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Clayton Bay Boat Club Treasurer Brian O'Flaherty, Neville Thorn, Rob Jones (wearing the winner's rat hat) and Secretary Ric Kies welcome others to watch the Rat Race Regatta this weekend.
Photo: Tara Nash

Alexandrina Council depreciation increases following asset revaluation...

ALARMING AUDIT



By Giorgina McKay

An asset condition revaluation

performed by Alexandrina Council has revealed a significant increase in depreciation, which could potentially have an impact on upcoming rates.

Council undertook the revaluation of a several critical asset classes in the 2023

financial year, including sealed and unsealed roads, pathways and kerb ramps, and kerbs, which revealed significant increases in asset values and annual depreciation.

Affirmed revaluations have resulted in an increase of valuations of \$157 million,

with council's total assets across all classes increasing in value from \$496 million to \$665 million.

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Herbie finds a home



Goolwa resident Jack Colman, aged 19, receives his very own Herbie.



By Giorgia McKay

A Goolwa resident with an infatuation for the love bug has had his dream of owning his own Herbie become a reality.

As previously reported in *The Southern Argus*, Jack Colman is a 19-year-old with autism and an intellectual disability who found love with the renowned pop culture icon 'Herbie' and hoped to turn this passion into a courier service named '53 Express'.

The initiative would see Jack, alongside his support worker, provide delivery services for individuals and businesses in the Fleurieu and southern suburbs of Adelaide.

It seemed like a faraway dream for Jack and his family, but with the help of Car Hub Australia, it recently became a reality.

When the team saw Jack's story, they set out on a mission to find the perfect vintage Herbie model, and after three weeks of

calling nearly every Volkswagen (VW) restoration place and club around Australia, they found success with the Australian VW Performance Centre in Victoria who had a customer with a complete original 1967 VW Beetle.

The 57-year-old car was then picked up by Car Hub's Tom Traynor, driven to Stacked signs for finishing touches, and personally delivered to Jack's door.

Jack's mum, Lauren Clifford, said it took a while for it to sink in.

"It was just too unbelievable that someone would just buy Jack a car," she said.

"I don't think he quite comprehended – which I did think was going to happen – that it was actually his.

"It was a stinking hot day, but he pretty much sat in the car for the rest of the afternoon."

With the car now in their hands, all that's left to do now is get the business started.

The family has obtained insurance, had a compliance check performed, and paid for the registration with the help of donations provided through the GoFundMe page.

Ms Clifford said it's "slow-going" but they are moving forward with setting up the service.

"We're thinking we may turn it into a non-profit instead of a full-fledged business because the goal ideally is to have Jack go out into the community, so we're just trying to figure out the legalities and process of that at the moment," she said.

"We're just trying to make sure Herbie is ready and up for the job, which I have no doubt he is.

"It's a beautiful car and it's so well-

Young Goolwa fan on a mission for the love bug

By Giorgia McKay

A local fan who had the love bug hook its way into his heart is on a mission to procure his own Volkswagen beetle to turn into a courier service vehicle.



Goolwa resident and local Herbie fan Jack Colman, aged 19, is on a mission to procure his own Volkswagen beetle to turn into a courier service vehicle named '53 Express'.

Photo: Giorgia McKay

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looked after.

"I don't think there's going to be a Herbie more loved than this one."

Ms Clifford thanked everyone who helped or showed support along the way.

"Even just going on that (first) drive, the amount of people that stopped and waved or pointed at it, Jack loved it," she said.

"He now hangs out the window and says hello to everyone as we go.

"To think that anybody cared enough to donate or support Jack in any way means the world to me and my family.

"Jack doesn't fully understand it, but he loves the fact he's now getting waves when he drives past with Herbie.

"I never thought it would happen to my boy and it's absolutely amazing."

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‘It seems
confusing to
everyone’

Strathalbyn resident Allan Ivory claims Long Valley Road users have been left ‘bemused’ by prolonged works. Photo: Deirdre Graham

Long Valley Road leaves users ‘bemused’



By Deirdre Graham

A Strathalbyn local who first raised concerns about the delays to works on Long Valley Road last October says road users are ‘bemused’ by the time it is taking for the project to be completed.

Allan Ivory said while works were “getting better”, he and his friends fail to understand why the overtaking lane heading south was not “fully open”.

“I don’t know why that is,” he said.

“It looks finished to me; you come down one lane and it changes over to the other.

“It is just reduced to one lane and nothing is happening, and it seems confusing to everyone because no one can understand it.

“Everyone is bemused; they just can’t work out why... the southern overtaking (lane) for all intents and purposes looks like it is finished, (but) it is just not fully open.”

A Department for Infrastructure and Transport spokesperson told *The Southern Argus* works on the southern overtaking lane were now expected to be completed in mid-2024, and remediation works on the northern overtaking lane (from the railway line to Gemmell Road) were expected to be completed in mid-to-late 2024.

The spokesperson said works on the southern overtaking lane north of Long Valley Cottages Road to south of Mine Flat Road began in May 2023.

“Traffic was switched to the new north-bound lanes in February this year, and pavement rehabilitation has commenced on the south-bound lanes, and in the new north-bound and south-bound turning

areas,” they said.

“The new overtaking lane on Long Valley Road completed in May 2023 currently has one lane closed due to damage that occurred after heavy rainfall last winter.

“Remediation work is almost complete on drainage improvements, which will assist in directing water away from the road reducing the impact of excess water on the pavement surface.

“The pavement has been assessed and tested, and a final remediation solution developed.

“Pavement remediation works are currently being scheduled.”

The spokesperson added heavy rainfall last winter caused damage to a section of the northern overtaking lane after its construction, meaning pavement investigations could not be completed until warmer drier conditions occurred.



West Ward councillor Bill Coomans put forward a motion last month for consideration to be given to sealing a section of Bahloo Glen Road.

Sealing works to be considered for Mt Compass road

By Giorgina McKay

Sealing a portion of a Mount Compass connector road could be the solution to easing pressure off a nearby junction that causes “considerable frustration” for locals, travellers and heavy transport.

Bahloo Glen Road, which connects the Victor Harbor Road opposite the ‘strawberry farm’ and Lanacoona Road to Nangkita Road via a short section of Enterprise Road, currently has 4.5km of its 6km length unsealed.

The road was recently reassessed under the road hierarchy, and traffic flows indicated it should have a rural connector status rather than the previous rural local classification.

At last month’s Alexandrina Council meeting, West Ward councillor Bill Coomans requested the bitumen sealing of a 1.1km section of Bahloo Glen Road from the currently sealed section at the Victor Harbor Road end of the road to the junction with Proctor Road be considered in the 2024-25 budget considerations.

High-level estimates of design and construction costs for the works are projected at approximately \$3 million.

“It’s a road that’s been on my to-do list for a long time,” Cr Coomans said.

“The road, if sealed, will not only provide a much-needed service to our ratepayers, but will also take some pressure off the Victor Harbor/Nangkita Road junction which is currently causing considerable frustration for locals, travellers and especially, the heavy transport that uses Nangkita Road as an authorised through-road.”

However, a council report stated the upgrade would benefit a small number, with others on the road still having to use the unsealed section.

“It is unlikely the sealing of this portion of Bahloo Glen Road would divert traffic away from the Nangkita Road/Victor Harbor Road intersection as undertaking this alternate route would still require travelling on a portion of unsealed roads,” the report read.

“In addition, Nangkita Road is a gazetted heavy vehicle transport route and much of the traffic using this road would not be permitted to deviate from it.

“Administration has made recent enquiries with (the Department of Infrastructure and Transport) DIT regarding an upgrade to the Nangkita Road/Victor Harbor Road intersection.

“DIT has advised that an upgrade to this intersection is not a priority for them at this time.”

Despite this, councillors agreed to include it in upcoming budget considerations.

Bus proposal accelerates forward

By Tara Nash

The wheels are in motion for a community bus service for Strathalbyn and surrounding communities after Alexandrina Council approved a \$45,000 loan for the Strath Neighbourhood Centre to purchase a vehicle.

During Monday night’s council meeting, a motion was passed for the loan for the term of five years at a rate of six per cent interest, for a mini-bus that can generate a complementary or low-cost service for Strathalbyn, Langhorne Creek, Milang and possibly Ashbourne and Clayton Bay.

The proposal was originally brought to councillors during February’s meeting, but was adjourned to this week.

Strath Neighbourhood Centre Manager Mal Sutcliffe said the concept is in

“ Our community has been saying - for the nearly two years that I’ve been in the job - that we need transport around Strath... ”

– Mal Sutcliffe

the early stages, but was “delighted” councillors saw its merit.

He is seeking guidance from the Department of Transport and

Infrastructure, and will take the proposal to the centre’s committee of management.

“I think there are a lot of people around the town who want to see it happen,” he said.

“Our community has been saying – for the nearly two years that I’ve been in the job – that we need transport around Strath.

“That’s what’s given me the motivation, and now we’re getting a little bit closer, I think there’s a bit of excitement around the town.

“We now need to look into the community (to get them) on board because without community, we’re not going to get this off the ground.”

A lack of transport has been an ongoing issue for the town, and earlier this month, a three-month trial of a taxi service began in Strathalbyn to meet the needs of an ageing population.

Council depreciation increases following asset revaluation

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Annual depreciation has increased from \$6.2 million to \$10.6 million, meaning a further \$4.4 million depreciation will be charged on an ongoing basis.
“Council doesn’t renew all its assets at once, but the new figures have shown that our forecast depreciation figure for roads, kerbs, footpaths, and associated infrastructure has risen by \$4.4m,” Chief Executive Officer, Nigel Morris, said.
“Depreciation measures the decrease in value of an asset over time and we account for it, so we set aside sufficient funding to maintain and renew our assets into the future as they wear out.
“Council is responsible for maintaining 793km of unsealed roads, 528kms of sealed roads, 120kms of pathways and 303kms of kerbs, so the material price increases really add up.”
As a result of increased depreciation, council faces two issues when it comes time to adopt the upcoming rates – the first being the additional depreciation charge, which

will be ongoing, and the culminative effect of not increasing rates by the full CPI in 2020-21 and the current year, which has put council 5.8 per cent behind the Long-Term Financial Plan.
“This higher depreciation amount must be faced, if council is to be able to properly maintain and replace its assets in timeframes the community expects,” Audit and Risk Committee Independent Chairperson, Alice McCleary, said.
“If council chooses not at least to begin to ‘catch-up’ on its rates increases this year, council’s purchasing power will continue to erode and we will have to do less with less.
“Any less than this may begin to cover the CPI-under recovery of past years, but will not begin to ameliorate the additional ongoing depreciation charges, leaving them to be an accumulating drag on council finances and sustainability.
“I would like to thank all the staff and consultants who were involved in this very complex and best-in-class asset revaluation process, and to council itself who agreed

to advance funds for the project last year, despite having many other important spending priorities.”
At Monday night’s meeting, council adopted the Audit and Risk Committee’s recommendation to draft the 2024-25 Annual Business Plan and Budget with an assumption of an average 8.3 per cent rate increase, so council can start addressing the impact of the asset revaluation, while continuing to service the community in a financially prudent manner.
The draft budget will be presented at next month’s Audit and Risk Committee meeting, before being recommended for public consultation at a special council meeting in April and then likely adopted in June.
Mitigating strategies for the impact of the depreciation increase is being considered at the next Audit and Risk Committee meeting.
Remaining asset classes – CWMS, stormwater, and parks and open spaces – will also need to be similarly revalued during the 2023-24 financial year.
Council noted the process had

emphasised the importance of more frequent condition-assessed asset audits and financial evaluations.
“The line has been drawn in the sand we now have reliable data to manage our major assets,” Mr Morris said.
“We have a better understanding of where we are and are now better placed to work with council and community to plan for the future.
“Our Independent Auditor advised that councils across the country are facing an increase in costs for fuel, bitumen, and concrete in the range of 30 to 60 per cent.
“As we prepare for the next financial year 2024-25 budget process, it was recommended by council’s external auditors to the Audit Committee that ‘it is unwise and inappropriate to pass sharp increases in rates onto ratepayers in response to significant changes in depreciation estimates’.
“Whilst some increase in rates will be required, appropriately responding requires caution and restraint.”

Lights out at Goolwa and Hindmarsh Island



By Tara Nash

A Goolwa restaurant had to discard an estimated \$4000 worth of food and close over the busy long weekend due to a power outage, while 1600 Goolwa and Hindmarsh Island households and businesses also lost power days later.
Hays Street Bar and Kitchen’s electricity switched off near the end of dinner service on Saturday, March 9, and diners finished their meals by phone torch lights then left.
With soaring hot temperatures, the restaurant discarded an estimated \$4000 worth of food, and over the long weekend, they were unable to replenish their stock.
The restaurant decided to close for the anticipated busy Sunday and Monday, losing at least 200 diners and wages from preparing the stock.
“I was a bit flat and down the next day about it, not about the money but you feel like you’re disappointing people,” owner, Dan Cahill, admitted.
“I feel like we’ve been really lucky and supported by the community, (and) I can’t blame anyone... sometimes you get unlucky.
“My intention is to get people in to give them a good experience.
“If people come in and have a good time, you get fulfilment out of that.”



Hays Street Bar and Kitchen owner Dan Cahill had to close over the long weekend due to a power outage, but he is taking it in his stride. Photo: Tara Nash

After investigation, he was told the fuses and wires had melted in a nearby power pole.
“An electrician said when wires get hot, they get a worse connection, and it was a hot day, and they work harder which makes them hotter and eventually they get to a point where they melt,” Mr Cahill said.
“It was hot – people would have been drawing higher amounts than usual from their aircons.
“It is what it is – these things happen.”
Hays Street Bar and Kitchen applied for compensation through SA Power Networks.
An SA Power Networks spokesperson said the circumstances require a detailed

investigation and under current law, compensation applies in situations where SA Power Networks was negligent or had not made best endeavours.
The restaurant reopened on March 14, the same day that 1600 customers across Hindmarsh Island and Goolwa lost power due to an insulator failure.
The power went off initially just after 8am, then was restored for about half of those customers about 45 minutes later.
Power was fully restored to Hindmarsh Island at 11.27am and final restoration for the remaining customers in Goolwa occurred at 12.15pm.



Mt Barker’s population is expected to grow 44 per cent over the next 22 years.

Mt Barker continues to grow

The Mount Barker District Council population is set to grow by 44 per cent over the next 22 years.
According to Informed Decisions – a company of demographers, social researchers, urban economists and industry sector experts – the current district population is 44,772, forecast to grow to 64,838 by 2046.
The growth rate was 4.49 per cent in the last year.
The Mount Barker growth area is set to soar from 7561 to 23,954 by 2046.
The outer district, excluding Mount Barker, Littlehampton, and Nairne, is steadily growing at around 0.5 per cent per year.
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Mount Compass Netball Club President Olivia Binns shows the cracks appearing in the local courts. INSET: One of the cracks on the court. Photos: Deirdre Graham

Deteriorating Mount Compass courts ‘unsafe’ for players

 By **Giorgina McKay**

The deterioration of the Mount Compass netball courts has reached a level that if left untreated, could make them unviable to play on next season, prompting the local club to implore Alexandrina Council for help with fundraising for their remediation.

The Mount Compass Netball Club is a family-focused club that is continuing to expand, with seven senior and nine junior teams expected to play this season.

The club uses the community-owned courts for games, but in recent years, the state of the grounds has deteriorated significantly, with cracks appearing in the surface, grass and weeds growing out of the court, faded markings and poles sticking out. This has caused safety concerns for players.

“We have a really strong emphasis on our juniors coming up through the club, and providing them a safe and secure place to play netball,” Mt Compass Netball Club representative and Life Member, Elissa Fisher, said during February’s council meeting.

“I particularly value the importance of this as I’m a high school teacher in a suburban area, and I see the benefit of children growing up and playing sport in a small town.

“It keeps children safe, resilient and

focused on staying healthy, both with their mind and body, so keeping the club thriving and maintaining good facilities is crucial for children to stay safe and engaged, and find a somewhere they fit.”

It has also left Mount Compass out of the race to host finals in the foreseeable future.

“We are also located in what I would like to say is the hub of the Great Southern Netball Association (GSNA) – the most central club,” Fisher said.

“In previous years, this has been a strong benefit to us, as we have been the hosting club for GSNA camps, trainings and finals – all of which we’d love to be able to host again, but unfortunately due to the state of our courts, we’re not really in a place to do that at the moment.

“GSNA moved all their trainings to Willunga as they have better courts, lights and facilities, so unfortunately, until we get that upgrade, that’s not going to happen for us.

“The courts haven’t been done since 2007, and they’re cracking and becoming quite unsafe for players.

“Having to do trials in the last few weeks, it’s really quite evident the need for them.”

The club has received two quotes for the upgrades of the courts – one a basic, quick-fix which would involve putting a layer on top of the existing courts and cost about \$44,000, but only last a few years, while the other is a complete redo and cost approximately

\$204,000, but be a long-term investment.

Members have been fundraising towards the courts’ remediation, including through teams holding fundraisers, recruiting sponsors, and running Saturday night meals, but can only do so much as a community group on top of dealing with other expenses.

“Our club cannot raise sufficient funds to give these courts the safety and attention that is require, despite a big effort to do so,” Fisher said.

“So far, we have approximately \$50,000 in our current account, however, that money also needs to go towards new equipment, junior development and also helping out families who require financial assistance.

“We have a really dedicated committee who are passionate about getting this under way, and providing an amazing space for our girls to enjoy netball with friends and family now and in the future.

“These courts benefit many in the community, including the school, tennis club and also opportunities for the general public to use them as well.”

The club has reached out to Member for Finnis David Basham and Member for Kingston Amanda Rishworth for financial support with the project, as well as council at last month’s meeting.

It is hoped the courts can be resurfaced before the 2025 season.

“We’ve obviously left it too late now to get

it done before this season, however, by 2025, I think we wouldn’t be able to play netball on the courts given the current state of them,” Fisher said.

“So, anything will help and our first preference is to be able to pay the money outright.

“We’re obviously all volunteers, and as I said, community run, so the ideal situation is to receive grants and direct financial support, but we would definitely take what we can take in regards to the 2025 goal to get these courts completed.”

Fisher also noted council support with lighting, drainage and road surfaces was something the group would love considered in the future.

Since the meeting, the club has been in contact with council’s grants officer.

“Besides their deputation to council, the Mount Compass Netball Club has written to the Mayor seeking assistance to source grant funding opportunities,” Council CEO, Nigel Morris, said.

“Council has subsequently been in touch with club representatives to provide some information about available grants at different levels of government and some suggestions regarding submitting successful applications.

“We have also invited the club to contact us again so we can discuss their proposed project and clarify the support they are seeking.”



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Major milestone celebrated for Strathalbyn's Rankine family



By Deirdre Graham

The Rankine family of Strathalbyn has ties to the very earliest of European history in the town and its latest chapter was celebrated on Saturday for Janet Rankine's 90th birthday. Mrs Rankine's daughter Valerie said her forebear William Rankine was among 150 Scots in 1839 who journeyed to Adelaide before marking out land at Strathalbyn, and along with James Dawson donated land for the centre of Strathalbyn.

"William Rankine had the son Matthew Rankine, who had John Rankine, who had Robert Rankine, who married my mum," Valerie said.

Mrs Rankine was born in Bothwell, Tasmania on March 16, 1934, which was a rural area.

Her father farmed merino sheep, and had the distinction of the highest wool price in the world during World War II.

She was the fifth of six children, with her younger sister Helen able to attend her birthday celebrations on Saturday.

At 10-years-old she left for Fahan Boarding School in Hobart, where her chore was to milk the cows.

Mrs Rankine left school at 16 to go to Invergarry, which was a finishing school that taught home making skills.

But she was to return to the home farm Dungrove, where she continued milking, supplying a butcher who sold it under the counter.

A friend Tas Ford introduced her to Robert John Rankine and the couple were married on December 31, 1964.

The couple moved to Braemar, Strathalbyn, where Mrs Rankine fully involved herself in farm life, raising four children born between 1966 and 1973 – Fiona, Angela, Valerie and Matthew.

At shearing time, she would also feed the shearers, and would raise calves bought at market.

Mrs Rankine was a regular at the cattle markets, buying and selling, which she does to this day.

Her extensive charitable work began with the Red Cross while she was in Tasmania, and this devotion continued in Strathalbyn, where the Red Cross fitted out child safety capsules in cars for babies.



Janet Rankine was all smiles at her 90th birthday celebrations, held at Glenbarr barn on Saturday. Photo: Mark Andrews

Mrs Rankine has been part of the Trees for Life movement since its inception in South Australia, growing thousands of trees for others and at the farm on Paris Creek Road.

She is a life member of the Strathalbyn Agricultural Show Society, Strathalbyn Tourist Association, Milang Classic Car Club, and petitioned the local council for better signage at the Strathalbyn cemetery.

She still makes shortbread to raise funds for the restoration of St Andrews Church and Glenbarr Homestead, and has also volunteered at the Strath churches bookshop, and the heritage museum.

Until recently, she regularly completed park runs, finishing 122 of them.

Mrs Rankine learned to grow and preserve much of what she eats, and has extensive knowledge of farming and animal husbandry, particularly with cattle.

As an avid Adelaide Crows supporter, she is looking forward to the football season.

On Saturday, surrounded by family and friends from afar, Mrs Rankine celebrated her 90th birthday at an afternoon tea in the Glenbarr barn – the original home of William Rankine.

Strathalbyn GP awarded dermoscopy grant

A Strathalbyn doctor will be able to save more lives locally by being able to detect skin cancer early with the help of one of Cancer Council SA's Dermoscopy Grants.

A dermatoscope is a specialised microscope for the skin that allows doctors to look more closely at spots on the skin, which improves early detection of skin cancer, resulting in more lives saved and less unnecessary procedures.

Cancer Council SA has recently awarded grants to 30 South Australian GPs in locations where there is a higher rate of skin cancer, to receive a fully funded dermatoscope.

With two in three Australians diagnosed with some form of skin cancer before the age of 70, Cancer Council SA Prevention and Advocacy Manager Christine Morris hoped the program would help save more lives.

"In 2020, 860 South Australians were diagnosed with melanoma, and we know that regional South Australians have a higher chance of developing melanoma compared to those who live in metropolitan areas," she said.

"That's why it's important that GPs in high-risk communities receive up-to-date training and resources to detect skin cancer early."

One of the grant recipients is Strathalbyn Family Medical Centre's Dr Nicole Lewis.

Other local grant recipients include Mount Compass Medical Centre's Dr Ahmet Lokaj and Mount Barker and Balhannah Medical Clinics. Cancer Council SA recommends people check their whole body regularly for changes to any existing spots such as size, shape, colour or texture, along with any sores that itch, bleed or refuse to heal.

Anyone who notices any changes, should see a GP immediately.



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Attendees at Breast Cancer Network Australia's forum at Murray Bridge earlier this month.

Tackling breast cancer with information

By Deirdre Graham

Breast Cancer Network Australia (BCNA) staged an information session at Murray Bridge on March 7 to tackle the disease by educating local women and men.

The aim of the forum, which attracted 90 people in person and online, was to help ensure people have the most up-to-date and relevant information to be able to make informed decisions about their breast cancer treatment and care, while allowing them to connect and meet others on similar journeys in the local area.

“The most magical moments are to see

women and men in the local community meet new people,” BCNA CEO, Kirsten Pilatti, said.

“For many, this will be the first time they have ever had the chance to sit and share their experience with others diagnosed or caring for someone with breast cancer.”

Topics covered on the day included Lymphoedema (risk reduction and management) with Lymphologist Professor Neil Piller, local services and support in and around Murray Bridge with McGrath Breast Cancer Nurse Annie Williams, current and emerging treatments for early breast cancer and metastatic breast cancer with medical oncologist Associate Professor Rohit Joshi, and

managing the emotional impacts of living with early breast cancer or metastatic breast cancer with clinical psychologist Dr Charlotte Tottman.

The day also included a member panel discussion with BCNA members Wendy, Donna and Tania, who shared their personal experiences with breast cancer.

In preparation for the forum, BCNA recently met with local health professionals to identify the specific issues in relation to health care and treatment for people with breast cancer in the Murray Bridge area.

BCNA Director of Policy, Advocacy and Support Services Vicki Durston said local health professionals had reported difficulties

accessing information resources and support services in Murray Bridge.

“We heard a big barrier to access is the lack of breast cancer specialists’ services close to home and people are having to travel long distances at great cost to get the treatment they need,” Ms Durston said.

“And this is not restricted to Murray Bridge. We know this is a problem across rural and regional Australia where there is simply not enough specialist services – and in many cases – close to home.”

For information or support visit (www.bcna.org.au), or contact BCNA’s helpline 1800 500 258 or email (helpline@bcna.org.au).

Strathalbyn Easter Church Services - All welcome!

Uniting Church

Good Friday
10:00am
Easter Sunday
10:00am HC

Restoration Church

Good Friday
9.30am Teen Challenge
Easter Sunday
10.00am Strath Neighbourhood
Centre, 6 Parker Ave

Lutheran

Maundy Thursday
7.30pm HC Salem
Good Friday
9.00am Callington
11.00am Strathalbyn
Easter Sunday
9.00am HC Strathalbyn

Church of Christ

Good Friday
9.30am
Easter Sunday
10.30am

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Maundy Thursday
7.30pm Strathalbyn
Good Friday
11:00am Strathalbyn
Easter Sunday
10:45am Strathalbyn

Anglican

Maundy Thursday
6.00pm Strathalbyn
Good Friday
9.00am Milang
9.00am Strathalbyn
Holy Saturday
7.30pm Milang
Easter Sunday

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Dangerous driving behaviours observed in Hills Fleurieu region during Adelaide Cup long weekend

By Giorgina McKay

Almost 60 drivers were caught speeding in the Hills Fleurieu over the recent long weekend, while several others were detected committing other offences. Over the Adelaide Cup long weekend, South Australia police conducted a state-wide traffic operation from Friday, March 8 to Monday, March 11 with the aim of deterring and detecting traffic behaviours that result in collisions and road trauma. Police were also focused on dangerous road users, including give way offences, failing to keep a safe distance and lane

behavioural offences. While, thankfully, no lives lost were recorded on the roads, seven people, including three motorcyclists and three pedestrians, suffered serious and potentially life-altering injuries as a result of road trauma. In the Hills Fleurieu region, 59 drivers were detected speeding, while five others were caught drink driving and one for failing to wear a seatbelt. Another motorist was reported for driving while disqualified. The highest drink driving result was recorded at Littlehampton at about 8pm on

Saturday, March 9, when a 47-year-old man was observed straddling lanes and then recorded a blood alcohol reading of 0.323. "While pleasing that no lives were lost, police still detected 206 offences related to dangerous driving practices during the long weekend operation," Officer in Charge of the Traffic Services Branch, Superintendent Darren Fielke, said. "These are behaviours that put the driver, their passengers, and all other road users at risk. "We urge everyone to make road safety a priority and ensure that every time you use the roads, you do so safely."

Murray Bridge man refuses breath test

A local man lost his licence after failing to submit to a breath test at Murray Bridge earlier this month. Just before 4pm on Friday, March 8, police were alerted to a possible drink driver on Adelaide Road, who was then identified and located at his home address. The man allegedly refused to say who was driving the vehicle at the time as well as to submit to an alcotest when directed. The 53-year-old Murray Bridge man was subsequently reported for failing to truly answer questions and refusing to comply with directions of an alcotest. His vehicle was impounded for 28 days, he was issued with a 12-month instant loss of licence, and will be summonsed to appear in court at a later date.

New laws proposed around child crime

Criminals who try and recruit kids to engage in criminal activities are being targeted under new laws proposed by the State Government, which will carry the toughest maximum penalties in the country. Reform is proposed to laws around aiding and abetting, which will allow adults to be prosecuted as if they were the ones committing the crime when they are accessories to crimes of children. Separately, a new stand-alone offence will target any individual over 21 years of age who tries to get a child under 18 to carry out a serious criminal offence, regardless of whether the child actually carries out the act or is under the minimum age of criminal responsibility. This new offence will carry the toughest maximum penalty of anywhere in the country – 15 years' imprisonment. "It's important tough penalties are in place to send a message to those who may try to circumvent the law by getting children to do their dirty work," Attorney-General, Kyam Maher, said. "We are ensuring that those who seek to exploit kids for illegal purposes can feel the full force of the law by changing the law about accessory liability and establishing

a new criminal recruiting offence – the toughest anywhere in the country." The government is preparing the legislation to be consulted on and introduced to State Parliament. At the same time, the government has released a discussion paper setting out a proposal to raise the minimum age of criminal responsibility from 10 to 12 years of age, with a discussion paper and consultation on the proposal available on YourSay. "We know that when a young person has contact with the criminal justice system, they're more likely to become entrenched in the criminal justice system, leading to a cycle of recidivism that is rarely broken," Mr Maher said. "Getting the supports in place to divert young people before they become a permanent fixture in the system will ultimately enhance community safety by addressing the root causes and preventing future offending. "At the same time, though, there will always be cases where young people simply won't be able to engage with that process. "This is a significant matter of community safety, and I'd urge South Australians to have their say on our proposed model."

Tough new laws fast-tracked

New laws that would see serious repeat child sex offenders subject to indefinite imprisonment and face lifetime electronic monitoring have been fast-tracked in South Australia. Under amendments to the Sentencing Act 2017, if a paedophile is jailed for a second time for a serious child sexual offence, they will automatically be sentenced to indefinite detention, making these laws the toughest of their kind in the country. An offender would then need to be able to demonstrate to a court they can control their sexual instincts to be considered for release, and in those circumstances, would face lifetime electronic monitoring if they re-enter the community. The State Government is currently well-advanced in the drafting of this legislation and intends to introduce it by March.

Drivers caught at Murray Bridge

Police detected several drivers committing traffic offences at Murray Bridge over the weekend. At about 5pm on Saturday, Murray Bridge police stopped and arrested a 32-year-old Eudunda woman for allegedly driving along Monash Terrace while disqualified. Her vehicle was impounded for 28 days and she was bailed to appear in court at a later date. At about 9pm that same night, a vehicle was pulled over on the South Eastern Freeway, near Monarto South, after it was detected travelling at 121 in a 110km/h zone. Police also observed a teenage child sitting in the boot unrestrained. The driver, a 39-year-old Campbelltown woman, recorded a blood alcohol reading of 0.072, and checks revealed she was also unlicensed. She was reported and will be summonsed to face court at a later date. At about 12.30am on Sunday, a 31-year-old Redwood Park man recorded a blood alcohol reading of 0.085 when stopped by police on Fourth Street. He was issued with a six-month instant loss of licence and will face court at a later date.



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A Hyundai was destroyed after catching alight near Murray Bridge last Friday.

Car destroyed in blaze near Murray Bridge

Police are investigating a suspicious car fire at Rocky Gully last Friday. Just after 4am on March 15, police and emergency services were called to the Old Princes Highway, just west of Murray Bridge, following reports of a car fire. When emergency services arrived on the scene, they found a Hyundai fully ablaze along with some nearby scrub. Country Fire Service volunteers battled

the fire, while police conducted checks on the vehicle, which revealed it had been stolen from a Murray Bridge home earlier in the night. The car was destroyed and police are investigating the incident. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online at (www.crimestopperssa.com.au).



One of the vehicles – the blue 1978 Ford XC Falcon – which was stolen from a Murray Bridge shed over the weekend.

Cars stolen from Murray Bridge

Police are investigating the theft of two unique cars from Murray Bridge over the weekend. Between Saturday and Sunday, both vehicles – a blue 1978 Ford XC Falcon with registration XCGXL5 and a 2009 black Holden Commodore ute with registration BRUMY5 – were stolen from a locked shed on Kepa Road. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online at (www.crimestopperssa.com.au).



Strathalbyn CFS Operational Support Brigade members Julia Currie and Francis Boag at the open day on Saturday. Photos: Mark Andrews

Strathalbyn CFS OPS open doors to public

By Tara Nash

Strathalbyn CFS Operational Support (OPS) Brigade held two open days last week to help recruit new volunteers. Last Wednesday and Saturday, visitors could see demonstrations of the OPS Brigade work to support fire and rescue crews. Some of the demonstrations included a command vehicle doing radio work, a small set-up of an incident management room and a PowerPoint display. Strathalbyn OPS Brigade Captain Lorraine McVitty said the openings were a success after four local residents expressed interest in joining the brigade and will attend an upcoming training session.

“The ones who turned up were very enthusiastic,” she said. “I think my crew did an extremely good job of what they did, of how they set it up, and managed the whole situation.” Local volunteers are urgently sought-after who can quickly respond to nearby jobs, and Ms McVitty finds the biggest reward of joining is “giving back to the community”. “Once you join CFS, you join a big, happy family,” she said. “We all care for, respect each other and look after each other.” Meetings are the second and fourth Wednesday night of the month from 7.30pm at the Strathalbyn Group Base. For further information on joining, leave a voicemail via 8536 2220.



Piper Gates, Mel Yeates and Lorraine McVitty were on deck for the open days.

Slippery deemed a success

Adelaide Fringe show Slippery was held at Clayton Bay Community Hall on March 2 and was deemed a “great success”. The performance was Clayton Bay Community Association’s (CBCA) first time hosting a Fringe event, at Clayton Bay Community Hall to an enthusiastic audience. Drinks were enjoyed outside under the new pergola prior to the show. Slippery was presented

by Curtain World which is an art and production house based in Brisbane. Organisers found the play, written by Esther Dougherty, to be “energetic, hilarious and cheeky” with a “brilliant and talented” cast. “It was a successful event which everyone attending enjoyed,” CBCA Acting President, Anita Parker, said. “Hopefully, it will be the first of many Fringe Events to be hosted by Clayton Bay Community Association.”



Slippery cast members Esther Dougherty, Honor Webster-Mannison, Gina Tay Limpus, Siobhan Gibbs and Ben Snaith taking a bow at Clayton Bay.

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School's in Brief

Eastern Fleurieu R-12 School

To kickstart learning about the history of the Milang railway, the Junior Primary class went on an excursion to visit the railway station. One of the volunteers Peter showed students lots of interesting things about the original railway, and the class had lots of fun weighing themselves on the big cargo scales, making phone calls from one carriage to another, pressing lots of different buttons, and climbing on some old railway equipment. But the highlight was taking a ride on the carriages around the railway track.

Goolwa Secondary College

Goolwa Secondary College's year 8 visual arts class has been working on their assessment pieces. Students have spent the start of the year studying the elements of art, including line, colour, shape, space, form and some other interesting learning points, and have been through the process of researching, drafting and now beginning assessment works with hopes to finalise them soon.

Tyndale Christian School

Tyndale Christian School year 5 students recently shared how they 'shine for Jesus' outside of school by being recognised for their achievements in sports. Imogen, Taylor, Spencer, Eugene and Scarlett brought in the trophies and medals they won in go kart racing, basketball, tennis, jui jitsu and netball.

Macclesfield Primary School

This year Macclesfield Primary School has structured its cooking/ gardening classes a bit different. Each group in each class cooks the same recipes in a smaller scale to give everyone a small sample, which means they are able to better understand what they did and what goes wrong if you put in too much salt, for example. The aim this year is to use more produce from the garden, and students have enjoyed picking ingredients they have needed in their recipes.

Letters to the Editor

Re: Old Bull Creek Road housing development

Alexandrina Council in their town plan 2014 to 2024 detailed the feelings of the Strathalbyn residents and concluded the following conditions should apply to this land set aside for future development adjacent Old Bull Creek Rd (sic): "11 allotments per hectare reflects current residents and future residents' preferences for larger allotments. This land is on the outskirts of town – not immediately adjacent to the town centre which is better suited to smaller allotments and denser development. It was also stated that (sic): "the larger allotments on the outer provide somewhat of a transition to the rural lands abutting this land". This has not changed just because there is a housing crisis.

The country town of Strathalbyn, established as a rural support centre, has a proud heritage that most ratepayers wish to preserve. A building envelope plan, 'Master Planned Township Zone', has been proposed for approval in relation to development on this land and is currently open for public consultation until April 27. It proposes to set the standards for future development in the surrounding areas. Four of the many changes that will apply are an increase of over 60 per cent from 11 to 35 allotments per hectare, reduction of minimum allotment sizes, increasing building height, and reduced front and side setbacks. Re-zoning to enable three times the density of housing, placing it on a hill on the outskirts of Strathalbyn, then calling it Town Zone will result in development similar to those that have recently surrounded other Hills towns like Mt Barker, Nairne, and Littlehampton to name a few. They could now be classed as Outer Metropolitan Adelaide suburbs, and have lost their country town identity. In Adelaide they saw the need to protect their Hills Face Zone to prevent housing expansion. In the Adelaide Hills, councils need to follow suit and place similar zoning around rural country towns to ensure their outlook and heritage is likewise preserved. We need to stop or at the very least control this housing metastatic cancer. It's consuming our country towns while destroying prime agricultural land on a journey to environmental catastrophe.

Peter Strawbridge, Strathalbyn

Follow the money

The completion of those pedestrian refuge crossings in Middleton begs a few questions. The facts as reported are that 12 months ago, the combined expert costing wisdom within council and DIT, was that \$380,000 would cover the cost of four of these crossings.

Now, just 12 months later, after a tender process that was competitive (we are told), the cost of those crossings has doubled and only two crossings could be provided at \$190,000 each. That is one hell of an inflation rate. So what are we getting for that money? Some modified gutter concrete work on both sides and in the centre of the road, and some painted steel hand rails, plus signage. The design specifications are to the Australian Standards and so that bit shouldn't have cost too much. So where has the money gone? It would be very interesting to know just how much profit was built into the contact after actual costs, but of course that is 'commercial in confidence'. Should the public have a right to know just how much of the public dollar has lined the private pockets of the winner of that competitive tender process? Are we getting value for money?

Trevor Harden, Milang

Transport troubles

In reference to the article by Tara Nash regarding Taxi service trialled in Strathalbyn, I have been concerned about the lack of transport in Strathalbyn. In the past two years, our circumstances have changed regarding driving etc. I don't have a drivers licence any more due to poor eyesight and my husband has a restricted licence that allows him to drive within a radius of 5km of Strathalbyn with a passenger, which is me. We do have supportive family. A daughter lives in Strathalbyn and works in Murray Bridge who has taken Thursday off work to take us shopping, and to any appointments we have – my husband has physio each week for an hour. Another daughter who lives in Adelaide has reduced her working hours to take us to appointments outside of Strathalbyn that are not on Thursday. Sometimes it is difficult to get appointments at times that suit our drivers. If we do have appointments in Strathalbyn on non-Thursdays, it means that I have to go as a passenger for my husband and either wait in the car for him or sit in the waiting room if it is hot. I realise that we are very lucky to have the support of our family, but do feel guilty that they are putting their lives on hold for us. Strathalbyn is in need of some sort of transport for the older residents as there are a lot of us. This matter has been a topic of conversation for us. It almost seems that we older people don't matter. I look forward to hearing the result of having a taxi based here in Strathalbyn and also how we go about accessing the service.

Name and address supplied

Our View

Thursday, March 21, 2024 Good news stories

Every now and then a good news story comes across the work desk. In January, The Southern Argus reported on Goolwa resident Jack Colman and his passion for VW Beetles – also known in pop culture as 'Herbie'. Jack lives with autism and an intellectual disability, but that hasn't stopped him from wanting to set up a courier service with a 'Herbie' named '53 Express'. The initiative would see Jack, alongside his support worker, provide delivery services for locals and businesses in the Fleurieu and southern suburbs of Adelaide. Back in January, it seemed like a faraway dream. But then Car Hub Australia stepped in, finding the owner of an original 1967 VW Beetle at the Australian VW Performance Centre in Victoria. Car Hub's Tom Traynor picked up the car, had some finishing touches taken care of, and then personally delivered 'Herbie' to Jack. Jack's family has now obtained insurance, had a compliance check performed, and paid for the registration thanks a GoFundMe page. They think they will turn the venture into a not-for-profit one, with the main goal to get Jack out into the community. On the first day of having his car, Jack spent most of the afternoon in it, despite the heat. It has already brought Jack so much to look forward to, as on the first drive, he was able to enjoy the fun his car brings, with people stopping the vehicle, along with waving and pointing to him. Jack's mum Lauren said knowing that people cared enough to donate or support Jack in any way means the world to her family, saying she believes there will never be a 'Herbie' more loved than this one. In a world where bad news seems to dominate news channels - be it on television, radio, newspapers, magazines or social media - Jack's story is one to remember, to remind ourselves that human nature's power to do good is just as powerful as its power to do the opposite.

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The know in the FLEURIEU ...

What is the most significant sporting event for you this year?

Allora Skurray, Currency Creek



"I'll probably be a bit of a hermit for the two weeks the Olympics are on because I love to just sit and watch everything. I'm (also) looking forward to the season of local football, especially Mount Compass because it's their 100 years."

Paul Davidson, Mount Jagged



"I'm a massive sports fan. AFL every week, I watch most games. I love my soccer. We get to the Big Bash League a fair bit. Matildas is coming up."

Darcy Boots, Mount Compass



"Playing my first year of A Grade at Mount Compass, and tennis Grand Final too."

Graham Jenke, Strathalbyn



"The Olympics. I will be up all night watching them."

25 YEARS AGO

from the files of the Southern Argus

THURSDAY, MARCH 18TH, 1999

This year's Wooden Boat Festival Maritime Art and Photographic Exhibition is being hailed a huge success, the judge, Ronald Adams, was most impressed with the high standard and diversity of works. Co-ordinator Norman Bence thanked the S.A. Wooden Boat Festival for allowing the exhibition. The exhibition attracted 373 entries of which 49 pieces were sold for a total of \$13,700. One of the photographic exhibitors, Wendy Springhall of Finnis, has been named Artist of the Month and her work will feature in a display in the foyer of the S.A. Country Arts Trust at Port Adelaide.

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It was an anti climax in the struggle to make the top 'four' in the A&EH cricket Assoc. Nairne only had to win to stay in as they scored 1/243 thanks to an unbeaten second wicket stand of 191 by Nathan Wundersitz 112 not out and Chris May 87 not out, Ashbourne replying with 7/152. Wistow's hopes of getting in disappeared as they fell for 154, tail end batsman Travis Lynn scoring 64, in reply to Lang. Creeks' 8/176, Ben Warren 49 and Mark Frost 45.

50 YEARS AGO

from the files of the Southern Argus

THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST, 1974

At an executive meeting of the Hills Football League last Monday night it was decided that there will be three Zones with the Southern Zone consisting of eight teams. At an earlier meeting some heated arguments developed on zone structuring. Last Monday the matter was sorted out and now the Southern Zone will lift from six to eight teams, Bridgewater and Macclesfield coming in to join Milang, Langhorne Creek, Hahndorf, Echunga, Meadows and Kangarilla, 17 minor round games.

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The Macclesfield Rifle Club conducted another successful Prize Meeting on Sunday last with about sixty five shooters competing. Mr. Bob Roach of the Metropolitan Rifle Club won the grand aggregate, with A. Williams in the B Grade and Mrs. Colin Kuchel of Murray Bridge in C Grade. The Veteran Aggregate won by Mr. H.Nanacarrow, Strathalbyn.

100 YEARS AGO

from the files of the Southern Argus

THURSDAY, MARCH 20TH, 1924

The Annual General Meeting of the Strathalbyn Football Club was held in the Institute classroom on Tuesday evening with president (Mr. Jas Bell) presiding. Retiring secretary Mr. F. Virgo said the club was in a satisfactory financial position, he voted an honourarium of 3 pounds 3 shillings. Election of officers were; patron Sir J.L.Stirling, president Jas Bell, sec/ treas. Mr. H. Allen; committee R. Bennett, K. Bell, L. R. Hawke H. Milnes; captain and v/captain. Mr. Bell referred to the near departure of prominent player Dick Westley to Norwood.

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At Ashbourne last Saturday the Strathalbyn Cricket team suffered their first defeat for the season. Ashbourne batting first scored 73, C. Pitt top with 20 amongst four run outs, N. Richardson taking 2/7 for Strathalbyn. In reply Strathalbyn only made 30 including six 'ducks', L. Kelly the top batsman with 15 runs, the only one to reach double figures, while H. Meyer took 6/10 and V. Payne 3/20.



South Australian harpist and soprano Emma Horwood is returning to Strathalbyn for a concert with folk harpist Vishnya Prtenjaca.

Emma Horwood returns for Strath concert

Renowned South Australian harpist and soprano Emma Horwood will return to Strathalbyn on Sunday, April 7 for another concert in the Save our St Andrews series – Harp2Harp.

This time she will be accompanied by award-winning singer/songwriter and folk harpist Vishnya Prtenjaca.

The two harps and two voices will combine for a concert of traditional, popular and original music.

Horwood's refined soprano voice, pedal harp and Celtic background, together with Prtenjaca's world music, folk instruments

and contemporary influences create a sound of intricate textures and sublime vocal harmonies.

The program features classical favourites and folk songs, as well as music by Simon & Garfunkel, Enya, Paul Kelly, Kate Bush, Sting, Loreena McKennitt, and original music by Prtenjaca.

Horwood's recordings have featured on ABC Classic FM, and she has presented at critically acclaimed concerts around Australia.

Meanwhile, Prtenjaca has recorded three albums and performed on the 9 Network's Carols by Candlelight, the National Folk

Festival in Canberra, and numerous major events and productions around Australia.

Tickets for the Harp2Harp concert in the St Andrews Uniting Church, Strathalbyn, are available at (<https://www.trybooking.com/CPMMI>) for \$30 or \$25 concession, or at the door.

The concert will be followed by refreshments in the hall, and donations to the St Andrews Strathalbyn Restoration Fund are welcome.

The performance begins at 2pm in St Andrews Uniting Church.

St Andrews to mark 180 years with visit from SA Governor



The St Andrews Strathalbyn congregation will celebrate 180 years of worship with a church service and history display on Sunday, May 26 from 10am.

They will also be blessed by a visit from Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia, and the General Secretary of the Uniting Church SA Synod, Reverend Philip Gardner, as part of the day.

The history display is a SA History Festival event, and part of the Strathalbyn 185 in 2024 celebrations.

The church members are also inviting the public to attend an 'Inside the Church on the Logo' event from Sunday, May 19 to Saturday, May 25, from 10am to 3pm daily.

The St Andrews Church is the oldest remaining Presbyterian church building in the state, now Uniting.

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Those who attend will be able to hear about the history of the building and its people.

St Andrews Strathalbyn will celebrate 180 years of worship with a church service on Sunday, May 26.


It too is a SA History Festival event, and part of Strathalbyn 185 in 2024 celebrations.

Donations to the St Andrews Restoration Fund are asked.

For all enquiries, contact David Bunton on 0404 228 322.

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Lodge of St John Immediate Past Master Wally Hirschausen (right) congratulating Cooper Barker for accepting a scholarship.

Lodge of St John sponsors young athletes

Two young locals recently received sponsorship from the Lodge of St. John Strathalbyn.

Masonic Charities Director and SA & NT Freemasons Deputy Grand Master Bill Merrill congratulated Ethan Lewis on receiving sponsorship from the Freemasons Foundation on February 21 at the Lodge of St John No15 in Strathalbyn.

The donation will assist him to further his sporting achievements.

Lewis played for Blackwood High and his team won a 2023 Netball Grand Final, becoming the State Boys Netball Champions for 2023.

The Australian Netball Championship will be held in Brisbane later this month when Lewis will play for Southern Dragons in the U17s.

The Freemasons were proud to be able assist this worthwhile venture and wished the team success in the finals.

Another sponsorship was granted to Cooper Barker, the oldest of seven siblings, who passionately plays soccer for Mount Barker U18s.

Barker is also an avid golfer, following in his father's footsteps and plays any opportunity he has.

The Year 12 Eastern Fleurieu Sschool student is undertaking a school-based apprenticeship working with Blue Ribbon Robes.

The Lodge of St John and the Masonic Foundation wished him all the best for the future.



Masonic Charities Director and SA & NT Freemasons Deputy Grand Master Bill Merrill presenting Ethan Lewis a donation on February 21.



Senator Karen Grogan and Tyndale Acting Principal Narelle Kluge cutting the ribbon to the new centre last Friday.

Tyndale opens long-awaited new centre

By Tara Nash

Tyndale Christian School Strathalbyn officially opened its new \$1.4 million Resource and Hospitality centre last week.

Senator for South Australia Karen Grogan cut the ribbon and unveiled the plaque in attendance of almost 30 special guests before a morning tea and tours with the student leaders.

Students began using the space at the beginning of the school year, which has 320sqm of zones for information finding, small group work, collaboration, a reading nook and a think tank room.

A further 92sqm was redeveloped for food technology and hospitality students.

The project received \$595,000 of funding through the State Government Capital Grant Program.

Designs were produced by Greenway Architects and construction was by Building Solutions.



Locals ready to save lives with new course

Ten participants who recently completed a mental health first-aid course at Milang Old School House Community Centre (MOSHCC) are now equipped with essential skills and insights to support those in need.

During the two-day course, participants learned about mental health disorders, acquired skills to offer immediate support to those undergoing mental health crises, and left with an aim of bolstering mental health awareness within the community.

Funded by MOSHCC, Mental Health First Aid Australia licenced-trainer Vivienne Maher facilitated the course, driven by a passion for spreading awareness and empowering community members.

"In today's world, where mental health concerns are increasingly prevalent, initiatives like the mental health first aid course serve as beacons of hope," she said.

"They empower individuals to become agents of positive change within their communities, fostering an environment of understanding, empathy, and support for all."

Ms Maher encouraged organisations to host future courses with her, with a belief that everyone should be equipped with the skills needed to support those facing mental health challenges.

For further information, contact (trainingwithvkb@gmail.com).



Glenn Thomson, Julie Paine, Bree Johns, trainer Vivienne Maher, Ros Francis, Sue Wilson and Kerry Hood recently completed mental health first aid training at Milang. Photo: Tara Nash

SAVE THE DATE:

Strathalbyn Players prepare for 2024



By Deirdre Graham

The Strathalbyn Players have announced plans for a number of productions in 2024, with auditions for the first one held last week.

Show Director Peter Hackworth said production number one *The Jurors* will be staged at the end of May and run for three weekends.

"It is based on a 1960s play *Twelve Angry Men*, but obviously, we have updated it to ensure that women can be in the play," Mr Hackworth said.

"The plot... it is a jury considering a murder trial.

"We never get to see who the accused is, but it is (about) how they come to a decision and the conflict that occurs within the jury room, so it is a drama but with some comic moments."

Mr Hackworth said 26 people attended last week's auditions, with 13 parts available.

"Basically, for the auditions we had a reading of the play," he said.

"We explained the rehearsal and performance dates, and we got people to identify which particular roles they might be interested in, and we will make a decision as a committee as to who will get the parts.

"The philosophy of the theatre is to give new people a chance to be on stage, so we actually had about six people who have never performed with Strath Players come along.



Strathalbyn Players in their performance of Bullshot Crummond last year.

"The philosophy is also to be inclusive and have people of all ages, genders, religious views or ethnic backgrounds."

Rehearsals for *The Jurors* start in under a

fortnight, with opening night to be May 24.

The productions will run over the following three weekends at night, with a matinee on Sunday, June 2.

"We do have good numbers at present," Mr Hackworth said.

"We have got a lot of enthusiasm, particularly among the younger adults – people in their 20s and early 30s.

"It is a really strong group, which is great for the future of the theatre.

"They haven't decided on the script yet, but the youth theatre will do a performance (this year), and in the second half of the year, we will be producing Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*.

"That has a big cast, so we are looking forward to that occurring in the second half of 2024."

While fielding a cast was important, so was the need for help in the background.

"We will have people who will help with things like stage management, lighting, sound, set painting, acquiring props, and managing props that we use on stage," Mr Hackworth said.

"(We also have) our front of house – the people who meet and greet the customers on the night – and we need people to help with organising publicity, so designing posters, advertising, and working on social media.

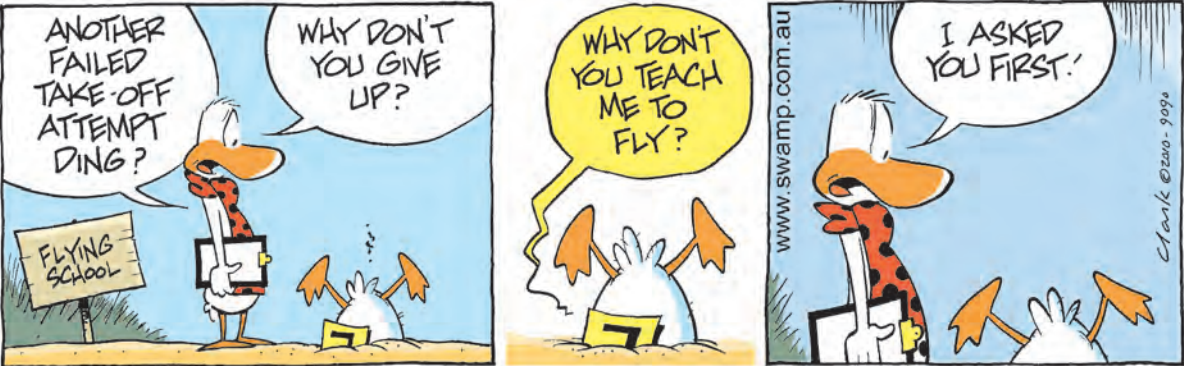
"It is probably a bit too late, as far as being involved as cast (for *The Jurors*), but there are always opportunities for people to be involved behind the scenes.

"We get a lot of support from the community, which is the reason we survive because people come along to the shows.

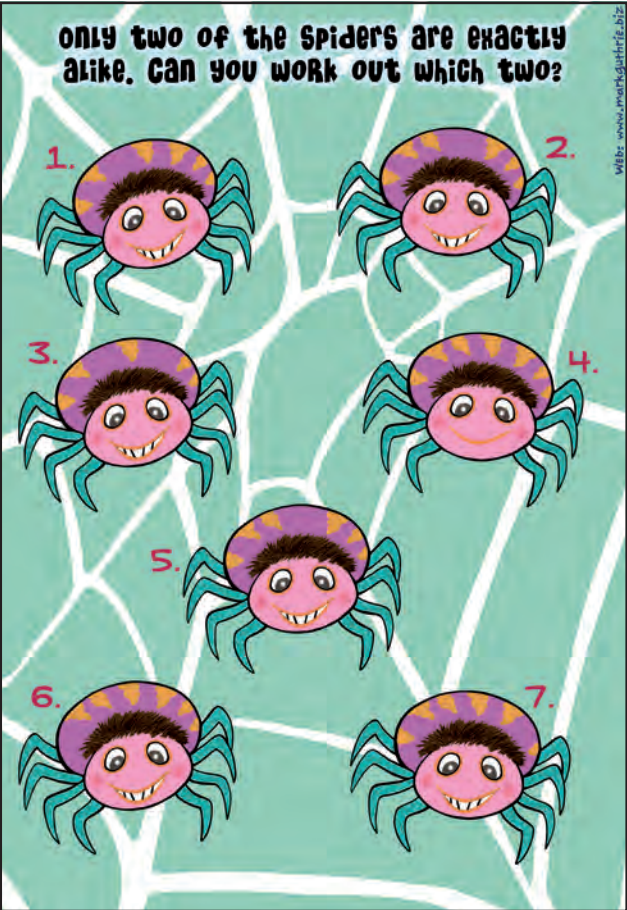
"So, we are always trying to look for shows that people will find interesting and entertaining, and enjoy."

Entertainment

Swamp



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 - 17 Lukewarm
 - 20 Plot
 - 22 Musical study piece
 - 23 Requires
 - 27 Perfect score
 - 28 Gap
 - 29 Brewing ingredient
 - 30 Fish trap
 - 32 Church office holder
 - 34 Paces
 - 37 Turns outwards
 - 40 Brilliance of success
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 - 1 Fashion
 - 2 Very small
 - 3 Allusion
 - 4 Try to equal or excel
 - 5 Sea nymph
 - 6 Buccaneer
 - 7 Talisman
 - 8 Impart secrets
 - 13 Administer
 - 14 Spirit
 - 18 Golf club
- 19 Specialists in teeth care
 - 21 Low-cost inn
 - 24 Slippery catch
 - 25 Stain
 - 26 Musical compositions
 - 31 Eating into
 - 33 One who drills
 - 35 Roof of the mouth
 - 36 Impassive
 - 38 Large tank
 - 39 Runs away to marry
 - 41 Prized fur
 - 44 Ships' records

Faces & Places



Member for Finnis David Basham, VIEW's Pauline Glover and Margaret Watkins, and guest speaker Lainie Anderson were some of the people behind the International Women's Day breakfast at Encounter Bay. Photos: Tara Nash



Michael and Sharee Tansell, of Elizabeth North, with their 1959 Wolseley 1500 at All British Day on March 3. Photos: Deirdre Graham

Dawn Gunn, Val Liebelt and Robyn Van Dok exchanged stories at an International Women's Day event at the Strathalbyn Neighbourhood Centre on March 8. Photo: Deirdre Graham



Port Victor Combined Probus Club members Sue Hill, Sue McKay and Jenny Read getting drinks together before the Fleurieu Women's Community Awards started on March 8.



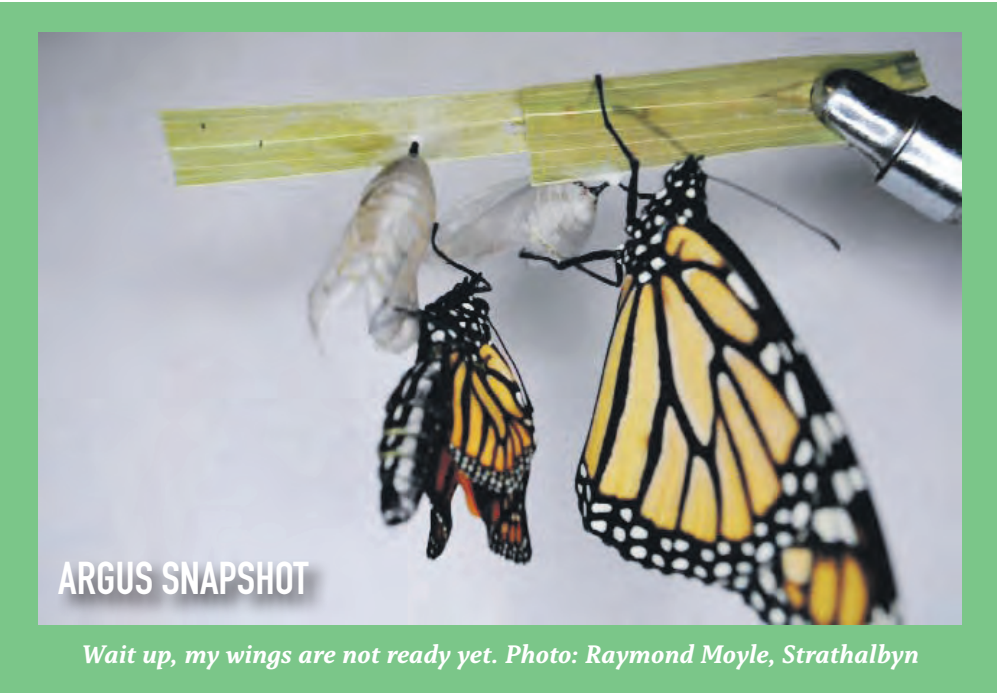
Ian Van Schalkwyk, of Adelaide, and Liam Taylor of Woodside, looking over the exhibits at All British Day on March 3.



Young Female Ambassador Finalist Holly Marquis at the Fleurieu Women's Community Awards earlier this month.



Community volunteer finalists June Taylor and Carmel Svanborg were recognised for their efforts on March 8.



ARGUS SNAPSHOT

Wait up, my wings are not ready yet. Photo: Raymond Moyle, Strathalbyn



Winner of the Shannons Best Vehicle Award at All British Day earlier this month Roger Adamson with his Jaguar E-Type and Shannons representative.



Joshua Bagley

Selling Principal

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4 beds, 2 bathrooms, 4 cars, 21.9ac

Ray White Strathalbyn proudly presents a four-bedroom, two-bathroom 2009 -built home situated on an impressive 21.9 acres parcel of picturesque, primary production land at 453b Callington Road, Callington.

Indulge in the expansive luxury of this residence featuring four generously proportioned bedrooms, with the master boasting a private ensuite and a capacious walk-in robe for secure storage.

Bedrooms two and three, equally spacious, come equipped with built-in robes, ensuring ample storage for all occupants.

The residence opens with a sophisticated living area at the forefront, ideal for a

tranquil parents' retreat or a dedicated home theatre.

At the heart of this elegant abode lies the open-plan living area, seamlessly integrating a second lounge, a splendid dining space, and a state-of-the-art kitchen designed for culinary enthusiasts.

The kitchen is a masterpiece of functionality and style, furnished with stainless steel appliances, a 700mm gas cooktop, and tastefully appointed shaker-style cabinets.

A standout feature is the kitchen's vantage point overlooking a captivating saltwater pool, creating an oasis within your own home.

Ensuring year-round comfort for family and guests, the residence is equipped with two split-system reverse cycle air conditioners and a central slow combustion heater.

Strategically positioned in the heart of the home, the heater guarantees a cosy ambiance regardless of the weather outside.

Step outside into your private retreat, where the cares of the world dissolve amidst the backdrop of lush, green hills.

The outdoor space features an expansive entertainment area, perfect for hosting family events.

Revel in relaxation as you absorb the panoramic views while remaining in close proximity to the inviting saltwater pool-an idyllic setting for endless summer enjoyment.

For those with a desire for craftsmanship, the property offers ample shedding to house weekend tools and provide ample space for a workshop.

The main attraction is an American barn-style shed with concrete flooring, measuring an impressive 8m x 16m, accompanied by an attached implement shed measuring 4m x 16m-an ideal haven for the discerning handyman.

For equestrian enthusiasts, adjacent to the shed, discover three meticulously fenced and secure yards, providing an ideal haven for your equine companions to gracefully and joyfully spend their days in leisure.

This property seamlessly combines sophistication with practicality, offering a lifestyle of comfort, convenience, and endless possibilities.

Internal features:

- 2009 built
- Four spacious bedrooms
- Ensuite
- Three living areas

- Combustion heater
- Split system air conditioning

External features:

- 8.9 hectares/21.9924 acres
- Salt water pool
- American barn-style shed
- 150,000 litre rainwater tank plumbed to the home
- 50,000 litre Riverwater tank plumbed throughout the property
- 4.8kW solar system with battery
- 1.5kW grid connected solar system

Nearby features:

- 5-minute drive to local schools
- 5-minute drive to Callington Oval
- 8-minute drive to Olearia Mountain Bike Trail
- 16-minute drive to Monarto Zoo

The property is located approximately 2km from the South Eastern Freeway via the Callington exit.

Centrally located only 15 minutes to Mount Barker, 20 minutes to Murray Bridge, 15 minutes to Strathalbyn and 30 minutes to the Toll Gate.





Coming soon

Address: 14 Glenalbyn Close, Strathalbyn
Price: Contact Agent
Open: Call Agent
Agent: Raine & Horne Strathalbyn
Phone 8536 3830 RLA316138
Contact: Brendan Saunders
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How About the Presentation?
Ideal for several demographics, the beautiful home at 14 Glenalbyn Close comprises of four bedrooms, two bathrooms, two living areas and an entertaining area that the whole family will love.
Located close to schools, with access to riverside walkways, playground and park facilities, this property offers a lifestyle, not just a home.
Set on 725sqm, this stunning property has not a hair out of place.
The home built in 2012 has a bright and neutral colour tone throughout and modern touches including feature lighting.
The master bedroom privately positioned

at the front of the home, has a walk-in robe and ensuite while the remaining three bedrooms have built-in robes.
Storage in the home is plentiful with an independent storeroom in place.
A separate lounge room could double as a fifth bedroom and offers a great space to sit and relax.
The open plan design has a slow combustion heater and a split system air conditioner to keep you comfortable all year round.
The kitchen offers ample bench and cupboard space, a dishwasher, and a large walk-in pantry.
The open plan design flows from the

family to the outdoor entertaining space.
The stained timber pergola is complemented by a rich timber deck and led lighting.
The amazing low maintenance garden adds beautiful colour to the yard.
Along with the double garage under the main roof a 6m x 3.6m shed is a great workshop and storage area.
The property can store a caravan already, and vehicle access to the rear is available. Other features include a 6kw solar system and approximately 5000L or rainwater storage. This beautiful home is complete and ready to enjoy.

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- Rectangular 2264m2 perfectly flat site in the heart of Strathalbyn's shopping precinct
- Dual tenancy opportunity with holding income
- Currently utilised as a mechanical workshop with separate show room
- 145m2 show room plus 460m2 workshop

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For Sale
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- Generous 602m2 Torrens Title allotment
- Open plan design with combined living and dining
- Well positioned a short walk from the town centre

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For Sale
196ha (484.3acs) Best Offers (\$1.2m+)

- An ideal entry level ag or farm build up opportunity
- Clean cropping country ideally suited to cereals & canola
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Big, beautiful seclusion on a lifestyle's or graziers 52-hectare escape

- SA Mains water connection
- New steel cattle yards with crush & loading ramp
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Comfort living on Callington

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Ray White Strathalbyn is proud to present this four-bedroom, 1.5-bathroom, situated on a spacious 1,453sqm allotment at 27A Callington Road, Strathalbyn.

Conveniently situated within walking distance of local schools and tucked away from bustling roads to ensure tranquility, this charming four-bedroom home presents an enticing opportunity for you to make it your own.

Upon entering the property, you'll be captivated by the expansive entertainment area, enveloped by lush foliage and verdant surroundings.

This inviting space offers the ideal retreat to unwind after a long day's work or host gatherings with family and friends, promising both relaxation and ample room for socializing.

Step into the heart of the home, where a generously appointed kitchen awaits. Adorned with sleek stainless steel appliances and boasting a convenient walk-in pantry, this culinary haven provides ample room for storing and preparing culinary delights.

Abundant counter top space invites even the most discerning chef to unleash their creativity.

The residence comprises four spacious bedrooms, two of which feature built-in robes, catering to the storage requirements of a growing family.

Embracing the theme of space, the home boasts two expansive living areas, offering versatility for both children's playtime and adults' relaxation, providing the perfect retreat to unwind after a demanding day.

Venturing outdoors, you'll find a substantial shed, ideal for securely storing the family's recreational equipment or serving as a workshop for the handyman in your household.

With sprawling lawns for children and pets to frolic, and well-maintained gardens requiring minimal upkeep, reclaiming your weekends for leisure becomes effortless.

- Internal features:
- Four spacious bedrooms
 - Two toilets
 - Built-in robes

- Two living rooms
- Air conditioning
- Ample cupboard space
- Stainless steel appliances

- External features:
- 1,453sqm allotment
 - Carport
 - Large entertainment area
 - Solar
 - Shed
- Nearby features include:
- 1-minute walk to Strathalbyn Polo Grounds.
 - 2-minutes walk to local schools.
 - 3-minutes drive to historical High Street.
 - 4-minutes drive to local cafes and bakeries.
 - 4-minutes drive to the outdoor swimming pool.

Located in the beautiful township of Strathalbyn, minutes to all amenities including parklands, shops, public transport and schools, this property exemplifies the ease of living and sets the benchmark for style and quality.

Strathalbyn is only a short 20-minute drive to Mt Barker or the rural city of Murray Bridge



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Address:

22 Langrehr Road, Finnis

Price:

Best offers over \$1.4M

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Sunday, March 24
11.00 - 11.30 a.m.

Agent:

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Contact:

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Experience the ultimate rural retreat on 15.4 hectares (38 acres) of breathtaking

countryside in Finnis. Nestled away from prying eyes, a stunning stone home awaits, meticulously crafted with high ceilings, industrial doors, and panoramic views of the Finnis River.

This rare gem, usually passed down through generations, is now available to make your family's dreams come true.

The property, developed over years with love and care, features a stone wall meticulously crafted over 18 months, blending seamlessly into the natural landscape.

It is ideal for a bed and breakfast, artist retreat, or simply to revel in sustainable living surrounded by nature's beauty.

The main home boasts one bedroom, one

bathroom, and expansive living spaces, perfectly designed to embrace the landscape.

Through large windows, gaze upon a 7-acre island accessed by a bridge, transformed into a haven for wildlife in winter.

Completely off the grid, powered by solar and generator, with ample rainwater and river supply for gardens and stock, it's a nature lover's paradise.

For romantic getaways, the property exudes charm, enhanced by its picturesque surroundings and stylish design.

Enjoy leisurely drives past farm life, with stunning views from every angle, inviting you to relax and unwind.

Entertain with ease on the front deck or terraced gardens, overlooking the river and

rolling hills.

The seamless flow between indoor and outdoor spaces allows you to embrace nature at every turn. The heart of the home, the kitchen, is equipped for any occasion with Caesarstone countertops and Smeg appliances.

Light-filled rooms and a large combustion heater add to the property's allure, perfect for gatherings with loved ones.

Conveniently located just 15 minutes from Strathalbyn, Clayton Bay, and Goolwa, and only 60 minutes from Adelaide CBD, this property offers the perfect blend of seclusion and accessibility.

Don't miss the chance to make this idyllic countryside retreat your own.

New Listing

FINNISS 172 Narilla Road

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OPEN: Contact Agent

Narilla Farm

Narilla Farm is located 15.4 kms from Strathalbyn, the farm comprises of a total area of 75.5302 hectares (186.639 acres) with 1 freehold title. Fenced into 12 Paddocks with trees surrounding the property which has been certified NASAA Organic. The property is utilised for a continuous cropping enterprise, always maintaining its biodynamic principals. When not cropping the property can sustain 60 head of cattle which have been run with their off spring for 9 months. The other paddocks are sown for grain for making quality flour, all chemical free. The property has power available across the main road, Solar is supplied by a few panels for electric fencing to the property & water is supplied via SA Mains water meter. A well balanced property with soil profile chemical free, healthy soils. Biodynamic methods have been used over the years, and NASAA approved.

Sylvia Jemson-Ledger 0487 301 390

Land Size: 75.5302 hectares (186.639 acres)

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Saturday March 23

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1.00pm – 1.45pm	33 Collins Street, Summertown	Elders Real Estate Strathalbyn

Sunday, March 24

9.30am – 10.00am	484 Kessell Road, Middleton	Elders Real Estate Strathalbyn
10.00am – 10.30am	2b Caldwell Street, Strathalbyn	Raine and Horne Strathalbyn
11.00am – 11.30am	22 Langrehr Road, Finniss	Elders Real Estate Strathalbyn
12.30pm – 1.00pm	70E Thorpe Road, Clayton Bay	Elders Real Estate Strathalbyn
2.00pm – 2.30pm	685 Nurragi Road, Strathalbyn	Elders Real Estate Strathalbyn
3.30pm – 4.00pm	170 Woodcone Road, Mount Compass	Elders Real Estate Strathalbyn



Luxurious living meets sustainable style

Address: 8 Wick Way, Strathalbyn

Price: \$820,000 - \$855,000

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Contact: Joshua Bagley 0487 823 645

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Ray White Strathalbyn is proud to present this three-bedroom, two-bathroom, 2014-built home situated on a generous 1,520sqm allotment at 8 Wick Way, Strathalbyn.

As you step through the threshold of this exquisite property, a palpable sense of elegance envelops you.

To your right, a second living area beckons, offering panoramic views that inspire tranquility.

Whether it's a cosy retreat for delving into the latest bestseller with a cup of morning tea, a sanctuary for parents seeking respite, or a productive home office space, this room

caters to diverse needs with grace.

Continuing down the hallway, you encounter equally spacious bedrooms two and three, each adorned with built-in robes ensuring seamless organization, while ceiling fans promise year-round comfort.

The Master bedroom, a sanctuary of sophistication, bathes in natural light, boasting a walk-in robe for seamless storage and a private ensuite exuding luxury.

The kitchen, a chef's dream, boasts ample cupboard space and a generously proportioned floating bench, complemented by a well-appointed dishwasher. Overlooking the lounge/dining area, it frames the meticulously kept gardens beyond, offering a seamless blend of functionality and aesthetic appeal.

Venturing outside, you're greeted by an inviting undercover alfresco area, an idyllic retreat for unwinding after a long day or hosting gatherings with loved ones.

Fully equipped with ceiling fan, it ensures comfort in every season, while overlooking lush established gardens featuring native flora, fruit trees, and raised vegetable patches-perfect for the avid gardener's

leisurely pursuits.

Tucked discreetly in the yard, a fully concreted garden shed stands ready to house all your tools and equipment.

Moreover, this home boasts thoughtful features designed to mitigate the impact of living expenses.

Double glazing on all windows and doors, along with comprehensive insulation throughout the walls and roof, ensure optimal energy efficiency.

UV film on the lounge room windows shields against harsh sunlight, while solar panels help alleviate summer energy bills.

A substantial 28,000-litre water tank, plumbed to the home, further contributes to sustainability efforts, making this residence a testament to both luxury and practicality.

Internal features:

- 2014 built
- Three spacious bedrooms
- En-suite
- Built-in robes
- Two living areas
- Airconditioning
- Slow combustion heater

External features:

- 1,520sqm allotment
- 6.4m x 6m undercover alfresco
- Solar
- 28,000 litre water tank plumbed to house
- Established fruit trees
- Veggie patch

Nearby features:

- 3-minute drive to public and private schools
- 3-minute drive to historic High Street
- 5-minute drive to the Football Oval
- 5-minute drive to Woolworths Shopping District

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Resthaven’s new Murray Mallee Hills Manager Kimberley Lord with Fleurieu Manager Tanya Boakes.

Growth across the Fleurieu is seeing Resthaven expand its range of aged care service options, with its Murray Bridge and Hills and Fleurieu service to be split into two services this month.

Established in 1935, Resthaven is a

South Australian not-for-profit aged care community service associated with the Uniting Church in Australia.

The group provides services throughout metropolitan Adelaide, the Adelaide Hills, Murraylands, Riverland, Fleurieu Peninsula, lower Barossa region and the Limestone Coast of South Australia.

Resthaven’s Murray Bridge, Hills and Fleurieu Community Service was one of its biggest, but continued growth has prompted changes.

“Resthaven Murray Bridge, Hills & Fleurieu Community Services covers a very large geographical area, with five offices – in Murray Bridge, Strathalbyn, Goolwa, Port Elliot and Victor Harbor,” Executive Manager Community Services, Mel Ottoway, said.

“The team has done an amazing job supporting clients across the region, however, it is now time to create two regional services – Resthaven Fleurieu Community Services, and Resthaven Murray Mallee Hills Community Services.

“Tanya Boakes has been appointed as the new manager in the Fleurieu, and Kimberley Lord as the new manager for Murray Mallee Hills.

“Both Tanya and Kimberley are well-known locals, having worked in management roles with Resthaven Murray Bridge, Hills and Fleurieu Community Services for several years.”

The move will have minimal impact on the older people who are supported by Resthaven, as the organisation will undergo a gradual division, aiming to have operations fully separated by July 1, 2024.

“We are excited for this new chapter in Resthaven’s community service, and wish Tanya and Kimberley well in their new roles,” Ms Ottoway said.

“Resthaven Murray Mallee Hills Community Services will continue to operate out of the custom-built office at 37 Swanport Road, Murray Bridge, adjacent to the residential aged care home.

“The office at 9 Rankine Street, Strathalbyn, will become the Resthaven Fleurieu Community Services main office, with outreach offices in Goolwa, Port Elliot, and Victor Harbor.

“The sites will continue to work closely together to deliver outstanding care and services to older people throughout the regions.”

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Strathalbyn wool classer Graham Jenke, pictured with dog Lucy, has worked for more than 50 years in the wool industry. INSET: Graham with a fleece. Photos: Deirdre Graham

By Deirdre Graham

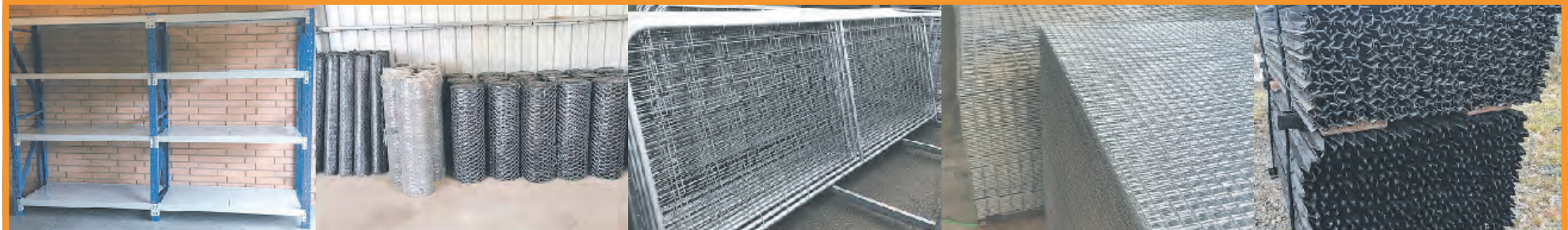
Strathalbyn farmer Graham Jenke will turn 73 this year, and celebrate more than 53 of them as a wool classer and roustabout. Graham always wanted to be a farmer, but as a child, his father wanted him and his brother to seek a profession other than farming. So, Graham also chose wool classing and roustabouting, and his brother chose mechanics. “Traditionally, a wool classer, if you go back to the 1970s, just stood at the table,” Mr Jenke said. “All the roustabouts did the skirting, and the wool classer just classed the wool into lines of wool. “But nowadays, the classers usually work on the table as well – they help with skirting, they will pick up fleeces when they have to, and they usually do the pressing as well. “In a smaller shed that is a combined shed, if you are in a big eight to 10 stander with 10 shearers, you would just do the classing.” Technically wool classers group fleece into categories such as length and thickness,

quality, colour, strength and cleanliness. “It is about sorting the wool into lines,” Mr Jenke said. “Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) has specific lines for different types of wool, and principally it is based on merinos and you are looking for evenness in the quality of the wool, and evenness in the crimp. “Wool is sold on specifications which is tested and microned.... So you are basically putting wools together of similar types, similar microns and similar lengths.” Mr Jenke said roustabouting and wool classing could be challenging. “You have to be prepared to work for a start,” he said. “You have always had to do a course on wool classing, and nowadays, you can do it through AWI as they have schools that they do. “You have to do so much theory and so much practical, and then you have to submit clips. “They have to pass them and they have to be up to their standard that they want, and you have to do crossbred clips as well as the merino clips.”

Despite the challenging work conditions, plenty of work exists for wool classers and roustabouts. “There is a shortage of wool classers at the moment,” Mr Jenke said. “It seems there has always been a shortage of people to work in the shearing industry. “You have to start work at 7.30am and you don’t knock off until 5pm, so you have three two-hour sessions and one hour-and-a-half session with half hour breaks and an hour for lunch. “It is constant work and you have to travel a bit, but it pays really well though. “To be just a roustabout – which is just picking up fleeces, skirting the fleeces, and just doing whatever jobs – you don’t have to know a lot about it, but you have to be prepared to learn, see what is happening around you, and just do it.” The Strathalbyn region has about three wool classers who occasionally work together as a team, sometimes roustabouting and sometimes classing. Mr Jenke sees a positive future for the industry. “It is not a produced synthetic material, it is

biodegradable, and the wool itself can keep you warm in winter and cool in summer,” he said. “No other product can do that. “It is not a problem with landfill or anything like that, and the product lasts a lot longer. “We are facing the animal liberation people that say you shouldn’t keep animals for wool, which is silly.” At 73, Mr Jenke wishes more people were interested in working as wool classers or roustabouts. “I have actually said that I would like to do less,” he said. “But I would rather keep busy as I am one of those people who always wants to be busy, so if I am not doing wool classing, I will be doing something else. “If there were plenty of people to work in the sheds, I wouldn’t have to work, but I get rung up fairly regularly – ‘we need you for a couple of days here, can you fill in?’ “I suppose you can say no, but there is no one else to do it, and that can be our biggest problem.”

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Yarruks Farm workers Stina Nykvist, owner Allora Skurray and Katie Zeunert arranging bouquets. INSET: Bouquet arrangements are tailored to the clients' needs. Photos: Tara Nash

Unseasonable weather impacts flowers



By Tara Nash

Unseasonable weather has thrown a hurdle to local flower farmers who find it unpredictable of when buds will bloom. Yarruks Farm owner Allora Skurray has seen no consistency over the six years that they have owned the Currency Creek

property, which she credits to global warming. “When we look back at pictures from last year of what we had flowering at this exact time, it’s completely different to what we have flowering this year,” she said. “Especially the rain and not having the summer heat as what we should have has made flowers not open.” Flowers need rain and a burst of heat to make them pop, so a few cooler days can slow down their opening.

However, the family-run business gets the longest growth and flowering times possible to supply some species all year round by contracting on other farms as well as their 60-acre property. “The weather from here to Myponga or Lenswood is so diverse,” Ms Skurray explained. “Our flowers start flowering closer to the sea, down Yankalilla way, then we follow the flower growth throughout. “We have about two weeks over Christmas

of down time and other than that, there isn’t any time that we don’t have stock to sell.” Previously living in Seaford, Ms Skurray and her partner Ryan purchased the property six years ago and rebuilt much of the space including replanting over three quarters of the plantation. Yarruks Farm – which is their surname spelt backwards – is supported by a team of employees and family members, and collaborates with Jagged Farm.

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Trend towards local farmers

“Ryan always wanted to work for himself and he’s always loved farming and being on the land,” Ms Skurray said.

“He is the flower brains – he knows all about the flowers and has gone to seminars and conferences and made friends with other growers around South Australia.

“Overtime, he’s taken other peoples’ opinions, learned from them, and applied it to our own life.”

The farmers sell direct to florists and wholesalers in Adelaide, Brisbane and Sydney, and also cater for weddings, funerals, corporate and community events, including Mount Compass sport.

The farm grows native flowers to Australia and South Africa, including king proteas which are one of the most popular flowers requested as a focal point for brides’ bouquets.

Native flowers have been trendy over recent years, which Ms Skurray believes could be since COVID halted international imports, and that they dry well.

“Wholesalers were almost completely reliant on what people could grow within the country but it specifically put an emphasis on local growers within your own state,” she said.

“During COVID, the world shut down, whereas we actually got busier.

“We were lucky enough to be deemed an essential service and we were still able to work and supply.”

A lot of love and manual labour goes behind the farm, including hand-maintenance of pruning trees while harvesting to encourage



Yarruks Farm owner Ryan Skurray collaborates with Jagged Farm’s Paul Davidson, more commonly known as Wes.

growth for the following season.

Creating a bouquet arrangement depends on where they are being sent, with many florists having a specific model of what they want in their bouquets.

For example, when *The Argus* visited last week, staff were creating arrangements with two large focal flowers, about three to four leucadendrons, a filler, and a pretty flower.



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South Australia on show in China

South Australia's vibrant food, wine and beverage offering was in the spotlight recently as a delegation of companies visited China alongside Primary Industries and Regional Development Minister Clare Scriven.

With a reputation for premium quality, product innovation and unique flavours, more than 30 South Australian producers were showcasing a selection of South Australian products to the Chinese market.

Three key events, including two Taste of South Australia Showcases (one in Guangzhou and one in Chengdu), and a South Australian Wine Summit in Chengdu, provided an opportunity for promotion to distributors, importers, buyers, retailers, and media in China.

The participating South Australian companies were accompanying the Minister and senior staff from the Department of Primary Industries and Regions.

The trade mission included promotional events, tastings, and business networking opportunities in China for South Australian companies to engage with existing



South Australian Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Clare Scriven has been promoting the state's food, wine and beverage industries in China.

partners as well as develop potential new partnerships.

Significant progress has been made recently at both state and federal levels to stabilise Australia's relationship with China, with the removal of trade impediments on a range of Australian products since May last year, including coal, cotton, timber, barley, and

oaten hay.

The South Australian Government has welcomed China's recent interim decision in its review of duties on Australian bottled wine that could lead to the removal of charges on Australian wine.

China remains South Australia's largest trading partner, with merchandise exports up 51.6 per

Strathalbyn Store Sale Report, March 15									
Numbers eased as combined agents yarded 800 head of feeder and backgrounding cattle. Good quality yarding presented and met to slightly softer demand, 15-20c back on steers and 5-10c back on heifers. Stock report supplied by Nutrien at Strathalbyn and Elders Stock Agents.									
Sex	Weight Range	Head	Min	c/Kg Avg	Max	Min	\$/Head Avg	Max	Total
Not recorded	200-280	11	307.6	307.6	307.6	850.00	850.00	850.00	9,350.00
\$/Head									
Total Not recorded	200-280	11	307.6	307.6	307.6	850.00	850.00	850.00	9,350.00
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BULL	400-500	1	186.92	186.92	186.92	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
\$/Head									
Total BULL		1	186.92	186.92	186.92	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
\$/Head									
COW & CALF	Unweighed	6	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,260.00	1,326.67	1,360.00	7,960.00
\$/Head									
Total COW & CALF		6	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,260.00	1,326.67	1,360.00	7,960.00
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HEIFER	200-280	103	176.53	227.57	250.92	490.00	607.86	690.00	62,610.00
\$/Head									
	280-330	95	201.01	227.66	247.66	600.00	713.26	780.00	67,760.00
	330-400	91	204.47	221.08	244.04	690.00	770.99	850.00	70,160.00
		289	176.53	225.29	250.92	490.00	693.88	650.00	200,530.00
TOTAL HEIFER									
\$/Head									
STAG	280-330	1	77.40	77.40	77.40	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
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TOTAL STAG	280-330	1	77.40	77.40	77.40	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
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STEER	200-280	39	287.20	315.54	324.12	745.00	828.33	870.00	32,305.00
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	280-330	209	232.69	288.67	340.85	710.00	885.79	1,020.00	185,130.00
	330-400	223	227.27	302.17	323.48	750.00	1,109.01	1,280.00	247,310.00
	400-500	22	303.22	305.59	307.52	1,270.00	1,330.00	1,390.00	29,260.00
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TOTALS		801	0.00	272.60	340.85	250.00	890.01	1,390.00	712,895.00

cent to \$3.6 billion - the highest figure on record.

"China is a highly valued market for a range of South Australian food and beverage products including field crops, dairy, horticulture, seafood, wine, and spirits," Ms Scriven said.

Trade and Investment Minister Nick Champion said the delegation to China highlighted South Australia's strengths in sustainable agriculture, premium food production, and winemaking innovation.

"By leveraging the region's reputation for excellence, South Australian companies aim to capture the attention of discerning distributors, importers, retailers, and buyers to establish themselves as preferred suppliers," Mr Champion said.

"This trade mission underscored South Australia's commitment to supporting its food, wine and beverage industries' growth and competitiveness on the world stage."

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Spray application to be reviewed by GPSA

In a bid to address ongoing challenges around agrichemical spray application, Grain Producers SA (GPSA) has appointed a consultant to review options to strengthen best practice in the industry.

Experienced South Australian business Hydra Consulting has been appointed to lead the multi-pronged project on behalf of GPSA.

In addition, GPSA has commissioned a team of researchers from the University of South Australia (UniSA) to undertake a project on the attitudes and behaviours of farmers to mitigate spray drift.

Agricultural chemicals protect crops from pests and disease, but their incorrect use can have adverse effects on health and the environment.

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	ABC	ABC PLUS	SEVEN	NINE	TEN	SBS
THURSDAY MARCH 21	6:00 News Breakfast 9:00 ABC News Mornings 10:00 Australian Story (PG) 10:30 Compass 11:00 Antiques Roadshow 12:00 ABC News At Noon 1:00 Whale With Steve Backshall 2:00 Parliament Question Time 3:00 The Cook And The Chef 3:25 Tenable 4:15 Antiques Roadshow 5:15 Grand Designs (PG) 6:00 Back Roads 6:30 Hard Quiz (PG) 7:00 ABC News 7:30 8:00 Foreign Correspondent 8:30 Grand Designs New Zealand (PG) 9:20 Antiques Roadshow (PG) 10:20 Better Date Than Never (PG) 10:50 ABC Late News 11:05 The Business 11:20 This Is Going To Hurt (M,I,s) 12:05 Grand Designs (PG) 12:55 Parliament Question Time 1:55 Tenable 2:40 rage (MA15+) 4:30 Catalyst (PG)	5:00 Children's Programs 12:00 Tik Tak 12:45 Bing 1:00 Peppa Pig 1:30 Thomas And Friends 2:05 Go Jetters 2:30 Dot. 3:05 Ready, Jet, Go! 3:30 Play School 4:00 Andy's Aquatic Adventures 4:25 Circle Square 5:00 Peppa Pig 5:35 Pop Paper City 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:30 Peter Rabbit 7:05 Riley Rocket 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 8:30 Hard Quiz (PG) 9:00 Gruen (MA15+) 9:40 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering (PG) 10:10 Penn And Teller: Fool Us (PG) 10:55 Whose Line Is It Anyway? (PG) 11:15 Adam Hills: The Last Leg (M) 12:00 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 12:30 Black Mirror (M,I,s) 1:40 Live At The Apollo (M,I,s) 2:40 Louis Theroux: By Reason Of Insanity (M) 3:40 ABC News Update	6:00 Sunrise 9:00 The Morning Show (PG) 11:30 Seven Morning News 12:00 Movie : "Revenge Best Served Chilled" (AKA 'A Glass Of Revenge') (M,v) ('21) Stars: Lynn Kim Do 2:00 Your Money & Your Life 2:30 Border Security International (PG) 3:00 The Chase UK (PG) 4:00 Seven News At 4 5:00 The Chase Australia (PG) 6:00 Seven News 7:00 AFL: Round 2: St Kilda v Collingwood *Live* From The MCG 10:00 AFL: Post Game 10:30 The Latest Seven News 11:00 The Amazing Race (PG) 12:30 Fortitude (MA15+) 1:30 Medical Emergency (PG) 2:00 Home Shopping 4:00 NBC Today	6:00 Today 6:30 Today Extra 11:30 NINE News Morning 12:00 Married At First Sight: Dinner Party (M,I,s) 1:30 My Way 2:00 Pointless (PG) 3:00 Tipping Point (PG) 4:00 NINE News Afternoon 5:00 Tipping Point Australia (PG) 6:00 NINE News 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) 7:30 The Making Of The Melbourne International Flower And Garden Show 8:30 Australia Behind Bars (MA15+) 9:30 World's Most Dangerous Prisoners: Nichols (M,v) 10:30 Law & Order: Organized Crime: Trap (MA15+) 11:20 NINE News Late 11:50 A+E After Dark (M) 12:40 Tipping Point (PG) 1:30 Pointless (PG) 2:30 Home Shopping 4:00 Religious Programs 4:30 A Current Affair (PG)	6:00 Everyday Gourmet 6:30 My Market Kitchen 7:00 The Talk 8:00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 8:30 Neighbours (PG) 9:00 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 9:30 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 10:00 Good Chef Bad Chef 10:30 Judge Judy (PG) 11:00 Dr Phil (M) 12:00 10 News First: Midday 1:00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 1:30 Judge Judy (PG) 2:00 Dr Phil (M) 3:00 Good Chef Bad Chef 3:30 10 News First: Afternoon 4:00 Neighbours (PG) 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 5:00 10 News First 6:00 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 6:30 The Project (PG) 7:30 The Dog House Australia (PG) 8:40 Gogglebox Australia (M) 9:40 Law & Order: SVU (M,v) 10:30 Blue Bloods (M,v) 11:30 The Project (PG) 12:30 The Late Show (PG)	5:00 Worldwatch 9:15 Peer To Peer: Wynton Marsalis (PG) 9:45 Make Me A Dealer (PG) 10:35 Kew Gardens: Season By Season 11:25 Vanitas 12:00 Worldwatch 2:00 Betrayed - Surviving An American Concentration Camp (M) 3:00 Where Are You Really From? (PG) 3:45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw (PG) 4:15 Worlds Most Scenic Railway Journeys (PG) 5:05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind Australia (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:35 Bettany Hughes - The Silk Road Treasures (PG) 8:30 Stanley Tucci - Searching For Italy (M,I) (In English/ Italian) 9:20 The Vanishing Triangle (M,I) 10:10 SBS World News Late 10:40 Illegals (M,I,v) (In Russian/ English/ Polish)
FRIDAY MARCH 22	6:00 News Breakfast 9:00 ABC News Mornings 10:00 Planet America 10:30 That Pacific Sports Show 11:00 Antiques Roadshow 12:00 ABC News At Noon 1:00 Silent Witness (M,v) 2:00 House Of Gods (M,I) 2:55 The Cook And The Chef 3:25 Tenable 4:10 Antiques Roadshow 5:10 Grand Designs (PG) 6:00 Back Roads 6:30 Hard Quiz (PG) 7:00 ABC News 7:30 Gardening Australia 8:30 Happy Valley (M,I) 9:30 Hard Quiz (PG) 10:05 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering (PG) 10:35 QI: Television (M,I) 11:05 ABC Late News 11:20 Grand Designs (PG) 12:10 Tenable (PG) 12:55 Belgravia (PG) 1:45 rage Guest Programmer (MA15+) 5:00 rage (PG)	5:00 Children's Programs 12:00 Tik Tak 12:45 Bing 1:00 Peppa Pig 1:30 Thomas And Friends 2:05 Go Jetters 2:30 Dot. 3:05 Ready, Jet, Go! 3:30 Play School 4:00 Andy's Aquatic Adventures 4:25 Circle Square 5:00 Peppa Pig 5:35 Pop Paper City 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:30 Peter Rabbit 7:05 Riley Rocket 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 8:30 Movie : "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 1" (M) ('11) Stars: Billy Burke 11:25 Movie : "Pan's Labyrinth" (MA15+) ('06) Stars: Ivana Baquero (In Spanish) 1:20 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 1:50 QI (PG) 2:20 Killing Eve (MA15+) 3:05 Back (MA15+) 3:30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces (PG) 1:30 No Friend But The Mountains 4:15 ABC News Update	6:00 Sunrise 9:00 The Morning Show (PG) 11:30 Seven Morning News 12:00 Movie : "The Good Nanny" (AKA 'The Perfect Parents' And 'Nanny's Nightmare') (M,v) ('17) Stars: Briana Evigan 2:00 House Of Wellness (PG) 3:00 The Chase UK (PG) 4:00 Seven News At 4 5:00 The Chase Australia (PG) 6:00 Seven News 7:00 AFL: Round 2: Adelaide v Geelong *Live* From Adelaide Oval 10:00 AFL: Post Game 10:45 Armchair Experts (M) 11:40 Get On Extra 12:00 The Arrangement: The Break Up (M,v) 1:00 Travel Oz (PG) 1:30 Medical Emergency (PG) 2:00 Home Shopping 4:00 Million Dollar Minute 5:00 NBC Today	6:00 Today 6:30 Today Extra 11:30 NINE News Morning 12:00 Movie : "The Story Of Love" (PG) ('22) Stars: Brittany Bristow 2:00 Pointless (PG) 3:00 Tipping Point (PG) 4:00 NINE News Afternoon 5:00 Tipping Point Australia (PG) 6:00 NINE News 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) 7:30 David Attenborough's Dynasties II: Cheetah (PG) 8:40 Movie : "The Hitman's Bodyguard" (MA15+) ('17) Stars: Elodie Yung 11:00 Movie : "Judas And The Black Messiah" (MA15+) ('21) Stars: LaKeith Stanfield 1:20 Tipping Point (PG) 2:10 Pointless (PG) 3:00 Home Shopping 4:00 Postcards (PG) 4:30 Home Shopping 5:30 Skippy The Bush Kangaroo	6:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield 6:30 My Market Kitchen 7:00 The Talk 8:00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 8:30 Neighbours (PG) 9:00 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 9:30 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 10:00 Good Chef Bad Chef 10:30 Motorsport: Albert Park All Access 11:30 Motorsport: Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix *Live* From Melbourne Grand Prix Circuit 5:00 10 News First 6:00 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 6:30 The Project (PG) 7:30 Ready Steady Cook 8:30 The Graham Norton Show (M) 10:50 Motorsport: Albert Park All Access 11:50 The Project (PG) 12:50 Fire Country: Mama Bear (M,v) 1:50 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG) 2:30 Home Shopping	5:00 Worldwatch 9:15 Singfest - The Literacy Of Music 10:10 Kew Gardens: Season By Season 11:00 Food Markets - In The Belly Of (PG) (In English/ Greek) 12:00 Worldwatch 2:00 Mastermind 3:00 NITV News: Nula 3:45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw (PG) 4:15 Worlds Most Scenic Railway Journeys: Taiwan (PG) 5:05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind Australia (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 The Good Ship Murder: Malta (PG) 8:25 Treasures Of Gibraltar (PG) 9:20 Queens That Changed The World: The Warrior Queen: Boudica (PG) 10:15 SBS World News Late 10:45 Departure (M,v) 11:35 Devils (MA15+) 4:15 Bamay 4:40 Destination Flavour Scandinavia Bitesize
SATURDAY MARCH 23	6:00 rage (PG) 7:00 Weekend Breakfast 9:00 rage (PG) 10:30 rage Guest Programmer (PG) 12:00 ABC News At Noon 12:30 Death In Paradise (PG) 1:30 Life After Life 2:35 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery: Nicky Winmar (PG) 3:05 Extraordinary Escapes: Sue Johnston (PG) 3:55 Universe With Brian Cox: Heart Of Darkness: Black Holes 4:55 Better Date Than Never (PG) 5:25 Landline 5:55 Australian Story (PG) 6:30 Back Roads (PG) 7:00 ABC News 7:30 Life After Life (M,s) 8:30 Endeavour: Uniform (M,v) 10:00 House Of Gods: Ramadan Sin (M,I) 11:00 Happy Valley (M,I,v) 12:00 rage Guest Programmer (MA15+) 5:00 rage (MA15+)	5:00 Children's Programs 10:35 Oloob Top 11:00 Bluey 11:35 Sally & Possum 12:00 Tik Tak 12:45 Bing 1:00 Peppa Pig 1:30 Thomas And Friends 2:05 Bananas In Pyjamas 2:30 Dot. 3:05 Fireman Sam 3:30 Play School 4:00 Grace's Amazing Machines 4:35 Little J And Big Cuz 5:00 Peppa Pig 5:35 Pop Paper City 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:30 Peter Rabbit 7:05 Karma's World 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 QI (PG) 8:30 Live At The Apollo (M,I,s) 9:15 Whose Line Is It Anyway? (PG) 10:05 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL (M,I) 10:35 Mythbusters (M) 11:25 Double Parked (PG) 11:50 Portlandia (M,I) 12:35 Black Mirror (M,I,s) 1:45 Upstart Crow (M,s) 2:15 Unprotected Sets (MA15+) 3:10 ABC News Update	6:00 NBC Today 7:00 Weekend Sunrise 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend (PG) 11:30 Seven's Horse Racing: Rosehill/ The Valley *Live* 5:00 Seven News At 5 5:30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG) 6:00 Seven News 7:00 AFL: Round 2: Sydney v Essendon *Live* From The SCG 10:00 AFL: Post Game 10:30 TBA 11:30 TBA 12:30 Repco Supercars Highlights 1:30 Medical Emergency (PG) 2:00 Home Shopping 4:00 Get Clever 5:00 House Of Wellness (PG)	6:00 Hello SA (PG) 6:30 A Current Affair (PG) 7:00 Weekend Today 10:00 Today Extra Saturday 12:00 Surfing Australia TV 12:30 My Way 1:00 Ageless 1:30 Living On The Coast 2:00 Great Australian Detour: Journey To The Edge In The Solterra 2:30 David Attenborough's Dynasties II: Cheetah (PG) 3:30 Renovate Or Rebuild 4:30 The Garden Gurus 5:00 NINE News First At 5 5:30 Getaway (PG) 6:00 NINE News 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) 7:30 Space Invaders: Favourite Families Special (PG)	6:00 What's Up Down Under 6:30 Religious Programs 7:00 Camper Deals 7:30 Escape Fishing With ET 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield 8:30 Motorsport: Albert Park All Access 9:30 Motorsport: Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix *Live* From Melbourne Grand Prix Circuit 5:00 10 News First 6:00 Ready Steady Cook 7:00 The Dog House Australia (PG) 8:10 The Dog House UK (PG) 9:10 Ambulance Australia (PG) 10:10 Ambulance UK (M,I) 11:25 So Help Me Todd: Side Effects May Include Murder (PG) 12:20 FBI: International: Someone She Knew (M,v) 1:00 Home Shopping 5:00 Religious Programs	5:00 Worldwatch 9:15 Love Your Home And Garden (PG) 10:10 Vintage Voltage: MG Midget 11:00 Urban Conversion (PG) 12:00 Worldwatch 2:00 Gymnastics: Trampoline World Cup 3:10 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys (PG) 5:00 Grand Tours Of Scotland's Rivers (PG) 5:35 The American Fuhrer (PG) (In English/ German) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Britain's Most Beautiful Road (PG) 8:30 Royal Crisis - Countdown To Abdication (PG) 9:30 From Paris To Rome With Bettany Hughes (PG) 10:25 Those Who Stayed (M) (In English/ Ukrainian) 11:05 Between Two Worlds (M,I) (In English/ German) 12:00 Suspect (MA15+) 3:30 Face To Face (M,I,v) (In Danish) 4:30 Bamay
SUNDAY MARCH 24	6:00 rage (PG) 7:00 Weekend Breakfast 9:00 Insiders 10:00 Offsiders 10:30 The World This Week 11:00 Compass (PG) 11:30 Songs Of Praise 12:00 ABC News At Noon 12:30 Grace's Amazing Machines Australia 2:30 Dream Gardens 3:00 Nigella Bites 3:30 The Cook And The Chef 3:55 Grand Designs New Zealand 4:45 Extraordinary Escapes (PG) 5:30 The ABC Of Germaine Greer (PG) 6:00 Anh's Brush With Fame (PG) 6:30 Compass (PG) 7:00 ABC News 7:30 Death In Paradise (PG) 8:30 House Of Gods: Lament (M,I) 9:30 Happy Valley (M,I,v) 10:35 Movie : "Suffragette" (M,I,v) ('15) Stars: Anne-Marie Duff 12:15 Significant Others (MA15+) 1:05 rage Vault (MA15+) 4:00 Catalyst (PG)	5:00 Children's Programs 12:00 Tik Tak 12:45 Bing 1:05 Peppa Pig 1:30 Thomas And Friends 2:05 Bananas In Pyjamas 2:30 Dot. 3:05 Ready, Jet, Go! 3:30 Play School 4:00 Grace's Amazing Machines 4:35 Little J And Big Cuz 5:05 Karma's World: Jazz For Justice 5:35 Pop Paper City 6:05 Kiya And The Kimoja Heroes 6:30 Peter Rabbit 7:05 Karma's World 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 QI (PG) 8:30 Louis Theroux: America's Most Dangerous Pets (M,I) 9:30 You Can't Ask That (M,I) 10:00 Ragdoll (MA15+) 10:50 Death In Paradise (PG) 11:50 Penn And Teller: Fool Us (PG) 12:30 Tate Britain's Great British Walks (PG) 1:20 No Friend But The Mountains (PG) 2:40 ABC News Update	6:00 NBC Today 7:00 Weekend Sunrise 10:00 The Morning Show - Weekend (PG) 12:00 House Of Wellness (PG) 1:00 Jabba's Movies (PG) 1:30 Better Homes And Gardens 2:30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG) 3:00 The Crows Show (PG) 3:30 AFL: Round 2: Richmond v Port Adelaide *Live* From The MCG 6:00 Seven News 7:00 Australian Idol: Top 3 (PG) 8:30 Lockerbie (M) 10:50 Quantum Leap: Ben & Teller (M) 11:50 Repco Supercars Highlights 12:50 Movie : "Jesse Stone: Sea Change" (M,s,v) ('07) Stars: Tom Selleck 3:00 Home Shopping 3:30 Million Dollar Minute 4:00 NBC Today	6:00 Fishing Australia 6:30 A Current Affair (PG) 7:00 Weekend Today 10:00 Sunday Footy Show (PG) 12:00 Wide World Of Sports (PG) 1:00 Fish Forever 1:30 Drive TV 2:00 Customs (PG) 2:30 Taronga: Who's Who In The Zoo (PG) 3:30 Space Invaders (PG) 4:30 Building Icons 5:00 NINE News First At 5 5:30 Hello SA (PG) 6:00 NINE News Sunday 7:00 Married At First Sight (M,I,s) 8:40 60 Minutes (PG) 9:40 NINE News Late 10:10 Footy Furnace (M,I,v) 11:10 Transplant (M) 12:00 Family Law: Acting Out (PG) 1:00 World's Greatest Engineering Icons: Skyscrapers (PG) 2:00 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything (PG) 3:00 Home Shopping 4:00 Religious Programs 4:30 Fishing Australia	6:00 Religious Programs 8:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield 8:00 Motorsport: Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix *Live* From Melbourne 4:30 Bondi Rescue (PG) 5:00 10 News First 6:30 The Sunday Project (PG) 7:30 I'm A Celebrity ... Get Me Out Of Here (PG) 9:30 NCIS: Hawaii: Nightwatch/ Switchback (M,v) 11:30 The Sunday Project (PG) 12:30 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS Mornings	5:00 Worldwatch 9:15 Love Your Home And Garden (PG) 10:10 Vintage Voltage (PG) 11:00 Urban Conversion 12:00 Worldwatch 12:55 Swan Football 1:00 Motorsport: Australian Superbikes Highlights/ World Rally Raid Championship Highlights 5:00 Wonders Of Scotland (PG) 5:30 Harbour From The Holocaust (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Unlocking The Secrets Of The Nazca Lines (PG) 8:20 Bettany Hughes - Treasures Of Cyprus (PG) 9:15 A Year From Space (PG) 10:35 Latest Secrets Of The Hieroglyphs (PG) (In English/ French) 11:35 Movie : "Beyond The Cut" (PG) ('23) Stars: Zibhonele Bhebhe 11:40 Cycling: Gent-Wevelgem: Men's/ Women's Race *Live* From Flaunders Fields
MONDAY MARCH 25	6:00 News Breakfast 9:00 ABC News Mornings 10:00 Landline 11:00 Antiques Roadshow 12:00 ABC News At Noon 1:00 Australia Remastered: Wombat Kingdom 2:00 Parliament Question Time 3:00 The Cook And The Chef 3:25 Tenable 4:15 Antiques Roadshow 5:10 Grand Designs (PG) 6:00 Back Roads 6:30 Hard Quiz (PG) 7:00 ABC News 7:30 7:30 8:00 Australian Story (PG) 8:30 Four Corners (PG) 9:05 Media Watch 9:20 Q+A (M) 10:35 ABC Late News 10:50 The Business 11:05 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering (M) 11:35 Planet America (PG) 12:10 Grand Designs (PG) 1:00 Parliament Question Time 2:00 Tenable (PG) 2:45 rage (MA15+) 4:30 Catalyst (PG) 5:30 7.30	5:00 Children's Programs 11:00 Bluey 11:35 Sally & Possum 12:00 Tik Tak 12:45 Bing 1:00 Peppa Pig 1:30 Thomas And Friends 2:05 Bananas In Pyjamas 2:30 Dot. 3:05 Ready, Jet, Go! 3:30 Play School 4:00 Andy's Aquatic Adventures 4:25 Circle Square 5:00 Peppa Pig 5:35 Pop Paper City 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:30 Peter Rabbit 7:05 Karma's World 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 8:30 Louis Theroux: America's Most Dangerous Pets (M,I) 9:30 You Can't Ask That (M,I) 10:00 Ragdoll (MA15+) 10:50 Death In Paradise (PG) 11:50 Penn And Teller: Fool Us (PG) 12:30 Tate Britain's Great British Walks (PG) 1:20 No Friend But The Mountains (PG) 2:40 ABC News Update	6:00 Sunrise 9:00 The Morning Show (PG) 11:30 Seven Morning News 12:00 TBA 1:30 Surveillance Oz (PG) 2:00 The Chase UK (PG) 4:00 Seven News At 4 5:00 The Chase Australia (PG) 6:00 Seven News 7:00 Home And Away (PG) 7:30 Australian Idol: Finale (PG) 9:00 The Irrational: Scorched Earth/ Cheating Life (M,v) 11:00 The Latest Seven News 11:30 S.W.A.T.: Short Fuse (M,v) 12:30 Movie : "Until We Are Safe" (AKA 'Great Plains') (M) ('16) Stars: Amelia White 2:30 Home Shopping 4:00 NBC Today	6:00 Today 6:30 Today Extra 11:30 NINE News Morning 12:00 Married At First Sight: Final Commitment Ceremony (M,I,s) 1:30 TBA 2:00 Pointless (PG) 3:00 Tipping Point (PG) 4:00 NINE News Afternoon 5:00 Tipping Point Australia (PG) 6:00 NINE News 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) 7:30 Married At First Sight: Final Dinner Party (M,I,s) 9:00 My Wife, My Abuser: Part 1 (MA15+) 10:00 Footy Classified (M) 11:00 NINE News Late 11:30 Court Cam (M,v) 12:00 Tipping Point (PG) 12:55 Pointless (PG) 1:45 Hello SA 2:15 Talking Honey (PG) 2:30 Home Shopping 4:00 Religious Programs 4:30 A Current Affair (PG)	6:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield 6:30 My Market Kitchen 7:00 The Talk 8:00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 8:30 Good Chef Bad Chef 9:00 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 9:30 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 10:00 Escape Fishing With ET 10:30 Judge Judy (PG) 11:00 Dr Phil (M) 12:00 10 News First: Midday 1:00 TBA 3:00 Good Chef Bad Chef 3:30 10 News First: Afternoon 4:00 Neighbours (PG) 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 5:00 10 News First 6:00 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 6:30 The Project (PG) 7:30 I'm A Celebrity ... Get Me Out Of Here (PG) 9:00 FBI: Most Wanted: Decriminalized/ Covenant (M,v) 11:00 The Project (PG) 12:00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG) 1:00 Home Shopping 4:30 CBS Mornings	5:00 Worldwatch 9:00 Peer To Peer 9:50 Paul O'Grady For The Love Of Dogs (PG) 10:20 Kew Gardens: Season By Season 11:10 Food Markets - In The Belly Of (PG) (In English/ Italian) 12:10 Worldwatch 2:00 Druids - The Mystery Of Celtic Priests (PG) (In English/ German) 3:00 Mastermind 3:45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw (PG) 4:15 Worlds Most Scenic Railway Journeys: Austria (PG) 5:05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind Australia (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Finding Your Roots (PG) 8:30 The 2010s (M) 9:20 24 Hours In Emergency (PG) 10:15 SBS World News Late 10:45 Christian (MA15+) (In Italian) 11:35 Darkness - Those Who Kill (MA15+) (In Danish) 3:10 Mastermind 4:10 Bamay
TUESDAY MARCH 26	6:00 News Breakfast 9:00 ABC News Mornings 10:00 Foreign Correspondent 10:30 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One (PG) 11:00 Antiques Roadshow 12:00 ABC News At Noon 1:00 Call The Midwife (PG) 2:00 Parliament Question Time 3:00 The Cook And The Chef 3:25 Tenable 4:15 Antiques Roadshow 5:10 Grand Designs (PG) 6:00 Back Roads 6:30 Hard Quiz (PG) 7:00 ABC News 7:30 7.30 8:00 Back Roads (PG) 8:30 Better Date Than Never (PG) 9:00 A Life In Ten Pictures (PG) 9:55 TBA 10:25 ABC Late News 10:40 The Business 11:00 Four Corners (PG) 11:35 Q+A (M) 12:40 Media Watch 1:00 Parliament Question Time 2:00 Grand Designs (PG) 2:45 Tenable (PG) 3:35 rage (MA15+) 4:30 Catalyst (PG)	5:00 Children's Programs 10:35 Oloob Top 11:00 Bluey 11:30 Play School 12:00 Tik Tak 12:45 Bing 1:00 Peppa Pig 1:30 Thomas And Friends 2:05 Go Jetters 2:30 Dot. 3:05 Ready, Jet, Go! 3:30 Play School 4:00 Andy's Aquatic Adventures 4:25 Circle Square 5:00 Peppa Pig 5:35 Pop Paper City 5:55 Fireman Sam 6:30 Peter Rabbit 7:05 Karma's World 7:30 Spicks And Specks 8:00 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 8:30 Adam Hills: The Last Leg (M) 9:10 Upstart Crow (M,s) 9:45 Double Parked (PG) 10:10 Portlandia (M,d,s) 10:50 Would I Lie To You? (PG) 11:20 Everything's Gonna Be Okay (M,s) 12:05 All My Friends Are Racist (MA15+) 12:25 Unprotected Sets (MA15+) 1:20 ABC News Update	6:00 Sunrise 9:00 The Morning Show (PG) 11:30 Seven Morning News 12:00 TBA 1:30 Border Security International (PG) 2:00 The Chase UK (PG) 4:00 Seven News At 4 5:00 The Chase Australia (PG) 6:00 Seven News 7:00 Home And Away (PG) 7:30 The 1% Club (PG) 8:30 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA: Max's Bar & Grill (MA15+) 9:30 First Dates UK: Carol & Keith (M) 10:30 The Latest Seven News 11:00 Born To Kill? (MA15+) 12:00 Your Money & Your Life (PG) 12:30 Emerald City: Everybody Lies (MA15+) 1:30 Harry's Practice 2:00 Home Shopping 4:00 NBC Today	6:00 Today 6:30 Today Extra 11:30 NINE News Morning 12:00 Married At First Sight: Final Dinner Party (M,I,s) 1:30 Getaway (PG) 2:00 Pointless (PG) 3:00 Tipping Point (PG) 4:00 NINE News Afternoon 5:00 Tipping Point Australia (PG) 6:00 NINE News 7:00 A Current Affair (PG) 7:30 Gordon Ramsay's Food Stars: The Pitch (PG) 9:10 The Hundred With Andy Lee (PG) 10:10 NINE News Late 10:40 Chicago Med: (Caught Between) The Wrecking Ball And The Butterfly (MA15+) 11:30 Family Law: Catch 22 (M) 12:20 Tipping Point (PG) 1:10 Pointless (PG) 2:00 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything: 20th Century Heavyweights (PG) 3:00 Home Shopping 4:00 Religious Programs	6:00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield 6:30 My Market Kitchen 7:00 The Talk 8:00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 8:30 Neighbours (PG) 9:00 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 9:30 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 10:00 Good Chef Bad Chef 10:30 Judge Judy (PG) 11:00 Dr Phil (M) 12:00 10 News First: Midday 1:00 Entertainment Tonight (PG) 1:30 TBA 3:00 Good Chef Bad Chef 3:30 10 News First: Afternoon 4:00 Neighbours (PG) 4:30 The Bold & The Beautiful (PG) 5:00 10 News First 6:00 Deal Or No Deal (PG) 6:30 The Project (PG) 7:30 I'm A Celebrity ... Get Me Out Of Here (PG) 9:00 NCIS (M,v) 10:00 NCIS: Los Angeles (M,v) 11:00 The Project (PG) 12:00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG)	5:00 Worldwatch 9:00 Paul O'Grady For The Love Of Dogs (PG) 10:00 Wonderful World Of Baby Animals (PG) 10:50 Mountain Vets (M) 12:00 Worldwatch 2:00 The 2010s: Taking It To The Streets (PG) 3:00 Mastermind 3:45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw (PG) 4:15 Worlds Most Scenic Railway Journeys: Dunedin Railways, New Zealand (PG) 5:05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5:30 Letters And Numbers 6:00 Mastermind Australia (PG) 6:30 SBS World News 7:30 Who Do You Think You Are? (PG) 8:30 Insight (M) 9:30 Dateline (M) 10:00 SBS World News Late 10:30 Great British Railway Journeys (PG) 11:05 Blackout - Tomorrow Is Too Late (M,I,v) (In German) 12:00 Bonnie And Clyde (MA15+) (In Dutch)
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Sport

Strathalbyn claims under 14 cricket title



Strathalbyn Under 14 premiership winners. Back: Lewis Oliver, Hamish Whittam, Oliver Ruffell, Jack Obramski, Michael Cutting, Rory Fox-Curnow, Hayden Jenkins, Jackson Smith. Front: Ben Greaves, Archie Wheaton (C), Elisha Thiele, Julian Williamson, Tyrian Cousins and Braden Gane. Photos: Rowan Sims

Strathalbyn's Under 14 cricket team has taken out this year's Alexandra and Eastern Hills Cricket Association Roger Farley Shield, defeating Wistow on the weekend.

Final scores were Strathalbyn 7/211 d Wistow 9/177.

Club president and Under 14 coach Michael Cutting said his side came from fourth to take the premiership.

"They were actually in sixth position before the last minor round game, so to

even make the finals was quite fortunate, so we probably didn't have any great expectations, but we won, which was amazing," he said.

Batting wise Strathalbyn's principal scorers were Archie Wheaton (who was awarded MVP) and Jackson Smith who both retired 50 and 53 not out respectively, Hamish Whittam on 45 and Julian Williamson on 21.

With the ball Ben Greaves finished with 4/18 from five overs.

"I think the boys all just executed when it mattered," Cutting said.

"We started well, we lost our first wicket early, but we had quite an extended period where we didn't lose a wicket.

"I don't think we lost the second wicket until the score was 167.

"We had those couple of guys retire 50 not out, so we had a very good foundation laid by the early batters.

"Then when we bowled we got early wickets – they had some strong batters

at the top of the innings (but) we got their better batters out early."

Cutting said Strathalbyn probably won the game more convincingly than the final score line suggests.

"We had them at 9/108 and then their last two batters had a 69 run last wicket stand, batting well, and adding some credibility to the scoreline," he said.

"Our club is very proud, probably more so because of where they came from.

"A week before finals we weren't even

expecting to make the finals, and to go on and win a premiership is pretty amazing really.

"We played the top side Langhorne Creek (in the semi final), and beat them quite comfortably.


"As much as we had a little bit of luck with other things going our way, the things that we could control in terms of winning when it mattered, and executing their skills at the right time, the boys did a really good job of that."

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Alexandra & Eastern Hills Cricket Association - A Grade - Prelim Final




Lobethal 6/206 v Strathalbyn -

at Lobethal Oval.

Strathalbyn A Grade won the toss and elected to bowl.

Strathalbyn results not supplied.



Lobethal 1st Innings:

			R	B	4S	6S	SR
Ben Matthews	c: Nick Evenden	b: Lachlan Cutting	58	35	2	0	165.71
Mitchell Weeks (c)	c: Mark Abbott	b: Brayden Gaiter	6	1	0	0	600.00
Jeremy Hackett	c: Mark Abbott	b: Matthew Harris.....	6	2	0	0	300.00
Matthew Martin	c: Riley Tonkin	b: Tyson Roberts.....	18	10	0	0	180.00
Sam Martin	not out	.....	72*	41	5	0	175.60
Steven Huxter	c&b: Matthew Harris	.....	27	24	2	0	112.50
Sam Graeber	lbw: Matthew Harris	.....	1	2	0	0	50.00
Daniel Norsworthy	not out	.....	1*	2	0	0	50.00
DNB: Riley Harten, Dave Huxter, William Zadow							

Extras 17 5WD 8NB 3LB 1B 0P **Total** 6 / 206 (44.1 Overs) **Fall of Wickets** 1-19 Mitchell Weeks, 2-29 Jeremy Hackett, 3-69 Matthew Martin, 4-131 Ben Matthews, 5-184 Steven Huxter, 6-186 Sam Graeber **Bowling (O M WD NB W E R)** Brayden Gaiter (c) 9 5 26 1 2.88 3 1 Matthew Harris (vc) 8.1 5 17 3 2.08 0 1 Kane Gaiter 6 4 21 0 3.50 1 1 Tyson Roberts 6 6 0 1 0.00 0 0 Mark Abbott 7 4 12 0 1.71 0 0 Nick Evenden 5 3 12 0 2.40 1 0 Lachlan Cutting 3 1 21 1 7.00 0 0

Alexandra & Eastern Hills Cricket Association - Grand Final

A2 Grade

Nairne 7/131 def by Wistow 7/132 at Nairne Oval.
Nairne, Batting: Darren Milton, 31. Bowling: Matthew Sowden, 2/19.
Wistow, Bowling: Ryan Watt, 3/19. Batting: Connor Burgess, 46.

B Grade

Hahndorf 8/228 def Langhorne Creek Black 10/79 at Hahndorf Oval.
Hahndorf, Batting: Paul Allegretto, 74. Bowling: Paul Allegretto, 3/14; Harry Eades, 3/15.
Langhorne Creek Black, Bowling: Nathan James, 4/37. Batting: Nathan James, 19.

C Grade

Wistow 10/165 def Ashbourne 10/124 at Wistow Oval.
Wistow, Batting: Jason Rehn, 67. Bowling: Oscar Chapman, 3/20; Clinton Smith, 3/22.
Ashbourne, Bowling: Anthony Farrugia, 3/19. Batting: Anthony Farrugia, 83.

D Grade

Nairne 2/115 def Macclesfield 10/113 at Woodside Oval.
Macclesfield, Batting: Fraser Long, 45. Bowling: Patrick Coen, 1/17.
Nairne, Bowling: Bob Hallett, 3/31. Batting: Sam Morgan, 53*.

Strathalbyn Cricket Club - Stable Snippets

It was a fantastic result for our U14s team last weekend, with the lads taking out the A&EHCA premiership at Echunga defeating Wistow.
The boys came from fourth position, so it was a huge effort to win the Roger Farley Shield with all 13 players contributing to the grand final success.
Unfortunately, the season came to an end for the A Grade group who were comprehensively outplayed at Lobethal in their preliminary final.

A Grade

After progressing through last week’s elimination without a ball being bowled due to the heat rule being activated, the Stallions headed up to Lobethal looking to secure a grand final birth against the Northern Tigers.
Having only beaten Lobethal at the venue in Round 17, the team headed into the match with confidence, but also knowing that Lobethal would be a challenging opponent having won the past two grand finals.
After winning the toss and bowling, a tactic that had been used with success for much of the season, skipper Gaiter secured the early wicket of his opposing skipper in Weekes.
When Harris removed the dangerous Hackett, the Stallions were on top with the score 2/29 before Matthews and Matt Martin added 40 for the third wicket.
Another half century stand for the fourth wicket consolidated the Tigers innings, however the run rate was still reasonably in check.
From here though, the home side accelerated and pushed the total up to 6/206, a very imposing total on the expansive Lobethal Oval.
Matt Harris the only multiple wicket taker with three scalps.
The Stallions needed to start well, but lost both openers in Cousins and Pelle inside 30 runs and were on the back foot early.
Mark Abbott was looking in good touch again, however, meaningful partnerships were unable to form and when Abbott was controversially given out caught behind the task looked forlorn.
This proved to be the case with the run chase never really getting going at any stage and the Stallions were eventually bundled out for 120.
A disappointing way to end to the season but on balance the two best sides over the season are playing off in this weekend’s grand final which should be a great contest.

U14

As mentioned above the U14s pulled off a remarkable grand final victory last weekend.
After only just dodging a heat out to win their semi-final last weekend the team headed up to Echunga to tackle Wistow with the weather forecast again looking somewhat ominous for day 2, this time due to rain.
Despite the forecast Stallions skipper, Archie Wheaton won the toss and elected to bat first. Wheaton lost his opening partner in Lewis Oliver early on however from that point the Stallions added

a further 161 runs before the next wicket fell with Wheaton (50) and Jackson Smith (53) both retiring not out during this most productive period for the young Stallions.
At 2/167 after 30 overs a great platform had been laid which Hamish Whittam took full advantage of for the second consecutive week adding another vital, run a ball 45 which included 10 cracking boundaries, the Stallions pushing onto 7/211 in a great display of batting.
Julian Williamson also chipping in with a valuable 21.
Day 2 started under threatening skies and with the Stallions knowing that despite having a big total on the board that a disciplined bowling effort was required to secure the victory.
In what was critical to the overall outcome of the match the Stallions secured three early breakthroughs to have the Echidnas at 3/21 after 10 overs in a brilliant start.
As the showers got heavier the Stallions supporters became anxious however the wet weather soon passed and play continued interrupted.
Several chances were grassed with the greasy ball before Braden Gane secured a well-deserved wicket and the score was 4/36 after 15 overs.
An aggressive fifth wicket partnership of 43 steadied the chase with this only broken courtesy of a superb catch by Lewis Oliver running with the flight of the ball from the bowling of a re-introduced Ben Greaves.
At 5/79 at drinks the Stallions were looking to close out the match and when Greaves rattled the pegs on the resumption of play it was 6/79.
Greaves was in everything, taking a brilliant diving catch to remove the set Wistow batsman before securing his fourth wicket to have the hosts reeling at 8/94. Oli Ruffell was introduced into the attack and grabbed the ninth wicket with the catch taken by Rory Fox-Curnow and at 9/108 in the 26th over the game looked set for an early conclusion.
The final Wistow pair then defying the Stallions and seeing out the day in an unbeaten 69 run stand in a great display of lower order resistance, the Echidnas eventually finishing on 9/177 with the Stallions victorious by 34 runs.
Ben Greaves was outstanding with the ball finishing with 4/18 from five overs while Braden Gane bowled a key spell, taking 1/10 from his five overs.
Elisha Thiele and Jackson Smith both bowling tightly at the top of the innings.
Archie Wheaton was awarded the MVP of the grand final by the umpires with his fine innings on Day 1, along with his tidy wicket keeping and excellent leadership.
It was a great reward for persistence and effort to take out the premiership flag after coming from fourth position and only just sneaking into finals – well played lads!
Strathalbyn 7/211 (J Smith 53; A Wheaton 50; H Whittam 45; J Williamson 21) def. Wistow 9/177 (B Greaves 4/18; O Ruffell 1/3; B Gane 1/10; J Smith 1/13; E Thiele 1/18).

Alexandra & Eastern Hills Cricket Association - U14 Grand Final



U14 Grand Final MVP & 23/24 Leading Run Scorer Archie Wheaton.



Jackson Obranski.



Julian Williamson.



Hamish Whittham.



Archie Wheaton.



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Friday, March 22

Adelaide Crows vs. Geelong Cats (AO)

Saturday, March 23

North Melbourne vs. Fremantle (MRVL)

Hawthorn vs. Melbourne (MCG)

Sydney Swans vs. Essendon (SCG)

Sunday, March 24

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Lobethal seeking threeppeat at the Creek

Lobethal are chasing their third straight AEHCA one day title this Saturday when they take on the Langhorne Creek Tigers at Murray Road. The Brodie O'Dea led Langhorne Creek finished minor premiers for the second year running and will be keen to atone for last year's grand final loss after no blemishes during the minor round in 2022/23 before going down to Lobethal by 75 runs in an upset.

It will be Langhorne Creek's fourth grand final in six years since their last premiership in 2018/19 when they defeated Hahndorf by two wickets whilst Lobethal are in their fourth straight grand final.

Langhorne Creek were the first team

through to the grand final with the first final abandoned through the heat policy whilst Lobethal headed to the knockout final and defeated Strathalbyn in an easy win at Lobethal, turning the tables from their last meeting only three weeks ago.

Langhorne Creek only lost twice in the minor round, a loss to the wooden spooners, Bremer/Callington and Lobethal snuck past the Tigers at Langhorne Creek in the first game after Christmas.

Since then, the Tigers have been on the hunt and have punished most teams in their way notching some huge scores in recent times, posting 238 at home against Woodside, 341 at Nairne and 277 against

Strathalbyn in the last minor round game.

Langhorne Creek's top order holds the key with the top four batsman in O'Dea, Jaspa Tonkin, Dan Kropp and James Dawson all having big seasons with the bat with Dan Kropp winning the cricketer of the year and posting 608 runs.

Lobethal had four losses in the minor round and surrendered top spot late in the year losing three games on the trot, but opener Ben Matthews found form at the right time posting 107* against Bremer/Callington and with keeper/batsman Dan Norsworthy posting 356 runs and Mitch Week 347 runs for the season, the Lobethal Tigers do bat deep.

Former SA state country fast bowler

Matt Martin has not been as influential this year with the ball as previous years but always keeps the batsman on their toes and the addition of Jeremy Hackett on a full-time basis from East Torrens with 19 wickets has stiffened up the Lobethal attack.

Langhorne Creek bowlers led by off spinner Daniel Cleggett and State Outbacks fast bowler, Troy Blackwell both with 21 wickets hold the key to keeping the Lobethal batting order under control with all-rounder, Daniel Kropp hoping to repeat his devastating spell from last year's first final when he ripped through the Lobethal top order at Murray Road.

Langhorne Creek posted the most

runs in the minor round and conceded the least number of wickets and have won five of the last eight outings against Lobethal, and with a touch more depth in the batting and bowling than Lobethal, the Creek Tigers will be confident they can get the job done at home.

Lobethal on the other hand have performed well in the finals at the Langhorne Creek Oval and will be keen to stake their claim as the number one Tigers team in the AEHCA with three successive premierships. It should be a great clash for the last game of 2023/24 at 12:30pm.

Tip – Langhorne Creek

Langhorne Creek Juniors - T20 Exhibition



Regan Nutt



Hudson Pitt.



Hudson Pitt.



Hudson Filsell.



Max Tonkin.



Tigers get around Max Tonkin after his clean bowled wicket.

Photos: Rowan Sims

Langhorne Creek Juniors - T20 Exhibition



Isaac Fullarton.



Will Stratford.

Photos: Rowan Sims

Langhorne Creek B Grade

Hahndorf too good for Langhorne Creek Black



Hahndorf overpowered Langhorne Creek Black in the B Grade Final at their home deck on Saturday to secure the premiership.

A cohort of former retired A Grade legends from Hahndorf were too good for the Langhorne Creek Black team on Saturday at Hahndorf to the tune of 149 runs.

Hahndorf were in their first B Grade Grand Final since 2011/12, with former A Grade star Andrew Baker winning the toss and batting in excellent conditions.

The Magpies were off to a flyer through Paul Allegretto and Greg Hassold, knocking up 40 runs inside the first five overs.

Allegretto was typically aggressive, hammering anything short and looked a class above B Grade cricket, as he smashed boundaries each over to keep the run rate at eight runs per over.

The LC Blacks were void of answers, as the score skipped along to 107 before Allegretto was the first man out to a sharp catch by Jacob Tonkin from the bowling of James Tonkin for 73 from just 43 deliveries, with nine boundaries and three sixes.

The introduction of Nathan James stemmed the tide for a brief period, as Brad Crook removed former A Grade Wistow champion Ben Judd for 18 to a sharp catch by Shane Nurse behind the stumps.

Hassold moved past his half century, as he cut and pulled viciously before the slow swing bowling of Jacob Tonkin brought him undone for 66.

Nathan James continued to bowl full and straight as he took down O'Neil, Baker and Browning in quick succession, despite the run rate still ticking over, with James finishing with 4/37.

Veterans Dennis Raymond and Mark Trafford-Walker saw out the last few overs, as the Magpies finished on 8/228 from their 40 overs.

Looking for their first B Grade premiership since 2019/20, the Tigers were off to an ordinary start that saw left-hander Shane Nurse bowled by Allegretto for five.

Paul Newbery followed not long after to a sharp catch to Raymond behind the stumps, and when Jacob Tonkin went the same way, the Tigers had limped to 3/41 from 13 overs and the game was almost done.

Former A Grade star Nathan James was the Tigers only hope, but when he was bowled by Willy Pearce for 19, the Tigers were 4/51 and the LC Blacks would have to settle for second place.

The Tigers lost 7/38 to capitulate to be all out for 79 to see Hahndorf record their first B Grade since joining the AEHCA in 1996/97.

Well done to Jarrod Cock and his team who made the decision to step up and add a second Langhorne Creek side to the B Grade from C Grade to ensure six teams in the B Grade for season 2023/24.

Eye of the Tiger

If you have a spare moment over the weekend, make sure you head down to Langhorne Creek Oval and support the A Grade in our quest for our first premiership since 2018/19.

Brodie O'Dea has the boys primed after a bumpy couple years up near the top.

We take on Lobethal CC for the second time in as many years, and the boys are keen to avenge last year's loss.

Troy Blackwell is ready to roll with the new ball, with Dan Kropp, James Dawson and Jaspa Tonkin all in top form with the bat.

President Potts has ridden the highs and lows for the past 40 years and is keen to add another trophy to the Tigers cabinet.

Unfortunately for our B Grade Black team, they ran into a Hahndorf B Grade team littered with ex-A Grade players, who tore us apart in all facets of cricket.

Jarrod Cock and his men have been fantastic all year, and the commitment from their squad of 14 that rolled through each week was appreciated by the club.

The reinvigoration of juniors has been fantastic for our club, but unfortunately, the 14s went down in the first final to

Strathalbyn in a T20 game due to the heat.

It was our first 14s final since 2012/13 and Shane Nurse has done an exceptional job, with all players improving significantly in 2023/24.

Well done to skipper Toby Phillips who did a great job leading his peers.

Chris Nutt did a super job also leading the Under 16s to our first final series since 2014/15, and to finish second at the end of the minor round was a terrific effort.

They were pipped at the post by Hahndorf in the Semi-Final, but it has the club building nicely for a stand-alone team in 2024/25.

Thanks to club Secretary Michelle Tonkin for all her efforts in the canteen during the season, with Leonie Warren, Abby Cook and all the helpers that jump behind the counter.

Treasurer Robran Cock does a great job with his ability to keep the finances ticking along and securing much-needed grants.

Ground staff Geoff Warren, Brett Cleggett and President Potts have the oval looking magnificent.

A big team effort at Tiger land as always.

See you on Saturday at the cricket.

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Langhorne Creek juniors have ‘blasting’ success this season

Langhorne Creek Cricket Club (LCCC) held its Cricket Blasters, Under 10s and Under 12s presentations on Friday night at the clubrooms.

The night started with an Under 12s exhibition game between two Langhorne Creek teams, Gold and Black, with an eye to the 2024/25 season.

Three young lads from Adelaide Will Stratford, Oliver Swalling and Ashton

Warren – son of former A Grade player Ben Warren – were included in the match and enjoyed the wonderful facilities that the LCCC has to offer.

A wonderful meal from Michelle Tonkin and her team was on offer post-match, with the medallions handed out to all participants for the 2023/24 season.

Almost 30 players rolled through the Blasters, 10s and 12s in 2023/24, as

numbers continue to climb at Tigerland after not much action in the junior space prior to COVID.

Former Milang junior Jagga Kotz did a great job with the Cricket Blasters program, which has been back for two years running.

Under 10s Black and Gold coaches James Tonkin, Jai Farrimond, Rob Lyon and Todd Butler did a great job mentoring

a talented group of young Tiger cubs, with lots of fun, wickets and runs on Friday nights.

Mark Frost was installed as Under 12 Coach this year and did a great job with the talent at his disposal, especially with five Under 10s coming up to help fill in each week.

Regan Nutt and Jack Lines were the stand-outs all season, with Mark very

pleased with the improvement of Sam McInnes and Archie Frost throughout the year.

The club thanked Junior Co-ordinator Ben Warren who continues to pull together the junior program with the help from the coaches and parents.



Rupert Potts, Hudson Filsell, Archie Frost, Coach Mark Frost, Dylan Pavy, Damien Nurse, Sam McInnes, Dylan Butler, Regan Nutt, Tom McAnaney, and Club President Trevor Potts.



Langhorne Creek Cricket Club's Under 10 and 12s are all smiles at Friday night's presentations.

Great Southern Cricket Association - A Grade - Grand Final

Encounter Bay 10/261 def Port Elliot 10/177									
at Burgess Oval.									
Encounter Bay A Grade won the toss and elected to bat.									
Encounter Bay 1st Innings:									
			R	B	4S	6S	SR		
Blake Bailey (c)	b: Simon Donaldson	.....	3	30	0	0	10.00		
Jason Parry	b: Josh Andrewartha	.....	27	57	6	0	47.36		
Sam Hoffmann	lbw: Ben Griffiths	.....	14	46	2	0	30.43		
Matthew Overall	c: Joel Harris	b: Simon Donaldson	.....	102	113	15	2	90.26	
Cameron Lintern	lbw: Simon Donaldson	.....	45	87	7	0	51.72		
Luke Duffill	c: Hayden Gordge	b: Ben Griffiths	.....	22	48	1	0	45.83	
Max Longhurst	c: Ben Griffiths	b: Simon Donaldson	.....	21	18	2	1	116.66	
Chris Butler	b: Ben Griffiths	.....	12	8	2	0	150.00		
Luke Crichton	lbw: Ben Griffiths	.....	0	3	0	0	0.00		
Zachari Thompson	b: Ben Griffiths	.....	5	6	1	0	83.33		
Kieran Garrett	not out	.....	3*	2	0	0	150.00		
Extras 7 0WD 1NB 4LB 2B 0P Total 10 / 261 (69.4 Overs) Fall of Wickets 1-6 Blake Bailey, 2-47 Jason Parry, 3-51 Sam Hoffmann, 4-193 Cameron Lintern, 5-200 Matthew Overall, 6-232 Max Longhurst, 7-251 Chris Butler, 8-251 Luke Crichton, 9-258 Luke Duffill, 10-261 Zachari Thompson Bowling (O M WD NB W E R) Simon Donaldson 23 5 66 4 2.86 0 0 Benjamin Martin 7 3 19 0 2.71 0 0 Harrison Grenfell 9 1 38 0 4.22 0 0 Ben Griffiths 19 4 2 78 5 3.96 0 0 Josh Andrewartha 7 1 28 1 4.00 0 1 Liam Harris 2 0 13 0 6.50 0 0 Scott Hannam (vc) 2 1 13 0 6.50 0 0									
Port Elliot 1st Innings:									
			R	B	4S	6S	SR		
Ethan Spriggs	b: Chris Butler	.....	22	47	2	0	46.80		
Hayden Gordge (vc)	c&b: Blake Bailey	.....	15	50	1	0	30.00		
Scott Hannam (vc)	c: Chris Butler	b: Cameron Lintern	.....	37	61	3	0	60.65	
Joel Harris (c)	lbw: Kieran Garrett	.....	5	42	0	0	11.90		
Tyson Levy	b: Matthew Overall	.....	15	20	1	1	75.00		
Ben Griffiths	lbw: Matthew Overall	.....	29	56	3	0	51.78		
Liam Harris	b: Matthew Overall	.....	7	18	1	0	38.88		
Josh Andrewartha	c: Chris Butler	b: Matthew Overall	.....	2	14	0	14.28		
Harrison Grenfell	b: Matthew Overall	.....	29	32	2	1	90.62		
Benjamin Martin	lbw: Matthew Overall	.....	3	10	0	0	30.00		
Simon Donaldson	not out	.....	4*	20	0	0	20.00		
Extras 9 0WD 1NB 8LB 0B 0P Total 10 / 177 (61.4 Overs) Fall of Wickets 1-40 Hayden Gordge, 2-42 Ethan Spriggs, 3-64 Joel Harris, 4-92 Tyson Levy, 5-106 Scott Hannam, 6-121 Liam Harris, 7-129 Josh Andrewartha, 8-163 Harrison Grenfell, 9-170 Ben Griffiths, 10-177 Benjamin Martin Bowling (O M WD NB W E R) Chris Butler 16 4 37 1 2.31 0 0 Luke Crichton 2 0 9 0 4.50 0 0 Blake Bailey (c) 16 5 49 1 3.06 0 1 Matthew Overall 15 4 4 37 6 2.36 0 0 Kieran Garrett 5 1 15 1 3.00 0 0 Cameron Lintern 7 0 22 1 3.14 0 0									



Under 10 Black and Gold. Back: Gold Coaches Todd Butler and Jack Farrimond and Black Coach James Tonkin with players, (front) Henry Butler, Jai Farrimond, James Cannizzaro, Isaac Fullerton, Liam Cleggett, Rory Butler, Max Tonkin, Hudson Pitt, Braxton Tonkin, Hunter Tonkin, and Toby Tonkin.



Langhorne Creek Cricket Club Cricket Blasters 2023/24: Rory Butler, Junior Co-ordinator Ben Warren, Caedyn Patrick, Harvey Farrimond, Isaac Fullerton, Maddi Cook, Cricket Blasters Co-ordinator Jagga Kotz and Kaden Whiting at Friday night's presentations.

GSCA - Grand Final

B Grade

Mt Compass 9/182 def McLaren Districts 10/148 at Port Elliot Oval.

Mt Compass, Batting: Mark Nash (c), 46. Bowling: Michael Tucker, 4/30; Mark Nash (c), 4/52.

McLaren Districts, Bowling: Leonardus Labuschagne, 2/18. Batting: Charl Van Wyk (c), 44.

C1 Grade

Myponga-Sellicks 0/60 def Goolwa 10/52 at Willunga Oval.

Goolwa, Batting: Greg Robins (c), 14*.

Myponga-Sellicks, Bowling: David Wenham, 3/6. Batting: Kym Dabinett, 36*.

C2 Grade

Willunga Red 3/162 def McLaren District 7/159 at Rapid Bay Oval.

McLaren District, Batting: Daniel Petrucci, 94*. Bowling: Max Petrucci, 2/56.

Willunga Red, Bowling: Daniel Tanner (c), 3/34. Batting: Gary Wilson, 50.



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Morning bowls Semi Finals



Cale Butlin, Milang Div 3.



Marilyn Gatley, Clarendon Div 3.



Pat Willats, Goolwa Black Div 3.



David Ogilvy, Goolwa Black Div 3.



Brian Smart, Clarendon Div 3.



Graham Pearce, Clarendon Div 3.

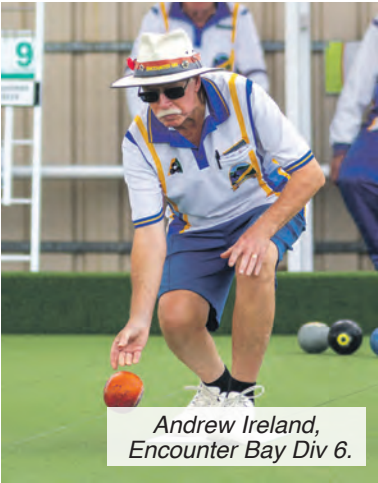


Les Bennetta, Clarendon Div 3.



Kevin Newton, Milang Div 3.

Afternoon bowls Semi Finals



Andrew Ireland, Encounter Bay Div 6.



Michael Trapeznik, Goolwa Black Div 3.



Barbara Reed, Goolwa Black Div 3.



Jan Jaenisch, Goolwa Black Div 3.



Lorraine Guerin, McLaren Vale Gold Div 3.



Andre Beck, McLaren Vale Gold Div 3.



Jack Williams, Langhorne Creek Div 3.

Milang Bowling Club

Semi-Finals bring the heat

Weather conditions have played havoc with bowls since summer supposedly finished.

The first Semi-Finals were incomplete when the umpire cancelled play, so Div. 3 returned to Goolwa on Saturday to the finalise that game.

Kevin's team continued their good form to win 25-12.

Lee's lost by four and unfortunately, Jane's team were missing Gary again because of ill health and were well-outscored.

The previous Sunday was Association Triples Championships at McLaren Vale. In the first game, Milang's mens team were defeated by Victor Harbor.

The ladies team beat Strathalbyn by two shots.

After a quick lunch break, they played Pt. Elliot and had a good win.

The last end wasn't played because of the big margin.

In the third round against McLaren Vale they had another big lead and didn't play the last end.

The temperature had been hovering near 37 degrees all day, so the girls did well under those conditions.

The Grand Final will be played against Goolwa at Strathalbyn this Sunday.

Milang Ladies are also in the Fours Grand Final.

The club wished them well and a cheer

squad is most welcome.

Association Mixed Pairs was played the following day at Clarendon on synthetic green, which was much hotter than grass.

Milang's team withdrew before the end of the game as did some other teams.

Glenn was defeated in the first round. It was wise to be health conscious and not risk heatstroke.

Last Sunday was Association Singles Championships at Goolwa.

Glenn was defeated in the first round. Lee won her first two rounds, but was defeated in the Semi-Final.

However, she is a member of the Triples and Fours teams, so has done well again this season.

Photos: Mark Andrews

Model glider enthusiasts converge on Milang



By Deirdre Graham

The Southern Soaring League's grounds near Milang were destination central for model glider enthusiasts from across Australia recently – with local club members faring well in two competitions. An International F5J event was held over the long weekend, and won by Melbourne flyer David Haskell. Meanwhile, a GPS triangle racing competition was held in the days afterwards, where local club member John Copeland won the lightclass category and finished second behind Steve Maitland in the Sportsclass competition by 61 points out of 4600. Club spokesperson Trevor Schultz said the F5J tournament attracted

about 30 participants from as far as Western Australia, New South Wales, and Melbourne – as well as locally – with Haskell coming in first, followed by Rod Watkins, and Adelaide-based flyer Nick Chabrel third. "We can't fly on total fire ban days, and unfortunately Saturday (on the long weekend), was a total fire ban so none of us could actually fly," Schultz said. "But on Sunday and Monday, even though the conditions were extremely hot and windy, there was no fire ban, so we were allowed to fly, which we did. "We finished about 1.30pm each day (as) the maximum temperature was around then, and we are not young anymore so we called it around lunch time.

"Each person did six flights in teams on Sunday and six on Monday, which gave us 12, which is a bit down as normally we would fly 18." Participants in the F5J event were given a challenge to fly for 10 minutes. "You catch thermals, and you have to land exactly before or on the 10-minute mark," Schultz said. "If you go over you lose all your points, and sometimes you can be down in three minutes if there are no thermals around. "You are limited to a certain amount of height, and also distance... You get a 30 second motor run, and the motor turns off. "We lose half a point per metre up to 200m, over 200m we lose three points per metre, so you have to try and launch and keep below your 200m.

"If someone launches at 50m and gets a thermal, gets his 10-minute flight, he buries everybody else score wise." Flyers then have to attempt to land on a designated spot, which is a 50-point bonus, with every metre out losing five points. John Copeland said the weather for the GPS Triangle was perfect. "We had about nine people entered in the GPS competition, and they have come from all over Australia," Copeland said. "We have a virtual triangle out in front of us, and that is of a certain distance, and depending on the class we have got 20 minutes to do as many laps as possible from a given height. "There is another class where you get 30 minutes to do as many laps as

possible." The larger GPS gliders still fly in a similar way to the smaller ones. "They have a propellor at the front which is operated electrically, and they stay in the air by thermalling," Copeland said. "So, you have to make lots of decisions about whether to thermal or fly around the course, and once the motor is switched off, you can't use the motor again for 20 or 30 minutes depending on the task. "We have got telemetry in our ears – so I have got headphones on... and they have a variometer, so you can actually hear the model going up or down." Meeting up again was the highlight for the participants, as they only get to get together three or four times a year.

Gather Round roadshow returns to the regions

The Gather Round Community Footy Roadshow returned to the regions, including the Adelaide Hills, starting from last Tuesday. The State Government, through the South Australian Tourism Commission, proudly supports the AFL Gather Round roadshow, which travels to more than 30 regional towns across 21 days, covering more than 4000 kilometres. Each stop on the action-packed roadshow features family-friendly activities for locals, including sausage sizzles, and kick and catch clinics, and gives fans the opportunity to get up-close with the 2024 AFL and AFLW Premiership cups, the perpetual SANFL Thomas Seymour Hill Trophy, and the SANFL Women's League Premiership cup. Other new additions on the tour feature women and girls football education sessions, coach education sessions, regional umpire recruitment and development, and a roll-out of the Tackle your Feelings mental health training program for clubs. Among the stops on the tour was the Meadows Football Club Oval on Saturday and Murray Bridge on Tuesday. "The AFL Gather Round is a hugely popular event that enriches South Australia's major events calendar and generates significant return for our visitor economy," Tourism Minister, Zoe Bettison, said. "Once again this year, people living in regional South Australia are a big part of the month-long footy festival, with the Gather Round Community Footy Roadshow travelling to more than 30 regional towns from the state's far west to the state's south-east. "The roadshow is an important part of the footy festival, helping extend the benefits of this major event across the state, and I am thrilled this year's Gather Round Community Footy Roadshow will travel to new destinations, including Kangaroo Island."

Footy legend honoured during game



By Tara Nash

Strathalbyn Football Club recently won against Waikerie during a game in memory of their late player Jason Lehmann which also fundraised for palliative care services for people with terminal illnesses. The Jason Lehmann Memorial Cup has been running for four years to remember

the much-loved player who started his football career in Waikerie before he played for Strathalbyn, then later worked for the Adelaide Crows. He passed away from cancer, and the annual game fundraises for the Mary Potter Foundation which supports palliative care services for people with terminal illnesses. Strathalbyn Football Club President Phil Eatts played football with Lehmann.

"He was a bubbly character, larger than life and a fantastic guy and obviously really well-loved by both Waikerie and Strathalbyn footy clubs," he said. "The game brings together people from all walks of life in football – Waikerie, Adelaide and Strathalbyn – to go and watch footy for the day." The weather at Strathalbyn Football Club on Saturday was warm with a short burst of lightning and rain, and the events

kicked off with a family fun day and an integrated training session with the juniors and senior men. As Waikerie was unable to fill a reserve side, Strathalbyn had an internal trial where the top Senior Colts had a run with the Senior Men. In the A-Grade game, Strathalbyn took out the cup for the second year running, with the final scores being Strathalbyn 7.11.53 def Waikerie 3.10.28.

Photos: Mark Andrews



OTA Senior Premiers Macclesfield Red.



Div 3.4 Premiers - Clarendon.



Div 3.4 Runner-up - John Wesley.



Green Ball - Langhorne Creek.



Orange Ball - Strathalbyn.



Strathalbyn Tennis Club Junior Division 3 played their grand final at Victor Harbor against Willunga on Saturday and won the premiership.

John Wesley Tennis Club

On Saturday, John Wesley had two teams playing in grand finals, Onkaparinga Seniors and Division 3/4 Juniors.

The weather was perfect in the morning for the juniors, and apart from a thunderstorm mid afternoon the seniors enjoyed calm conditions in the afternoon, which was a complete contrast to the previous Saturday's scorcher.

Our Senior team took on Macclesfield Red, who were unbeaten during the season.

In the semi-final John Wesley lost 4-8, but it wouldn't take too much to pick up another couple of sets.

The doubles sets would again hold the key to the outcome.

First double found the going tough, but Matteo Malagese and Delilah McBeath got the team on the board with a 9-4 win over Stacey and Karen, before Caleb Smith and Mel Cross fought their way to a tie breaker, unfortunately going down 8-6 after being up 4-1.

In the singles, Sam Binder had another tough match against Kent, Matt Binder just lost, 4-6, to Sam, Mel staged a huge comeback from 1-5 to lose 5-7, but three good wins from Matteo, 6-2, Delilah, 6-1, and Caleb with a terrific win, 6-2, against Aimee, kept the match score close at 4-5 to Maccy going into the second doubles.

Sam and Mel met their match losing 6-1, but the one game might be important to the overall result.

Matt and Matteo closed the gap with a 6-0 win over Stacey and Sam, which just left the final double being played.

Caleb and Delilah, both playing great tennis for a grand final, started slowly to be down 2-4, but the rallies were quite often lasting twenty or thirty hits.

Having fought back to be 4-5 down, they had a set point against them, but managed to hold on to level at five all.

By this stage people realized if John Wesley won the set, it would be tied on

six sets each, so a count up of games was necessary.

At this point, John Wesley was one game behind, but a win, 7-5, would see a grand final win.

More long rallies were the order of play and John Wesley was up 6-5, but Maccy fought back to force a tie breaker.

Now the rules were being looked up to see what happens in the event of a tie.

As it turned out Caleb and Delilah won the tie breaker to have the scores locked at 6-58, each team, and on a count back of the first round of doubles, Maccy Red were declared the Premiers for 2023/24.

Well done to them.

This was one of the best grand finals in recent times, and the match was played in great spirit by all players, young and old.

All John Wesley players played a great match, and it just shows anything can happen in grand finals, even as underdogs.

Well done, team.

In the Juniors, John Wesley played unbeaten Clarendon.

A good crowd was gathered to watch the youngsters display their talents.

The doubles were close matches, but the scores didn't reflect this.

Clarendon won both to hold a good lead.

The Singles also saw some close matches, Fraser Eatts lost to Crosby, 2-6, Ben Cottle gave it all before losing 5-6 to Charlie, Lauren Clegg lost 1-6 to Oliver, and Caitlin Clegg lost a close one to Max, 4-6.

In the end, it was a good win to Clarendon, 6-36 to John Wesley 0-14 - well deserved.

Great effort, team to get to the grand final.

Next Saturday, the Hills Traditional team plays its grand final against Littlehampton at Anembo Park, Littlehampton - good luck.

Down the Line.

Great Southern Tennis - Grand Final Review

Port Elliot Premiers 2023-24

Port Elliot capped off a great season by overcoming Inman Valley to claim the Division 1 premiership by four rubbers to two.

Played in warm conditions at Victor Harbor, Inman got off to the start they wanted with Bree Leibhardt and Ella Watters winning the women's double in straight sets, but the men's double was a tight tussle with Port Elliot's Harry Vincent and Steve McLachlan winning in a super tiebreak third set to even up the tie.

Inman's Darren Lush strongly accounted for Scott McPhee to edge Inman further ahead, but that would be their last success for the afternoon.

Elliot's Julianne Lowrey and crucially Zara Bowles reversed the results from Week 1 of the finals to secure great singles wins, and then Vincent capped off Elliot's win, claiming his singles' victory in convincing style.

There was nothing between these two teams all season, but Port Elliot raised their game on the most important day of season while for Inman, this loss would hurt deep, having been the top team all season and their third consecutive grand final loss.

Division 2 saw Inman Valley confirm their premier's status, defeating Port Elliot, six sets to two at Back Valley.

They got off to a great start, winning both mixed doubles, and then they took hold of the tie when Zach Martin played a great single to defeat Kym Overall.

Chris Threadgold overcame an ankle injury to win a tough single.

When Inman's Margy Dyer claimed victory, the flag was Inman's, and despite Port Elliot's Kathryn Witcombe's efforts in winning her single and doubles with Alex Smyth, it was too little too late, as Inman proved too strong on the day.

It was a great win for the team that finished runners up last season, and with top finishes in consecutive Division 2 seasons, one must ask now, if we could see two Division 1 Inman teams next season?

The A Doubles contest saw Port Elliot claim the perfect season, remaining undefeated after narrowly defeating The Valleys by five games after being equal on sets.

There was some drama before play when Port Elliot's Geoff Prideaux had to pull out with illness after attempting

a few hits up.

Both sides had convincing same gender wins with the Valleys' Stephen Holt and Derek Tiller winning 9-3, while Elliot's Kerry Lange and Chris Lewis gave their side the games advantage with a 9-0 victory.

From that point, it was a close tussle for the rest of the afternoon, with Elliot taking the next two doubles with key wins to James and Natasha Sherrah and Lange and Steve Reichelt.

With an uphill battle, the Valleys were stoic, taking the final sets with two good wins by Holt and Flora Huang and Tiller and Erica Nicholls, but Port Elliot had done enough to secure victory and take the A Doubles premiership.

Both teams performed to a high level on the day, with Elliot adjusting well to the new pairings due to Prideaux's absence, while the Valleys performed at their best on grand final day to produce the closest result for Elliot by any team all season.

Victor B Doubles proved they were the champion team of season 2023-24, defeating Port Elliot by five sets to one at Back Valley.

Victor jumped Elliot from the start, winning both same gender doubles with a tense nail-biting tiebreak win to Victor's Jane Downes and Nicole Millard proving pivotal.

The flood gates opened from there with wins to Maryka Smit and Finlay Sweetman and Darryl Pearce and Millard, ensuring the win with Chris Scheid and Smit, putting the icing on the win for the winners.

The Association's best performing B Doubles player, Kurt Kube, teamed up with Julie Middleton to salvage some pride with a consolation win, but it was Victor's season to proclaim.

Victor was only two premiership points off from being in the A Doubles competition, after the three rounds of sorting the order of teams for the respective doubles competition, and it proved to be they were the best B Doubles team.

That's it for season 2023-24 where it's produced some exciting and tense tennis throughout the season.

The off season will again provide time for pondering the continuing advancement of competition tennis for juniors and adults on the Fleurieu, that will ensure it remains a thriving sport within the community.

Strathalbyn take country championships by storm

The Strathalbyn Storm had a big presence at the recent Junior Country Championships (JCC), including its Under 16 girls 1 team claiming the state title.

The association took 11 teams to the competition over the March long weekend.

By the end of the weekend, eight of its teams made it to the finals, with two reaching the grand finals.

It was a packed weekend with the teams playing more than 60 games, totalling around 2800 minutes of basketball.

The Storm family, consisting of 92 players, along with coaches and team managers worked hard to make the championships a successful competition.

The association's referees officiated 97 games across five different stadiums – ensuring fair play, and keeping the games running smoothly – with some overseeing 14 finals.

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UNDER 12 BOYS 1

In a thrilling start to the JCC the Under 12 Boys Team 1 showcased their offensive skills against the Hornets, staying within reach until the final quarter, with Coach Bailey urging strong defensive plays.

Game two saw an amazing defensive display against Mildura, securing the first win in a narrow 43-40 victory.

With solid defence and exceptional teamwork, Storm dominated Yorke Valley with a convincing 39-18 win, securing a spot in the quarterfinals.

Despite a valiant effort against Whyalla in the semi-finals, Storm ultimately fell short with a final score of 27-52, but their Top Four Division One finish reflects their outstanding performance throughout the tournament.

UNDER 12 BOYS 2

Over the weekend the Under 12 Boys Team 2 had a series of tough games.

Despite their best efforts, they couldn't secure a win.

They faced strong teams such as Northern Bullants, and Murray Bridge Bullets on Saturday, ending with scores of 18-38 and 19-30.

Sunday's matches against Whyalla and Mt Gambier were also challenging, with scores of 22-29 and 13-22 respectively.

Even though they didn't win, the boys showed amazing progress and determination throughout the season, which is something to be proud of.

They have had huge growth this season and worked hard every game.

UNDER 12 GIRLS

The Under 12 Girls put on a stellar performance in their first game of the carnival, showcasing incredible teamwork and individual strengths despite falling short against Murray Bridge with a close score of 28-35.

In the second game, they achieved a remarkable victory against a team they hadn't beaten all season, displaying tremendous growth and resilience, ending with a score of 31-26 against Millicent.

Their winning streak continued in the third game against Mildura, with strong defence and teamwork securing a 34-28 win.

Although the qualifying final against Yorkers ended in a narrow defeat with a score of 28-29, the girls exceeded expectations and finished the season on a positive note, demonstrating remarkable progress and determination throughout.

UNDER 14 BOYS 1

In the first game against Murray Bridge the Under 14 Boys Team 1 fought hard in a close match, but unfortunately fell short by just two points in the final seconds.

The following games against Riverland, Barossa and Port Pirie saw strong performances with wins of 46-33, 59-58 and 60-51 respectively.

In the quarter finals against Slammers, the boys put up a valiant effort, staying close throughout the game, but ultimately lost by four points in the final moments.

Despite the loss, the boys showed incredible growth both individually and

as a team throughout the season, with special recognition to Daniel and Jacob for their leadership.

It's time to rest until next season, but the team can hold their heads high for their outstanding efforts.

UNDER 14 BOYS 2

In a weekend packed with intense matches, the U14 Boys Team 2 displayed grit and determination despite facing tough opponents.

They kicked off with a hard fought game against Southern Yorke Peninsula, but fell short with a score of 22-37.

Against Great Southern, they continued to compete fiercely, narrowly missing victory with a close score of 31-33.

Despite Sunday's challenges against Whyalla and Kangaroo Island resulting in losses of 25-36 and 36-49 respectively, the team rallied in their final game against the Lakers, securing a well-deserved win with a score of 29-17.

However, Monday's early game against Riverland proved too demanding for the weary team, unable to match their opponents' pace.

Despite the ups and downs, the boys demonstrated resilience and sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

UNDER 14 GIRLS 1

In an exhilarating start to the tournament, the Under 14 Girls Team 1 faced off against Barossa, securing a strong victory with a score of 46-20.

Despite initial struggles against Mildura in warmer conditions, the girls rallied in the third quarter to clinch a 35-22 win.

The third game against York Valley ended in a heart-stopping draw of 38 all, showcasing the team's resilience and determination.

In the qualifying final against the Riverland, the girls dominated with a remarkable 55-37 victory, demonstrating their growth and cohesion as a team.

Although they faced a tough challenge against Millicent in the next qualifying final, ultimately losing 30-36, the girls showed immense improvement and teamwork through the season, making everyone proud.

UNDER 14 GIRLS 2

In their first game against the Northern Bullants, the Under 14 Girls Team 2 displayed potential but fell short with a final score of 13-23.

However, they bounced back in the second game with an impressive win of 24-6, showing improved teamwork and positivity on the court.

Against Broken Hill, the girls started slow, but rallied together for a convincing victory of 27-14.

Despite a late game against Kangaroo Island resulting in a narrow loss of 19-22 they advanced to the semi-finals.

In a thrilling semi-final match against KI, the girls emerged victorious with a score of 26-19, demonstrating their ability to listen to their coaches and step up when it counts.

Although they faced a tough challenge in the grand final against the Northern Bullants, ultimately losing with a score of 9-27, the girls showcased outstanding sportsmanship and growth throughout the season, making everyone proud both on and off the court.

They are now the State JCC Under 14 Girls Division 5 Runners Up.

UNDER 16 BOYS 1

In the opening game against Hornets, the Under 16 Boys Team 1 faced a tough battle, ultimately falling short by 12 points, despite a strong effort.

However they bounced back with impressive wins in the following games against Pt Augusta and Mount Gambier, showcasing excellent teamwork and determination.

Against Naracoorte in the final minor round game, the boys secured a tight victory, finishing second in their pool.

Moving into the quarterfinals against Yorkers, the team displayed persistence and skill, earning a hard-fought 5 point win.

In the semi-final clash against Great Southern Slammers, although they faced

a tough opponent and ultimately lost by eight points, the boys showed remarkable effort and sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

Coach Joel's leadership and the support from the team two players contributed to their success this season, making everyone proud of their achievements.

Well done to the boys for their dedication and skill on the court.

UNDER 16 BOYS 2

In the first game against Barossa, our Under 16 Boys Team 2 started strong, scoring early and dominating the court.

Despite a setback in the third quarter, the boys fought back and secured a thrilling victory with a score of 32-29, setting a fantastic tone for the tournament.

However, the following games against Adelaide Plains and Mildura presented tough challenges, resulting in losses.

A special shout out goes to Coach Logan for his unwavering support and motivation throughout.

Despite facing strong defence from Port Lincoln in the fourth game, the team displayed resilience but couldn't secure a win.

In the quarter finals against Great Southern Slammers, the boys delivered an exceptional performance, maintaining a lead throughout the game and securing a well-deserved win with a score of 48-36.

However, their journey ended in the semi-finals against Port Lincoln, with a final score of 30-46.

Despite the outcome, the team displayed great teamwork and resilience throughout the tournament, making everyone proud.

UNDER 16 GIRLS 1

In a stunning display of skill and teamwork, the Under 16 Girls Team 1 claimed victory throughout the tournament.

They started strong with a solid win against Port Augusta, followed by another impressive performance against Barossa, dominating the court with a final score of 56-18.

Their success continued in game three against Yorkers, where every player contributed to a cohesive team effort, securing another win.

Advancing to the semi-finals, they defeated Riverland with a score of 53-31, earning a spot in the grand final.

With unwavering determination and a 100 per cent effort, the girls emerged victorious in the grand final against the Slammers, clinching the State JCC Division 1 Under 16 Girls Championship with an impressive score of 71-49.

Their exceptional performance and teamwork exemplify true champions.

The Sally-Jane Allen Memorial trophy was awarded to the MVP of the Division 1 Under 16 Girls Competition of the SA Country Championships – with this year's joint winners Daisy Hocking and Emmerson Beeching from Strathalbyn Storm.

UNDER 16 GIRLS 2

In an exciting start against SYP, the girls initially trailed 2-10 in the first quarter, but rallied with determination, executing practiced plays and showcasing excellent transition offense.

With a solid team effort, they secured a remarkable 32-25 win.

Against Roxby in game two, despite being undersized, the girls displayed strong defensive structure, but narrowly lost by 4 points in a closely contested match.

Game three against Broken Hill saw a strong start, maintaining a lead until the intense final quarter, ending in a 33-33 draw.

Despite a valiant effort in the quarterfinals against Millicent, the girls fell short with a final score of 24-35.

Nevertheless, their hard work and growth throughout the season were evident, making JCC the best carnival for the team.

Special thanks to coach Bella and Alissa for their dedication, as well as to the Storm village and community for their support.



Joint Under 16 Girls Div 1 MVP winners, Daisy Hocking and Emmerson Beeching.



Under 16 Girls Champions Division 1. Back row: Coach Stephanie Formby, Scarlett Glatter, Emerson Beeching, Daisy Hocking, Alisha Douglass, Gracie Lloyd, Assistant/Mentor: Lyndsee Frost. Front Row: Quba Verwey, Darcie Pegler, Mia Horton, Levi Verwey.



Under 14 Girls Team 2: Runner Up Division 5.



Under 16 Girls Team 1: Daisy Hocking going for a shot.



Under 16 Boys Team 2: Jasper MacDonald looking for the next pass.



Under 16 Girls Team 1: Alisha Douglass moving the ball down court.



Under 12 Girls: Imogen Baker taking a shot.



Under 12 Girls: Willow Begue moving towards the ring.



Under 16 Boys Team 1: Cooper Clayfield moving towards the ring.



Under 14 Boys Team 1: Jack Jude heading in for a shot



Under 14 Boys Team 1: Ned Pegler moving the ball down the court.



Under 16 Boys Team 2: Noah Stutley moving the ball down the court.



Coach Logan Barbary talking game plan with the Under 16 Boys Team 2.



Coaches Jo Thornley and Marlee Glatter going through the next play with Under 14 Girls Team 2.

Hills Softball Association results

U16 Mixed

Mount Barker Redsox Red (10) def Mount Barker Redsox Blue (2)

Friday night's game saw the two Mount Barker Redsox teams face off for a place in next weekend's Grand Final against Hahndorf.

The Red team opted to field first. A strong start saw the first two batters out after a play by shortstop Owen Hardy and a strike-out by pitcher Sam Hancock. A hit by Henry Sexton to right field saw him safe on first.

He was scored on a hit by Luca Bholanat, but was left on base after another strike-out.

The Blue team followed with a strong start.

Great pitching by Henry Sexton saw the first two batters retired.

Tyrone Murphy sent the ball into play and was safe at first.

He was scored on a two-base hit to Jack Hancock, then two stolen bases quickly saw Hancock score.

A third K2 by Sexton ended the innings. Leadoff batter Zara Peterson had a great hit to centre field, then the next two batters were out at first, but managed to advance Peterson to third, who then scored on a hit by Jack Hancock.

A K2 sent the Red team into field. Leadoff batter Connor Wray-Martin sent the ball into play but was out at first, then two K2s ended the innings – the Red team with the lead 3-1.

Sam Hancock picked a walk, and Sexton, in great form, pitched his fifth strike-out for the match for the first out.

A hit down the first base line by Zara Peterson scored S Hancock, with the out made at first.

A play by Sexton to first secured the third out.

The Red team had the blue side three up, three down.

A play to first by second-baser Will Gowland, a play by pitcher S Hancock to first and another K2 for Hancock secured the outs.

The Red team continued strong in the field.

A play by shortstop Hardy had the leadoff batter out.

Sexton sent the ball to centre field and quickly saw himself at third base.

Another play by Gowland had the second out.

Sexton scored on a great hit by Wray-Martin to right field, but he was left on base after a play to first by Suvali Sharma at third base made the final out.

A pitcher change saw Sienna Golder relieve Sexton.

The Red team making the most of the change brought in 6 runs to seal the win 10-2 and advance to the Grand Final.

A Grade Women

Strathalbyn (16) def Redsox (9)

In the A Grade Women Prelim Final, Strathalbyn were sent in by Redsox to bat first and started the game with a three-base hit to Kim Cutting, who managed to steal home for the only run of the innings.

Redsox made an out at second, a K2 and a catch taken at second by Cherie Bamford.

Redsox also started the game with one run to Georgia Ballard after picking a walk and stealing bases, with Strath's shortstop Cutting, pitcher Tess Norris and second-baser Kathy Pash all making outs at first.

Strath got Bianca Pash on board with a walk, but they were held scoreless in the second, with two outs at first and another K2 to pitcher Zoe Thompson.

The pattern was repeated for Redsox, with a catch taken at first by Kathryn Milne, another out at first, and a great pick off at third to also hold them scoreless.

The third dig for Strath included a three-bagger to Peyton Daniels and a hit to the outfield by Gab Martin to bring in 2 more runs, with Redsox's centre-fielder Chloe Zakelj taking a catch and then quickly throwing to third for a double play.

A K2 sent them from the diamond.

Redsox had safe hits to Steph Cross, Zakelj and Marisha Branson which brought in 3 runs to now put them in the lead, with Strath working smart and hard in the field, picking off lead runners with an out at second, an out at third and an out at first, with Cutting involved in two.

A couple of walks were gained by Strath in the fourth and with hits to Emily Eglitis and Cutting, and a three-baser to Martin, they brought home 5 runs.

Redsox made another two K2s and a

catch taken at right field by Cross.

Even with a couple of walks and a hit to Zakelj, Strath held Redsox scoreless in their turn at bat with a great pick off at home by Martin to B Pash, and Milne playing her base and throwing to Cutting for the out at second and a double play.

Redsox returned the favour in the fifth with a K2 and two outs at first, holding Strath scoreless. Redsox started getting some momentum in their fifth turn at bat, picking a couple of walks and a great bunt to Bamford, and they were able to bring home 3 more runs to now be just 1 run behind.

Strath's new pitcher Daniels got a K2 and Martin made two across the diamond outs at first.

Strath needed to keep in front on the board and added 2 more runs with hits to Daniels and Martin, with Redsox making all three outs at first base.

Strath were defending their lead, playing tight in the field, with an out at first, a pick off of the lead runner at third, and Milne playing her own base for the third out, holding Redsox scoreless.

Strath wanted to add runs to give them a good lead to defend in the seventh, and had safe hits to Milne and Martin, with a two-baser to Daniels, combined with great baserunning, bringing home 6 runs.

Redsox made two outs at first and a K2 to end the innings.

Defence was the aim for Strath, and as many runs as possible was what Redsox was looking for. Strath started with a K2, followed by Cutting making an out at first, then Thompson got a safe hit and some walks were gained to get runners on, and they brought home 2 runs.

With three runners still on, Stephanie Hull hit the ball into play which was fielded by Martin, who got the runner out on third to end the innings and the game, with Strath making their way to face Hahndorf in the Grand Final 16 runs to Redsox 9.

B Grade Women

Redsox (11) def Hahndorf (7)

It has been a tight battle between these two teams all season, and everybody was ready for a block buster Prelim Final, which did not disappoint the crowd.

Redsox sent Hahndorf into bat first and proved it was a smart move, as they managed to stop them from scoring, and the outs were made from a catch from Amy Golder at third base, Suvali Sharma at shortstop and a strike-out from Kylie Gray to catcher Jackie Megson.

Ready to snatch the lead early, Kerri Hardy started with a hit out to centre field, but a pop-up hit was safely taken by shortstop Emma Jarvis before the hits started again.

With loaded bases, third-baser Vicki Perkins made a play to home to secure the second out.

Redsox settled and got 3 runs in before pitcher Jackie Pocock to Deb Hopgood secured the third out.

Hahndorf had no intent on allowing this to be the theme of the game and quickly found the gaps in the field to hit to, but it wasn't easy work, with batter Michelle Gore hitting nine foul balls before she got a fair hit into play.

Hahndorf managed to score in 3 runs before the second out was made by a huge, fully stretched overhead catch from Sharma, but it wasn't enough to stop the run count, as 1 more came home before the third out was a catch from left field.

Fired up that they were now trailing by a run, Redsox batted their way out of trouble, scoring in 3 runs when two consecutive outs were made via catches from Danielle Vujic and Mis O'Keefe.

But it was not going to deter Redsox from safely hitting out, with Golder, Dani Brown and Tayla Hardy finding the gaps to score in another 4 runs before a strike-out closed out the innings.

Now chasing 6 runs, Hahndorf knew it was still within reach.

Leadoff batter Perkins hit a great two-base hit to spur her team on and it did just that, with hits from Vujic, Jarvis and Gore all putting the pressure on and errors were starting to be made in the field.

Six runs came in to draw up the game before the first out was made by a catch from Gray which settled the field.

The next two outs were quickly made from a third catch from Sharma and then another strike-out. Being the final time to score, Redsox were ready to book their spot in the Grand Final and once again, through disciplined batting, Gray was able

to get on base and was then advanced to second by Golder.

Megson then found the gap in the outfield to score in the winning run.

C Grade Women

Redsox (9) def Hahndorf (2)

Hahndorf chose to field first. Redsox took advantage of this, scoring 4 runs in the first dig, which included a home run to Jackie Megson.

Sienna Golder pitched well, striking out three of Hahndorf's top six batters, keeping them scoreless.

In the second dig, Redsox added another 4 runs to their score, which included a home run to Sienna Golder.

Hahndorf opened their score with Emma-Paul Faber getting home.

Redsox's tight fielding kept them to one for the dig.

The third dig saw Hahndorf keep Redsoxs to 1 run, with Molly Rusden getting home.

Hahndorf added another 1 run to their score, with Jessica Lovegrove getting home.

Redsox batted well, with at least one safe hit to their name.

Sienna Golder pitched well with four strike outs for the game.

Redsox ran out winners 9-2 to book a spot in the Grand Final next weekend.

Division 2 Men

Pirates Yellow (4) def Echunga Blue (2)

Pirates were without their pitcher Brett Atkinson who was ruled out due to injury.

Pirates took the diamond in the first inning, with Jo Harvey pitching to Jake Short.

Pirates' defence since the Christmas break has been outstanding and looked for that to continue in this game.

Echunga's leadoff batter Cameron Rule managed to get to first by getting hit by a J Harvey pitch.

J Harvey came back strongly to strike out Brandon Dunn.

Pirates' shortstop Pat Fraser threw out Caleb Richardson at first for the second out, and a routine catch by Pirates second-baser Rob Pearce ended the inning.

Echunga started with Dom Hampel pitching to Cameron Rule.

Pirates' first two batters J Short and Carsen Scott managed to get bat to ball, but were both thrown out at first.

J Harvey managed to get to first with disciplined batting, but failed to advance home when Pat Fraser popped up to the shortstop for the third out.

Pirates' defence held strong, with Pat Fraser throwing out the dangerous Pat Butler at first.

Ryan Stevens made first with a walk.

Pirates' defence held strong, with a Nico Sexton catch at centre field and J Harvey throwing out Zac Storan at first for the third out.

Pirates had some help from Echunga's pitcher D Hampel to make first by hitting the first three batters.

Nico Sexton was hit in the leg by a D Hampel pitch and was replaced on base by Peter Walters.

With three runners on base and no outs, Pirates' first-baser Wayne Eades hit a double to score 2 runs.

Pirates scored another 2 runs with a Rob Pearce single.

Nico Sexton came back on the field and took his place at centre field via the re-entry rule.

Echunga tried to get back into the game with a Caleb Richardson double, but the Pirates defence held strong again with great pitching by J Harvey, conceding just 1 run.

Nico Sexton succumbed to his injury and was replaced by Peter Walters again, which was within the rules, but a protest by Echunga led to a 20-minute halt the game, which played in the hands of the Pirates.

With the game under way again and 10 minutes added on, there was enough time for one more innings.

Chook Baker was run out at first by R Pearce for the first out.

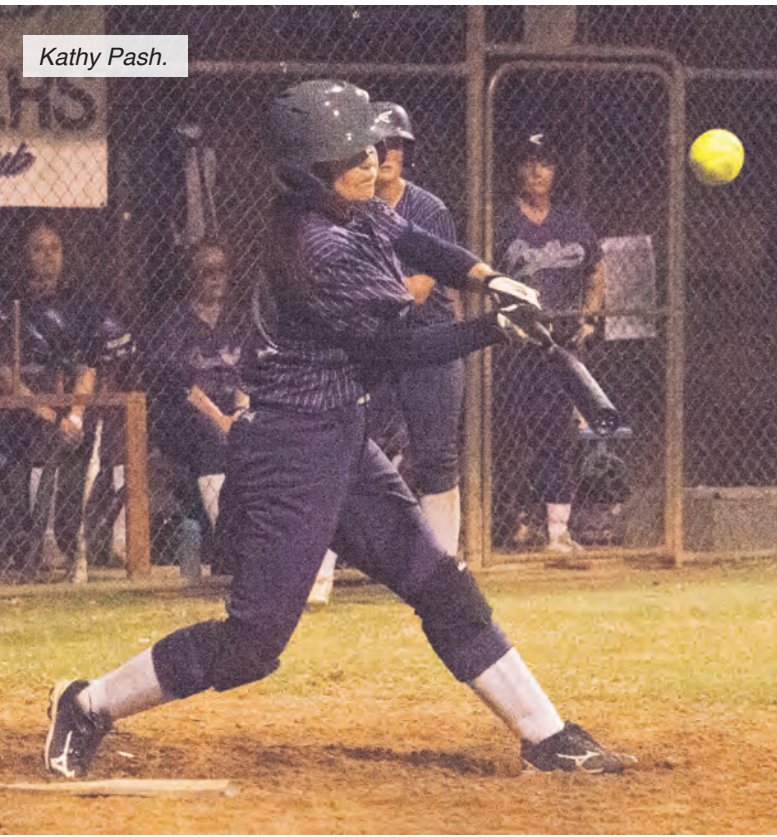
J Harvey hit C Rule for the second time in the game.

Echunga scored their second run from a hit by Brandon Dunn.

J Harvey and the Pirates defence ended the game by getting the next two outs.

Special mention to Jo Harvey on pitching a great game, Wayne Eades for coming up with a hit when needed, and the Pirates defence.

Hills Softball Association results - A Grade Semi Final



Photos: Rowan Sims

National comp for Hills softballers

By Deirdre Graham

The strength of the Hills Softball Association was on show at the recent John Reid Shield tournament at West Beach – the Open Men's national competition.

Association secretary Rebecca Sims said about half of the SA team – which unfortunately failed to make the finals play offs – was made up of Hills players. "Men's softball in South Australia is not as strong as women's softball, but the Hills competition is certainly one of the stronger places for men to be able to access the game, so there has definitely been a lot of talent come out of the Hills," Sims said.

"For example, Jarryd Farrell, who was one of the pitchers for the SA team, he is also in the Australian squad.

"Jarryd recently represented Australia in America Samoa in a World Cup qualifying series over there.

"He also coaches the Strathalbyn A Grade Women's Team, and currently plays with the Mount Barker Red Sox."

Sims said the SA team finished strongly with a couple of wins across the week.

"They finished with a strong win over WA, which was good, as they had gone down to WA earlier in the tournament," she said.

"ACT finished top in the minor rounds, with NSW second.

"When they played off in the first round of the finals NSW won quite easily, but ACT won their way back into the grand final against NSW and absolutely

clobbered them."

The oppressive heat caused changes to the schedule, but luckily two diamonds at West Beach were under lights.

Sims said the competition was a chance to see some of Australia's best male softballers in action.

"It is always good to see the best of the best across all of the states," she said.

"The men who will represent Australia in the Open Men's International Matches were all on display, which was really good for the young softballers.

"All the games were live streamed so even the Hills boys who couldn't get down to West Beach to watch were able to through the Facebook livestreaming.

"Softball doesn't always get a guernsey as far as an Olympic sport, and it is going to miss this year's Olympics, but it is going to be back on for Los Angeles in 2028 – something for people to aim for."

The Hills Association is now in the midst of finals.

"A lot of these players (at the nationals), from the Hills are now returning to their local club teams, to finish out our association finals," Sims said.

"We made some adjustments to our finals programming to make sure the teams weren't disadvantaged by the players being away for the national comp."

Hills softballers who played for South Australia were Mitchell Butler, Jarryd Farrell, Cooper Goodman, Alex Hopton, Riley Karayiannis, Graham Klenke, Harry May, Luke Moyle, Samuel Paturis, Daniel Peterson, Adrian Philp, Angus Wilson and Kaleb Zakelj.



Simon and Nicky Fairweather are heading to Canada in September for the archery World Championships. Photo: Deirdre Graham

By Deirdre Graham

Strathalbyn archers Nicky and Simon Fairweather have cleared the final hurdle in their quest to represent Australia at the upcoming World Championships in Canada this September.

As previously reported in *The Southern Argus*, the duo had both shot the pre-qualifying scores necessary to make them eligible for selection on the team – but needed to finish in the top three at the Australian Field Open in Gippsland over the March long weekend.

They both achieved that aim.

“We had a pretty successful weekend,” Nicky said.

“Over the two days of ranking I ranked second and Simon was ranked first, and then in the finals – the elimination part at the end – I managed to sneak up a spot and took the Gold medal, and Simon came second, so we got a Gold and Silver medal between us in the individual.

“And in the teams’ event I also won a Gold medal.”

Nicky said official selection was now a “formality” for her and Sydney Gold Medal Olympian Simon.

“They haven’t technically announced it yet, as they have got to take the list of everybody to the board and get them to ratify it,” she said.

“But the process was that we had to do that pre-qualification that I spoke to you about last time, and then rank in the top three as well on the first two ranking days.

“So, we have met the criteria, now it is just a formality of waiting for them to give the green light.”

Nicky said she was “pretty excited” by the opportunity of going to her third World Championships and compete in the barebow category.

“I don’t think it has really sunk in just yet, because we had always planned that we would be going, but now that it is really happening I guess it is time to make some training plans and make sure we are as ready as we can be,” she said.

“(The competition in Gippsland) was pretty tight actually... I won my gold medal match in a one-hour shoot off at

the end, which was pretty nerve wracking, and Simon’s competition was really, really tight.

“I think there were three or four men who were in the mix for the top spot, so he did really well to finish where he did.”

Nicky said it was expected that Australia will send a large team to this year’s world championships at Lac la Biche, near Edmonton from September 16.

“I am not sure how many people will end up being in the team,” Nicky said.

“I know there were 30 archers across the country who had done the pre-qualifying, and obviously not all of them will be selected, as there are limited numbers for each bow type.

“But it will probably be the biggest team that we have had for a really long time, I would think.”

Once there Nicky and Simon have a chance to shoot in the mixed team event together.

“The event will have the same format to what we shot in Victoria, where there will be two days of ranking first, and if we are the first ranked archers from the Australian team, for the men and women, we get paired up for a mixed team,” Nicky said.

“I guess because we train together all the time, and shoot together all the time, it would be a really nice experience, and we know each other’s shooting really well so I think we would be a great team.

“But obviously it comes down to whoever in the squad is shooting best at the time, as to whether we get the opportunity – so we just have to put in the work and make sure that that is us.”

Nicky said they expect the overseas competition to be “pretty tough”.

“In the men’s division the guy that beat Simon in the finals on the (long) weekend was ranked 11 in the world at the last world championships, so Simon gets a really good taste of what to expect just competing locally,” she said.

“In the women’s the European shooters are really, really excellent, and the US also have some really great barebow shooters, and there was even a women from Japan last time that knocked me

out on the way up to the final, so it can be really tough, there are a lot of high quality shooters.”

Nicky and Simon will have to pay their own way to Canada.

“Archery Australia provide us with uniforms and cover our entry costs for the event, but the meals and accommodation and flights are usually out of our own pocket,” Nicky said.

“We have our flights now, I got that organised really quickly, as the longer you wait the more expensive it gets.”

She said she and Simon were both reasonably happy with their form going into the final months of preparation.

“I probably wasn’t shooting my best through the weekend, so to still come out with a win while I am not feeling my best, is still a good confidence boost, but I still have some work to do,” Nicky said.

“Simon has been shooting really great though, he is doing really well.

“Obviously he didn’t manage to beat Hugo on the day of the finals (in Gippsland), so he has still got some takeaways which is really valuable for him, to have some things to be worked on.

“But I think his technique is actually looking really solid, and he is on track.”

The couple will now look to increase training for September.

“We will be shooting most days of the week, for at least a few hours a day, and try to get to as many competitions as we can on the weekends,” Nicky said.

“There are limited opportunities now to shoot the full format, (but) I think there is another one coming up in Victoria in about a month, so that is a good one for us, if we can get across there for that.”

Nicky took the time to thank her local club at Strathalbyn, the Great Southern Archers.

“I don’t think we would be as prepared as we were if the club hadn’t made the effort to make the adaptations to our field course,” she said.

“Honestly, it has been a huge help and I couldn’t be more thankful to them for that, because they are basically volunteers and have gone out of their way to really try and assist us, to make sure we can be as prepared as possible.”

Sailing tradition returns



Clayton Bay Boat Club secretary Ric Kies, Brian O’Flaherty, Rob Jones and Neville Thorn welcome others to watch the Rat Race Regatta this weekend. Photo: Tara Nash

By Tara Nash

Boaters are battenning down the hatches as they prepare for the Clayton Bay Boat Club’s signature annual event, the Rat Race Regatta, this weekend.

With records dating back to 1987, the long-running local event is steeped in tradition, starting when some sailors put their Hartley 18s to the test through the tight, winding course from Clayton Bay through Dunn’s Lagoon, around Rat Island and returning, with a reversed course the following day.

Sailors from around South Australia have been invited to make up the different divisions: the Rat Race for dinghies less than 5.5m, the longer Stony Point Race for trailer-sailors and sports boats, catamarans, and for the first time, windsurfers.

The club is expecting more than 30 boats to participate, a number they have been building up since the drought and COVID, along with many spectators who line the nearby cliffs for the best view of all the action.

With a light-hearted and fun tone to the day, which has a Wind in The Willows theme, the winner gets to triumphantly wear the famous furry-

eared rat hat.

One of the club’s longest running members Rob Jones joined in 1987 when the event was believed to have started and has seen its growth over the years.

“At one stage we had 114 boats in it... and we had the Strathalbyn Town Band play,” he remembered.

“Nowadays, there is a fair amount of excitement because it’s a big race and there are lots of different boats in it, so people are a bit nervous and excited.

“There’s a saying that if there are two boats on the water, they’re racing, so there’s always that competitive edge.”

Mr Jones also boasts of the “really good atmosphere” at Clayton Bay Boat Club which currently has about 286 memberships, and encourages others to visit even just for the social aspect.

“Most of the time, the club has a reputation of being a really friendly place and welcoming people,” Jones said.

“A number of years ago, we wanted to encourage non-sailing people who live at Clayton Bay to get involved in the club, so when we have social events they can come along,” Treasurer, Brian O’Flaherty, added.

Sun shines down on EFS 7-12 Sports Day



Bonnie Clothier, Rub Donaldson, Maddison Clothier and Lacey Willsmore promote good sportsmanship at Eastern Fleurieu's 7-12 Sports Day on March 8. Photos: Giorgina McKay.

"Beautiful" weather and great attendance numbers made for a fun-filled Sports Day at Eastern Fleurieu's 7-12 campus earlier this month. The morning started with the house parade, where students dressed in their team colours and/or costumes marched on alongside vehicles such as tractors and sports cars to showcase their house pride and potentially win a prize for most creative house-coloured costume. The parade was quickly followed by the mascot 100-metre sprint before the day's events kicked off, starting with the 800-metre sprint, triple jump, javelin, long jump, high jump, and shot put. Other events included 100-metre sprint division 1 and 2, 200-metre

and 400-metre sprints, discus, 4x100 relay, and team games such as tug-of-war, under over, and football relay/corner spry, with students also able to participate in fly back, backyard cricket and additional activities in the Performing Arts Centre. The 1500-metre sprint was conducted prior to the day. For the first time, the Eastern Fleurieu Gift was introduced – a 100-metre handicap running race – with winners of each group qualifying into the final race. Runners started with a staggered start based on their speed, and the inaugural winner of the event, Lacey, was presented with a brand new, gigantic trophy, and will have her name added

to the record books. Other record-breakers included Ryan who beat the U16 Boys 1500-metre and 800-metre records, Ned who hit a new record in the U13 Boys 1500-metre, and Riley who jumped an outstanding 1.91 metres in the high jump to break the school record which has been held since 2001. But at the end of the day, all teams vie for the Championship Shield, which this year was claimed by Sturt with 1461 points. Flinders come in second on 1166 points, trailed by Stirling in third on 1137 and Angas in fourth on 1076 points.



Staff members Ryan Diepgrond, Lisa Halling and Curtis Perrey join in the fun with students.



Alannah Mumford, Levi Verwey and Mia Lines getting into the spirit of the parade.



Jayden Steward and Jack Roberts with Angas' mascot – the giant duck.



Katie Wilson, Lauren Bley, Emilee Carthy, Bethany Datson and Layla Daws are all smiles at EFS' 7-12 Sports Day earlier this month.



Eva Eglitis and Poppy Groom embrace their house colour.



Chloe Hull, Indi Webb and Emily Roberts looking fairly good.

Local claims national speedway title



Nathan Thorne Street Stocks Callington racer Nathan Thorne was recently crowned the new Cush Clothing Co. SSA Street Stock National Champion.

Callington racer Nathan Thorne claimed the biggest win of his already glittering career, being crowned the new Cush Clothing Co. SSA Street Stock National Champion. The 22-year-old Callington racer secured the title in an unconventional front-rear wheel drive Mitsubishi Magna, defeating the traditional marques of Holden and Ford at the Western Speedway, Hamilton on March 10. The Magna was originally for his sister to race in Street Stocks – as she was used to driving front-wheel drive cars in Junior Sedans – however, once Thorne took the car out, he saw its potential. Last weekend was Thorne's debut National Street Stock Title, where he qualified on the fourth row of the grid for the 40-lap final.

Thorne was surrounded by a cast of stars, including Mount Gambier's six-time national champion, Anthony Beare, who started off the front row. "I dropped back a bit at the start, but I wasn't nervous because I was pretty confident that we could claw back," he said. "But, after about 15 laps I'd made it to second, and then just followed Anthony for another 15, and kept my eye on the lap counter so I didn't run out of laps before I made a move. "Watching him in front, I felt I had a better car in spots of the track, but I didn't want to let him know that until the last ten laps. "So, I made a move on the inside and got past him, and then opened up a gap and was pretty safe till the end."

The Murray Bridge Rifle Club

The Murray Bridge Rifle Club shot its 20th Championship round this weekend, from a distance of 700 metres. The match also contained the Bruce Moulds Memorial Shoot for F-Class Competitors. Warm and windy conditions prevailed early, where the winds would drop off suddenly catching several shooters off guard. Later in the afternoon, the overcast conditions and a more consistent wind helped some, but members were lucky to avoid a short thunderstorm. Claiming the Bruce Moulds Memorial Stool was Richard Braund, who shot a double possible to finish on 120.11, well clear of second place David McDonald on 117.08 and John Cranwell on 116.07. David did the club's off-rifle and handicap award for the day. In TR, Robert Paech and Andrew Heard battled it out for top spot, with Rob finishing ahead of Andrew on centres, 99.12 to

99.05. Rob also claimed the handicap and the snipers award in a clean sweep for the day. Not faring so well, were Frank Marshall and Daniel Irvine, who won the Maggie Awards for their respective classes. Those who made the journey to take part in the shoot were warmly thanked and everyone looked forward to next year's event. Scores: F-Class: D McDonald (FO) 57.04, 60.04, 117.08 (128.0), G Harrison (FS) 55.03, 58.05, 113.08\ (126.8), F Marshall (FO) 51.03, 57.05, 108.08 (124.9), J Cranwell (FO) 60.05, 56.02, 116.07 (124.7). Visitors: R Braund 60.06, 60.05, 120.11, T Manning 54.04, 57.01, 111.05, J Makin 55.03, 56.02, 111.05, S Makin 47.01, 58.04, 105.04. TR: R Paech 49.04, 50.08, 99.12 (112.5), G Traeger 47.03, 48.07, 95.10 (110.9), A Heard 49.03, 50.02, 99.05 (109.3), D Irvine 42.01, 49.04, 91.05 (108.9).



John Cranwell (R) presenting the Bruce Moulds Stool to Richard Braund (L).

Don Bell the Summer Cup winner after deluge

By Perry Jones

The Cooper's Summer Cup was on the line last Saturday at the Strathalbyn golf course with the semi-finals in the morning, and then the final in the afternoon when a thunderstorm struck with 28 millimetres of rain falling in around 30 minutes on the course stopping play for the day and seeing Don Bell declared the winner.

In the semi-final, Des Kelly, despite going into the dam on the seventh, was two points clear of Ian Furniss after ten holes, but then struck trouble again on the sixteenth losing another two balls, thanks to the dam, as Ian looked the likely winner going two up, but back came Des to make it a tie after 18 holes.

Then it was down the nineteenth hole (first) to find a winner, the second shot by Ian bringing him undone being in the drain to the left, while Des was just off the green.

Then Ian, in getting out of the drain, saw his ball go over the back of the green, virtually handing victory to Des.

In the other semi-final, it was a similar story as Don Bell held a two-point lead over Sean Walsh, but squandered them by the eighteenth with scores level, still the same after two play-off holes before the third play-off hole saw Sean spraying the ball around letting Don in for victory.

In the final, Don got to a three-point lead early, and on the par three sixth almost had a hole in one as his tee shot shaved to pin, going on to get his birdie.

By the ninth hole, Don was still up by two with the thunder clouds building, and a mutual agreement was made that if it struck the leader at the time would be the winner.

Down the tenth and the margin was back to one, as Des was on the green in two, as Don had trouble with the trees on the corner.

Both then had ordinary tee and second shots on the next hole, and by the time they arrived at the eleventh green, down poured the rain as thunder and lightning struck, making the course unplayable, which also cancelled the stableford competition for the other players, who had finished in the morning and for those getting a drenching

in the afternoon.

Of the players finishing their round before the storm hit, Matthew Gniel would have been a bit disappointed being the clear clubhouse leader with 42 points, 22 on the front and 20 on the back with no scrubs for the day, having a chance for an eagle on the twelfth, but settling for a par after three putts.

Graeme Noble had a reasonable 32 being one under on the card before his second shot got stuck in the gobble bush on the sixteenth, and then making a mess on the par three seventeenth with five after missing a one-foot putt.

Phil Perrin came in with 36 points, this time able to bounce off trees to get back on the fairway, himself having birdies on the first, sixth with a possible nearest the pin and the twelfth.

While Mark Condon with 36 points was another with a chance for nearest the pin on the seventeenth, partner Dave Wright parred four holes in a row on the front nine and with just one scrub had 32 points for the round.

Dan Adams improved his game last Saturday after winning the Naga award the Saturday before, this time only losing one ball on his way to 31 points, recalling one good drive off the twelfth tee as it hit the big tree on the other side of the eleventh fairway.

Mike Semple with 15 on the front nine and 16 on the back had 31 points for the round having scrubbed the first two holes, which included only gaining three pointers on two holes.

Mike, having chipped in from forty metres out on the eighteenth, had two other scrubs in his round, being the eleventh and also finding the dam on the seventh, not so the second time around on this hole (16th) when he got a par and made it one of his three-point holes.

Erik Heyns, using his irons and woods fairly well during his round of 33 points, and noted for using his putter from well off the green, struck trouble with that stick, his mates saying he had over 30 putts for the day.

Ben McLeod, missing for a couple of weeks, picked up 31 points in his round

which included a birdie on the fifteenth along with two scrubs, having a lot of tree trouble on the seventh and just too many shots on the twelfth.

Playing mate Henry Kelly had a lot of pars in his round for 38 points, but he did lose two balls off the seventh tee.

With bowls finished, Brenton Roberts had a bit more time to drive around in his cart, finishing the day having to get an extension club out of his bag to try and retrieve his ball out of a tree.

Another out to play with bowls finished was Trevor Calaby, but being an afternoon player looked like a drowned rat as the storm hit, he along with Dennis Gatehouse and Kingsley Handke having no hesitation to head back to the clubhouse while another member in the group, Brian Simpson, was still keen to go on.

Brian, having turned 84 during the week, was having a good round with 19 points on the front, parring the first three holes, as he was trying to beat his age off the stick, even producing a bit of smart play over the creek on the sixth when with his tee shot cleverly got the ball to bounce over the creek to finish with five, as did Kingsley after missing an eight-inch putt.

Brian ran into a bit of trouble on the tenth when he needed a drop out of the drain after his second shot, to have five for the hole.

Dennis, on this hole, was lucky not to be in the drain as well, just a few inches away from the cement culvert, but his next shot saw the ball fly over the back of the green finishing with six for the hole.

While Kevin Shepley had problems on the seventh going out of bounds and then into the dam, Andrew Hentschke, with 36 points, was pleased to pick up a birdie on the fifteenth and to make sure Nobby would not be in the running for nearest the pin on this hole.

Speaking of birdies, Sam Avramidis was a contender for nearest the pin on the seventeenth and then sunk a long putt for a birdie, with partner Gary Beasley also having birdies on the third and twelfth, and this hole was another bonus for Sam as he was in line for the longest drive (19+).

Damon Mayes was in fine voice during



3rd fairway under water on March 16.

his ugly round of 24 points despite having a good patch, of par on the thirteenth, birdie on the fourteenth, and par on the fifteenth, before hitting the same tree twice on the sixteenth and going into the dam to scratch the hole.

With his tee shot on the eighteenth, Damon was out on the other side of the seventeenth fairway, as one of his playing partners, Cooper Barker, who must have been thinking of his eighteenth birthday party that night, not the eighteenth hole, thinking he had lost his ball off the tee so

had to play a provisional which went out to the seventeenth fairway like Damon's.

Luckily Cooper found his first shot just off the eighteenth fairway to finish with six for the hole.

On this hole, other member of the group Dave Bell was able to reach the green with his tee shot, though unfortunately he hit a tree to land on the seventeenth green and needing a drop to also finish with a double bogie, with Damon at least only having a bogie.

Strathalbyn Ladies Golf

Winter Season starts at Strathalbyn

On Wednesday, 13th March, 19 ladies played an Ambrose competition to start the Winter season. They played in groups of 3 or 4 and had a fun time.

Mel Johnson's group including Anthea Brinkworth and Sandy Yates from Keith and Carol Miller from Wallaroo won the day with 61.13 nett. Kerrie Edwards, Marie Kingsbury, and Sue Phillips came next with 65.4 while Bernadine Gatehouse, Penny Geue and Charmaine Aplin finished with 65.7. Next came Jenny Drury, Cara Eastwood, and Tonya Merritt on 68.4, followed by Ann Semple, Di Krutli, and

Carol Pelle with 68.5, while Marg Colby, Jo Cullen and Pauline Walkom finished with 70.4.

Jenny Drury won the NTP while Kerrie Edwards scored a gobbler (chip in) on the 11th hole.

After the round, the ladies enjoyed a fabulous lunch provided by the group. Madeline Fletcher, Maureen Need, Sue Pryor, and the card ladies, Jacky Langridge and Margaret Dewhurst joined the golfers for lunch.

The ladies then proceeded to the nearest green for Margaret Dewhurst (in

Pat Stephens' - our Patroness - absence), to open the season by sinking her putt, much to the enjoyment and excitement of the ladies watching. Well done, Margaret!!

The winner of the Eclectic of the Summer Season was announced, and Bernadine Gatehouse was the winner. Congratulations Bernadine.

Division 3 played their second Pennant match at Echunga but unfortunately lost 4 1/2 to 1/2 to Victor Harbor. All the best to both Div.2 and Div.3 in their Pennant matches next week.



Mel Johson's winning group including Anthea Brinkworth, Sandy Yates and Carol Miller.



Margaret Dewhurst sank her putt when opening the Winter Season.

McLaren Vale Golf Club

On March 16 McLaren Vale Golf Club hosted a Stableford competition.

A Grade: P Schmerl, 40; D Godfrey, 38; C Dell, 37; P Gay, 33.

B Grade: T Lavery, 41; J McMurtrie, 38 M Anderson, 36; A Galletty c/b, 33.

C grade: B Lloyd, 38; I Fox, 37; B Meyers, 34; G Low c/b, 33.

Birdies: W Goldsmith 17th; A Lewis 15th.

Nearest to Pin: 9th/18th, W Goldsmith; 8th/17th, W Goldsmith; 6th/15th, V Cooper; 3rd/12th, G Low; Ladies, M Rowley.

Player of Day: T Lavery.

Alexandrina Contract Bridge Club

Ranking March 13:

North-South				
Pos	Pair	Players	Score	%
1	.....2	Garry Skuse / Eileen Moody	100.00	62.50%
2	.....5	Val Hay / Beryl Liebelt	87.00	54.38%
3	.....6	Sandra Baker / Colin Elix	86.00	53.75%
4	.....1	Lyn Clements / Norman Bullen	73.00	45.62%
5	.....4	Raelene Lines / Bobby Cleveland	70.00	43.75%
6	.....3	Marie Pike / Leonie Vale	64.00	40.00%

East-West

1	.....5	Debbie Clothier / Leigh Clothier	108.00	56.25%
2	= ..2	Erica Schmidt / Helen Conolly	95.00	49.48%
2	= ..3	Sue Perkins / Sue Antel	95.00	49.48%
46	Valmai Phillips / Mary Rowley	92.00	47.92%
54	Mike Robertson / Malcolm Twartz	90.00	46.88%

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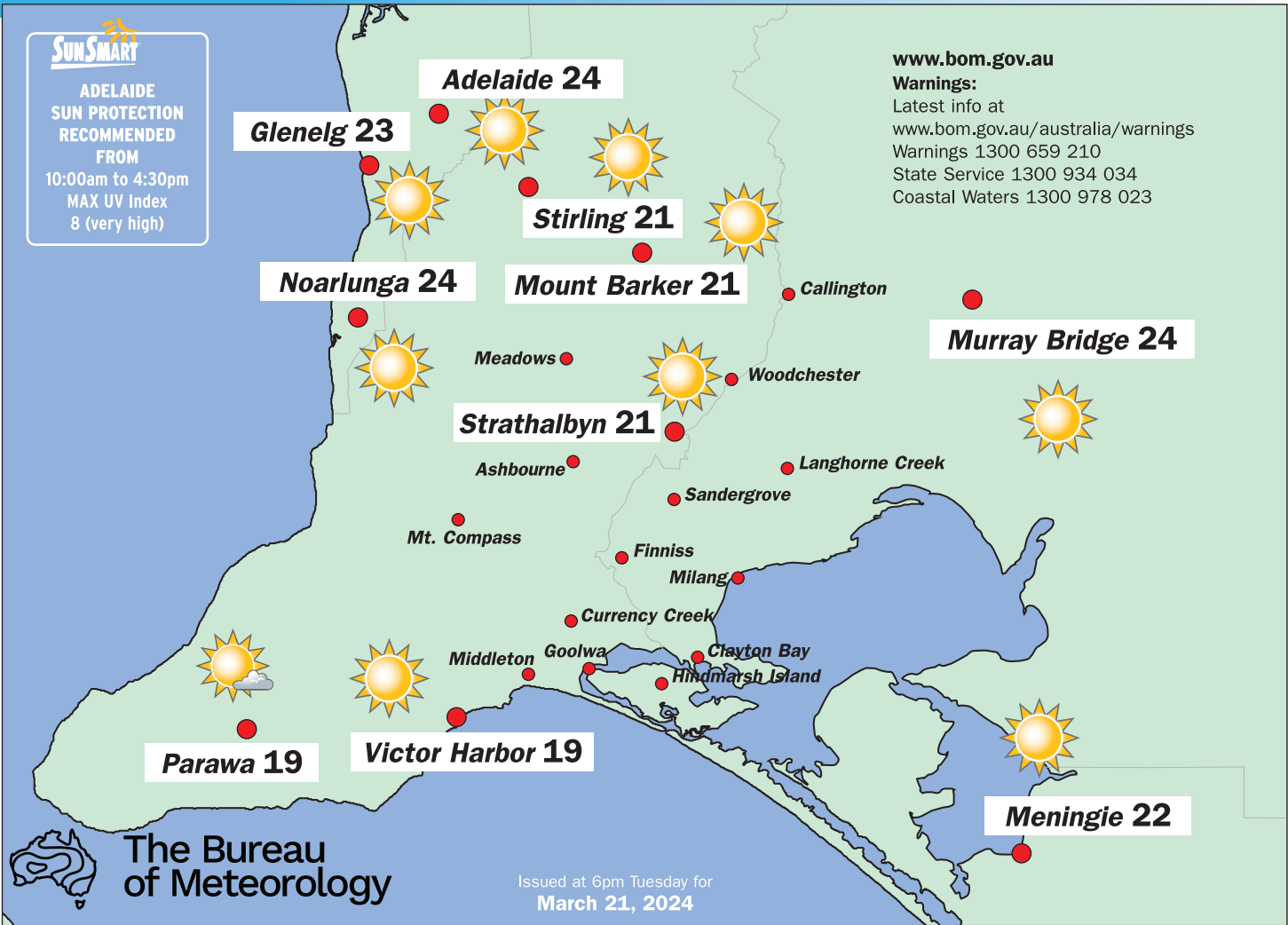
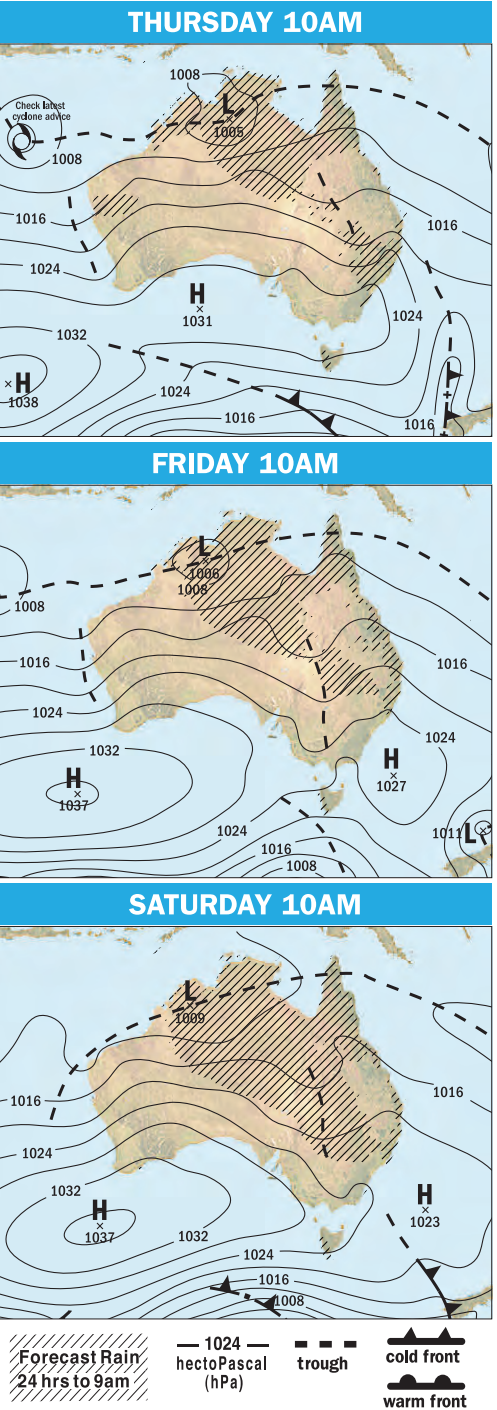
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Weather

FORECAST

Warnings
See www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings
Mount Barker:
Sunny. Winds east to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h tending south to southeasterly in the afternoon.
Friday. Mostly sunny.
Strathalbyn:
Sunny.
Friday. Partly cloudy.
Murray Bridge:
Sunny.
Friday. Sunny.
Mount Lofty Ranges District:
Sunny. Winds east to southeasterly 20 to 30 km/h.
Murraylands District:
Sunny. Winds south to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h tending east to southeasterly before dawn then tending south to southeasterly in the early afternoon.
Upper South East District:
Sunny. Winds southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light before dawn then becoming south to southeasterly 15 to 25 km/h in the middle of the day.
Mid North District:
Sunny. Winds east to southeasterly 15 to 25 km/h.
South Australia:
Mostly dry. Maximum temperatures below average. Mainly south to southeasterly winds, fresh to strong about the coast in the afternoon.
Friday. Isolated showers in the far north. Maximum temperatures below average. Mainly south to southeasterly winds, fresh to strong about the coast in the afternoon.



RECENT RAINFALL

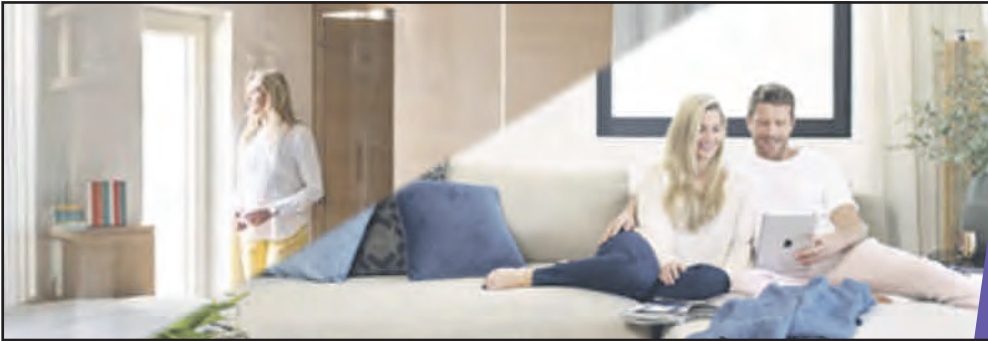
Rain (mm)	Daily	Week	MTD	YTD
Adelaide	0	3	3.0	64.2
Adelaide Aero	0	2	2.4	58.0
Ashton	0	4	3.6	56.8
Balhannah	0	3	2.6	62.0
Belair				23.6
Birdwood	0	6	7.0	51.0
Callington		9	9.2	81.0
Cape Willoughby	0	2	2.0	6.2
Clarendon		3		53.6
Claypans		8	7.9	31.5
Cooke Plains		6	5.5	61.7
Crafrers West	0	5	5.4	89.2
Finniss		15	15.1	59.4
Greenhill	0	2	1.6	67.4
Gumeracha				29.1
Hahndorf		3	3.9	62.1
Happy Valley		11	11.0	64.0
Hindmarsh Island	0.2	3	3.4	48.4
Inman Valley		3	3.0	47.0
Inverbrackie	0	4	4.0	51.8
Karoonda		1	1.0	40.5
Kersbrook	0	9	8.6	43.0
Kingscote Aero	0	3	2.6	17.0
Kuitpo	0	3	3.2	63.0
Lameroo	0	2	1.8	23.4
Lenswood	0	6	6.2	54.8
Meningie			0.0	31.6
Milang		4	1.6	49.8
Millbrook Resv	0	6	5.0	41.6
Monarto		6	2.4	65.8
Mt Barker	0	5	4.8	65.8
Mt Lofty	0	8	7.8	84.2
Murray Bridge	0	3	2.7	43.9
Nairne				
Noarlunga	0	2	2.6	39.0
Nuriootpa	0	5	5.8	31.0
Palmer		3	2.7	30.1
Parawa	0	2	2.2	41.2
Parawa West	0	2	2.2	41.2
Parndana	0	1	1.8	15.8
Peake				
Roseworthy	0	2	2.0	24.6
Strathalbyn	0.2	7	7.2	62.4
Tailern Bend		3	2.6	45.5
Tintinara				34.0
Uraidla		4	2.2	56.0
Victor Harbor	0	3	2.6	55.2
Williamstown		3	3.3	38.7
Willunga		4	3.6	37.4
Woodhouse		6	5.7	81.5
Yankalilla		2	1.8	47.2

SUN & MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Thursday	7:20am	7:26pm	5:44pm	3:12am
Friday	7:21am	7:24pm	6:12pm	4:12am
Saturday	7:21am	7:23pm	6:37pm	5:10am
Sunday	7:22am	7:21pm	7:00pm	6:07am
Monday	7:23am	7:20pm	7:22pm	7:02am
Tuesday	7:24am	7:19pm	7:45pm	7:58am
Wednesday	7:25am	7:17pm	8:09pm	8:55am

TIDES

Outer Harbor				
Thursday:				
12:42am	1.4m	5:09am	1.7m	
11:51am	0.7m	6:22pm	1.8m	
Friday:				
5:11am	2.0m	11:43am	0.5m	
5:58pm	2.0m	11:35pm	0.8m	
Saturday:				
5:32am	2.3m	11:54am	0.4m	
6:03pm	2.2m	11:51pm	0.6m	
Sunday:				
5:51am	2.4m	12:06pm	0.3m	
6:12pm	2.3m			
Monday:				
12:06am	0.5m	6:08am	2.4m	
12:15pm	0.3m	6:21pm	2.4m	
Victor Harbor				
Thursday:				
12:19am	1.0m	8:32am	0.4m	
Friday:				
12:48am	1.1m	8:35am	0.4m	
1:27pm	0.7m	6:08pm	0.6m	
Saturday:				
1:15am	1.1m	8:33am	0.5m	
1:39pm	0.8m	6:35pm	0.5m	
Sunday:				
1:40am	1.1m	8:25am	0.4m	
1:59pm	1.0m	7:07pm	0.5m	
Monday:				
2:02am	1.1m	8:11am	0.4m	
2:19pm	1.1m	7:40pm	0.5m	



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Deaths

KWATERSKI,
John Frank:

27/11/1933 - 14/3/2024.
Aged 90 years.

Loving husband of Rosalie (Rose) dec.

Adored father and father-in-law of Robert, Tania and Bob, Lisa and Andrew.

Loved Pa of Stacey and Shaun, Bradley and Jenelle, Jack and Chelsey, Kellie and Joe, Clay and Matilda.

Loved Pa John of Nate and Airlie, Cole, Wyatt, Abigail and Mollie.

Reunited once again with his beloved Rose.

You had a smile and time for everyone, you had a heart of gold, you left behind many special memories that we will always hold.

Privately farewell.

Coming Events

FASHION PARADE

Red Cross at the RSL Football Club Complex, Strathalbyn

Tuesday, April 2 1.30pm

\$10 including Afternoon Tea

Wanted

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RacingStrathalbyn

SPORTSBET SAME RACE MULTI RACEDAY



Wednesday, Mar 27
\$10 Entry fee
Gates open 12.30pm

8536 2248
Strathalbyn Racing Club
165 Dry Plains Road, Strathalbyn

A.G.M. Eastern Fleurieu R-12 School Governing Council

Monday 25 March 2024 - 7:00pm

All parents, carers, students and school community members are welcome to attend the AGM

Library 7-12 Campus, 11 Callington Road, Strathalbyn

Nominations for remaining vacant positions will be accepted at the AGM

For the purpose of attendance records, we will ask for your first and last name

The first meeting of the new GC will immediately follow the AGM to appoint office bearers

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Church Services



STRATHALBYN ANGLICAN PARISH

Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 24

Strathalbyn at 10.00 a.m.

Milang: 1st and 3rd
Sundays at 8.15am

Meadows: 2nd
Sunday at 8.15am

Rev. Andrew Klynsmith
0401 935 823



STRATHALBYN LUTHERAN PARISH

Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 24

Strathalbyn, 11.00am HC
Callington, 9.00am HC

Live stream of services on YouTube: search for 'Strathalbyn Lutheran'

Pastor Matthew Edgecomb
Ph: 0423 385 153



WAY OF THE CROSS
Contemporary Community Commemoration

Davenport Square, Macclesfield

Good Friday March 29
Music from 10.15am, Service at 11am
Hot Cross Bun morning tea follows.
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STRATHALBYN UNITING CHURCH ST ANDREWS

10 Alfred Place.

Sunday, March 24, at 10.00am
Mr Jim Hayward
Ph: 0403 270 506
Hall available for Hire
Church for Weddings



CHURCH OF GOOD SHEPHERD

Chapel Street, Strathalbyn Catholic Parish of Mt Barker/Strathalbyn

Palm Sunday Mass
March 24
Strathalbyn 10.45am
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