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Anzac Day 2021

It was great to be back this year after a forced break last year for Anzac Day. Services this year were held in Orroroo, Carrieton and Morchard.

Thank you to those that organised and attended the services.

Here's just a few photos from the Orroroo, Carrieton and Morchard services.

LEST WE FORGET



Above: Some of the crowd at Carrieton (see pages 16 & 17 for more details)

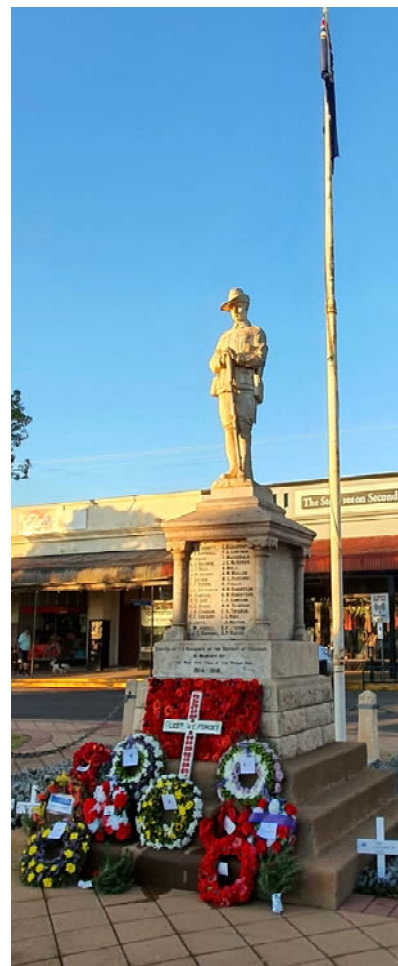
Above Right: Orroroo War Memorial

Left: Stephen Watson was Master of Ceremonies at the Opening of the Carrieton War Memorial



Right: Students Abigail Brindal & Takara Austin (Orroroo Area School) paying their respects

Left: Morchard Service (see page 7 for more details)





Over the last week or so there have been a couple of meetings regarding the rotunda to house the Black Rock Station Woolpress that is presently being built in the median strip in our main street. What an impressive building it looks to be with wonderful stone masonry work being carried out! Down at the oval we have another building almost finished of a completely different style but to my way of thinking no less impressive and will be a huge boom to all the people who use our recreational facility. The oval itself is looking as good as it ever has and considering how little rain we've had over the last four months is quite amazing. No doubt a new sprinkler system and decent water has had a fair bit to do with that. The Lions Park looks a treat, the footpath between the school and the kindergarten makes a statement and the youth park at the oval is neat and usable.

These projects make a huge difference to the general "look" of our town and aid in a feeling of wellbeing for its inhabitants. (I hope!)

But there is still a lot to occur over the next few months. Getting back to the Woolpress, the Council and the Tourism Group in particular see this as the beginning, not the end. We see it as the hub of our tourism drive which hopefully will attract people passing through our town to stop and have a look. From there the heritage trail through the main street will meander and direct tourists and others to all our other worthwhile tourism attractions. We plan (and

have a grant) to landscape the area directly adjacent to the rotunda but also to redo the plantings in the Second Street median strip between Sixth Street and East Terrace which have deteriorated over the years.

Then there will be the refurbishment of our Second Street rest room facilities which will also occur over the next few months and finally in the second half of this year our Town Makeover through Rural Aid will be up and running. All these projects, those concluded, those in construction and those in the planning stage we are confident will enhance our town and local facilities to make us a place to attract tourists to stay a while and support our local businesses but also to give ourselves pride in where we live and to feel good about ourselves.

To this end, I encourage all of you who have ideas and thoughts about what our town should look like to make them known when Peter Kenyon comes to Orroroo on his second attempt at the end of July. I also encourage all those interested in our Heritage trail and associated tourism infrastructure to register that interest at the Council Office over the next little while. It's your town and district, Council needs your input!

Kathie

From the Council Desk

Ordinary meeting: Council held its ordinary meeting on Wednesday 28th April 2021 in the Orroroo Council Chambers. Minutes are now available via www.orroroo.sa.gov.au. The next ordinary meeting is scheduled for 9am Wednesday 26th May 2021. Council papers will be available to the public as normal via Council's website.

Heritage policy: Following public consultation, Council has adopted the Heritage Policy. The new Heritage Policy sets out Council's principled approach to protection and/or adaptive reuse of heritage and historical buildings, places and spaces. The policy is a ready-reference point for Council and property owners in the care, maintenance and development of their properties.

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.

Active construction sites: There are currently a number of active construction sites in public areas which restrict public access in Orroroo. The Orroroo Recreation Ground and Median Strip (Eastern-end) are ongoing work sites, frequented by heavy machinery. Please respect and obey the closure signs, they are for your safety after all.

Rubbish bins: Council wishes to remind the community that enquiries regarding kerb-side waste (wheelie-bin) pick up are to be direct to Clare Valley Waste Service in the first instances. For Collection enquiries (e.g. missed or broken bin) contact CVWS on 0438 884 340 between 8am-4pm.

Despite the Dust Community Muster [2]: The Muster is back in 2021! Save the date - SATURDAY 30th OCTOBER 2021.

THE WOOLPRESS ROTUNDA



Would you like to be involved?

The Black Rock Station Woolpress, circa 1851, has been carefully restored by a group of ambitious locals over the past two years, following its recovery from the original Woolshed ruins at the station.

The Woolpress is a significant piece of the region and indeed that of Australia's, pioneering agricultural history. The restoration has been entirely funded by community and made possible through volunteer hours. The owner of the Woolpress has donated the Woolpress to the community for display, which Council is holding in trust.

The construction of the 'Woolpress Rotunda' (a **permanent showcase of the Woolpress and associated memorabilia in this custom-built facility**) is well under the way in Orroroo's main street. **The total project is valued at \$550,000** and will build economic strength and resilience by stimulating new tourism economic activity and diversity in Orroroo and the surrounding district.

Council is most appreciative of the generosity of Tony & Barbara Nutt, who have donated the stone used in the build from Black Rock Station.

The rotunda is the centrepiece of a much larger heritage trail meandering throughout the main street precinct. Many volunteers who initiated the project remain involved and Council are now extending an invitation to any other locals who would be interested in participating.

In the coming weeks Council will set up an information display in the town hall where the community can drop in and share their thoughts and ideas for the project.

Your input will assist the development of this very exciting trail that will engage visitors in stories of the our collective history, ingenuity, industry, culture and settlement.

Please register your interest with Jodie on 8658 1260 or community@orroroo.sa.gov.au.



RURAL AID RESCHEDULED



Orroroo Rural Aid Town Makeover Discussion Groups, Presentation & Workshop

Due to the WA border restrictions our facilitator was unable to get to SA. However, the good news is Peter is able to come 27-29 July. As a valued resident of Orroroo please join us to share ideas to help shape the future of your community!

Peter Kenyon, founder and director of "Bank of Ideas", from Western Australia will be visiting to ask "What do we want the makeover project to do?" "Where do we want \$90,000 spent?" "What will be great for Orroroo?" Peter has assisted more than 2000 small communities across Australia and internationally to develop new partnerships for growth and creative ways to spark economic and community activity.

All members of the Orroroo Community are invited to register:

- ♦ As a small interest group(s) with one on one with Peter (these will be scheduled over Tuesday & Wednesday 27-28th July for approx. 1 hour) in the RSL Rooms.
- ♦ Tuesday Evening, 6.30pm Commercial Hotel *Keeping the Tills Ringing* Presentation, stories of ordinary people who dared to be different to become out-of-the-ordinary entrepreneurs running businesses located outside large cities. This seminar is ideal for owners and managers of small and large businesses, those considering going into business and people involved in local government, district promotion and business advice.
- ♦ Peter's visit will conclude with a Community Futures Workshop at Blacksmiths Chatter on the 28th at 6pm with a light dinner to share and prioritise ideas for the final Community Action Plan.

TO REGISTER (Limited Places Available)

Attendance at a Discussion Group, Presentation or the Evening Workshop

Please Contact Council T: 8658 1260 or Email Jodie at community@orroroo.sa.gov.au

This project has been made possible with thanks to Rural Aid Australia Rural Town Makeover in support of communities that have lived through drought.



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Exciting News



Great news due to a successful application with PIR we have funds to host a second Despite the Dust in 2021.

We have already secured a fabulous well known national band 'The Baker Boys Band' The event will be the grand finale event to the various activities that will be happening in the community to promote mental health & wellbeing month.

If you would like to assist with any event planning please contact Jodie direct at the council.

Don't forget put Saturday 30th October in your diary, more info will be out soon!

1996 Emergency Plane Landing - Photos Wanted Please

In 1996, extensive flooding in the area caused local airstrips to be closed to a small plane in distress. The pilot then made an urgent landing in a vacant paddock behind the house of Mick & Muriel Place (to the South & Black Rock Rd).

The pilot landed safely but became bogged. The pilot was generously assisted by the Place family, John Parnell & others to shed the mud & then take off again towards the silos.

The pilot remembers how well he was assisted & regrets he has no photos of the event & would be pleased if anyone had any available that he could obtain copies of.

Any queries, call 08 8269 3211 after 6pm or yvonnearthur09@gmail.com

Dan
VAN HOLST PELLEKAAN MP
MEMBER FOR STUART

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Orroroo-Carrieton
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Hon David Basham MP

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development

Friday 16 April 2021

SA hub to help improve drought resilience

A new 'Drought Hub' will be established in South Australia to help better prepare farmers for drought and improve resilience with the Marshall Liberal Government contributing \$4.4 million.

The South Australian Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub will be headquartered at University of Adelaide's Roseworthy campus and supported by five nodes throughout regional South Australia at Minnipa, Port Augusta, Orroroo, Loxton and Struan.

The SA Drought Hub is being led by the University of Adelaide and was developed in partnership with the Morrison Coalition Government and the three South Australian universities.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development David Basham said the Drought Hub will bring together research and expertise to help increase drought resilience and preparedness for South Australian farmers.

"Significant parts of South Australia have suffered through drought in recent years and setting up the Drought Hub is an important step in helping our farmers be as prepared as possible for future dry conditions," Minister Basham said.

"Our primary producers are the backbone of the state's economy and when drought hits there is a ripple effect that impacts individual farmers, families and regional communities.

"The Hub concept is a great example of collaboration between government, industry and research and education sectors to help improve drought resilience across the state.

"The SA Drought Hub and the five support nodes are located across the state in pastoral, low, medium and high rainfall zones to help make them as accessible as possible.

"The Hub will provide outcomes that support South Australia's primary producers, and the regional communities that depend upon them.

"It will link all industry sectors from grains, crops and livestock, to horticulture and viticulture, to provide broad resilience and innovation support across the state.

"The Marshall Liberal Government will continue to work constructively with industry and the Commonwealth Government to ensure drought assistance is targeted and effective."

The South Australian Drought Hub will receive \$8 million funding over four years from the Commonwealth Government's \$5 billion Future Drought Fund, with an additional contribution of \$11.47 million cash and in-kind support from project partners.

The Marshall Liberal Government will contribute \$2 million in cash and \$2.4 million in-kind support to the Hub over four years.

As part of this concept, South Australian Government agricultural research farms at Minnipa, Loxton and Struan will be used as hub nodes.

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Morchard Monument Anzac Day



As the sun slowly rose on a chilly Anzac morning, 30 locals from around Morchard paid their respects to the many men who did not return back to their farms and jobs in our district.

Many of those surnames no longer continue on in our area. There have been lots of questions asked, and with several locals have been able to fill in some history gaps.

Something really special was for Sue and Noel Foulis to talk about their trip to Anzac Cove, and the effect it had on them. Books can be read, but there is nothing like the heart felt words spoken by someone who stood there amongst beautifully cared for graves, set in a difficult terrain, with others to also pay their sincere respects .

Wreaths of gum and rosemary were placed at the soldier's monument on the main highway, and also at the Morchard Cemetery, where some families have a memorial attached to their headstones, for sons who lay somewhere else.



MOTORISED MOBILITY SCOOTERS



Government of South Australia

Department of Planning,
Transport and Infrastructure

Moving Right Along: Obligations and Opportunities for Older Drivers encourages safer, greener and more active travel for older South Australians.

It comprises a series of Information Sheets about fitness to drive and legal responsibilities, driver assessments, ideas for maintaining the ability to drive safely and planning for the time when you, a family member or friend will decide to drive less or stop driving altogether.

Motorised mobility scooters

Motorised mobility scooters improve mobility and independence for people who have difficulty when moving due to disability, illness or injury. They are also known as mobility scooters, motorized wheelchairs or 'gophers'.

Motorised mobility scooters and your health

Check with a health practitioner about your suitability to use a mobility scooter. You do not have to obtain a Driver Medical Assessment, but if you have a condition that prevents you from driving safely, it may also affect your ability to successfully use a mobility scooter. Some medications can also affect the ability to operate a mobility scooter safely. There are a number of essential skills required for the safe use of a mobility scooter. Consider your: hearing coordination and strength physical balance and endurance muscle or joint stiffness vision perception concentration reaction time.

Choosing a motorized mobility scooter

It is important that you find out as much as you can before choosing a mobility scooter for your own use. It should suit your specific needs and abilities, and the specifications of the vehicle you choose should comply with the *Australian Road Rules*, the *Road Traffic Act (1961)* and/or the *Motor Vehicles Act (1959)*. For advice and information, contact: The Independent Living Centre. This is a Government agency that can help with information about mobility scooters and motorised wheelchairs. Staff are specialised in providing information about individual needs and understand the importance of making sure that the scooter you buy will comply with the law. Shops

selling mobility scooters also provide information. Other users of mobility scooters may be interested in answering your questions about features of their scooters e.g. stability, ease of use, access to controls and ease of battery recharge.

Insurance

The Motor Accident Commission provides third party bodily injury insurance for claims involving incidents that occurred on the road or footpath in which the rider of the mobility scooter was at fault. In the event of a crash in which the driver of another motor vehicle was at fault, that driver's third party insurance covers claims. Contact an insurance company or broker to check personal liability and insurance cover for the mobility scooter. Most household insurance policies cover legal liability for injury to other persons or damage to their property occurring on private property, but it is unusual for the insurance to include accidental damage to your mobility scooter. It is worth checking your policy to ensure that this is covered.

Being safe

Know, understand and practice using all of the scooter controls and functions. Have the scooter regularly serviced and undertake safety checks on a regular basis. Plan safe routes that provide

footpaths and safe crossing points when travelling to places you usually visit. Be visible – wear brightly coloured clothing, attach a flag to your scooter. Consider fitting headlights for extra visibility. Accidental acceleration of the scooter can occur under some circumstances. To avoid this, consider taking the following precautions: store packages and bags safely avoid hanging objects off the handles secure loose clothing remove the key from the key switch before getting on and off the scooter.

Australian Road Rules

The *Australian Road Rules* state that a person using a mobility scooter is classed as a pedestrian if the **maximum speed** on level ground **cannot exceed 10 km/h**. As such the rider: must observe the same road rules that apply to pedestrians must not obstruct the path of any driver or other road user must not travel along a road if there is a footpath or nature strip adjacent to the road, unless it is impracticable to travel on the footpath or nature strip if travelling along a road must: – keep as far to the side of the road as possible – travel facing the approaching traffic unless it is not practicable to do so can use shared paths, off-road bike paths and shopping malls does not need to have a driver's licence.



Your legal responsibility

As a licensed driver in South Australia and regardless of your age, you are **legally required** to advise the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure in writing as soon as you are diagnosed with an illness, disease or disability, or take medication that could impair your ability to operate any motor vehicle effectively and safely.

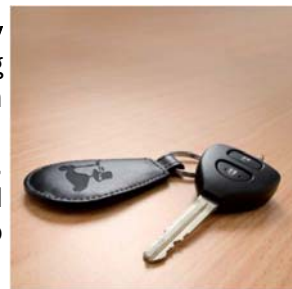
Also, health professionals are **legally required** to notify the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure as soon as they consider that you suffer from a physical or mental illness, disability or deficiency, or take medication that would be likely to endanger the public if you drive a motor vehicle.

The health professional does not need your permission as this notification is **compulsory by law**.

The consequences for failing to notify the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure of a reportable medical condition and continuing to drive are severe.

If involved in a crash:

- you may be charged with related driving offences and with failing to notify the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure of a reportable medical condition
- you may be sued for any damages to people or property caused by the driver in that crash
- your private car insurance coverage may be affected.



These mobility scooters must have an **unladen weight of less than 110kg** and must **carry one person only**. They do not need to be registered and the rider does not need to wear a helmet or a seatbelt when travelling on a mobility scooter. Most, but not all, mobility scooters available in Australia comply with these requirements, stated in the *Australian Road Rules*. It is important to check carefully before you buy e.g. if you need to travel up a slope to your home you may require a scooter that has a more powerful motor. This would mean that the scooter has to comply with different rules. If in doubt – check it out!



For resources and contact details of relevant government departments and other organisations refer to:

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Orroroo Area School News



Memories and celebration of the Johnburgh/Willowie bus run

Eurelia, via Morehard, to Orroroo School bus discussions began in 1954, and included families with children ready to begin their school education at Orroroo. At the time, many schools were closing and some families were beginning to talk of leaving the district.

Ross Ellery spoke to families to see if they were interested with starting a school bus, after many visits and meetings 'Yes' was the answer. Ellerys went to find a bus and purchased a Morris Van for \$580. The bus service began in January 1955.

Starting at Ray Fogden's home in Eurelia, working cross pattern to Orroroo to be helpful for families, from then on the route was changed many times. The bus became full, so a second bus was bought and continued to service the district. Ross and Joan Ellery drove the bus in the beginning with some assistance by Mr Clarence Phillis. Parents paid the Ellerys an arranged fee to help with expenses. Over time, teachers then boarded the bus at Fogdens and drove the bus. Families were wonderful at helping if the bus had trouble; they were always ready to help get students to school. If it was a stormy day and the bus could not leave school, Ellerys had a list of Orroroo township families who would have the children for the night.

During school holiday time, Ross or Joan would get the bus from Eurelia and take it to their farm for service and maintenance, before returning it for the start of the next term. The bus drivers were Des McCauliff, Peter Routley and Christopher Maloney, teachers at the school. The Ellery's bus ended in 1959 when the Education Buses began in 1960. Mr Bruce Jones then drove the department bus.

At that time 22 children got onto the bus at the Morehard Shop, it was a great spot for families to meet and chat. Now no families catch a bus at Morehard. Joan Ellery has lovely memories and each school day she sees the school bus go past her window on its way to Willowie and then back down the hill when it returns to Orroroo.

The Willowie/Johnburgh bus is being withdrawn from service at the end of this term. Joan travelled on the bus in its last week, for what was left of the original route from Morehard to Orroroo from 1954 to 2021.



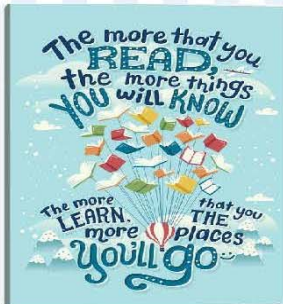
One of the first bus drivers, Joan Ellery
with the last bus driver Neil Dyer.

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Joan Ellery wrote the majority of this article, thank you Joan.

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

ADULT NEW RELEASES

Adult fiction

The Road Home-F Palmer

The Family Farm-F Palmer

The Night Hawks-Elly Griffiths

The law of Innocence-M Connelly

Marauder-C Cussler

Letters from Berlin-T Blanchard

Something like this-K Lane

Daylight-D Baldacci

Hidden in Plain Sight-J Archer

Non-Fiction

Thirty Thousand Bottles of Wine and a Pig Called Helga

Mary's Last Dance-the untold story of the wife of Mao's last dancer

A Year at the Chateau

Unbreakable Threads

Thrifty Household

Large Print

The Vineyards Champagne- J Blackwell

DVD's

What Men Want (M)

The Hustle (M)

The High Note (M)

World War 1 in Colour -the complete TV series

Are you interested in being a part of a Book Club? It can be a wonderful way to share books and ideas as well as be a part of a social and friendship group.

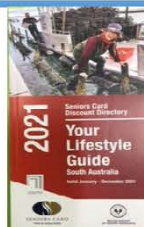
Please contact the library if interested. We would love to hear from you.

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You can now keep up to date with our latest

happenings on our new facebook page.

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CHILDREN'S NEW RELEASES

Children's Picture Fiction

Looking after Daddy

Yoga babies

The very hungry worry monsters

Life on Mars

The Happy Lion

Belinda Brown

It all began when I said yes

I'm sticking with you

Lion lessons

Children's Fiction

The day that aliens nearly ate our brains

The pony question

You're a bad man Mr. Grum

Fish Kid and the mega manta ray

Graphic Novels

Zelda Twilight princess

Teenage Fiction

Crown of secrets (book 1)

Crown of Danger (book2)

DVD's

The House with a clock in its walls (PG)

Paw Patrol charged up (G)



We continue to have our popular swap box, where you can take books/magazines/DVD's. You are welcome to contribute too.

Play Group Library Visit



We love it when the Playgroup come to visit the library.

We read stories, say action rhymes, play games and do puzzles. Amazing creations are built from lego.

This time we had an Easter theme, with a story about finding eggs and an interactive story where we had to look up, look down and under and over for rabbits. It was wonderful to see the children and parents busy making rabbit ears to wear home.

Everyone received a chocolate egg too. (yum, yum) The Library came alive with activity, laughter and chatter.



Book Selection

Unbreakable Threads by Emma Adams

"The true story of an Australian mother, a refugee boy and what it really means to be Family."

"Abdul needs shoulder surgery from when he was hit by a car in Kabul. Most of the people in the detention centre with him, have already had their spirits broken. When psychiatrist and mother of three Emma Adams travels to Darwin as an observer in immigration centres there, she expects the trip to be confronting. She doesn't expect to be consumed by the idea to help Abdul, an unaccompanied Hazara boy from Afghanistan."



In 2021, the History Festival is exploring the theme of "Change."

From political change to social change.

1st to 30th May.

Visit

festival.history.sa.gov.au

For more information

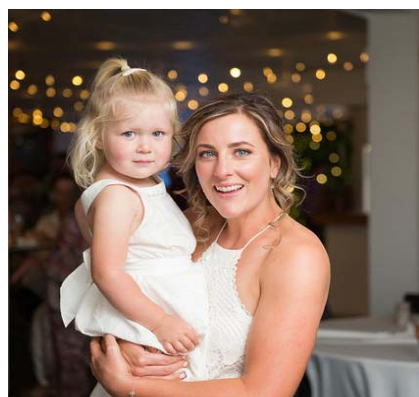
OUT AND ABOUT

Easter wedding for Lisa Kuerschner

Lisa, the youngest daughter of Jim and Gaye Kuerschner of Black Rock, was married to Toby Fox, son of John and the late Donna Fox, of Port Lincoln.

They were married at the beautiful Sleaford Lookout in the Port Lincoln National Park and celebrated with friends and family at the Yacht Club. Nieces, Sophie and Millie Kuerschner, were flower girls, along with 11 adult attendants, who were longtime friends from school or Uni.

They have made their home in Port Lincoln, where Lisa is a Primary Music teacher at St Joseph's college and Toby works as a Health technician for Cleanseas Kingfish.



Right: Riley Blackwell after his Graduation Ceremony at Adelaide University on Thursday 29th April. Riley has graduated with an Honours Degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical and Electronic Engineering)



If you have any interesting photos on the farm or off, send them in and we will post them on our "OUT AND ABOUT" page.

500 and counting ...

Local identity Murray Shackleford recently commemorated a milestone. It all began about 12 years ago, when for some obscure reason the retired shearer, racehorse trainer, race caller, rodeo announcer and enthusiastic lawn bowler started collecting teapots. An avid tea drinker from way back, Murray reckons his collecting filled a void left vacant after giving away previous pursuits in life and introduced him to a new interest and new friends.

Murray recently held a tea party to celebrate his private collection of pots on display in his shed reaching 500. Addressing the small gathering present Murray thanked his wife Colleen for indulging his whim and helping cater for the day, Malcolm Byerlee and Faye Case, official pot counters, and the late Tom Case who often helped him out. There were apologies from Marion Hooper and Col Parkyn, both avid supporters of Murray's passion. Among those present who also contributed to the cause were Ian and Cheryl Place, Rosemary and John Biggins, Syd and Fay Nicholls and Mick Kuerschner.

Other faces in the crowd included Murray's niece Karen Dean from Adelaide, who presented Faye Case with a bouquet of flowers in appreciation of her ongoing support of the collection, his daughter Bev Redden from Jamestown, Denise and Kevin Bartlett, Haydn Dean, Glyn Shackleford, Elaine 'Mavis' Lavington, Peter and Wendy Amey, and Tracy Brindal.

Murray said it had been his goal to stop collecting pots when he reached 500, but since organizing 'the show' in March, the collection has now grown to 514. In closing Murray thanked everyone for their interest and attendance and invited them to partake in a spot of afternoon tea or coffee. During the course of the afternoon Murray was asked if he had a favourite pot, to which he replied, "No, but some I like, some I don't".

An added surprise to the afternoon was the reading of a humorous poem by Bev Fitzsimons from Peterborough Antiques about Murray and his collecting.



Murray and Colleen Shackleford, with daughter Bev Redden in background.



L-R: Hayden and Karen Dean (Adelaide), Bev Redden (Jamestown) and Murray Shackleford



Faye Case and Ann Bartlett.



Fay Nicholls, Murray Shackleford and Syd Nicholls



Peter Amey presented Murray with an award for surpassing 500 pots.

THE STRANGE TALE OF MURRAY SHACKLEFORD, "TEAPOT-MAN!"

There once in Orroroo Town lived a man, who we
thought, had flipped his lid
Collecting teapots was his passion
around the Op-shops always dashin'!
Searching high and searching low
to distant towns he'd often go, to see if, just by any
chance
(with stealthy movements, and furtive glance)
a teapot might be found to lurk
in city, town, or Back o' Bourke!
This man was called by name of "Murray"
Always hunting, in a hurry
aiming for that magic number
(couldn't sleep and couldn't slumber!)
for Murray wouldn't take his rest
he couldn't joke, he wouldn't jest
He HAD to have FIVE HUNDRED POTS

in stripes and patterns, plains and spots
Obsessed, he'd drive his poor wife mad
Until that number could be had
Wherever he went, he told his tale
He'd phone, he'd sent it in the mail!
Five hundred pots was Murray's wish
Not sugar bowls or butter dish
Nor milk jug, strainer, kettle or cosey
But "Have you TEAPOTS?" (he was quite nosey!)
He spouted his story here and there
He spouted, spouted every where
Until it seemed, the whole world knew
HE WANTED TEAPOTS, quite a few!
And not just teapots made of china
(used in cafes, or kitchen-diner)
porcelain, silver, copper, metal
not just for aluminium settle
but glazed and shiny terracotta
(made in olden days, by a potter)
Pink and purple, red and green
Colours that you've never seen
Delightful shades or garish pattern
To him, it didn't seem to matter!



In Secondhand Shops he would loiter
To Antique Shops, he'd reconnoiter
Department stores required inspection
Especially in the gift ware section
He'd ask at garage sales and fairs
He'd look in basements, under the stairs
He'd search through attics, in boxes and
crates
Discarding all the mugs and plates
Tossing aside the silly mugs and saucers
Bargains hard, he'd drive with many
Far be it for him to spend a penny
More than he absolutely needed
He begged, he haggled hard, he pleaded
"Ninety nine to go!" he'd say
and hurry on his merry way
then fifty ... forty ... thirty ... twenty ...
his friends would say, "we think you've plenty"
but on he trudged, ignoring their voices
when it came to teapots, there were SO MANY
CHOICES!



He travelled near, he travelled far
He went by bus, by train, by car
He looked in every nook and cranny
Even asked the neighbour's granny
"Have you any TEAPOTS here?"
He asked of people, far and near
And if he felt somewhat ignored
He'd take their teapot as it poured!
Leaving them to stare at their cup
- they'd never get to fill it up ...
So now, by cheek and stealth connived
He's reached the goal for which he's strived
FIVE HUNDRED POTS, all shapes and sizes
(for no awards, or medals, or prizes)
Just a lovely, huge, enormous collection
(some gifts from friends, some by Murray's selection)
The length and breadth too hard to mention
All displayed here for our browsing pleasure
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CARRIETON NEWS

Weather Report—Fine sunny days, cool nights the many Carrieton events had wonderful weather conditions to draw in many visitors to the town. Rainfall recordings for all Carrieton and outlying areas was – Nil except for Mookra which recorded 1.5mm.

Easter brought many tourists to the town. School holidays were likewise the excellent camping conditions and opportunity for campfires once again was taken advantage of.

Sadly, the town saw the passing of three local identities.

Condolences are extended to

Families of *Gay Williams*: Larry and Betty Williams, Julie and Vincent Williams, Bernadette and Jock Ehlers, Jill and Alby McHendrie, Mark and Libby Williams, John and Leanne Williams. Gay aged 94, grew up at Pekina and married Ron Williams at age of 20 spending the rest of her life at Carrieton until the last two years. Sadly she became widowed at age of 42 with 6 children. Fondly titled as “Aunty Gay” by many, Gay’s commitment to the local community was outstanding, serving on over twenty different committees. Later in life she ventured to Orroroo to join in Probus and play bowls. In her last years of life she fully retired to the Orroroo Community Home where she enjoyed the best of well-deserved care and comfort from the staff at the home and hospital. RIP Aunty Gay.

Mick Manning: Shirley Manning and her families Kevin and Sue. Pat and Jill. Terry and Lynn, Paul and Colleen, Noel and Mary. Mick spent all his years working on the family farm at Eurelia until his retirement to Port Augusta in 1994. He was widely known for his work in shearing sheds within the district, his service to Carrieton Council, (many years as Chairman) and his passion for sport. RIP Mick

Peter Maloney: Mary Maloney and families. Peter, a resident of Hammond and in retirement in Quorn, was widely known and respected within the Carrieton District for his service to community, the Catholic Church and sport. RIP Peter

The **local pub** reopened Sat 24th March with cold beer on tap at LAST!!! Steve and Jess rushed the opening but with many helpers, family, friends far and wide, the day was a great prelude to the following Anzac Day functions.

For the time being check with the Carrieton Hotel facebook page for opening times. The dining room opens early in June.

Future Events :

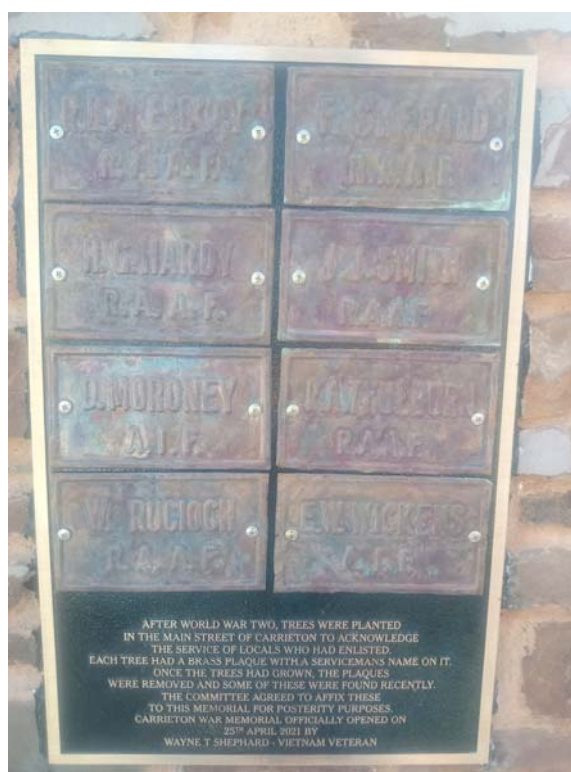
Trash and Treasure Sunday June Long weekend. June 13th.

Many treasures to be gained and maybe a little trash? Come and enjoy the morning with fresh homemade scones on site and lots of tables and bargains, including new stalls, old faithful’s, home cooking, oils and olives, jewelry, hardware, cards, antiques, collectables, wrought iron etc.

Carrieton will be presenting The Come Together Show featuring the **Fab Four** (Beatles Cover Band).

Watch this Space for more info.

Carrieton Catholic church time 6.00pm Saturday evenings



Carrieton War Memorial Committee:

Kate Williams, Trevor Rowe, Des Gameau, Steve Watson

Left: One side of the War Memorial

ANZAC DAY — CARRIETON MEMORIAL OPENING



A large crowd gathered for the day to remember the fallen and those who have served our nation. The first service at dawn was followed by bacon and egg breakfast while the second service at 10am was the official opening of the war memorial. Steve Watson, representing the War Memorial Committee and Julie Williams, President of Carrieton Progress welcomed everyone. Several war citations of local family military histories were read. The unveiling and official opening was then performed by Wayne Shephard. An attentive, respectful crowd listened to Wayne as he retold his story of conscripted service in Vietnam before he unveiled the memorial. The official Anzac service, Ode to the Fallen spoken

proudly by Wayne and the last post concluded the mornings events. The whole days event was an outstanding achievement from the local committee in an overdue recognition of our war serving personnel. Well Done!! After lunch many enjoyed the pubs hospitality under the wide verandahs later retreating to the dining room to watch two-up being played and then enjoying an evening meal.



Wayne Shephard after unveiling the wall memorial and reciting the ode to the fallen.



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- Rigid plastic container (butter, yoghurt, ice cream containers, detergent bottles, rinsed and lids off)
- Pizza boxes (without food)
- Aluminium and steel cans/lids
- Empty and dry paint tins
- Aerosol cans
- Shredded paper

CAN NOT ✗

- Plastics lids from jars/ bottles
- Soft plastic (plastic bags, chip packets, freezer food bags, glad wrap)
- Food scraps
- Clothing and fabric
- Polystyrene foam packaging
- Foam trays and cups
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- Toys
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NORTHERN AND YORKE LANDSCAPE BOARD

Southern Flinders Landscape News

Out and About

Upper North Farming Systems – 'Regenerating Goyder's Line' Pre-Seeding Workshop



Upper North Farming Systems received a Northern and Yorke Landscape Board Grassroots Grant to re-establish productive and profitable grasslands and shrublands in the highly degraded Goyder's Line. Alexia and Jessie attended their pre-seeding workshop near Quorn where attendees heard examples of how to re-establish functional pastures and improve ecological function across the soil profile, water cycle and biological system.

Laura Ag Bureau – 'Beyond Straight Lines' Field Day



Our team supported the group's Field Day at their trial site near Gladstone, which was a project funded by a Northern and Yorke Landscape Board's Grassroots Grant. Landholders learned how to make the most of

technology to improve soil health on their farms. Industry leaders presented information about how data can be used to better manage soil health, including to reduce acidification and improve soil stability and infiltration rates. Landscape staff supplied a BBQ lunch for the hungry 50-plus attendees.

Weeroona Island – Weed Control

The District Council of Mount Remarkable has secured a Grassroots Grant for the control of declared plants on Weeroona Island. The primary target species are *Opuntia* spp cacti and African Boxthorn. Control works have already been completed on the cacti with boxthorns to be treated in the coming months, along with a community workshop.



Wilmington Primary School – Educational talk

Alexia visited the Reception and Year 1 students at Wilmington Primary School and provided an interactive learning experience



about how the Landscape Board looks after and enhances our natural environment. Students learned about pest animal and weed control, revegetation, soil health and working with the Nukunu people for healthy Country. A container enclosing infected cactus with Cochineal was a hit!

Orroroo Lions Park – Nature play opening: Education



The newly-renovated park with the inclusion of nature play has been a great additional attraction for the Orroroo region. Landscape Officers Alexia and Jessie were there and had some fun with the local children with a nature-based scavenger hunt.

Community Outreach Event – Peterborough

Landscape Officers from the Southern Flinders team hosted an information station at the recent Drought Outreach event held in Peterborough.

With many other government agencies and not-for-profit organisations held a successful event with more than 50 property owners visiting throughout the day to find out more about landscape management activities such as pest weed and animal control.



Deer fence inspections

The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board collaborates with PIRSA to ensure that fencing of domestic deer is within the regulations outlined in the *Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020*. Fence inspections are conducted every two years, which has kept Landscape Officer Kane Smith busy recently. This proactive approach helps prevent deer escaping and adding to the feral deer population in the region. The impact of feral deer, which are a declared pest animal under the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, can be severe where populations are large.



Emerging Pest Animals

Rabbits

Members of the Southern Flinders community are noticing that rabbit numbers are on the rise.

Rabbit damage is more noticeable during winter and spring, when rabbit populations are higher. While rabbit control is most effective in summer (feed supply is low for good bait uptake, rabbits are not breeding and dry soil means warrens collapse easily when ripped), now is a good time to plan your rabbit control program as damage is visible. Our tips for rabbit control:



- Poison bait rabbits over summer/ autumn to reduce numbers
- Rip warrens and destroy cover to provide long term control
- Fumigation by a professional where baiting is not possible
- Monitor results

To report an increase in rabbit numbers, please contact one of our Landscape Officers on 8658 1086, as a collaborative control project may be considered. Further information is available on the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board's website: <https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ny/plants-and-animals/pest-plants-and-animals/pest-animals>

Northern and Yorke Community Equipment Loan Library

Is your community group planning a planting event, monitoring activity, weed control working bee or any environment-focused project that requires equipment?

The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board has equipment available to loan for on-ground activities.

Items include:

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| • Anabat Bat monitoring equipment | • Auger |
| • Binoculars | • Brush cutter |
| • Event catering kit; includes portable hot water dispenser, cups, spoons etc | • Planting event kit (trowels, mallets, gloves) |
| • Native seed cleaning sieves (Some conditions will apply) | • Woody weed control kit (gloves, secateurs, dabbers, tree poppers) |
| • Various large hand tools (forks, shovels, spades, rakes, mulch forks, long handled shovels, hamilton planter, tree poppers) | • Trailer 6x4 |

If you would like to borrow any of the above equipment for your group, please email Community Engagement Officer Liz Nines via Liz.Ninnes@sa.gov.au or call (08) 8115 4612 / 0458 144 562. Indicate the item's name, number and duration required and Liz will get in touch to arrange delivery. Please note that 3-4 weeks' notice is required for booking items.

Contact us

Phone: 8658 1086

Email: kate.pearce@sa.gov.au

[landscape.sa.gov.au/ny](https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ny)

THE NATIONAL COMPANION CARD SCHEME

WHAT IS THE COMPANION CARD?

Companion Card is a not-for-profit program, funded by the South Australian Government and managed by the Department of Human Services (DHS) in conjunction with the National Disability Services (NDS).

The card itself is the size of a credit card, with the name and a photo of the holder, who is the person with a disability. When the cardholder buys a ticket for themselves at selected venues and facilities around South Australia, it permits their companion free entry to the same event.



WHAT IS A COMPANION?

A companion can be a partner, family member, friend, volunteer or paid carer.

FAIR TICKETING FOR PEOPLE WHO REQUIRE A CARER

The Companion Card is a South Australian Government initiative. It may be issued to people who have a significant, lifelong disability and will require attendant care for the rest of their life. The Companion Card allows the cardholders carer free entry into participating venues and events, promoting the rights of people with disability to fair ticketing and making access to community functions and events more affordable. Companion Cards are not means tested and once issued, the cardholder will have the card for life.

WHY DID THE COMPANION CARD SCHEME START?

The concept was developed in Victoria in response to concern from people with a disability who found the fees of many entertainment, leisure and recreation venues and activities to be prohibitive when having to be accompanied by a companion.

Moreover, it is unfair and discriminatory for people with significant disability, who cannot manage on their own away from home, to have to pay twice whenever they go somewhere. Once for themselves, and once for their companion.

A person with disability has the same right to participate in community life as a person with no disability. This right is protected under section 66 of the South Australian Equal Opportunities Act 1984 and section 8 of the Commonwealth's Disability Discrimination Act 1992.

To promote the rights of people with a disability to fair ticketing, the South Australian Government started the Companion Card scheme in 2007.

WHO CAN APPLY FOR A COMPANION CARD?

Residents of South Australia who have a significant and permanent disability and who need attendant care support, can apply for a Companion Card.

To be eligible for a Companion Card, the applicant must demonstrate all of the following:

- they are a permanent resident of Australia, residing in South Australia;
- they have a significant and permanent disability;
- that due to the impact of the disability, they would be
- unable to participate at most community venues and activities without attendant care support; and
- the need for this level of attendant care will be life-long.

Attendant care support means you require significant assistance with mobility, communication, self-care or planning and problem solving where the use of aids, equipment or alternative strategies do not enable you to carry out tasks independently. Attendant care support does not include providing reassurance or encouragement nor can it be for infrequent or unexpected events or medical emergencies.

The Companion Card cannot be issued to people who only require attendant care for social support, reassurance, encouragement or just-in-case-type of scenarios. Nor is it issued to every person who has a disability. The card is issued to people who can demonstrate that they would not be able to participate in activities at most venues without a companion and that this need is life-long.

A Companion Card cannot be issued if the applicant may become independent in the future as a result of treatment or management, training, recovery or developmental improvements. A Companion Card can only be issued when a permanent ongoing need for a companion can be demonstrated.

WHERE CAN I USE THE COMPANION CARD?

Businesses, venues and facilities that accept the Companion Card are called affiliates. There are many affiliates across South Australia and around Australia. All types of places and attractions, from zoos to theme parks, sports stadiums to buses, and trains. You can find the full list of South Australian affiliates on the internet at <http://www.sa.companioncard.asn.au/where-can-i-use-my-card> or check the national website, <http://www.companioncard.gov.au> for interstate affiliates.

HOW DO I USE THE COMPANION CARD?

Simply show your Companion Card when you are booking or buying tickets from an affiliate. If you are booking over the phone, be sure to tell the operator you have a Companion Card before you pay. You will then be given a second ticket for your carer or companion at no charge. If you have booked over the phone, you will need to show your card once you get to the venue.

For more information please see <http://www.sa.companioncard.asn.au/>

Looking Back



The Times and Northern Advertiser, Peterborough, Friday 11 March 1921

PEKINA

March 3 - During the past week about eleven inches of rain have been registered here. All dams and tanks are overflowing and creeks have run bankers.

Considerable damage has been done to roads and fences, and gutters washed out in the land. The farmers will now be all eagerly working their fallow which has had a good soaking.

Green feed is springing up everywhere and with a little warm weather now feed will be very plentiful. Owing to the summer rains the fallow on most farms is a mass of weeds and rubbish of every description and every opportunity will now be taken in cleaning the weeds off in readiness for seeding operations.

Left: An old photo of Digger Gibb and Ron Nutt in their tennis togs.

They played for Eurelia at this stage.

Photo sent in by Di Duffy



This month we were given a great insight of the adventures of Jessie Ford as she related to us, with the use of some slides, some of her adventures and challenges of travelling home from Dubai to Australia.

Jessie who was born in Leigh Creek had been living in Dubai for eight years and decided that rather than just flying home she would make her way home via train and bus travelling through many countries along the way. The first part of her journey took her across the Persian Gulf into Iran. Jessie found Iran a very oppressive country and being a single woman she needed a soldier escort to get through the country into Afghanistan. Jessie's travels took her into Turkey and the city of Ankara which she found to be a beautiful stunning city. After waiting three weeks to get her visas it was on to Bulgaria and then into the beautiful country of Romania. One of the images that caught her eye was the underground station in Romania.

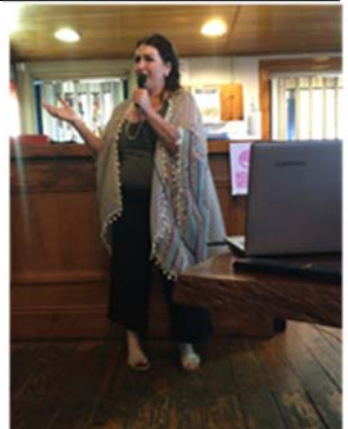
Jessie suffered what all travellers fear—she had her passbook and money and all her cards stolen by a very clever pick pocket and it wasn't until she got to the railway station that she realized that they were gone. With the help of the Embassy she was able to get new papers along with some money from mum she was finally on her way into Siberia and China. At the border Jessie had been observed taking photos, and the train was invaded by soldiers wanting to interrogate her thinking she must be a spy. Because she had deleted the photos she was able to be let go. Her train adventures took her into Vietnam then onto Cambodia on very overcrowded trains and in many cases Jessie was the only woman.



The final leg of her journey was a ferry ride to Jakarta with a load of very happy men having a party. She soon learned that they had just been released from Prison. From Jakarta on to Bali and a flight to Darwin arriving with just twenty dollars to her name. One last bus ride brought her to Port Augusta where her dad was waiting to greet her.

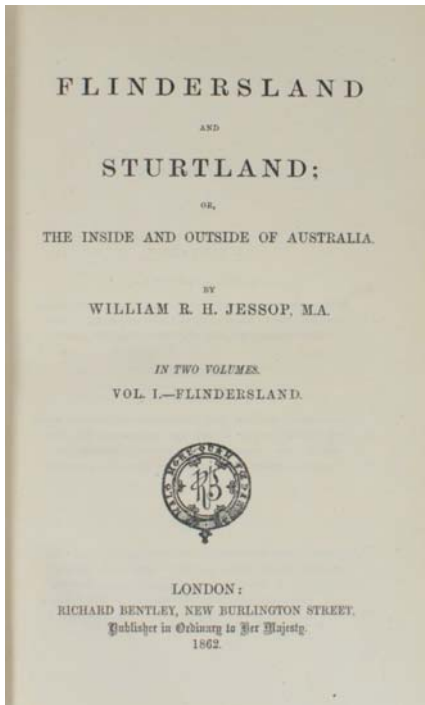
Margaret Breton gave a vote of thanks to Jessie for sharing her amazing adventure with us.

John Cozens



Looking Back

The following extract from the early publication, "FLINDERSLAND AND STURTLAND" relating to South Australian history, gives a good description of Pekina Station and its long-forgotten cemetery, where white settlers and some Indigenous Australians were interred.



FLINDERSLAND AND STURTLAND OR THE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF AUSTRALIA. WILLIAM R H JESSOP, MA IN TWO VOLUMES. VOL.II — STURTLAND 1862.

Pekina [Station] occupies a seat on the hills, a valley of water, small and precious, running hither and thither among them; so that on one hill is the chief residence, on another a line of cottages for the families of the men,

and then on a high ground, completing the circle, first the wool-shed, a huge building, reported to be the largest in the Colony, and afterwards the stables, yards. Amid these, lower down the slopes, are the Bachelors Hall, the store, the forge, which give the place the appearance of a small village. The village certainly has no church, though it has a bell, but it has a graveyard. Near the water, close under the rock, adjoining the road through the station, and in the centre of all, is a space fenced off, which, by its long mounds, arranged in order, tells its own name. I was much struck with it when I came suddenly upon the spot, for, besides the existence of such a place being in itself a sign of good, the care which it indicated in its neatness and order showed that a deep sense of propriety, rather than ordinary decency, prevailed here. And I was further gratified to find that Mr. Swan [manager] interred both black and white without distinction, going sometimes a great distance to fetch a body, rather than inter it on the spot, and not thinking his duty done till he had read the English Burial Service over the body at the grave. The histories of this little graveyard (and it contained many for so young a thing) would undoubtedly be as interesting to others as it was to me; but, like many other tales, they must here be passed over in silence

This article, written 14 years later, mentions the same cemetery and the lack of respect for the graves.

Adelaide Observer, Saturday 7 October 1876

TO THE EDITOR

BUSH CEMETERIES

Sir-There is at Pekina Head Station a cemetery containing from 35 to 40 graves. When the run was resumed this cemetery was treated as mere ordinary ground, and it now belongs to the possessor of No 16, Coomooroo Hundred. The public road runs alongside of it, and had any regard been shown for the dust of those who are buried there it might easily have been retained as a Government Reserve.

As the Northern country is now being taken up by nominal farmers everywhere, there is no spot, however rocky, lifeless, and barren it may be, which will not be subject to a like desecration.

I write to you because my words may meet the eye of some one who has a friend or relation buried in one of these Northern cemeteries, or of one of our legislators, who, in reverence for our dead, friendless countrymen, will bestir himself to correct what, on the part of our Government, must have been an oversight.

GEORGE DOVE, Archdeacon of Flinders.

St Andrew's Parsonage, Walkerville.

Michaela's Day, 1876.

Does anyone know where the old cemetery was?

Four years on, this letter appeared. While it did not relate to Pekina Station it showed that there was still no respect for graves nearby Pekina township.

South Australian Chronicle and Weekly Mail (Adelaide), Saturday 19 June 1880

Pekina June 14

A public meeting was held at Opie's Hotel the other evening to take steps to fence in the cemetery, which is in a disgraceful state through horses and cattle trespassing on the graves and disfiguring the railings by which some of them are partially protected. Mr. Hanna was in the chair. A committee of thirteen was appointed, consisting of members of the different denominations, to work in unison for the completion of so desirable an object. The question of a district council was also mooted, but on a representative vote being taken it was deemed advisable to postpone its consideration for a future occasion.

You can't buy happiness
but you can buy local
and that's kind of the same
thing.



Looking Back

Looking back at the early years of the Pekina Irrigation Scheme.

Observer, Saturday 31 October 1908 p 6

PEKINA CREEK [IRRIGATION] SCHEME.

ORROROO, October 26 —The two heavy rains experienced here within the last few weeks were responsible for a large amount of floodwater coming down the Pekina Creek. Beyond slushing the ground near the site of the retaining wall at the headworks of the scheme, no damage was done.

The floods were easily controlled, and the water was conveyed through the proper channels. There are hundreds of planks about, and numerous wheelbarrows, but none have been lost, although, as seen while working, it would seem impossible for the floods to miss them. The appearance of the creek has been so entirely altered that it is unrecognisable. Where before there were numbers of red gums with the Pekina Creek rippling between, making an ideal spot for picnics and pleasure, there are now nothing but gaunt, bare rocks, piles of earth, and broken rock, and the creek running in straight, narrow cuttings, with here and there small still pools of water, the remains of the floods caught in among the rocks. Then there is that long, straight excavation, the outlet culvert, 100 yards long, 8 ft. deep, and the same width, across which the men are now breaking into the hillsides to form the foundations for the puddle wall. Cement has been laid along the bottom of the outlet culvert to form a floor. The rough sides are to be cemented until they form a smooth and uniform appearance; then an arch of reinforced concrete is to be built on. In one of the excavations in the hillside a spring has been struck, and the water is pumped from here into one of the cuttings, carrying the creek. The outline of the wall is now plainly visible, as the covering earth has been entirely cleared away from the hillsides, leaving the rock exposed. Piles of rocks have been built up on the outside of the site of the wall, and in due time will be used in its erection. Further piles of debris and rocks are in the bed of the creek at each end of the wall, in such a position as to be easily accessible when required. A number of fine draught horses have been purchased, and are engaged carting sand to the head works. The deposit from which the sand is being obtained is a recent find, situated in the Pekina Creek, near the railway bridge, about three miles from the works. It was a fortunate discovery, as otherwise the sand would have had to be carted several more miles from a deposit in the Morchard Creek. The present deposit was found accidentally by the district council, which was removing an old post, and in digging this out came across the sand. Its presence was entirely unsuspected, and its discovery will doubtless mean a saving of a considerable amount. When it is remembered that less than four months ago the creek was in its virgin state the amount of work done is remarkable. The attraction of the works is gradually getting less, but large numbers of sightseers

still wend their way thither on Sunday afternoons.

The Register, Friday 4 June 1915 p 10

FARM AND STATION ON THE WALLOWAY PLAIN PEKINA IRRIGATION SCHEME BORE WATER AT REDUCED RATES

If only there could be stored in the adjacent hills, or tapped underground at a reasonable cost, sufficient water adequately to meet requirements, the Walloway Plain could be made one of the finest irrigation propositions in the world. Evidence of its possibilities in that respect is eloquently afforded by the small scheme which was inaugurated in 1910, about four miles out of Orroroo. For several months this season it has been a veritable oasis in a desert, and had anything like enough water been available, it would have been ever more striking and successful. Unfortunately practically ever since the inception of the undertaking the settlers have been fighting an uphill battle. In the first place they have been unable to secure all the water needed for their purposes, and secondly the price which they have been obliged to pay for the supply has, they consider, been altogether exorbitant.

—A Brief Survey—

Recently, through the courtesy of Mr Riddell, of the Imperial Hotel, at Orroroo, the writer had an opportunity to make a brief survey of the various blocks, and to get into touch with some of the holders. There were beautiful stands of lucerne abutting on the main highway for two or three miles, and they formed a delightfully inspiring sight, especially when contrasted to the surrounding, brown bare country. One settler was on his way to the railway with a huge load of bagged lucerne chaff for which, he stated, £10 10/ a ton was being willingly paid at the station. "How much do you expect to average per acre for the season?" he was asked, and replied, "About 12 tons of greenstuff, possibly a little more, representing a return of 21 tons of cured hay to the acre." One of the most attractive blocks was that of Mr. Melton Forrester, who, an employee explained, had a large area under lucerne which certainly looked remarkably well. Mr. Forrester is the inventor of the Pekina irrigation sprinkler, which is a prominent feature on all the blocks. Properly managed it does capital work, but those who propose extending their irrigation areas would be well advised before launching out to see the Skinner overhead system in operation. Besides producing and selling lucerne, Mr. Forrester devotes considerable attention to the raising of high-class white Leghorn fowls, and he possesses a fine flock of something like 800 birds, which are admirably housed and maintained on thoroughly modern lines.

Looking Back

The Mail, Saturday 7 August 1915 p.17

A SPRINKLER

'Artipena' (Quorn) writes: — As I have gained a great deal of information through our Half-acre Hints, allow me to offer some in return. If 'Aqua' (Mitcham) has not already purchased a sprinkler, allow me to recommend the Pekina, sold by Harris Scarfe, & Co. It is **extensively used in the Orroroo (Pekina) Blocks, which, I believe, is the largest area in Australia irrigated with sprinklers.** You can regulate them to high, medium, or low pressure, also can obtain fine, medium, or coarse spray. I have one that covers 40 ft. (medium hole), and has only an inch outlet and a 12 ft. fall from tank...

To 'Artipena'— Thank you for the note on sprinkler. It shows that the Half-acre Hints are closely read by subscribers. I have been inundated this week on the sprinkler subject. 'Aqua' (Mitcham) will surely now get what he wants. 'Elschar.'

Chronicle, Saturday 14 February 1925 p.55

PEKINA IRRIGATION WORKS

FLOODING TO REPLACE SPRINKLERS

Ever since it was established, the Pekina irrigation area, near Orroroo, has been irrigated by the settlers by means of pipes from the reservoir and by sprinklers. - When the Irrigation Commission was appointed, however, it was approached by the settlers with a request that the system of irrigation be altered by the installation of drains in order 'that the flooding method, which obtains along the Murray, might be adopted. The commission found that two or three of the Pekina settlers were adverse to the proposal, and that there could be no change in the system while there were objectors, if only a few. The alteration could only be effected if the lessees surrendered the leases which were granted by the Commissioner of Water Conservation and the Minister of Irrigation, and if they received in lieu thereof leases under the Irrigation Act of 1922. As several settlers stood out and were holding up the new scheme, a clause was inserted in the Irrigation Bill, passed last session, fixing a date for the compulsory surrender of all the leases and the granting, in place of them, of leases under the Irrigation Act. That, according to the Minister of Irrigation (Hon J Gunn), who moved the second reading of the Bill, towards the close of last session, was the only way which the commission could see, of getting over the difficulty. The settlers are convinced that flooding is a simple and the proper method of irrigating their land, and that, by such, means their blocks can be worked satisfactorily. As the surrender of the old leases and the granting of the blocks under the terms of the Irrigation Act of 1922 have been made compulsory by Parliamentary action last session, the Irrigation Commission is now proceeding with the work of converting, the system of irrigation. It is calling for tenders for the taking up and carting, of approximately seven miles of steel and cast-iron pipes, the supply,

delivery, and laying of about one and a half miles of 15-in. reinforced concrete pipes and the construction of approximately five and a half miles of concrete-lined channels for the area.

Murray Pioneer and Australian River Record (Renmark), Friday 13 February 1925 p.4

IRRIGATION COMMISSION

PEKINA IRRIGATION WORKS

TENDERS will be received at the offices of the Commission, Flinders-street, Adelaide, until noon of Friday February 20, 1925, for the taking up and carting of approximately 7 miles of Steel and Cast Iron Pipes, the supply, delivery and laying of approximately 1½ miles of 15 in. Reinforced Concrete Pipe, and construction of approximately 5½ miles of concrete built channels for the Pekina Irrigation Area near Orroroo. Copies of Plans and Specifications may be inspected at the offices of the Commission at Adelaide, or Barmera, or may be obtained therefrom on payment of the sum of £3. A preliminary deposit of £50 must accompany each tender. This deposit, together with any monies paid on account of Plans and Specifications will be returned to bona-fide unsuccessful tenderers, who return the documents, in good order within 14 days of notification of non-acceptance of tender.

Tenders must be addressed to the Chairman, Irrigation Commission, Adelaide, endorsed "Tenders for Pekina Works."

Neither the lowest nor any tender necessarily accepted.

ED J FIELD

Chairman Irrigation Commission

Chronicle, Saturday 19 September 1925 p.17

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 sprinklers, 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 pipe line 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.

Looking Back

The Advertiser, Thursday 30 August 1951 Out Among The People By VOX What The Foxes Did

REG. Kitto, whom I met with Alec Chalmers at Orroroo, exclaimed, 'Don't talk to me about foxes!' He said it was nothing unusual for the lads to go out and get 10 in a night. His neighbors pulled up the buckboard, shut off the lights and whistled up five without moving. 'We have bagged about 100 this season already,' Reg told us. 'In fact, we cannot keep fowls. We have lost as many as 80 odd taken in two nights. 'When my daughter Nita was home she had 43 turkeys taken in a night.' Nita, by the way, is now Mrs Herbert Lillecrapp, mother of a 'pigeon pair' — a three year-old son and a daughter six weeks old. Mr Kitto has an idea of making a fox trap, like the one that drowns a mouse; they will sneak through any small hole to get a bait, he says. But he has not a rabbit on the place. He and his neighbors keep the burrows under control.

Visited Daughters

LAST week-end, Mr and Mrs Kitto motored to Eyre Peninsula to see their married daughters, Verna (Mrs Don Wake) at Buckleboo, and Elma (Mrs Bill Scott) at Kimba. They themselves live at Bullyacre, between Tarcowie and Yatina. How came the quaint name? The original Irish settlers had such a wonderful potato crop that they called it a bully acre!

McDougalls Of Victor

IF you added all the years John Hugh McDougall has been doing things you would almost make him a Methusaleh. He has lived in Orroroo for 58 years, had a general store there for 35, ran the pictures for 31. Now he has 25 acres of garden — apples, pears, peaches, tomatoes, grapes, figs, almonds, oranges, lemons — at Orroroo Extension and looks good in his 80's for a long time yet, with his neck kept warm by a McDougall tartan scarf. When he said he was nearly ringing me up about my reference to Field's butcher shop at Victor Harbor, where he lived for 21 years until he left in 1892 for Peterborough, I recalled dear old

Mr DH McDougall, librarian at Port Victor Institute, and known to hundreds of visitors from far and near. 'He was my father,' John said. 'I can give you 40 pages of Victor Harbor in the 70's and 80's. I sent them to Bert Warland. I was in the shipping and customs there after I left school, and saw the start of the breakwater.'

Terowie Butchers

NATURALLY one likes to take home from the country choice meat for the household, and Jim Grierson, having learnt from experience when he was in Elder, Smith & Co's office at Peterborough 30 years ago pulled up at Terowie and introduced us to Mr Dan Mahoney, who has been butcher there for 43 years. The veteran, busy with sons Lawrence and Kevin showed us some beautiful joints and steak off a 900lb bullock from Mt Riddoch, Central Australia. He spoke of the wonderful season at Terowie, said he had not bought a fat sheep since March; and he produced the goods. Said Kevin, 'Two years ago we bought 700 Mundi Mundi wethers from a fellow in Crystal Brook for 46/ [\$4.50] a head. We held them and topped them up round the place, sent 106 to the market, and they averaged £18 13/6. [\$37.35] 'He bought them back: he paid more for the 106 than we had paid him for his 700.'



Mr & Mrs Orroroo



Trees for Life

Council is expecting a delivery of trees and shrubs from the 'Trees for Life Program' soon.

If you are interested in planting trees or shrubs on your property, please contact Council.

Trees will be available for collection in May/June.

Phone: 8658 1260 or email council@orraroo.sa.gov.au



Presenting the Fab Four at a future event in Carrieton Memorial Hall -
date to be confirmed

The Fab Four



Orroroo Refuse Depot

The Orroroo Waste Depot opening hours are as follows:

Wednesday 3pm - 5pm

Friday 1pm—3pm

Sunday 10am—2pm

Please note that on days of extreme temperatures
(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

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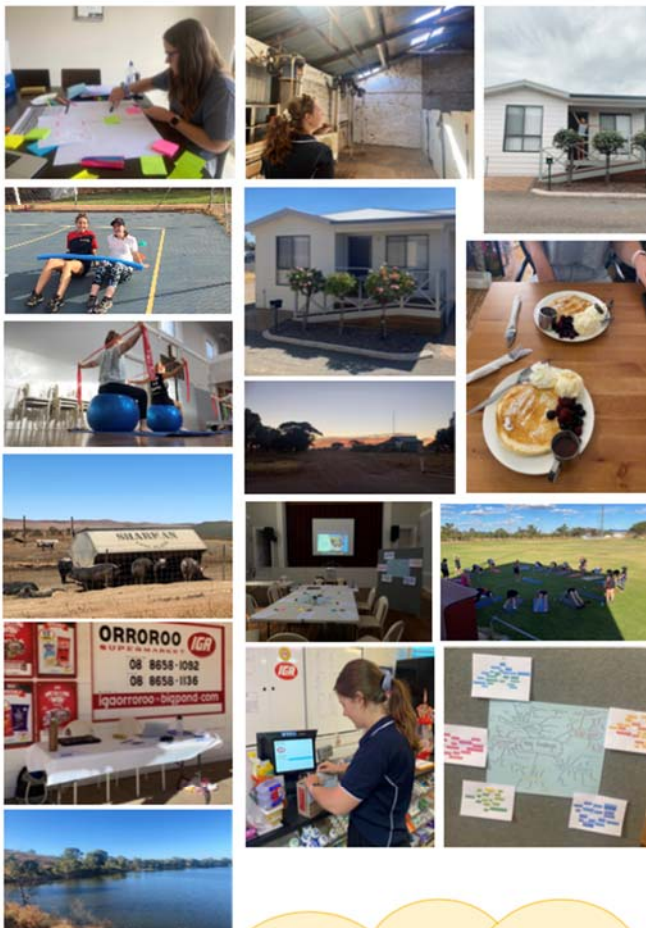
To the Orroroo community, thank you. You made our time in Orroroo one to remember. Thank you for filling in our surveys, chatting to us, greeting us and most importantly thank you for welcoming us into your community. Orroroo will hold a special place in our journey to becoming Occupational Therapists!



WHAT WE GOT UP TO

During our time in Orroroo we:

- Held formal meetings with allied health professionals, council staff and key community members
- Held numerous stalls on Main Street
- Visited Maggie's (many times – definitely recommend the pancakes!)
- Visited local farms
- Attended pilates classes
- Attended netball preseason sessions
- Walked the town and lovely trails
- Visited surrounding areas – Jamestown, Booleroo Centre, Hawker, Laura, Clare
- Held reference group meetings
- Chatted and formed friendships with the locals!



WHAT IS NEXT?

For you, keep an eye out for our final report and video of our time in Orroroo. Stay safe and continue welcoming others into your town!

For us, it's back to uni and life in Adelaide! Finalising our report and findings from our time in Orroroo. We have two more placements left until we graduate!



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CHURCH NOTICES

IN CHANGING TIMES, STAND CONFIDENTLY ON THE UNCHANGING CHARACTER OF GOD



Orroroo Community Church



Last month people right around the world gathered to remember ANZAC day and pay our respects to those who had served our country and to especially remember those who had paid the supreme sacrifice and lost their life so that we might live in peace today.

It is so good to remember, and this can take many forms. We can remember the good times that make us happy. We can remember the sad times that remind us of the losses and pain we have experienced in the past. We can remember the many experiences of our youth and the way so much of society was so different. As we patiently wait for the opening rains to the season, we can remember the seasons of old that bring us hope. I heard on the radio the other day, a farmer from Roseworthy, saying he remembered when the Menindee Lakes near Broken Hill were full that he had a run of good seasons down at Roseworthy. With the lakes expected to fill in the next few weeks, he was feeling optimistic about this year. Others have said, when there is water in Lake Eyre that is a sign that all will go well for us to get good winter rains..

The reality is that it will rain when God sends the rain. The only good thing we can do is to pray and ask God to bless our land with rain from above. The ants getting busy, flying ants around the trees on sunset may be signs for some, but they never come with a guarantee.

May our hearts be filled with thankfulness in the near future as we see the land drenched and the new growth of the season green up our land soon.

God bless, John Cozens

Preaching Plan for Orroroo Community Church

May 9th Morgan Nutt
May 16th Lawrence Sims
May 23rd John Cozens
May 30th Ken Gibb



Preaching Plan for Goyder Ministry Area May 2020

9/5/2021	Rev Ted White HC
16/5/2021	Rev Owen Roberts
23/5/2021	John Staker
30/5/2021	Jamestown Combined 10:30am Rev Owen Roberts

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

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Peter Amey 0438 252 430 or 8658 1020
 Orroroo

Mr Trevor Laskey 0427 599 051 Orroroo

Miss Fiona Warwick 8648 4877 Cradock

SENIORS LUNCH

Plans are underway for the Seniors Lunch to return later this year. Watch this space for further details in the next Goyder's Line Gazette.

All welcome!



The dates for the **2021 Dirt Circuit** are as follows:

Sunday May 16th
 Sunday June 20th
 Sunday July 18th
 Sunday Aug 15th
 Sunday Sept 19th
 Saturday Oct 16th



Here we are in May already heading into winter

So, drop into The Store on Second to browse our new seasons fashions. There are some gorgeous styles for everyone. You won't be able to leave empty handed!

We would like to wish all mums a Happy Mothers Day

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