

# Goyder's Line Gazette

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## A SUCCESSFUL MUSTER IN ORROROO

Nearly 800 people celebrated the true meaning of community spirit at the Despite the Dust Muster on the weekend in Orroroo.

The main street was alive with great food, good times, music and laughter as the local community and visitors alike banded together in support of each other as the Grand Finale October Well Being Month Event. Orroroo has embraced the wellbeing month initiative by hosting several key events during the month and 'painting' the town blue.

The main street came alive with fireworks and free blue glow sticks were provided for all children in esteem of October wellbeing month.

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Below Left: The town lights up!!

Below right: John & Rita Cozens enjoying the fireworks



## NEW HOME FOR HISTORIC WOOLPRESS

The restored Black Rock Station wool press, circa 1851, has been officially unveiled in its new home, the custom built Main Street "Woolshed", in Orroroo.

The woolpress was recovered from the ruins of the Black Rock Station wool shed in 2018, by a passionate group of

local volunteers.

Brothers Dean and Brian Keatley then began a painstaking process of restoration.

Early research suggests it may be the only one of its type still in existence.

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(Left to right) Back: CEO Dylan Strong, Dean Keatley, Jim Kuerschner, Tony Nutt, Ian McKendrick, Grant Chapman, Ralph Goehring. Front: John Mannion, Mayor Kathie Bowman, Joy Ford & Barbara Nutt



Above: Orroroo's impressive main street "Woolshed" now complete.



## From the Council Desk

**Ordinary Meeting:** Council held its ordinary meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021 in the Orroroo Council Chambers. Minutes are now available via [www.orraroo.sa.gov.au](http://www.orraroo.sa.gov.au). The next ordinary meeting is scheduled for 9am Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Council papers will be available to the public as normal via Council's website.

**Despite the Dust Community Muster:** Council wishes to acknowledge the many volunteers and local businesses who got involved with a very successful 2021 Muster. Council also appreciates the patience and support of locals who may have been inconvenienced by road closures, traffic and noise associated with the event. **Your community thanks you!**

**Orroroo Heavy Vehicle Bypass:** Council engaged OTM Civil Construction Group for construction of Stage 1 of the Orroroo Heavy Vehicle Bypass due for completion on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. Council was advised on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 that OTM had commenced liquidation proceedings and would not return to our worksite. Fortunately, Council were able to mitigate the risks of OTM's liquidation in regard to completion of this stage of the Bypass project. Through the use of its own resources and various sub-contractors Council completed the remaining construction of the Bypass before expected completion date of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. Residents should note that speed restrictions remain in place in completed sections of the Bypass.

**Wool Press & "Woolshed" Unveiling:** The official launch of the wool press and the custom built display building (Orroroo's own main street "woolshed") was held on the 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021. More than 50 people attended the launch. Council wishes to acknowledge the volunteers effort in both restoration of the wool press and creation of the impressive facility.

**Remembrance Day Services:** Remembrance day services will be held at 10.45am, on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at the Orroroo and Carrieton War Memorials.



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**CARRIETON**

**Orroroo Carols:** The annual Orroroo "Carols in the Main" will be held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Road closures will apply. Refer to Council's website for further information.

**Swimming Pools Open:** The Orroroo and Carrieton Swimming Pools will be open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021 (subject to seasonal conditions). Please refer to Council's website for detailed opening information.

**Ag Town Award - Judge Panel Visit:** Following Orroroo's short-listing for Ag Town of the Year, Council welcome the panel of judges to town on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Council wishes to thank the many local volunteers who were involved with the busy tour and presentation schedule of the day. The result will be announced on the 19<sup>th</sup> November at the Regional Showcase held in Hahndorf.

**After Hours Duty Officer:** To improve our service delivery Council has implemented an afterhours Duty Officer. The Duty Officer can be contacted for urgent matters outside of standard business hours on **0437 949 713**. Any matters which are not urgent should be directed to the Council office Monday - Friday on 8658 1260.



## Message from the Mayor



What a wonderful night we had in Orroroo last Saturday. A great crowd, great music, a good selection of food and drink, not to mention a terrific fireworks display as well. Congratulations to the organising committee and to everyone who entered into the spirit of the event and supported it in any way. It was a fitting end to “Blue Month” and I thank the Orroroo Regional Tourism Group for all their hard work to make the month the success that it was.

It was very noticeable that the crowd on Saturday night consisted of many non-locals, so it was obvious that it was well advertised and people were looking for some entertainment. Orroroo certainly provided that and in that sphere we continue to punch well above our weight. This muster grew on the back of “Despite the Dust Muster Mark 1”. It was an incredible experience for Dylan and I to address the entire Local Government family last Thursday on the purpose and the outcomes of that particular event. As part of a panel discussion consisting of the Mayors & CEO's of Port Adelaide Enfield and Robe as well as ourselves we could put our community on the map (so to speak) and it was a very proud moment for us to be recognised.

It came after the opening of the “Woolshed” in the main street last Wednesday and despite the rather drizzly weather, it was pleasurable to see so many people come along to witness the culmination of some months work. Of course, I think the building is stunning and Barbara's decoration of the interior and her mesh ‘ghost’ men is an absolute work of art. Some very talented people worked on this project and our community is the recipient of their expertise. It is super stunning at night so if you haven't seen it under lights yet, it's well worth a venture out.

The week before that was the judging of the Ag Town of the Year, Orroroo being one of the five finalists. We took the bus out to Grant Chapman's place and to Tony Moten's. A tour of the town in the bus followed after lunch to see the sights but we also spent some time indoors at the school & the Golf Clubhouse for several presentations. Morning tea and lunch was supplied our wonderful cooks, Carol & Gaye.

It was a fantastic day and regardless of the outcome I could not have been prouder of the showcase that Orroroo residents put forward. It will go down as one of the best days I've spent whilst I've been privileged to hold the Mayor's position. There's so many very special people in this town.

For all these events a lot of work goes on behind the scenes and sometimes we aren't always aware of what some people put in. However, I am particularly aware of what one person does. Most of these things would struggle to be the success that they have been, or may not have happened at all if not for our CEO, Dylan. At the last Council meeting one of the items on the agenda was Dylan's annual review and I'm very happy to report that he received “above expectations” in every department. Despite the challenge of his family arrangements this calendar year, Dylan has continued to lead us in a very positive way. We look forward to his continual guidance and work ethic enabling Orroroo Carrieton to be the best place that it can be.

What an exemplary month it has been and I haven't even mentioned the works crew finishing off the Bypass work. It may not have rained as we would have wished but in so many other aspects October 2021 has been a fabulous month.

Kathie



### Ag Town of the Year Judging:

Kathie Bowman (Mayor), Barbara Nutt, Erika Vickery (Judge - Chair of SAROC), Jim Kuerschner, Belinda Cay (Judge - AgCommunicators), Grant Chapman & Nikolai Beilharz (Judge - ABC Rural)



## A SUCCESSFUL MUSTER IN ORROROO cont.

"The Baker Boys" Band performed a long list of music favourites with a live 5-piece band on the centre stage. Rock legend Dave Gleeson from "The Screaming Jets" hosted the event as master of ceremonies and thrilled crowds by leading the band in a few of his hits.

The event was funded and organised thanks to external sponsorship from: PIRSA, National Recovery & Resilience Agency, Red Cross, Mental Health Coalition and Despite the Dust 2019 Excellence in Public Health Award, Orroroo Recreation Grounds Group and District Council of Orroroo Carrieton. Local sponsorship also extended to lucky 'check in' giveaways of local products and SA holiday-break vouchers.

As many areas of South Australia continue to battle drought conditions in addition to the isolation caused

by COVID-19 Mr Dylan Strong, CEO said that the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton worked with local volunteers to take action.

"The atmosphere was truly inspiring, we had families attend from right across South Australia and yet the main street was just one big community enjoying each other's company."

"Connecting as a whole community reminds us all how resilient we are and that we are in tough times together", he said.

"It is truly inspiring to have an event like this achieve what was intended – to lift the spirits of our community in the face of some extremely trying times", said Mr Strong.

With continued participation from local volunteers, Despite the Dust could become a main-stay on the regional event calendar.



**Above:** Kerry Duffy, Fiona Dignan, Adele Bennett with her girls Ella & Jordy and Kate Pearce



**Above:** Grace Chapman, Reilley Nutt, Robyn Clark & Catherine Foran.



**Left:** MC for the night Dave Gleeson





## NEW HOME FOR HISTORIC WOOLPRESS cont

Fully restored the woolpress was gifted to the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton in trust by the present day owners of Black Rock Station, to be made available for the enjoyment of the community and visitors alike.

Council applied for, and was successful, in gaining external funding for development of an impressive two story, stone building to house the wool press and display.

Thanks to the joint financial assistance of the Australian Government and the Foundation of Rural and Regional Renewal, the development of an impressive two story stone display facility is now complete.

Mr Dylan Strong, Council CEO, said the new Woolshed and the woolpress are the centrepiece of a much larger *Heritage Trail*.

“The future heritage trail will tell many of the stories, promote the culture and vibrancy, and celebrate the characters associated with our district’s history.

The trail will meander the main street of Orroroo and through maps and digital information link to many other icons and attractions in the outlying attractions”, he said.



Mayor Bowman said the development of the woolshed is intended to highlight the pioneering history of the district and its enduring agricultural industry.

“Council maintains a motto of strength from resilience, in recognition of the traits of passion, determination and community spirit displayed by the early pioneers and present day community.

The woolpress and the associated development is symbolic and represents what we stand for,” she said.

More information is available at [visitorroroo.com.au](http://visitorroroo.com.au)



**Left:** Fantastic band “The Baker Boys”



**Right:** Tim & Christy Luckraft with their kids



**Left:** Christine Bertram, Margaret Chapman, Tom Dearlove, Dave Gleeson (Screaming Jets), Shirley Dearlove





## CONGRATULATIONS KATHIE BOWMAN 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

Kathie Bowman, Mayor of the District Council of Orroroo Carrieton, is a determined and passionate leader in Orroroo district. Kathie commenced as a Councillor in 1995 with the then DC Orroroo. When the District Council of Orroroo and District Council of Carrieton amalgamated in 1997, she has continued to serve the community through to this present day.

During Kathie's 25 years of service as Councillor, she has also served as Chairman/Mayor of Council for 2 terms, 2003-2010 and then from 2014 to present day. She also served as Deputy Chairman from 2000 to 2003.



As a lifetime local, fulltime farmer, mother, and grandmother, Kathie understands what resilience means. During the past 18 months, Kathie has been an instrumental support for her community through the devastation and heartbreak caused by drought. Being predominantly a farming community, the Council area has been heavily impacted by the drought conditions affecting so much of regional Australia. Effecting not just farmers, but the whole community including hotels, grocers, butcher, clothing shops, and sporting clubs.

Through her position as Mayor, Kathie has advocated tirelessly to ensure rates the community pay are fair and equitable. To keep rate rises to a minimum wherever possible in order to avoid undue pressure on land and business owners. It has required her to push the envelope of business improvement within Council to ensure things are done in sustainable ways, including exploring partnership options with neighbouring councils, review of service standards and the implementation of a long term financial plan.

Other committees Kathie has also served on include the Main Street, Orroroo Water Quality, Community Facilities, Locust Plague Committee and the Federation of Councils (Peterborough and Orroroo). She also represents Council at a regional level on the Legatus Group, chairing the Audit & Risk Management Committee and sitting on the Management Board.

Kathie has led Council through many successful projects including the improvements to the main street of Orroroo through the Places for People funding and the rebuilding of the Orroroo Grandstand at the Orroroo Oval. The main street has been redeveloped to be an inviting stop-over point for tourists travelling through East-West or further north to Hawker and Wilpena Pound. She has also been a member on the Working Party for the installation of the Black Rock Woolpress, a unique woolpress that is the only one of its kind known in Australia (the Woolpress is now showcased in the main street of Orroroo enabling tourist to view the fully restored historic item).

Kathie has also been a fearless and committed leader with lobbying SA Water and ESCOSA to improve Orroroo's water supply. After 20 plus years of lobbying SA Water, the Murray pipeline became operational in March 2019. In May 2019, her foresight and conviction also resulted in the commissioning of stage one of the community waste water management system in the township of Orroroo.



## Rural Aid hires new counsellor in Port Augusta



Australia's most trusted rural charity, Rural Aid, has made its biggest investment into improving regional mental health to date.

The charity is appointing ten new counsellors across the country this year, committing \$3.75 million over the next three years to help address the yawning gaps in regional mental healthcare.

Nine of Rural Aid's new counsellors are already in place, actively serving their regional community.

Rural Aid counsellors offer free, confidential support to farmers and their families. Rural Aid's Mental Health and Wellbeing Team prefer to visit farmers on their properties.

Rural Aid CEO John Warlters said "Rural Aid's commitment to placing counsellors in rural Australia will save lives."

"We know people who live regionally have poorer access to health professionals and are more likely to struggle with their mental health due to lack of appropriate and timely support. Farmers and rural teenagers have more than double the rate of suicide compared to urban populations\*. Rural Aid is desperately trying to change that."

Rural Aid has placed counsellors in West Australian and South Australia for the first time.

Jeffrey Grace-Jones is the new Rural Aid Counsellor and Community Representative in Port Augusta. Jeffrey has worked as a counsellor all over regional Australia, but his heart and home lie in South Australia. Jeffrey is proud to play a role in helping farmers overcome their challenges.

"There is a need for counsellors in rural areas to reduce the stigma and myths around mental health and to enable those doing it tough to access assistance," Jeffrey said.

Jeffrey has faced bushfires and helped fight the demons that can follow them too. He was caught up in the Black Saturday fires in Victoria, evacuating twice to safety. Jeffrey has also helped Kangaroo Island farmers with their bushfire recovery.

Jeffrey believes it's helpful to treat mental wellbeing the same as any other medical condition.

"If you've got a tv remote with a flat battery, no matter how much you push all the buttons, nothing is going to happen. You need to recharge the batteries."

Mr Warlters said Rural Aid's counsellors were mental wellbeing specialists who counsel, teach and refer clients to higher levels of care.

"We know that investing in early intervention achieves results. It leads to a reduction in the number of people who require acute treatment. This is achieved through the provision of mental wellbeing education, tools and pathways for assistance at the preventative end. Rural Aid counsellors are qualified to assist farmers

across the continuum of mental health, from prevention and early intervention, right through to treatment," Mr Warlters said.

"If we can get to people early, have them recognise symptoms and get some simple but effective strategies, we help them before things escalate to the point they need hospitalisation. This will reduce pressure on the health system while prevention strategies will help rural people to live their best lives they can."

"Our counselling program has been highly successful; making a real difference to the farmers that Rural Aid supports. Our counsellors work with their community to create and implement vital mental health programs and strategies. Rural Aid counsellors build trusted relationships with their local communities. Our counsellors also attend field days, events and natural disaster sites."

Rural Aid's new counsellors are based in:

Mildura, Vic  
Bainsdale, Vic  
Geelong, Vic  
Inverell, NSW  
Bega, NSW  
Berri, SA  
Port Augusta, SA  
Northam, WA  
Wagin, WA

Please note, Rural Aid is currently sourcing another counsellor.

The new counsellors add to Rural Aid's existing team of counsellors based in:

Wodonga, VIC  
Ipswich, Qld  
Toowoomba, Qld  
Cessnock, NSW  
West Wyalong, NSW

For more information on Rural Aid's counsellors, visit their profiles here: <https://www.ruralaid.org.au/counsellors/>

For more information or for interviews, contact Ash Whittaker from Rural Aid media on 0447 116 757 or by emailing [media@ruralaid.org.au](mailto:media@ruralaid.org.au)

### About Rural Aid

Rural Aid is Australia's most trusted rural charity. We stand with our farmers when they need us most. Rural Aid provides critical support to farmers affected by natural disaster through financial, wellbeing and fodder assistance. Rural Aid's community programs help create more sustainable communities by building stronger futures for all Australian farmers. Find out more at [www.ruralaid.org.au](http://www.ruralaid.org.au)

\*Swinburne University Phase One Review Report, 2020







**ROWAN RAMSEY MP**

**Member for Grey**

## FUNDING NOW AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT SMALL COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN GREY

The Federal Government is providing a further \$150,000 in funding for small-scale upgrades and new equipment for community groups in Grey.

Expressions of interest are now open for Round 7 of the Stronger Communities Programme, giving local governing bodies and community groups an opportunity to nominate projects for grants of up to \$20,000.

Federal Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey said the Stronger Communities grants had been very important program for regional communities and a regular winner for Grey.

"I am always amazed at how much bang for our buck we get by giving support for community-based organisations," he said. "They add volunteer labour, their own finances and get great value for money.

"This latest funding injection will support up to 20 projects across our communities, delivering an economic activity by providing work to local businesses and adds. Even if in a modest way to our recovery as we come out of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Previous rounds have brought \$900,000 to Grey for projects such as turning rubbish bins into historical landmarks in Port Augusta, purchasing a marquee and security fencing for the Port Lincoln Tunarama, restoring the Edithburgh tidal pool, installing a disability access ramp for the Burra Community and Sports Club and ensuring a sustainable water supply to

the Beltana hall to name just a few.

"This type of investment brings people together by strengthening social connections, building community participation and delivering a brighter and more vibrant future for communities.

"I strongly encourage interested organisations to contact my office regarding projects important to them and our community. Grants from \$2,500 up to \$20,000 are available to cover up to 100 per cent of eligible project costs, or up to 50 per cent of eligible project costs for local governing bodies."



**Mr Ramsey said it is important to note Expressions of Interest for applicants in Grey must be received by his office by Friday 3rd December.**

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Barnaby Joyce said the Government was continuing to back regional Australia.

"Through the Stronger Communities Programme, our investments support local jobs, grow local economies and deliver lasting infrastructure and much-needed equipment," the Deputy Prime Minister said.

"We are providing \$22.7 million under Round 7 to deliver investment in regional areas, support jobs to drive our economic recovery, and ensure our regions remain great places to live and visit.

"Our Government is continuing to back regional and remote communities, providing opportunities for them to get ahead and prosper into the future."

Through the Stronger Communities Program, the Government has provided more than \$135 million for projects for community-building and job-creating projects across Australia.

More information is available at [business.gov.au/scp](https://business.gov.au/scp)



**NATIONAL  
RECYCLING WEEK**  
**PLANET ARK**

### What is National Recycling Week?

National Recycling Week, established by Planet Ark in 1996, is held every year during the second week of November. The campaign aims to help you reduce your waste and recycle right. This year we're celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

### Why do we need National Recycling Week?

Recycling can be confusing, especially since China's effective ban on recycling imports and media coverage about the "waste crisis". To ensure recycling is sustainable in Australia, Planet Ark aims to increase trust in recycling and help Australians recycle correctly.

Engaging Australians on the importance of closing the recycling loop by buying products made with recycled content is also key to creating a sustainable future. We need to rethink our waste and see it as a resource that can be turned into new products. By keeping these materials in circulation for as long as possible, this benefits the environment by reducing the extraction of virgin materials for new products, as well as the water and energy it takes to make them.





# ORROROO HOSPITAL LADIES AUXILIARY

As part of our fundraising for the Orroroo Hospital in 2021-22, we are again selling tickets in the Peoples Choice Community Lottery.

All the money from the tickets we sell comes straight back to our committee and our hospital, so please support us if you can. Due to Covid, tickets are only for sale on-line.

**ALL TICKETS PURCHASED PRIOR TO 18 NOVEMBER GO IN THE DRAW FOR A TOYOTA YARIS  
"EARLY BIRD PRIZE".**

Thank you for the fantastic community response for the 2020-21 Lottery.  
We made over \$1,000 for resources for our hospital.

If you wish to buy your tickets on line you can do so by:

1. [www.communitylottery.com.au](http://www.communitylottery.com.au)
2. "Find a Community Group"
3. Search: "Orroroo & District Hospital Auxiliary"
4. Purchase your tickets.



Tickets cost \$2 each, and there are many prizes on offer, so give it a go Orroroo!!

**Raffle Closes February 2022**



Meet  
Eat  
Enjoy

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## SENIORS LUNCHEON Christmas Celebration

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021 Commencing at 11.30am

Blacksmiths Chatter, Orroroo - Cost: \$25 per person

Come and enjoy a 2 course meal with music by

John O'Dea

Bookings by 12<sup>th</sup> Nov-Phone 86581054-COVID Safe restrictions apply





**Active Club Program** is now open

Equipment and program funding

Eligible clubs can apply for up to: **\$3,000**

Applications close 17 November 2021 [orsr.sa.gov.au](http://orsr.sa.gov.au)

**Game On**  
Getting South Australia moving

Eligible sporting clubs and organisations can now apply for up to \$3,000 for funding of programs and equipment through Round 50 of the Active Club Program (ACP).

\$1,024,000 is available in the 2021-22 ACP to continue to help the sport sector rebuild following the COVID-19 pandemic and associated restrictions. Funds may be used to acquit various costs such as hand sanitiser, face masks and COVID Marshal vests.

#### **Who can apply?**

To be eligible for the ACP, applicants must be ALL of the following:

- a not-for-profit active recreation or sport club or community organisation whose purpose is the delivery of active recreation or sport programs and services in South Australia.
- incorporated under the *Associations Incorporations Act 1985 (SA)* or have some other comparable legal status.
- have a minimum total membership base of 20 members. Total membership can include associate, social and life membership.
- be operating for 12 months or longer.

For eligible applicants with 99 members or less, the maximum grant available will be \$1,500. For eligible applicants with 100 or more members the maximum grant available will be \$3,000.

The ACP aligns with the objectives of the **Game On** initiative, which aims to get South Australians more active more often and enjoying the many social, health and lifestyle benefits sport and recreation provide.

All program funds must be expended by successful applicants within 12 months of receiving funding.

Please read the **Program Guidelines** prior to submitting an application for the 2021-22 ACP.

**Applications close midday on Wednesday 17 November 2021.**

The Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing (ORSR) is available to assist with any queries you may have when completing your submission. Please email [ORSR.Grants@sa.gov.au](mailto:ORSR.Grants@sa.gov.au) if you have any questions.

[https://www.orsr.sa.gov.au/funding/apply\\_for\\_funding/active\\_club\\_program](https://www.orsr.sa.gov.au/funding/apply_for_funding/active_club_program)



## NORTHERN AND YORKE LANDSCAPE BOARD

# Southern Flinders Landscape News

### Out and About

#### Goyder's Line – Building drought resilience into transitional country

The Goyder's Line project seeks to increase the capacity of the region's most vulnerable farmers to adapt to changing climatic conditions - progressively drier conditions and more frequent drought – and provides funding opportunities in various drought mitigation projects.

As part of this project, we are offering grants up to **\$1,000 per farm** to assist mixed farming enterprises establish livestock containment areas.

We are also offering individualised **Drought Management Plans**, which deliver:

- A drought mitigation-focused vision for the future of your business;
- Detailed property mapping and diagrams;
- An action plan to use and adapt for future business decision making.

On completion of the plan, further funding is provided to implement on-ground works for your property, like fencing, watering points, soil improvements and revegetation for farm biodiversity or stock shelter.

These projects are open to properties in the vicinity of Goyder's Line and in increasing marginal country within the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board region.

For further information and application forms, please contact Libby Duncan, Landscape Project Officer on 0456 755 346 or email [libby.duncan@sa.gov.au](mailto:libby.duncan@sa.gov.au). This project is supported by the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board, through funding from the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund.

#### Goyder's Line project-funded events

The Goyder's Line project provides funding to support and host events.



Some recent successful days included a Containment Area Workshop in Jamestown, with more than 30 attendees, which involved an onsite visit to CC Cooper's containment area and a presentation by Nicola Barnes, Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board Grassland Ecologist.

The program also funded Clinical Psychologist Stephanie Schmidt to present at ACT for Ag, an Upper North Farming Systems Members Expo held in Booleroo Centre. There were 90 attendees including industry leaders, producers, staff and presenters.



### Fox bait distribution and injection days

Landholders were invited to band together in the fight against foxes through a spring coordinated baiting program across the Southern Flinders district. Baiting in spring is critical as it targets female foxes before they leave the den. We held three bait injection days at Dawson, Wilmington and Almerita and the coordinated group manufactured baiting days visiting the townships of Crystal Brook, Napperby, Mambray Creek, Laura, Jamestown, Booleroo Centre, Melrose and Orroroo.



### Roadside signage in the district

While travelling through the Southern Flinders district, you may have noticed new roadside signage. These signs are designed to remind landholders about optimal times to control pest plants and animals, and to contact us for advice. They are interchangeable to coincide with the seasons and to highlight any pressing pest issues.



### Horehound Biological Control

Plume moth is a biological control agent for the declared weed Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*). The use of Plume moth provides landholders with an additional tool to improve

weed control. Plume moths are host specific, with the larvae feeding on the growing tips, weakening the plant and reducing the flowers and burrs. Landscape Officer Alexia Catford transferred approximately 40 Plume moth



caterpillars to Horehound plants at a site near Carrieton in the hope the site will be a future nursery for the Southern Flinders district.

*Photo credit: Dragos Moise*

### Appila Environmental Education Day

It was perfect weather for the Appila Springs Education Day where school children learned about a variety of environmental topics. The students rotated through seven interactive stations that covered Indigenous culture, aquatic macroinvertebrates, Animals Anonymous, bees, plant seeds, reptiles and rocks and minerals. Landscape Board staff ran the aquatic macroinvertebrates station where children observed and identified 'water bugs'. Assessing the sensitivity of these bugs allowed the children to determine the health of the water at the springs.





### Bite-sized Grants

Bite-sized Grants are funded through the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board to deliver positive environmental and landscape management outcomes, such as PPE, workshops, tube stock and weed and pest animal control.

Not-for-profit community groups (landcare, coastcare, bushcare, Friends of, farming and school groups) can apply for between \$200 and \$1000 to fund small or short-term projects that deliver positive environmental and landscape management outcomes. Available all year round, apply via our website: [www.landscapesa.gov.au/ny/get-involved/grants-and-funding](http://www.landscapesa.gov.au/ny/get-involved/grants-and-funding).

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## Pest Plants

### African Rue

African Rue is a summer-growing, deep-rooted perennial shrub that grows to 0.5m high. Stems are stiff and branched with green, succulent leaves approximately 2-5cm long, which have a distinct bitter odour when crushed. Flowers are white with a yellow centre and form singularly on the end of slender stalks appearing in late spring to mid-autumn. The fruit is a round three chambered capsule containing 45-60 seeds. Infestations commonly occur along river banks, drainage lines, in disturbed areas and on flood plains.

African Rue poses a significant threat to grazing and agricultural areas and the biodiversity of the areas surrounding rivers. It is highly unpalatable to livestock due to its bitter taste and can cause poisoning in stock if eaten in large amounts.

The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board can provide advice about the most appropriate management method for pest plants on your property. African Rue is difficult to control once established and follow-up treatment is nearly always required to treat plants that re-shoot. Effective, long term control requires vigilance and an integration of a number of control measures.





## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **South Australians urged to know their bushfire risk and act now**

South Australians are being reminded that the time to prepare their families and properties is now, as the CFS launches its 'Be Bushfire Ready' advertising campaign for the 2021-22 fire season.

This year's campaign, launched today by Fire Chiefs and the Minister for Emergency Services Vincent Tarzia, takes both an emotive and tactical approach to help encourage South Australians to know their bushfire risk and take action.

The campaign also has an added focus on Bushfire Safer Places following recent research which showed that nearly half of those living in bushfire prone areas don't understand their meaning.

CFS Chief Officer Mark Jones said it's important that South Australians have a Bushfire Survival Plan, or if they don't have one, that they prepare it now.

"South Australians who work, travel or live in an area where bushfires can occur - including those on the urban-fringe - should familiarise themselves on where they can re-locate to if threatened by fire," Mr Jones said.

"Getting to know your closest Bushfire Safer Place - whether it be in the Adelaide Metropolitan area, outer suburbs, or rural settlements - can provide a place of relative safety if you leave early.

"The message we want to get out to the community is that they need to prepare now, have a conversation with your family and ensure if you're threatened by fire, you know where and when you'll go, and what you'll take.

"The CFS is ready and prepared to respond should any incidents occur, but we need the community to play their part. Our volunteers cannot be everywhere."

The Fire Danger Season will commence in Eastern Eyre Peninsula, Flinders, North East Pastoral, North West Pastoral, West Coast and Yorke Peninsula districts across the state tomorrow (1 November). The Mount Lofty Ranges, Adelaide Metropolitan and Kangaroo Island will be the last fire ban districts to commence on 1 December.

Minister for Emergency Services Vincent Tarzia said this year's campaign is re-enforcing important messaging to ensure the community are informed, educated, and prepared.

"This year's campaign features a combination of previous messaging including the powerful and emotional advertisement 'Fire, Fire, go away', which aims to get people thinking about what they're willing to lose, to ensure they plan accordingly," Minister Tarzia said.

"As South Australians, we unfortunately know the real-life impacts that bushfires can have on our communities and livelihoods.

"It's important to check weather forecasts, know your Fire Danger Ratings and what you can and can't do on days of Total Fire Ban."

SA Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) Deputy Chief Officer Paul Fletcher said bushfire risk is not limited to remote parts of South Australia.

"All South Australians live with the risk of bushfire. The urban fringes of metropolitan Adelaide and regional towns and cities, and the Adelaide Hills are also key bushfire risk areas," Mr Fletcher said.

"And, even if people don't live in a bushfire prone area, it is inevitable that most of us will visit, work in, drive through or holiday in an area of bushfire risk during bushfire season. That's why the fire services are urging everyone to know where their Bushfire Safer Place is, well before a fire starts."

Not prepared yet, or want more information on preparing your property? Visit: <https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/bebushfireready>.

Get to know your Bushfire Safer Places here: [www.cfs.sa.gov.au/prepare-for-a-fire/be-prepared/bushfire-safer-places](https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/prepare-for-a-fire/be-prepared/bushfire-safer-places).

#### **Further information:**

Contact the Bushfire Information Hotline on **1800 362 361** or visit [www.cfs.sa.gov.au](https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au)

## MEDIA RELEASE

### CFS declares Fire Danger Season dates for all districts

The SA Country Fire Service has determined the start dates for this year's Fire Danger Season for all South Australian districts, with six districts commencing on 1 November 2021.

The first districts to commence will be the Eastern Eyre Peninsula, Flinders, North East Pastoral, North West Pastoral, West Coast and Yorke Peninsula.

The Mount Lofty Ranges, Adelaide Metropolitan and Kangaroo Island are the last fire ban districts to commence on 1 December 2021.

CFS Deputy Chief Officer Rob Sandford said this year's dates reflect a more standard season, in comparison to what South Australia has experienced in the past few years.

"A milder start to the season than in previous years means we will see the commencement of the Fire Danger Season for many areas at a time that residents are traditionally more used to," Mr Sandford said.

"While parts of South Australia, had wetter than average winters, the vegetation around the state will start to cure, bringing fire potential. People need to prepare their families and homes now, ensuring their Bushfire Survival Plan is practiced and ready.

"With no need for any district to start early, as in previous years, there should be no surprises for residents in these districts who have been preparing their properties," he said.

The Fire Danger Season commencement means restrictions in districts become legally enforceable.

Acting Emergency Services Minister John Gardner encouraged South Australians to download the Alert SA App and have their Bushfire Survival Plan complete.

"The time to prepare yourselves, your properties and your families is now," Minister Gardner said.

"On high-risk days, the right conditions at the wrong time can cause a significant bushfire. Don't get caught out."

The dates are as follows (all dates inclusive):  
Adelaide Metropolitan: 1 Dec 2021 to 30 April 2022  
Eastern Eyre Peninsula: 1 Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022  
**Flinders: 1 Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022**  
Kangaroo Island: 1 Dec 2021 to 30 April 2022  
Lower Eyre Peninsula: 15 Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022  
Lower South East: 22 Nov 2021 to 30 April 2022  
Mid North: 15 Nov 2021 to 30 April 2022  
Mount Lofty Ranges: 1 Dec 2021 to 30 April 2022  
Murraylands: 15 Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022  
North East Pastoral: 1 Nov 2021 to 31 March 2022  
North West Pastoral: 1 Nov 2021 to 31 March 2022  
Riverland: 15 Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022  
Upper South East: 15 Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022  
West Coast: Nov 2021 to 15 April 2022  
Yorke Peninsula: 1 Nov 2021 to 30 April 2022

For more information on Fire Danger Ratings and what they mean visit, <https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/bans-and-ratings/more-about-fire-danger-ratings/>

#### Further information:

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# Orroroo School Community Library



**LIBRARY HOURS**  
**Monday: 8.45am-4pm**  
**Tuesday: 8.45am-5pm**  
**Wednesday: 8.45am-5pm**  
**Thursday: 8.45am-5pm**  
**Friday: 8.45am-5pm**  
**Weekend & Public Holidays Closed**

## Library News

The library was a hive of activity during the month of October as we hosted the Scholastic Book Fair and a Meg's Bookshop pop up shop, simultaneously. It was fantastic to see so many Christmas shoppers. Thank you for your support.

The Orroroo School Community Library was delighted to be chosen as Orroroo's venue for the Judging of the Orroroo 'Ag Town of the Year' presentation. We are all proud to call Orroroo home and wish everyone who contributed to the presentation the best of luck.

## Be Connected

The library staff are pleased to offer a free 'Be Connected' event at the library on **Wednesday 10th November at 2pm** to help community members gain confidence and skills to get online. No prior knowledge or computer experience is required. Please contact the library staff on 8658 1100 to let us know you are coming; or to ask any questions about the event. There are many topics available to the community on the Be Connected website, from very basic computer terminology to information on how to do your banking online and how to fill in online forms.

## Author Talk

In January next year 2 popular authors are visiting Orroroo Library. If you haven't read Leonie Kelsall or Karly Lane books already, call in to the library to borrow them soon.

## Library Services

The library has 3 computers available for community members to use during library hours, in addition to wifi internet connection if you wish to use your own laptop or other device. Other services we provide include printing, photocopying, binding and laminating, in addition to assistance with borrowing books, DVDs and audio books.



You can now keep up to date with our latest happenings on our new facebook page.

Search for  
**Orroroo School Community Library**



**Be Connected**  
 Every Australian online.



**Do you need a hand to get started online?**



We're hosting an event to help you gain the confidence and skills to get online.

**Event:** Getting Started Online - FREE EVENT  
**Location:** Orroroo Library  
 West Terrace, Orroroo

**Date:** Wednesday 10th November 2021 - 2pm  
**Contact:** Bookings Essential - Orroroo Library Staff  
 Phone 8658 1100

[www.beconnected.esafety.gov.au](http://www.beconnected.esafety.gov.au)

## CHILDREN'S NEW RELEASES

### Picture Books

*The Chimpanzees' Happy Tree*

### Board Books

*Lift the Flap - Amazing Animals*

*Lift the Flap - Human Body*

## ADULT NEW RELEASES

### Adult fiction

*Behind Closed Doors - Catherine Alliot*

*And now your back - Jill Mansell*

*The Midnight Hour - Elly Griffiths*

*The Other Side of Beautiful - Kim Lock*

*Hello Summer - Mary Kay Andrews*

*The Girl They Left Behind - Roxanne Veletzos*

*Blood Trail - Tony Park*

*When I Come Home Again - Caroline Scott*





# Orroroo Area School

## News



### Year 11 Class Project

## Senior School Paved Area Development

Earlier this year the Year 11 class applied for and received a grant to develop the paved area into an outdoor relaxation area/study space. Progress has continued with a number of students from different year levels contributing in many ways from weeding the garden, to measuring and welding beams and other construction phases. Many thanks to Gavin Laskey for his equipment to dig the holes and his ongoing advice. Many thanks to Kevin O'Dea and Craig Finlay for their support and to Mike Custance and Matt Dignan for overseeing the construction. A big thank you to the Year 11 students for their ongoing commitment to the project.

Marg Custance (Year 11 Home Group Teacher)



## Aussie of the Month



Hunter is a nice, friendly and respectful classmate. He has a good work ethic and shows excellent leadership in group tasks.

Hunter is responsible and honest and shows good sportsmanship in class games.

**Hunter  
Shackleford**



## OAS Governing Council Wool, Wine & Dine Fundraiser

What a night! After months of planning, we were delighted to hold our inaugural 'Wool, Wine & Dine' Fundraising Event Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October in the Orroroo Football Clubrooms. 85 guests were treated to a delicious meal prepared by Julie-Anne Hill, who cooked up a storm (free of charge). She was assisted by her sister, Lauren Shephard and our own OAS school students.

There were various highlights throughout the evening, with raffles, chocolate wheels, door prizes, and a lively auction. Daniel Williams stole the show as MC, and assisted John Sheehan who stepped in as the auctioneer. We were also fortunate to have a home-grown band play on the night, and would like to thank Sam Gibb, Heidi Rodgers and Nick Piggott for their entertainment. We'd like to extend our gratitude to all those who contributed on the night, and hope everyone who attended enjoyed themselves. We will have a final tally of our fundraising efforts once we sell the wool.

We would like to extend a huge thanks to all those who donated fleeces for our fundraiser. We've been blown away by the generosity of our community. Thanks to the following wool donors:

- Anna Schories-Williams & Christian Bohn
- Morgan & Joy Nutt
- Sam & Libby Gibb
- Peter & Teresa Battersby
- Keith & Lisa Slade
- Sam & Karlee Dohnt
- Shane & Annabel Hooper
- Patrick & Shane Rowe
- Matt & Charmayne Clarke
- Jason & Donna Wood
- Ron & Karen Shepherd
- Jon & Bek Rasheed
- Ellery Props
- Brenton & Robyn Byerlee
- Neil & Emily Byerlee
- Tim & Louise Smith
- Paul & Heidi Rodgers
- Daniel & Haidee Williams
- Brian & Kate Williams
- Craig Anesbury & Kim Oldfield
- Nick & Emily Piggott
- Kane & Kirstie Bertram

Judging took place prior to the event, with all 49 fleeces being displayed on the night. A special thanks to Trevor James (Nutrien's State Wool Manager) and John Sheehan (local Nutrien Livestock Agent) who judged the fleeces. Thanks to Matt Clarke and Jon Rasheed for helping with the wool. Trevor has kindly offered to sell the wool on our behalf free of charge. Thanks also to Elders Orroroo (Kim Oldfield and Nick Pearce) and Nutrien Oakley (John Sheehan) who helped collect wool donations and sponsored our Grand Champion Fleece Prize.

Congratulations to our winners. The results are below, with Karlee and Sam Dohnt taking out the Grand Champion Fleece Award!

### Grand Champion Fleece

Sam and Karlee Dohnt (Mucra Springs)

### Fine ewe merino fleece, 1yrs growth , any age

Sam and Karlee Dohnt (Mucra Springs)

### Medium ewe merino fleece, 1yrs growth , any age

Morgan and Joy Nutt (Garden of Eden)

### 6 month ewe merino fleece, any age

Shane and Annabel Hooper (Flinders Edge)

### Wether merino fleece, 1yrs growth, any age

Jason and Donna Wood

### Ram merino fleece, any age

Ron and Karen Shepherd (Hurtle Grove)

### Open, any growth, any age (judged on trueness to type)

Anna Schories-Williams and Christian Bohn

Special mention to Anna and Christian, who donated their entire wool clip!



OAS Governing Council would also like to acknowledge our extensive list of generous Wool Wine & Dine Sponsors:

- Almerita Station
- Bank SA, Mt Gambier
- Morgan's Run, Jamestown
- Nutrien KLR Jamestown
- Nutrien Oakley Orroroo
- Elders Orroroo
- Rollick Wines
- Dan Murphy's
- Comfort Inn Pt Augusta
- Flinders Hotel, Pt Augusta
- Northern Motorcycles, Pt Augusta
- Saltbush Surf, Pt Augusta
- Shellie's Shoes, Jamestown
- Orroroo Hotel
- Milhinch Jewellers, Pt Augusta
- MJ Geldart Jewellers, Pt Augusta
- Harvey's Furniture, Pt Augusta
- LV Nails, Pt Augusta
- The Lingerie Bar, Pt Augusta
- KD's Hair Flair, Pt Augusta
- Uptown Girl, Pt Augusta
- Mitre 10, Pt Augusta
- Woolworths Pt Augusta
- Westside Vegie Patch, Pt Augusta
- Hotel Augusta
- Terry Gardiner Meat Store, Pt Augusta
- Orroroo Meat Co
- Jamestown Meat Service
- O'leary's Meats, Jamestown
- Pt Augusta Meat Store
- Store on Second
- Intersport, Pt Augusta
- Sportspower, Pt Augusta
- Electrical Discounters, Pt Augusta
- Foodland, Pt Augusta
- Sarah Hazel
- Bank SA, Peterborough/Jamestown
- IGA Orroroo
- Orroroo Football Club

Finally, thanks to Joylene Tapscott at school, and our Governing Councillors for all their work towards this year's fundraiser. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. Thanks especially to Charmayne Clarke, who convened the event and kept us all organised. We hope this may be the beginning of an ongoing fundraising theme for us!

Rebekah Rasheed

Chairperson, OAS Governing Council





## CARRIETON NEWS

**Rainfall** recorded for October—Carrieton 18.2mm, Johnburgh 19.5 (yearly total 212mm), Sandal Park 18.2 (159.5), Eurelia 17.6mm (191.4) Mookra 12.5mm, Almeria 15.5 (155mm)

**Get Well Wishes** to Kay Mass (Anglican church resident), Simon Rowe and Robbie Schmidt for their future treatment and speedy recovery.

**Rodeo—CANCELLED** The event planned for 27<sup>th</sup> December has been cancelled. The uncertainty of Covid restrictions and the risk of investing in the event without the crowd attendance caused the committee to reach a unanimous decision to cancel the event for a second year in a row.

**Welcome** to the new owners of the Eurelia Hall. Both couples from inner city Adelaide are keen to repair the hall and are delighted at the prospects of enjoying their country retreat and learning more of Eurelia's history.

Eliza Rowe has just completed her final year of school. We wish her and all other **Year 12 students** success in their exams and endeavors beyond school life.

Stonework repairs to the **old CWA rooms** has been finished. Preparing for the coming fire season the local CFS will resume their position within the building ready as a communications center in the event of a fire.

**The Gathering** saw a group of 50 folk musicians settle in the caravan park for the long weekend. Under the pub verandah or in the shade at the park locals were entertained by a variety of folk music. The next folk festival is at Wirrinna on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> November.

**Swimming Pool** opens on 8<sup>th</sup> November. At the recent committee meeting improvements for the coming season were decided; a solar blanket to raise the water temperature especially at the start of season for Vacswim, a pressure cleaning unit, updated watering system, enquiries for an anti-slip surface surrounding the pool and a request to council to clear the tree litter from outside the fence. Vacswim will be held the first week of school holidays further enquiries to Shane Rowe 0428 589 076.

### Who Done It?

Arriving early one morning at the pub Steve found three walkers parked outside the main entrance with a litter of empty rum cans. Steve has now

extended his services to include a walker for patrons to be able to shuffle home with the empty rum cans to jingle along for the ride.

**Carrieton Progress General Meeting** at Clubrooms Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

**Caravan Park meeting** will be held prior to main meeting.

**Carrieton Catholic Church** times remain at 6.00pm Saturday evening. All Souls Day will be held at the cemetery 6.00pm 20<sup>th</sup> November. Leo Case is available 0437 477 254 to check prior to Saturday mass in case of a late change.



## CFS FACT SHEET

### Preparing your home for bushfires

- Keep gutters clean and free of debris.
- Mow, rake and weed to remove fine fuels within 20 metres of your home.
- Prune shrubs so that their tops are well away from the lower branches of trees.
- Prune lower branches of shrubs and trees to separate the foliage from the ground fuels underneath.
- Reduce loose bark, dead twigs, leaves or branches from your yard.
- Move firewood and flammable items (such as paper recycling, boxes and crates) further away from your home.

### Other steps to prepare

- Have a Bushfire Survival Plan, no matter where you live, and practise it throughout the year.
- Prepare an Emergency Kit.
- Stay informed during the Fire Danger Season by monitoring multiple sources of information (TV, radio, CFS Website, social media, Bushfire Information Hotline).
- Learn about bushfire behaviour and how to survive by visiting the CFS website ([www.cfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au)).



If you and your home are not fully prepared for a bushfire, or if you have any doubts about your ability to defend your home, you should plan to leave early.

[www.cfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au)



# CAROLS IN THE MAIN

Orroroo ~ 12th December 2021 ~ 7pm



BBQ & Donuts available from 5.45pm

Please bring a chair

As you arrive, 1 person from each family group is required to sign-in as per COVID regulations. Check-in points will be located at either end of the plantation.

*Lifting our spirits...*



## Looking Back .....

Looking back at some Black Rock history. There seems to be a lot of interest in the old Black Rock Wool Press, so it seems fitting to acknowledge some early members of the O'Reilly family who lived in the area for many years .....

**Chronicle, Saturday 5 November 1927 - p36**

### MRS O'REILLY

Mrs O'Reilly, widow of Mr M O'Reilly, who died at Black Rock on October 29, was the youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Clarke, and was born in Baelie Borough, County Cavan, Ireland, 88 years ago. She came to Australia in the ship James Farney (Captain James Dailey), at the age of 13 years. Both her parents had died some time before she left Ireland, and she had one sister (Mrs John Dempsey) in Australia. On arrival in South Australia, Miss Clarke went to reside at the Cavan Arms near Adelaide which was built by her relatives, Mr and Mrs Conaghtes. Later she removed to Mintaro, where she met and married Mr Matthew O'Reilly, who died in July, 1912. There were seven sons and one daughter, all of whom are still living. In 1879 the couple removed to the north, and took up land at Minvalara, near Black Rock, then the hundred of Morgan, and Mrs O'Reilly remained there ever since, being well known and highly respected by all northerners.

**The Times and Northern Advertiser, Friday 29 August 1924 - p3**

### DISTRICT NEWS. BLACK-ROCK

August 26<sup>th</sup>

Our district has been fortunate in having good rain, and wheat and grass are coming on well and shearing will be starting shortly. General regret was expressed here this evening, when news was received from Tumby Bay, of the death of Michael O'Reilly, in the Tumby Bay Hospital. Mr O'Reilly was an old and respected resident of this district, having lived near Peterborough for 26 years. He was well known here and highly respected. He was also farming on the West Coast for a number of years, but owing to eye trouble, has been living in Tumby Bay for the last two years.

**Chronicle, 19 November 1936 - p60**

### Miss M O'Reilly

Miss Annie Mary O'Reilly, who died at Peterborough recently, was born at Minvalara, near Black Rock, in September, 1880. Her father, the late Mr Matthew O'Reilly, was one of the pioneers of the district. Miss O'Reilly lived the greater portion of her life at Minvalara, and nine years ago removed to Peterborough, where she had lived ever since. She is survived by seven brothers Messrs Hugh and John (Peterborough), Patrick (Prospect), Matthey, Philip, James (Black Rock), and Thomas (Minvalara).

**The Times and Northern Advertiser, 22 September 1944 - p1**

### Late Matthew O'Reilly

The sudden death of Matthew O'Reilly at his home at Black Rock, has removed another old pioneer from the North. Born at Mintaro 71 years ago, he came North with his parents, who were among the first settlers in the Black Rock District. He lived all his life there, except for a short while spent on the West Coast where he had taken up land. He took no part in public life, but was a well known identity in the Northern Stock Markets, particularly in Orroroo, where thousands of sheep passed through his hands. He leaves a widow, three sons and a daughter to mourn their sad loss, and to whom we extend our sympathy. Two of the sons are in the AIF Ray in New Guinea and Jim just returned. The funeral from St Anacletus' pro-Cathedral, was largely attended, and bore testimony to the great respect in which the deceased was held. Rev Fathers Kain and Molloy conducted the obsequies at the grave side.

**Friday 27 August 1943 - p3**

### CLEARING SALE

Bennett & Fisher Limited, report having conducted a clearing sale for Mr Phil O'Reilly on the property situated 3 miles East of Black Rock on Friday, August 20th. There was a good attendance and bidding being keen throughout a most satisfactory sale can be reported. Scoop, £10; Iron Posts, £8/5/-; Jinker, £7; Cultivator, £6/5/-; Troughing £5/5/-; Saddle and Bridle, £5/2/6 and a host of sundries at good values.

## STARCLUB Mid North

Ben Brown has just been appointed as the new Mid North Sport and Recreation Development Officer.

Ben has a sound knowledge of Sport & Rec having worked at the SACA for 7 years as a Country Cricket Officer, has played many seasons of Football for the Southern Flinders FC, A GRADE District Cricket for Adelaide University, and has had great success involved in Premierships and won Individual Medals during his Sports career. We look forward to having

Ben develop Sport & Rec in the Mid North region.  
Goyder's Line Gazette

Ben can be contacted at:  
bbrown@pirie.sa.gov.au

We would also like to acknowledge the wonderful work of Rhys Millington in his STARCLUB role. His passion and work ethic was of huge benefit for the Mid North region and has set things in place for growth of Sport & Rec in the MN going forward. Excellent work Rhys and good luck with your new role at the Port Augusta Council.



## Looking Back .....

*The Advertiser*, 2 October 1913

### THE COUNTRY

#### A DIAMOND WEDDING

CARRIETON, September 30. Many of the older residents attended the diamond wedding celebrations of Mr and Mrs Patrick King Sen. Mr King was born in the county of Minogham, Ireland, in 1832. He emigrated to South Australia in 1849 by the ship Constance, and his first occupation was at the Royal Admiral Hotel, in Hindley street. Later he went Bullock Driving to the Burra mines, and when the gold digging rush was at its height he went to try his fortune in 1851, but was not successful. He was married to Miss Ann Marky two years afterwards, by the Rev Father Ryan at West terrace, and settled at Peachy Belt, but took up land at Rice's Creek, near Auburn, in 1860. They lived there for 20 years, and seven sons and seven daughters were born there, of whom, 10 survive. In 1878 they settled on land in the hundred of Yanyarrie, where they now reside. They also took up land in the hundred of Eurelipa and Bendleby. Mr King has always taken a deep interest in public and religious matters. The old couple are hale and hearty, although over 80 years of age. The members of the family are Mrs T Willis, Mrs T Dollard, Mrs W Willis, Mr J Ryan, Messrs JJ King, Patrick King, Phillip King (Port Pirie), John R King, Michael and Joseph King. There are 64 grandchildren.

*The Express and Telegraph*, Thursday 8 June 1922

THE WIDOW and CHILDREN of the late JOHN KEATLEY, of Blackrock sincerely THANK all relatives and kind friends for letters, cards, and floral tributes, and kindness rendered during their sad bereavement, especially thanking Mr Matt O'Reilly for his great kindness, also Drs McGlasshan and Sweney.

Pekina Irrigation Settlement – the open channels

*The Chronicle*, 19 September 1925

#### PEKINA IRRIGATION SETTLEMENT

Orroroo, September 15

On Thursday last, the new system of flooding was opened in the presence of a large crowd, and on Monday the scheme was set going in earnest, four blocks being given water. The scheme met with a hostile reception when explained to the Blockers' Association nearly two years ago by the Director of Irrigation (Mr EJ Field), and the engineer (Mr Horsfield). Delegates from the association visited Cobdogla, and secured information regarding the working of the flooding system versus sprinkler and the opposition gradually died down.

The new era of flooding has been ushered in under favorable conditions. The Pekina reservoir is badly silted up, and a continuance of the pipe and sprinkler method spelt ultimate disaster. Under the new system the silt will be scoured out, and travel down to the blocks, and become an excellent top-dressing and fertiliser. The reservoir has a capacity of 379 millions gallons, with no bywash to take the debris, but under the new system silt will no longer be the bugbear of the blockers. The nature of the country in the Pekina Creek traversed by the pipeline is very difficult, and the contractors (Messrs Atkins & Finlayson) have had a hard task in getting the old pipes out and the new ones in.



C1930s  
Orroroo  
bowling green  
and power  
house.



## Looking Back .....

### 1920 10 09 ORROROO SHOW

Source: Chronicle, Adelaide, SA, Saturday 9 October 1920, page 35

Splendid weather favoured the 37<sup>th</sup> annual show of the Orroroo Agricultural Society on Saturday last. From an early hour it was evident that the day was going to be a success, and by noon the crowd were out in full strength, and the booths and sideshows were reaping a harvest. The 'gate' amounted to nearly double the previous year. The following table of takings is of interest: - 1913 £58 7/11; 1914, no show held; 1915 £58 5/; 1916 £52 2/; 1917 £23 15/6; 1918 £47 10/; 1919 £39 18/; 1920 £63 8/. The judges were as follows: - Draught stock, Mr A McDonald; light stock and horses in action, Mr F Dennis; sheep, Mr WE Hall; cattle, Mr H McColl; pigs, Mr E Cocks; dogs, Mr Spen Jones; agriculture, Mr D Cram; produce, Mr D Hammond; poultry, Mr AN George; vegetables, Mr Nicholas; flowers, Mr J Nettle; cookery, Mr WC Gardner; fancywork, Miss Toop; painting, Mrs Bowering; schoolwork, WC Addison. In pre-war days Orroroo boasted an excellent band and the attempt to revive it has met with decided success. Mr J Clark has taken control, assisted by Mr J Medlin, who fills the post of secretary. The band, numbering about 20, enlivened the proceedings in good style, the music being of a good class.

**Draught Stock.** The heavy section failed to provide a big field. H Chapman's Punch took the champion ribbon for draught entire; the ribbon being presented by Mr RC Ford. Messrs Jacka and Rowe's Chisel eventually carrying away the ribbon to Melrose. At the conclusion of the ring events the judge expressed his pleasure at the vast improvement in the show generally and gave the opinion that on the new grounds the society should have a big future. The horse entries in 1919 were approximately 118, and in 1920 about 240.

**Cattle.** This section found better competition also, the Durham class being a fine lot. Mr McColl was well satisfied with the yarding. Mr J Chystall's Durham bull took the red ribbon for his owner, Mr JT Nutt's two-year-old bull scoring in its class, and the same owner carried off the honours in Durham cows by scoring both ribbons, and he ran Groves Brothers hard in the heifer section. Mr Welch's Hereford bull met no competition. This beast won his first ribbon in the Adelaide Show, and one believes he stops in the district. Mr JT Nutt continued his successes by scoring,

in the two-year-old Hereford bull. The Jersey bull ribbon went to Mrs Adamson, who also receives the ribbon for the best Jersey cow, McDonald Bros' cow taking the second ribbon out of an entry of 10. Mrs Adamson's Jersey heifers brought her first and second ribbons. Last year only about five dairy cows were entered, but the silver cup presented by Mr FG Ellis made a wonderful difference in this section, and no fewer than 21 cows, of a splendid class and type, were entered. Mr Arthur Brice secured a leg in for the cup (which is to he won three times), Mr D Brennan's cow being second. The judge was pleased with the class generally, but recommended that the cows should be tested in future on the grounds. With an up-to-date butter factory in Orroroo this should not be a difficult matter. Groves Bros' fat cow brought them a red ribbon, while AT Pink again walked away with both honours in the fat bullock's class.

**Sheep.** Sheep entries were far heavier than last year. The class was good and the competition keen. Mr E Hall, of Eurelia, awarded the honours and his decisions gave entire satisfaction. The new yards were not quite ready for the day, but a big improvement will be made by next year. The champion Merino ram was penned by Mr DA Brooks, of Arwakurra, while the champion ewe ribbon went to the JT Nutt farm. Mr WC Dowling presented the ewe ribbon, and Messrs Cox & Brown the other one. The 2-tooth Merino ram classes found good entries. Spen Jones, of Mannanarie, getting the verdict for a fine type of the breed, JT Nutt carrying second honours. In the 2-tooth Merino ewe section the judge had a hard task in selecting from a dozen splendid types, but Mr DA Brooks carried away both cards. Shepherd Bros, of Carrieton, scored one and two for the Merino wet ewe, DA Brooks getting another award in the Merino ram (any age) from Spen Jones. The Merino ewe proved a double ribbon for the Brooks breed, Shepherd Bros scoring their second success with two fine exhibits of three fat wethers, the judge placing them first and second, in a well-contested class. Mr AL Brice showed two pens of fat ewes, which scooped the pool, the same breeder scoring first and second for two exhibits of fat lambs and two fleeces of Merino wool brought RT Parnell first and second. The judge was pleased with the quality right through the section.

## Looking Back .....

**General Sections.** The main pavilion was a greatly improved structure this year, and the interior was well filled with exhibits, ail classes having a good tally of entries. The judge of the dairy produce class, Mr D Hammond, of Quorn, who has judged at many centres throughout the Commonwealth, stated that he had seen more numerous exhibits, but the quality of produce was quite up to any he had ever inspected at a country show. Mr JH McDougall has donated a silver cup for competition next year for the best collection of dairy produce. This should be the means of encouraging the housewife to greater efforts. Mr J Nettle, who judged the flower section, was pleased at the show of flowers. The champion carnation was won by Mr BJ Beckwith. Mrs EL McDougall carried off the championship in light and dark roses. The cookery section was quite up to standard, and the exhibition made up a most appetising and tempting array. Fancy work was, as usual, very good, while paintings were as numerous as previous years. Poultry seemed a little stronger, and the judge was favourably impressed by the quality of the Rhode Island Reds and Plymouth Rocks.

The White Leghorn class was weak. The judge also entered a strong recommendation to the committee to build a permanent fixture for exhibits, that would give a judge every facility and the public a better opportunity to see the display. School work was weaker in exhibits than last year. Altogether the society may be pleased at the result of their efforts. The president, Mr Amos Copley, has been an indefatigable worker in organising and erecting the show fixtures on the new ground, but the man at the wheel of progress has undoubtedly been Mr THP Tapscott, an ex-president of the society, he has the interest of the scheme at heart, and under his guidance the exhibition has blossomed. Much still remains to be done. Labour is scarce, but the members who have been unable to work have responded well with the cash to pay the men who are employed. The catering was left entirely in the hands of members and volunteer helpers, and the result was good. The ladies, as usual, did their work well on the ground, and several ran a supper in the evening after the pictures, the total for the day being £73 8/. Mr Ralph Adamson conducted a guessing competition for the fat bullock, and this netted £4 3/.

### Orroroo Swimming Pool 2021-2022 Season Information



**Opening Times**  
Monday 3.30pm to 6.30pm  
Tuesday Closed  
Wednesday 3.30pm to 6.30pm  
Thursday Closed  
Friday 3.30pm to 6.30pm  
Saturday 3.30pm to 6.30pm  
Sunday 3.30pm to 6.30pm

During school holidays, if hot weather is experienced for an extended period of time, staff will review the situation and may open the pool from 2pm to 5pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays dependant on staff availability.

**Start: Monday 8 Nov**  
**Finish: Friday 4 March**

**Opening Temperature**  
That Pool will be opened when the temperature is 26C or above taken from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) website for Orroroo at 4.30pm the night before.

The Pool will be closed to the public on the following dates:  
Friday 26 November 2021  
Friday 17 December 2021  
Friday 24 December 2021  
Saturday 25 December 2021  
Friday 25 February 2022

The Orroroo Pool will be closed on Catastrophic Fire Ban Days.

**Prices**

Orroroo Swimming Pool		GST inc.
Season Tickets	Family (of 5)	\$220.00
	Additional Person	\$35.00
	Family (of 5) (Concession / Swim Club Member Family)	\$185.00
	Additional Person	\$30.00
	Single Adult	\$105.00
	Single Adult (Concession / Swim Club Member)	\$65.00
	Single Student	\$65.00
	Single Student (Concession / Swim Club Member)	\$50.00
	10 Swim Pass	\$45.00
	10 Swim Pass (Concession)	\$35.00
General Admission	Adult	\$7.50
	Adult (Concession)	\$4.50
	Student (5-17 Years)	\$4.00
	Pre-School (0-4 Years)	\$2.75
	Family (of 5)	\$21.50
	Family (of 5) Concession	\$18.00
	Seniors	Free

Like the Orroroo Swimming Pool page on Facebook to stay up-to-date with events and closures

## CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

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30 mins.

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**Inters & Seniors** (depending on ability) Tues & Thurs 6pm. 60–90 mins.

To register your interest please speak with a committee member very **SOON**.

Shane & Anna Hooper, Megan Goehring & Danielle Gillies.

**We all look forward to welcoming you!**

## Dan

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Sunday 10am–2pm

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(e.g. 40°C plus) opening times will be:

Wednesday and Friday 9am to 11am

Sunday 8am to 12 noon

The Depot will be shut on Fire Ban Days  
and when too windy and/or wet

Contact: Colin Dawes 0428 865 810





## Probis Report

This month we had a very informative meeting with Kylie McNamee from Region 4 CFS in Port Augusta. Kylie came to talk about household fires and gave us lots of helpful information and a few practical demonstrations on how to handle certain situations. She spoke about the importance of fire alarms in the house and the need to make sure that the batteries are changed on a regular basis. and that the sensor is also cleaned on a regular basis as dust or spider webs or bugs can cause the alarm to go off or not work as required. If you find yourself in a fire situation it is important to check doors using the back of your hand to check the heat level because if there is electricity present it will cause your hand to grab hold of the door.

After checking how many people had fire blankets in their kitchens, Kylie showed us what they looked like and how to use them protecting your hands by holding the straps at the back of the blanket and slowly approaching the fire and placing the blanket over the flames. If a fire blanket is not available a towel or

chopping block could be used to cut off the oxygen supply.

Important not to throw water on an oil fire as this may cause bigger problems.

If you are unfortunate to have your clothes catch alight or come across someone who has the catch call to help is STOP, COVER, DROP & ROLL.

Kylie reminded us that the most common cause of house fires were started by candles and cigarettes. Wheat bags that are overheated can also cause trouble and should only be heated in a microwave with a cup of water to help keep the moisture levels up and should be changed every couple of years. Kylie finished her talk by demonstrating the use of a couple of fire extinguishers (above). Malcolm Byerlee gave a vote of thanks for a very informative talk (left).

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 11 Orroroo Probis members joined with the Jamestown and Laura members to go on a bus trip to Kadina. We visited the Camerlot Gardens for morning tea and a wander through their amazing garden and other attractions. It was then off to the Wombat Hotel for a very filling lunch. We concluded our trip with a visit to the Kadina Farm Museum and Matta House, the 1863 residence of the manager of the Matta Copper mine. A great day of fellowship and touring.

John Cozens



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# Orroroo Community Church



What an amazing night it was on the other Saturday night when the community came together to celebrate the Despite the Dust street party. To see the street full of people chatting and enjoying themselves as they experienced an amazing variety of foods and drinks while they listened to great live music coming from the colourful stage in front of the hall. I couldn't help but think this is the best possible way to bring the Paint the Town Blue campaign to bring awareness to mental health, to a finale. Every one that I spoke to were bubbling over with enjoyment about what a great event this is and to think we are able to enjoy it in our own back yard. I am sure many went home although a little cold with a spring in their step and feeling good about themselves. We got to spend time with a couple from Queensland who had just driven into town that

afternoon and were invited to come along for the evening. They were amazed that a small community could put on an event like this in their main street and they were overwhelmed by the friendliness of the people. Of course this does not mean that only good times are ahead for us, as there will still be mental health issues for some, but I am sure a good number of people now have a greater awareness of mental health and of some the help that is out there for those who need it. The good news is that God walks beside us all the time whether we are aware of it or not. All we have to do is reach out to Him and He will hear us. So a big thank you to all who have helped make October such a memorable month for our community.

God bless, John Cozens

## Preaching Plan for Orroroo Community Church

November 7<sup>th</sup> Caitlin Polden  
November 14<sup>th</sup> John Cozens  
November 21<sup>st</sup> Morgan Nutt  
November 28<sup>th</sup> John Cozens

## Preaching Plan for Goyder Ministry Area

### Orroroo 10.00am

7/11/2021 No Service  
14/11/2021 Rev Owen Roberts  
21/11/2021 Rev Ted White  
28/11/2021 Judy Laskey

Preachers and Judy Laskey 0428 599 959

Contact details 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

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### Cut off dates for the Gazette

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## SOUTH AUSTRALIA COVID-READY PLAN

CURRENT	23 NOVEMBER EXPECTED 80% OF SOUTH AUSTRALIANS FULLY VACCINATED (aged 16+)	90% OF SOUTH AUSTRALIANS FULLY VACCINATED (aged 12+)
<b>Borders</b> Border restrictions remain in place with states and territories with COVID hotspots	<b>Borders</b> Open borders to fully vaccinated people from all Australian states and territories* Vaccinated international arrivals require 7 days quarantine Unvaccinated authorised arrivals require 14 days quarantine	<b>Borders</b> Borders open to all fully vaccinated domestic and international arrivals Unvaccinated arrivals will require 14 days quarantine
<b>Activities</b> Restrictions remain in place: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Masks in indoor public settings</li> <li>Current density and activity requirements</li> <li>20 people at home gatherings</li> <li>Private activity cap of 150 people</li> </ul>	<b>Activities</b> Restrictions remain in place: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Masks in indoor public settings</li> <li>Current density and activity requirements</li> <li>30 people at home gatherings</li> <li>Private activity cap of 150 people</li> </ul>	<b>Activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restrictions on most activities lifted</li> <li>High-risk activities only available for people who are fully vaccinated (for example: nightclubs, standing alcohol consumption)</li> <li>Masks remain in high-risk settings (for example: hospitals, aged-care facilities)</li> <li>COVID management plans required</li> </ul>
<b>Preparing for COVID</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparing our primary health and hospital system to cope with an increase of COVID-19 cases</li> <li>Recruiting more nurses, doctors, allied health and support staff</li> <li>Increasing beds in our hospitals and in the community</li> </ul>	<b>Controlled COVID into our community</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospitals and health services prepared for increase in COVID cases</li> <li>Support for people with COVID-19 to recover safely at home</li> <li>Increasing access to COVID-19 vaccines</li> </ul>	<b>Living with COVID in our community</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospitals and health services managing COVID cases</li> <li>Support for people with COVID-19 to recover safely at home</li> </ul>

\*Quarantine will apply to LGAs with community transmission and less than 80% of the population fully vaccinated.



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