groups, but as we know, a small country town has many willing workers, but they too are busy & stretched and felt that they were not able to take on another event.

# There will not be a 2023 Orroroo Half Marathon, and there will be no further Half Marathon events into the future.

The thirteen events that were organised were well patronised by local and visiting runners, and as a small race, retained a reputation of being a fun and friendly event. It was a very good fundraiser for the Orroroo Community Gym once we had purchased all the race equipment we needed, and the event itself supported local businesses and groups on race day. It is disappointing for the Committee to lose contact with the loyal group of runners and their families and friends, but feel this was a decision we had to make.

Di Barrie, Secretary.

# **Orroroo Hospital Ladies Auxiliary**

Ticket Sales Close 2 March 2023

# Please help us get to our \$1,000 goal, we are over half way there!



# **Orroroo Hospital Lottery Tickets.**

Tickets for the major Auxiliary Fundraiser for 2022—2023 are available for sale on line only.

We would appreciate your help in getting to our target of \$1,000.00 from ticket sales again this year for supporting our local Health Service.

#### LOG IN TO www.communitylottery.com.au

- ⇒ Buy Tickets (Header left hand side)
- ⇒ Find a Community Group (Orroroo & District Hospital Auxiliary)
- ⇒ Select number of tickets to be bought
- ⇒ Purchase your tickets

**42 Prizes** Include Toyota Kluger hybrid (1st Prize), Toyota C-HR hybrid (2nd Prize), Home Solar Power packages, Electrical Goods from Harvey Norman, Travel Vouchers from Phil Hoffman Travel and Gift Cards from Myer and David Jones, plus many other prizes.

EVERY \$ SPENT ON TICKETS PURCHASED IN OUR NAME COMES BACK TO OUR ORGANISATION, SO WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT.



## ORROROO EQUINE CLUB

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#### **Orroroo Equine Club Committee for 2023**

President: David Salisbury Treasurer: Alison Sellwood Secretary: Emily Byerlee Public Officer/
Publicity Officer: Emily Byerlee Committee Members: Sheree Sunners, Abby Sunners, Mikaela Sunners,
Liz Menzel, Haidee Williams & Neil Byerlee

All Welcomed, all ages and Equine types.

# There is no set Dress Code apart from suitable/Safe Riding Attire & Saddlery.

#### **Helmets & Riding Boots are a Must!**



#### **Orroroo Equine Club Proposed Dates - 2023**

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March Busy Bee on Grounds		10am	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Competition Day	10am Start	
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	Competition Day	10am Start	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Competition Day	10am Start	
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Competition Day	10am Start	
2023 Annual General Meeting	TBA		

The Orroroo Equine Club is a helpful & friendly Starting out Club. All Welcomed!

Due to the Corona Virus (Covid 19) limitations and Social distancing please remember to keep your distance and stay safe for all our sakes at all times!









One hundred years ago, in July 1922, this was the latest news in Orroroo.

# Source: Quorn Mercury, SA, Friday 14 July 1922, page 2

Mr CRJ Glover (ex-Mayor of Adelaide), was in Orroroo last week, and expressed surprise at the town's growth since his last visit. It is proposed to lay the foundation stone of the new Masonic Temple in Orroroo during August. MC Robertson has arrived from Yorketown and taken over his duties at the Police Station.

The opening ceremony in connection with the new Methodist Manse was held on Friday last. A fair followed the opening, and good business was done in the Institute, the day's takings amounting to over £40.

Popularity leads to innumerable troubles at times. Recently Mr Bert Arthur returned to his homestead situated about 5 miles from Orroroo and in the peaceful quiet of his locality was setting his house in order with the assistance of his bride when the happy couple's universe took a sudden twist. A procession of cars, traps, buggies, etc., pulled up before the homestead and emptied out about 10 friends who at once got moving on a tin kettling campaign with awful and ear-splitting results. Mr and Mrs Arthur entertained the party at supper, and it was in the "wee small 'oors" that the last of the party took the road home.

During the wet spell that we have experienced in the past few weeks the footpath has been a boon to the multitude who are forced to face the elements, especially the womenfolk. But a factor creeps in which causes speculation as to whether they are worth maintaining, and that is the use made of them by vehicles generally. In Fourth Street during the week, carts innumerable had made a highway of the footpaths, not only cutting them up badly, but in places making them more sloppy and muddy than the roadway. It seems that a move to prevent this would be in keeping with the order prohibiting business people from erecting obstacles round the footpaths.

The new wing of the Orroroo School is finished, and the unhealthy conditions prevalent last summer should be mitigated when the hot weather comes round again. We hear a whisper that now the job is completed and the workmen have transferred all tools and equipment, that the Department contemplate alterations to the windows and floors of the old class rooms. This will mean calling a separate tender for the work, and it would be interesting to know how much could have been saved the ratepayer if the Department could have worked on business lines - found out what it intended doing, and let the contract complete. Matters stand a chance of being even worse still, for the departmental eye has evidently overlooked the fact that the residence is in need of a decent floor.



Pekina Football Team 1922

Back row – N Polden, Martin Daly, H Dawson, M McMahon, J Dawson, Viv Duffy, J Tierney, D Moloney, G Teague, R Nelson, P Tierney.

Front row – J McMahon, Trau Kuerschner, S Dawson, J Critchley (umpire), Tom Morris, A Chaplin, J Kenny, T Travers.



Adelaide-based novelist, Ann Clancy and her cousin, Margaret Turner a retired nurse from Bateman's Bay, NSW - great grand daughters of Michael and Mary Clancy, both buried at Pekina cemetery - made a pilgrimage to Pekina, Orroroo and Eurelia recently, visiting their forebears' territory. Whilst in the area they caught up with John Mannion, Noreen and Simon McNamara - current owners of the Clancy farm south-west of Orroroo, Ray and Clara Sims, and the Rowe's at the Commercial Hotel. Dave Clancey (Ann's great uncle) inherited the family farm but left Pekina in 1920 - he was the last of 14 children to leave and went to Orroroo where he had the Commercial Hotel until 1922. Ann's grandfather Frances Morris (Frank) Clancy and his wife Miriam (nee Turley) had two irrigation blocks at Orroroo c1913. It is believed that Miriam Turley's mother, Alice Jane Turley (nee Burch) was born at Pekina.

# The News, 29 November 1929 Hotelkeeper and Sportsman

Mr David Clancey, Licensee of Oriental Hotel, Magill road, Norwood, who died yesterday, was born at Pekina 43 years ago. After receiving his education at Wepowie Public School he engaged in farming. Subsequently he controlled Commercial Hotel at Orroroo, and British Hotel, North Adelaide. He had lived at Norwood for the past four years. Mr Clancey was a member of the Licensed Victuallers' Association and a keen sportsman.

#### **Ann Clancy**

A fourth-generation South Australian, Ann Clancy was born and raised in Adelaide, in a family of five children. Both her parents were teachers and she grew up in an environment of books and ideas. When Ann was nine her family spent a year in New Britain, Papua New Guinea, which awakened in her a life-long interest in other cultures and in the colonial era.

Ann gained a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Social Administration from Flinders University. She worked as a social worker for ten years before moving into the area of project management in information technology.

Descended from an Irish family from County Clare, Clancy had a longstanding interest in family history and wrote down many of the stories of her pioneering forebears, told her by her great-aunt. The early women had difficult lives, living on properties in the outback and raising large families. Some of the men were bullockies, and Clancy's great-great-grandfather built the poppet head on the Burra copper mine.

These areas were used as locations for Clancy's first novel, The Wild Colonial Girl. Scottish ancestry on Clancy's mother's side of the family was the inspiration for Bonnie Douglas, the heroine of Rebel Girl.

#### **Margaret Turner**

Margaret Turner's mother, Veronica (nee Clancy, daughter of Daniel Clancy) grew up in the Clare Valley, and was a nurse who survived a POW camp during WWII. Both women enjoyed their trip to the north.

# Murray Pioneer (Renmark), Thursday 22 August 1946

#### WRITING BOOK ON P.O.W. EXPERIENCES Sister V A Clancy Revisiting Renmark

Sister Veronica Anne Clancy, who for 3½ years was a prisoner of war in Japanese hands, is at present revisiting Renmark as the guest of Mr and Mrs Ralph Jury. Capt Clancy (which is the rank she holds in the Army Nursing Service) was one of the 24 nurses, who of the total of 65, survived the dive bombing and machine-gunning of their ship, the massacre of Banka Island and the subsequent disease and starvation of prison camp life. The late Sister Elaine Balfour-Ogilvy, of Renmark, was one of this party of nurses who lost her life. Capt Clancy, who is gifted with an observer's eye and a remarkably retentive memory, is writing a book on her experiences as a P O W. She showed the sprint of the first year's happenings to a "Pioneer" representative yesterday, and there seems little doubt that when she has added details of another 21/2 years to this, her effort will provide a valuable document in the history of World War II.

Very emphatic that she is not to be featured as a heroine, Capt Clancy has made a remarkable recovery from her prison camp privations, and has regained 4½ stone in weight, since she was liberated. Since her return to Australia, she has been widely sought after by newspapers for her story, and though she has obliged many, she points out that it is possible only to give a mere smattering of happenings in the space of an interview. Captain Clancy has also been prevailed upon to give a number of addresses on her experiences. Continuing on to Adelaide next Monday, this distinguished nurse, who has been practically all over the Commonwealth in recent months, will later return to Mildura to be married to Mr Dudley Turner, a "Tobruk Rat". Capt Clancy has just come from Mildura, where she did her nursing training at the Base Hospital, leaving for Sydney in 1938.

# JOHN CROSBIE COZENS

Rita Cozens, Kerryn, Lindy, Debbie and their families would like to thank the community for the support and care shown to them at the passing of John on 19<sup>th</sup> January. To those who have popped in with a dish, sent cards, and who were able to come to his celebration service at the Football Clubrooms we are very grateful. Particular thanks go to the wonderful staff at the Orroroo Hospital for their service and care for John in the weeks that he was there.

Below is a short excerpt from the eulogy that was read at his service.

"John Crosbie Cozens was born on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 1943 to George & Jean Cozens, a younger brother to Trevor. Incidentally, Dad took his first breath at the Orroroo Community Hospital, the same place as he took his last, 80 years and 15 days later. His whole life was lived in the district, growing up on the family farm "Nithsdale" at Black Rock.

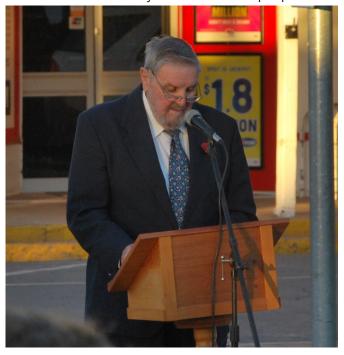
Dad had a great love for the town and community of Orroroo. Whenever the family would have discussions about how we were going to manage if mum and dad needed extra support in later life, and we would ask about the possibility of them moving south to be closer to us girls, Dad was always adamant that this was their community. It was where his friends were, his church, and he had a long list of all the things that he still wanted to do, to serve the Orroroo community. He took great pride in the town. Whether it was leading the way with something new, getting to be on the nightly news with Jane Reilly, or how it just continues to thrive and grow in challenging times. There are so many different ways that he was involved in the community.



**Above:** L-R John Cozens, Betty Cox and Elaine Williams at Anzac Day 2009



Many of you will probably know more so than us but from Dad we heard a lot about the SA Ambulance Service, Drought Relief efforts, Rural Aid, the tourism group, the road safety group, his involvement in the Anzac Day services, Australia Day, council meetings, Probus, Carols in the Main, Strength for Life, Mainly Music, articles in the Goyders Gazette, the Golf club, where at 50, he took home his Hole in One trophy. He loved the Football club here, where he is a Life Member. Just last week as Dad was getting a leg massage to help him be more comfortable, we commented how the smell from the Goanna oil took us straight back to all those Saturdays when dad would come home smelling like Deepheat after the day as trainer for the teams. We were all very proud of him when he was awarded the Citizen of the Year award in 1997. He loved his visits to the community home and the hospital, just sitting up the main street so he could chat to folks, locals and tourists alike, and the weddings and funerals that he was able to officiate. All of these things he did with a servant-heart, because he loved this community and he loved its people."



# JOHN MALCOLM BYERLEE

Malcolm was born on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1934 at 'Belforest' the family property near Carrieton, Malcolm was the youngest child of Vincent & Marjory, with four older siblings- Ron, Lindsay, Ken & Shelia. With his passing this generation of the family has now ended.

Never actually attending a school, Malcolm undertook schooling by correspondence at home, supervised by his mother. He would happily tell people about how strict his mum had been as a teacher.

The Byerlee family had always being involved in community volunteering and activities and so it was a natural progression that Malcolm continued this tradition.

At the young age of 19 one of the first things Malcolm became involved with was helping build the original Carrieton Rodeo complex. Since then he has always been involved with replacing, rebuilding, repairing and volunteering for the Rodeo Club, also being Treasurer for some years during the 1960's.

Under some sufferance Malcolm drove his mother and other ladies to CWA Functions and outings, often helping with any necessary setting up and with general duties.

Malcolm married Lorraine Gameau in 1962. They first lived in the converted Belforest garage while Malcolm built their new home alongside the original Belforest house. They welcomed four children - Wayne, Janice, Neil & Tricia.

Malcolm worked with his father Vincent, until his death in 1966. Malcolm and Lorraine

then took over running the farm while his mother Marjory lived in the original home on the property until her passing in 1983.

His children all attended Carrieton Primary School from 1969 onwards. Malcolm was a member of School Council, holding several official positions over the years. His involvement continued on at Orroroo Area School when the children moved there. He attended many busy bees, including establishing the Orroroo School oval and watering system and also being School Council Chairman.

In 1976 the Carrieton Centenary Committee was formed to plan for the Centenary to be held in April 1978, Malcolm was Chairman of this Committee involving lots of meetings, research, planning and organisation for a three day event which was very successful.



Around this time it was decided that a public swimming pool was to be built at Carrieton. Malcolm was passionately involved and held several committee positions. The change rooms, canteen building and fencing were all built by local volunteer labour, this was a huge undertaking by a small community and so appreciated by all especially the local children. Other building activities that Malcolm was involved with were; Recreation Clubrooms, Memorial Hall, building two new cement tennis courts, Council Depot/CFS Works Shed and many community ablution buildings. He often referred to being "A regular 'Shithouse Builder'!"

In 1982 the District Council of Carrieton approached Malcolm to sharefarm areas of the Stock Route for a community fundraiser, Malcolm offered to do the farming on a costs only basis not sharefarming. This led to areas being fenced and stocked which is still an ongoing and substantial money raising venture for the Community.

Encouraged by several people in the Carrieton area, Malcolm nominated for Carrieton

District Council and became a Councillor on 4th May 1987. He held this position,including a time as Chairman and Deputy Chairman, until amalgamation with Orroroo in 1997. Continuing in the District Council of Orroroo/Carrieton as Chairman for one term and Deputy Chairman for several terms. Retiring as a Councillor on  $10^{\rm th}$  November 2018 – some 31  $1/\!\!\!/_2$  years in total.

Lorraine was diagnosed with cancer in 2000 and spent several months in Adelaide undertaking treatment. Malcolm remained by her side during this time, providing devoted loving care and support. Lorraine lost her battle with cancer in March 2001.

# JOHN MALCOLM BYERLEE

They had been happily married for over 39 years. From a young age he was keen to keep a quality line of Merino Sheep, he strived to improve the wool & meat over the years and then pass these traits onto his sons. Malcolm's philosophy and passion was always to protect the environment, maintained by conservative stocking, promoting the protection of the soil and natural vegetation and preventing erosion with gutter filling and establishment of contour banks.

In 2002 Malcolm married his second wife Pat & became step-father to Nardine. He re-located to Orroroo and semi-retired but still enjoyed helping Neil and Emily out on their property when required.

Also to Malcolm's surprise (and his family's) becoming involved with the Orroroo Equine Club! The 'surprise' part being that he's allergic to horses and cows!! Encouraging and helping to revitalise the Club and make it more family friendly and better use to the local youngsters and their horses.

Pat passed away in December 2011 due to long-term health issues and later Malcolm moved into a unit at Addison Court where he remained proudly living independently until his passing.

Malcolm finally accepted the Citizen of the year Australia Day award in 2019. He had been previously nominated but had declined as he did not feel it was his time to be recognised, maybe thinking he still had more to give to the community.

As many of you know he loved to chat, tell a story about the past, have a laugh and talk about the weather or farming in general. He enjoyed attending local sport over the years and gained great pleasure in watching his various family members play, particularly football and netball in later life.

Malcolm loved his family and was so pleased to have all four of his children - Wayne, Janice, Neil and Trish together on his last day. He was proud of his grandchildren and loved their visits and especially in the last few years seeing four great grandchildren added to the clan. Some of his final words to his family were that he had had a good happy life, that family was important, that you need to have a sense of humour and that he was ready to go.

Malcolm passed away peacefully at the Orroroo District Hospital on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023.

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## CARRIETON 2022 - WE'RE BUCKING BACK

After a two-year Government-enforced hiatus - due to the Covid pandemic the 68th annual 2022 Carrieton New Year's Eve Rodeo galloped into the arena in perfect conditions with flags a flyin'. Opening the event President Daniel Williams welcomed everyone from near and far and thanked sponsors and volunteer workers for their continued support of rodeo, and the National Anthem was sung by Heidi Rodgers accompanied by Sam Gibb on guitar. Out on the arena in the opening rough-stock competition the Woodall bulls from Western Victoria were too strong and fast for the rookie cowboys with no scores in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Bull Ride.

The Carrieton 2<sup>nd</sup> Division horses came in fresh from a good paddock, fit and shining and busting to buckagain no scores. Later in the evening nine young hopefuls including one who admitted he could "only ride a quiet horse" saddled up for the Poly Saddle Bronc Ride. Only two horses were ridden in this event by Peter Morgan 1<sup>st</sup>, with 70 points and Toby Judd 2<sup>nd</sup>, with 60 points. The Carrieton string of bucking horses seemed to be enjoying the victories.

Barrel Racing is always a fast and exciting event and Candy Michaelis, the 2018 Pro Tour and Australian champion, combining with her awesome horse 'Hustler' stopping the didn't disappoint, clock at 17: 605 seconds. 2015 Australian champion Leslie Moore from Lockington, Vic. had to be content with 2nd with a time of 17:988 seconds. 2021 Pro Tour and Australian Breakaway Roping Champion out of Chinchilla, Old. Jane Ryan was back in the district visiting her parents (Barb and Bill Willoughby) near Pekina. Jane picked up diesel money with a 2:9 second score in her favorite event, edging out fellow expat Dakota Baretta 3:55. Terry Evison an All Round Champion of Australia did slick 6:45 in the Steer Wrestling.

Two rounds of eight in the Bull Ride saw Townsville, Qld cowboy Eli Bee with a score of 84 the only one to

make the siren, round 2 and the pocket rocket Sam Woodall who now days resides between Australia and USA was the only one to cover his bull for a huge 90 points - it's understood to be the highest score ever at a Carrieton Rodeo. In March 2022 Sam scored 92 points in a ride at Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

Thankfully there were no injuries to either stock or riders during the rodeo, but Dr Tony-Lian Lloyd and young Henry Lam were on hand along with JEMAGRAS First Aid to check a couple of minor bruises and nonrodeo medical issues. One cowboy he checked over was long time rodeo stalwart John (Charlie) Hombsch who was unceremoniously grounded by a bull at the unsaddling gate. Charlie has been attendant on that gate since his late uncle, Rolly Hombsch left us 1982 and this is the first incident he has been involved in: fortunately it was only bruising.

After the final presentations the band Short Notice bounced into gear entertaining the large crowd into early morning.

- Head stockman for the 2022 event was Terry Williams assisted by Lynette Bollinger, Mick Batchelor, Jim Shepherd, Brian McCourt, Brenton Luckraft, Andrew Tapscott, Sam Gibb and Roger Moroney
- Vet Dr Roger Absalom and Brooke Curtis
- Arena Director Daniel Williams
- Judges Jim Willoughby, Allan Heath and Bill Willoughby
- Official Timers Mary-Anne Pearson and John Sheehan
- Arena Announcer Charlie Clancey
- Sponsor's Announcer Jackie Williams
- Protection Athletes Mick Keough and Wade Nechele
- Comedy Clown Steven (Kelpie)
   Barber
- Pick Up Riders Tom Willoughby, Dean Oliver and Cody Tyrrell
- Stock supplied by Ron Woodall, Terry Evison and Carrieton Rodeo Committee

 BBQ was well run by Orroroo Recreation Group

Countless other volunteers also contributed to another a successful night in the Carrieton community, We hope to see y'all back again in 2023. Thanks again.

#### **Carrieton Rodeo 2022 results:**

Junior Breakaway Roping, Trent Reynolds 7:9 secs. (Kapunda SA)

Junior Team Roping, Trent Reynolds 8:1secs. (Kapunda SA)

Junior Barrel Race, Laura Dittrich 19:12 secs. (Lyndoch SA)

Junior Bull Ride, Tom Ings 71 pts. (Townsville Qld)

Rope and Tie, Cody Peppin 14:8 secs. (Dartmoor Vic)

Steer Wrestling, Terry Evison 6:45 secs. (Lockington Vic)

Team Roping, Daniel Pearson - Gary Tielen 8:7 secs. (Kapunda - Eden Valley SA)

Breakaway Roping, Jane Ryan 2:9 secs. (Chinchilla Qld)

Note: Jane Ryan (nee Willoughby) was the APRA Breakaway Roping Champion in 2021, riding 'Deadly'.

Barrel Race, Candy Michaelis 17:605 secs. (Lewiston SA)

2<sup>nd</sup> Div Bull Ride, No Scores

2<sup>nd</sup> Div Saddle Bronc Ride, No Scores

 $2^{\text{nd}}$  Div Bareback Bronc Ride, Jayden Lane 59 pts (Eucha Vic)

Bareback Bronc Ride, Cody Tyrrell 75 pts. (Eucha Vic)

Bull Ride Round 1, Eli Bee 84 pts. (Townsville Qld)

Round 2 Sam Woodall 90 pts. (Dartmoor Vic)

Average 1st, Sam Woodall

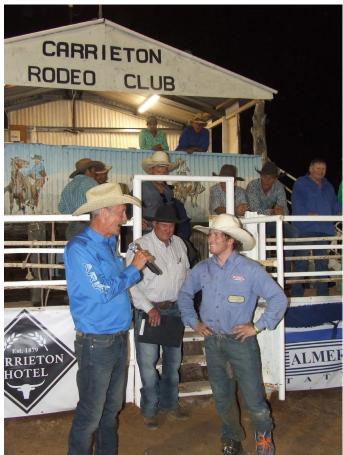
Saddle Bronc Ride Round 1, James Sclanders 75 pts. (Warnambool Vic)

Round 2, Dean Oliver 81pts. (Eucha Vic) Average Dean Oliver 151 pts.

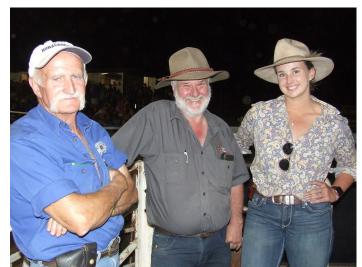
Poly Saddle Bronc Ride, Peter Morgan 70 pts (Broken Hill NSW)



# **CARRIETON NEWS**



**Above:** Sam Woodall from Dartmoor, Vic. made history at the 2022 Carrieton rodeo with a 90-point ride in the Complete Windscreens Open Bull Ride. This is believed to be the highest score ever recorded at a Carrieton in its 70-year history. Sam was presented with the winners buckle by Hadyn Dean from Adelaide (and Orroroo). In March 2022 Sam made a 92-point ride in a PBR [Professional Bull Ride] event at Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.



**Above:** Retired Quorn GP Tony Lian-Lloyd (left), Vet. Roger Absalom from Port Augusta and young Vet. Brook Curtis from Cowell were on hand to attend to any human or animal injuries at the 2022 Rodeo.



**Above:** Fiona Dignan, Lisa Slade, Lisa Reddaway and Kate Pearce from the Orroroo Rec Group helped feed the hungry crowd at the 2022 Rodeo



**Above:** John Parnell (left) from Carrieton, Sandi McMenamin from Melbourne and Darren Smith from Belton on the way to Carrieton 2022 rodeo.



**Above:** Wayne Williams (left) from Carrieton and Jackie and Tony Williams from Mount Barry via Coober Pedy were at the 2022 rodeo.

#### MANNION RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS SA AWARD

The Dick and Janet White Services to Rodeo and Community in SA Award was first presented at the Carrieton Rodeo in December 2014. It is an award that Dick and his wife Janet instigated to honour volunteers who have contributed in various ways to the iconic sport and tradition of rodeo in South Australia. Dick had received a similar award 40 years earlier but this had been discontinued, so the legendary horseman decided to give something back to the behind-the-scenes workers of rodeo, to recognize them and acknowledge their efforts over the years. In 2015 Dick invited Glyn



Shackleford join the selection panel. Tragically Dick died in a house fire in May 2020 and Janet succumbed to a long illness the following year. However it was Dick's living wish, upon his and Janet's demise, that their family would continue with on the award.

On the last Sunday (23rd) in February 2020, Dick called Glyn Shackleford to discuss things about rodeo (this was a regular occurrence) and one of the topics covered was who should receive the award that year, a recipient was and a suitable rodeo to present the award was chosen by Dick. Unfortunately due to Covid, it has taken two years and ten months to present the award. Glyn spoke regularly with Dick several more times before his death. At the Carrieton Rodeo on New Year's Eve 2022 Glyn had the honour of speaking on behalf of Dick and Janet's daughter's, Mary-Anne, Anita and Kate.

**Cut off dates for the Gazette 2023** Cut Off date **Publishing Date** No Gazette In January 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr 7<sup>th</sup> Apr 1<sup>st</sup> May 5<sup>th</sup> May 29<sup>th</sup> May 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> July 7<sup>th</sup> July 4th Sept 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct 3rd Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 7<sup>th</sup> Nov

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The recipient, John Mannion, described as a quiet achiever from Pekina, has been involved with the Peterborough and Carrieton rodeos for around 30 years. At Carrieton he was regularly called upon to do electrical maintenance, and he put in extensive hours helping compile the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary booklet, even writing to Queen Elizabeth II advising her – and getting a reply - of their joint jubilee's. At Peterborough he was also involved with the lighting and ongoing electrical maintenance.

He was and still is, despite some mobility issues, a familiar face on the arena, behind the bucking chutes and out among the patrons, taking photos and scribbling down notes. As a photographic journalist he is a regular around 'our' rodeo's gathering, recording and publicising information on what he believes is an important part of our local regional history and heritage.

After the rodeos, when the crowds and livestock have all gone, he spends countless hours reconciling and writing articles that over the years have appeared in local newspapers and magazines, some now defunct, amongst them have been international publications including Rodeo News and RM Williams Outback magazine.

As has been the process over the years, when presentations are made on the arena, John was out front to take photos, unaware that he would be receiving the prestigious award until 'Shack' and Kate Reynolds announced that he was the Dick and Janet White Services to Rodeo and Community in SA recipient for 2022. Needless to say he was surprised, on the other side of the lens, and a little overwhelmed but very appreciative of the award and a little lost for words.

Congratulations John Well deserved!



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# **CARRIETON NEWS**



#### **January Rainfall:**

Almerta 38mm, Carrieton 25mm, Johnburgh 25.5mm, Eurelia 22.2mm, Moockra 18mm, Glen Roy 30.4 mm, Sandal Park 25mm.

Our **sympathy** is offered to Wayne Janice, Neil and Tricia Byerlee and families on the recent death of Malcolm Byerlee. A large crowd paid tribute to Malcolm who lived all his life in Carrieton until his retirement to Orroroo. Malcolm was proud of his education that took him to grade 7 under the home tuition of his mother who influenced him to become a dedicated community member. He served as chairman of both Carrieton and Orroroo Carrieton councils and other, government and local committees. RIP Malcolm.

Our **sympathy** is extended to Rita, and her daughters Kerryn, Lindy and Debbie and families on the death of husband and father, John Cozens. John's pastoral care and dedication to Orroroo and surrounding

districts was outstanding.

RIP John

Congratulations to Deb Hombsch on her Premiers Certificate Award presented by the Governor for her 50 years of remarkable service to swimming in SA. Deb has worked each summer giving her time and energy to northern clubs so that many could experience the benefits of being involved in swimming. Well done and Thankyou Deb!



**Above:** Deb Hombsch receiving her award from Nat Cook Minister of Human Services.

Harry Williams was selected from the Port Augusta army cadet group to participate in a Sergeant and Advanced instructors course for cadets at Edinburgh in late December. Harry achieved excellent results in all 7 aspects of the course. Well Done Harry!

School is back and new to the Carrieton bus run for Kindy will be Mick Bertram, Nannie Scheories- Bohn, and Ned Williams. Starting school will be Hamish Williams, Beatrix Shephard and Clay Rodgers. May you enjoy your school bus journeys. They do become some of the most memorable times of your school life.

The summer holidays slipped away quickly. Starting with a successful VacSwim with 25 participants in the Carrieton pool the Christmas Community Tea was cancelled unfortunately Father Christmas caught Covid. Christmas Pageant was entered with new vigour from Haidee Williams and team and was rewarded with  $2^{\rm nd}$  prize.

All the best for 2023, be sure to save the date to bring in the New Year at Carrieton in 2023!

The summer break saw tourist traffic minimal with many businesses closed. Carrieton Hotel will reopen in March contact Steve Watson on 0427 394 072

The next meeting of Carrieton Progress is Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 7.30pm at the clubrooms. Everyone Welcome. Catholic Church Mass continues to be 6.00pm Saturday evenings.

Work on the grant project for the clubrooms is ongoing with a painting and a new kitchen about to be installed.



**Above:** Cleanup brigade on the day after the rodeo, Nolene Petrie, Lauren Shephard, Betty Williams, Denise Williams and Julie Williams



**Above:** cowboy 'protectors' or 'clowns' at the Carrieton 2022 Rodeo. L-R: Michael Keough (Kadina, formerly Hawker), Wade Nechelle (Holbrook NSW) and 'Kelpie' Barber (Grampians Vic).



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# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

# Preaching Plan for Goyder Ministry Area Orroroo 10.00am

12/2/2023 Peter Lehmann HC

19/2/2023 John Staker

26/2/2023 Rev Owen Roberts

Harvest Thanksgiving

#### **Preachers and Contact details**

- Judy Laskey 0428 599 959
- Debra Hombsch 8658 9048

#### **Catholic Church Mass times**

First Sunday of month 9.30am Orroroo (Liturgy)

Second Sunday of month 10.00am Orroroo Third Sunday of month 10.00am Pekina Fourth and Fifth Sunday of month 10.00am Orroroo Carrieton 6pm Saturdays

# Preaching Plan for Orroroo Community Church

February 5<sup>th</sup> Cait Polden

February 12<sup>th</sup> Ken Gibb

February 19th Morgan Nutt

February 26<sup>th</sup> Woman of Purpose

March 5<sup>th</sup> Lawrence Sims

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#### THANK YOU

Margaret Kuerschner thanks all family and friends for gifts, cards and good wishes for her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Thanks also to the Orroroo Golf Club members for the lovely afternoon tea!

Thanks to Jenny Liebich for organising the afternoon tea and thanks to the ladies who worked, all was much appreciated.



#### **Syd Dew 18/12/2022**

To our relatives and many friends, we extend a heartfelt thank you, for your many text messages, phone calls, cards, flowers, food and donations to the Hospital Auxillary and attendance at Syd's funeral.

Please accept this as our personal thanks. Rhonda, Taryn, Gary, Jima & extended families

#### **Calendar of Events**

Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting
Mar 19<sup>th</sup> Orroroo Markets
Mar 25/26<sup>th</sup> Carrieton Campdraft
Apr 9<sup>th</sup> Easter Long Weekend

Apr 25<sup>th</sup> Anzac Day

If you have anything you would like to put onto the Calendar of Events, please let Council know by emailing: council@orroroo.sa.gov.au





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