

# Quorn Mercury

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## QUORN PREMIERS!

QUORN LADIES PENNANT PREMIERS 2021-2022 SEASON

Spencer Gulf Ladies Bowling Association



From left—Carmel Reid, Kath Altmann, Bronwyn Rigden, Barb Flower, Jane Paynter, Dianne Paynter, Jan Jarvis, Sue Kelly and Jenny Crisp

ON THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, the Quorn Ladies Pennant Bowling Team played the Grand Final against Whyalla Golf Red (who were the minor premiers). Quorn, in only their second year of competition, won 43 shots to 36.

Quorn were placed in 4<sup>th</sup> position at the end of the minor round. After finishing last in the previous season, they are now Premiers—a fantastic effort. There were 7 teams in the Spencer Gulf Ladies Bowling Association—2 teams each from Whyalla, Port Augusta, ETSA and one from Quorn made up the competition.

A huge turnout of spectators from all towns were present and added to the finals atmosphere. Both teams bowled extremely well throughout the whole day. ■



From left—Rita Britza, Pat Wright (Quorn Ladies Patron), Ken and Greg Wright, Marlene Gloede



Visiting spectators, from left: Yvonne O'Goerke, Val Lehmann, Kath and Peter Banks

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# **Quorn Golf Club Opening Day**



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# Just Another Ruin?

THROUGHOUT THE FLINDERS RANGES wherever one travels you will invariably come across a ruin of some description, ranging from abandoned mines, settlements, homesteads and single dwellings.

All have a story to tell, some well gazetted, others just local legend. This particular dwelling falls into the latter.

Situated high in the Arden Hills property of Graham and Inge Stokes is a one roomed stone cottage. Local legend is that many years ago a man by the name of Havelburg built the house from local meadow stone with the intention of wooing his 'bride to be' into setting up home there. Sadly she took one look at the place, ran off and married someone else.

On examination of the ruins it appears the house was never occupied, eg; the fireplace has no evidence of smoke or cooking, no trees or introduced plants that prevail at most ruins.

Water would also have been a major problem, as a fair distance away is a very small dam and no trace of a tank stand for collecting rainwater from the house roof.

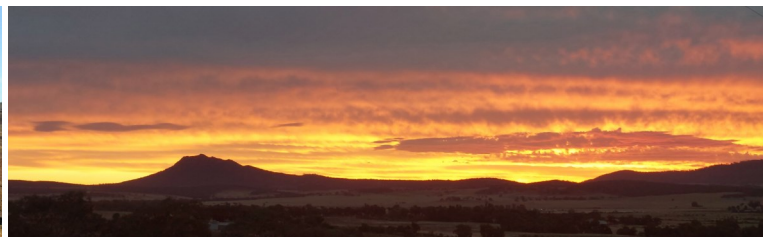
Just another ruin?

NO just another story.

The ruins used to be accessible from the Nathaltee Track. This is now closed and is private property.

Thanks to Graham & Inge for allowing me to access the site.

Richard Dyson



Above—Sunset over Dutchman  
Left—Dutchman Stern



# Chat with a Quornie

## Margaret Summerton



I WAS BORN on 27th June 1944, in the old hospital in First St (Now Elizabeth House). I had one brother, John, (deceased at 55) and three sisters—Irene, Loraine and Shirley. I was the first girl.

Mum and Dad—Gertrude and Alf Hall, were second generation Quorn people. They married before Dad joined the Light Horse Brigade, and went to WW2, serving with the Australian armed forces in Borneo.



Dad's WW2 medals from the Pacific Campaign

My brother (John Ernest) and I were born in the war years, and brought up by Mum and Dad's parents, Grandma and Grandpa Hall. (Grandpa Hall died in 1943 and Grandma in July 1957).

When Dad came home from the war in 1946 he worked with the railways for a short time. He'd been a cook in the army, so enjoyed cooking at weekends.

He made beautiful sponge cakes, and many of our meals. I remember his kangaroo tail stew, with fluffy dumplings bubbling up and down on the top.

Mum and Dad bought a house on Arden Vale Road. Irene, Loraine and Shirley were born while we lived there, and it was our family home for 21 years.

Later, our family moved to Frederick St, and we children all eventually left home, but Mum and Dad lived there for the rest of their lives. Dad passed away on 22nd May 2001, and Mum on 22nd July 2007.



Alf and Gert Hall at home in Quorn on Alf's retirement



After Dad left the railways, he joined PMG (now Telstra) as a linesman, and after 35 years service, retired in 1983. Mum stayed at home and looked after us five children.

I went to St Josephs (where Mum had also gone to school), and then on to Quorn High School on West Terrace, till I was 15.

### First job

WHEN I LEFT SCHOOL, in 1959, I took a job with Mr and Mrs Ashley at the North Quorn General Store. (on Arden Vale Rd)

I bought a bike to ride round the town and collect orders to be filled and delivered. It was only a small shop, but it was very busy.

When the shop was sold to Ethel and Leo Nayda I stayed, till I got a cleaner's job at Quorn Hospital. Matron Allison was in charge.

I dreamt of being a nurse, and did a three months trial before I was to sign up for three years. When my parents were approached, they thought the job wasn't suitable for me, as I weighed only 7 stone (44kg).

Though I was disappointed, I went to work for Ken (Joe) Reid in the Newsagency and Dry Cleaning Service in Sixth St.

In 1962, Quorn residents felt a need for a swimming pool, so they held a meeting and formed a fundraising Committee. They decided to have a Town and Country Queen fundraising competition.

I was selected as Town Queen and Jaycy Pearce (now Reddaway), Country Queen. The activities raised £1500 (Decimal currency hadn't come in then. It would have been \$3000 in the *new* money).

A range of popular entertainments took place—a Hairy Fairy Competition, a Mock Wedding, stage performances, and dances at woolsheds in Quorn and Bruce.



Margaret crowned Queen in Town and Country Queen Competition, Quorn Town Hall, 1962



Mock Deb Ball. From left—Ron Rigden, Val Roebby, Don Barber, Me, Lloyd Collins, Margaret McAuliffe, Malcolm Reddaway

I remember two local ladies who made nearly all of the *deb* (debutante) and ball gowns at the time. Millie McHugh, who made my *deb* frock and Mrs Clark (the mother of ex-resident Lyn Friedinger).



Quorn Debutante Ball. Don Barber and Margaret Hall, Quorn Town Hall, 1962

### Partnership

IN 1963, Don Barber and I took over the North Quorn Store, where I'd worked for the Ashleys when I left school. Not a lot changed. We still put up the shutters at night, and delivered orders by bike to customers' doors.

In February, 1964, Roy Summerton and I were married. We had three children, Trevor, Karen and Kym.

I was still part-owner of the shop with Don, when Trevor was born. So I took him with me to work each day. When I delivered goods, he slept in a basket on the seat of the van.

When Karen came along, the partnership was dissolved, and I became a home mum, until Kym went to kindy. Then I had short hour jobs, so that I could pick up Trevor and Karen after school every day.



Family get-together in Quorn. *From left—Kym, Karen, Margaret and Trevor, 2017*

Years passed and my marriage fell apart. Roy and I went our separate ways.

I was employed as school canteen manager, and saw many children grow up in the 10 years I was there. Many are still living here.

In 1987 there was a fire in the administration area of the school, where the library and canteen were. The canteen had to close.

By that time I'd met Max McMahon, who became part of my life until he became ill, and passed away in 2004.

### **New starts**

MY NEXT JOB was at the Grand Junction Bottle Shop—a hard task for a non-drinker. Everyone but me knew what they wanted. Thank goodness for their patience, and as time went by the labels didn't all look the same.

When a staff vacancy came up at Flinders House, the matron, Dawn Paynter, accepted my job application. She gave me the chance to fulfil my lifetime dream.

I thank Dawn for the many challenges she gave me, the tears, laughter and memories that I still hold today.



Our parents' 50th wedding anniversary *From left—Lorraine, Margaret (Me), John, Mum, Shirley, Dad, Irene.*

Although I wasn't a nurse, I was working in the field, so I gave it a good shot. (I was a stone heavier than when I left school).

When I started, there were two parts to the Home. The ladies section and the men's, with about the same number in each section. It was my ideal job, and I loved the residents, no matter what the situation was.

One day, two fit elderly ladies, asked for permission to go home and check on their houses. When they returned they carried a big bag of oranges.

We could only guess where they came from. They didn't come from the local store. Apparently, one of the ladies (conveniently) had a ladder and an orange tree...

When the new Flinders House Aged Care Home was opened on West Terrace, I worked there. But times had changed, and aged care had not. I'd worked there for 10 years, and fulfilled my life's ambition, so I thought it was time I retired.

Max and I joined my sister Irene and her husband Bryce (Chandler) for a holiday, travelling round Australia in our caravans. Irene and Bryce continued travelling for months, but we came home.

In 2004, Max passed away. He'd told me I was meant to be a threepence, and I'd never be a sixpence, and he was right.

But, after his passing I found that I was rich in having my family, and the support of the Quorn community.



In those years, I travelled with relatives and a friend to Phuket, Thailand, Egypt, Pacific Islands, Sydney, the Gold Coast, Singapore and all over Vietnam.

### Friendship

From 12, I had two very special friends, Dot Coad (Kevin's sister) and Carol Summerton, the daughter of Bill and Laurel Summerton.

Carol played cymbals in the Salvation Army, and went to Sunday School in the little hut (still) in Crombie's yard. I listened outside the fence. I guarantee it wasn't Elvis Presley!

We three have kept in contact, and enjoy short trips away together. We have fun and remember our Quorn days.

When I was growing up, I loved making new dresses for my dolls. As long as the front looked good, it didn't matter to me how much it was scrunched together at the back.

I had a *Little Betty* sewing machine, and Mrs Myrtle Norfolk, (Graham's mother), who lived across from Crombie's, gave me some advice—'Margaret, go home and fix that. Nothing's worth doing, unless it's done well'.

She tried teaching me to knit, with a set of *Wonderful* \* knitting needles, joined at the points with a length of nylon tubing.

I could knit without ever having to start a new line, or change from plain to purl.

\*May have been US 'Attached' knitting needles

Years later, when I was married to Max, I took out my needles to knit. His verdict was 40/100 for the try, but **nothing** for the result.

Now the highlights of my year are, Quorn Show; Trans Hotel Melbourne Cup Day lunch and the Quorn Race meeting.

I have six grandchildren, all grownup, and a great grandson, who has filled my days with love and laughter. ■

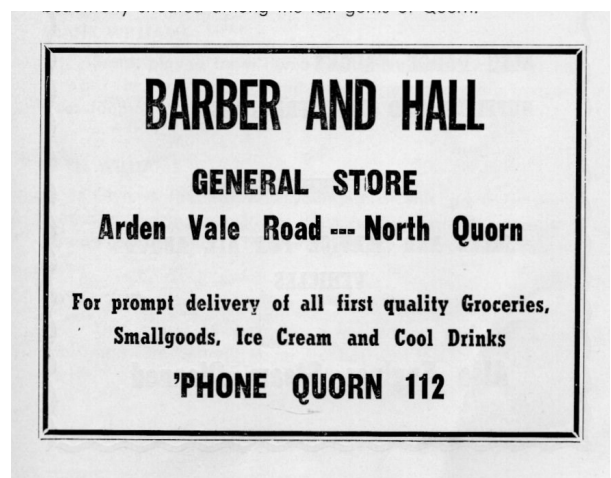


Margaret enjoying the Melbourne Cup Lunch  
Quorn 2020

## General Store



OLIVER AND ETHEL ASHLEY owned the General Store in North Quorn. Their two daughters worked for them. Phyllis is now in WA, and June (who married Geoff Francis' brother Graham), lives in Streaky Bay.



Margaret Hall worked for Ashleys then after the store was sold, for Ethel and Leo Nayda.

In 1963, the Naydas sold the store to Don Barber, in partnership with Margaret (who was only 18 at the time) ■

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# Prayers for Peace



Participants shared in prayer, reflection and song, and lit candles in turn to remember the people of Ukraine and Russia. A shared supper and fellowship followed after the service.



A meeting held at the Church on the Corner to pray for peace. A donation was collected and the charity advised—it will be used to provide blankets to refugees fleeing from Ukraine.



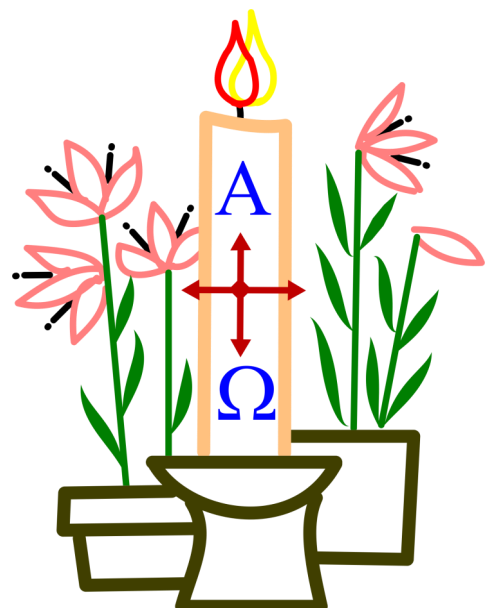
Lighting candles for Peace in Ukraine and Russia

COMBINED CHURCHES of our Quorn community gathered together on Friday March 25th to pray for peace in Ukraine and Russia. Thank you to all who joined and prayed with us. Also some money to donate to our sisters and brothers in Ukraine. Today we send it via the Caritas Australia Ukraine donation drive. May our act of solidarity in prayers and practical charity embrace them far as they are to us. More importantly, we ask the Lord's power and might to manifest so that leaders will come to pursue peace and stop the war! ■  
Father Harold Camonias

## Flinders Ranges Catholic Easter Services Schedule 2022

Holy Thursday	14th April 7:00pm	Quorn
Good Friday	15th April 11:00am	Hawker
	3:00pm	Quorn
	6:00pm	Carrieton
Saturday Easter Vigil		
	16th April 7:00pm	Quorn
Easter Sunday	17th April 8:30am	Carrieton
	10:30am	Hawker
	5:00pm	Willow Springs

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# Leichhardt's Grasshopper

(*Petasidia ephippigera*)

IN 1848, THREE YEARS after his initial expedition, Ludwig Leichhardt disappeared in the Australian Outback on what would be his last journey—he and his party were never found. For over one hundred years there were no records of his grasshopper, until a sighting in 1971 by J.H. Calaby.

Unfortunately, in recent times it seems that the charismatic Leichhardt's Grasshopper may be teetering on the edge of extinction, and risks fading back into history, just as Ludwig did.

The current known distribution of the Leichhardt's Grasshopper is dotted across the Arnhem Land plateau and escarpment, including the Kakadu and Nitmiluk National Parks. And there was a single previous recorded sighting in south-east Arnhem Land (Barrow, 2009).

It is thought that, like many insects, this grasshopper's striking colouration is aposematic: meaning its conspicuous colours signal to predators that it's poisonous to eat (although no toxic chemicals have been found in either the animal or its food).

The spotting of the *Pityrodia* shrub was a clue to the presence of the grasshopper, because of its special relationship to this plant. Leichhardt's Grasshopper eats only a few species of *Pityrodia* which is in the mint family (*Lamiaceae*). Because they feed only on this *daga* (Kriol for food), their distribution is restricted by the plant's distribution, and they are both endemic to the Arnhem Land plateau and escarpment.

Although they can occur in locally high numbers, they are normally found in small groups, are sparsely distributed, and have a low dispersal rate. Often they complete their life cycle on just a single individual plant!

One last relationship reveals that out on Country, everything is connected. *Pityrodia*'s distribution is strongly linked to fire. Although this plant cannot tolerate frequent intense fires, it is dependent upon some fire to survive. In the absence of fire it will be outcompeted by other plant species: in some cases mass mortalities have been observed. Therefore it needs frequent low intensity fires.

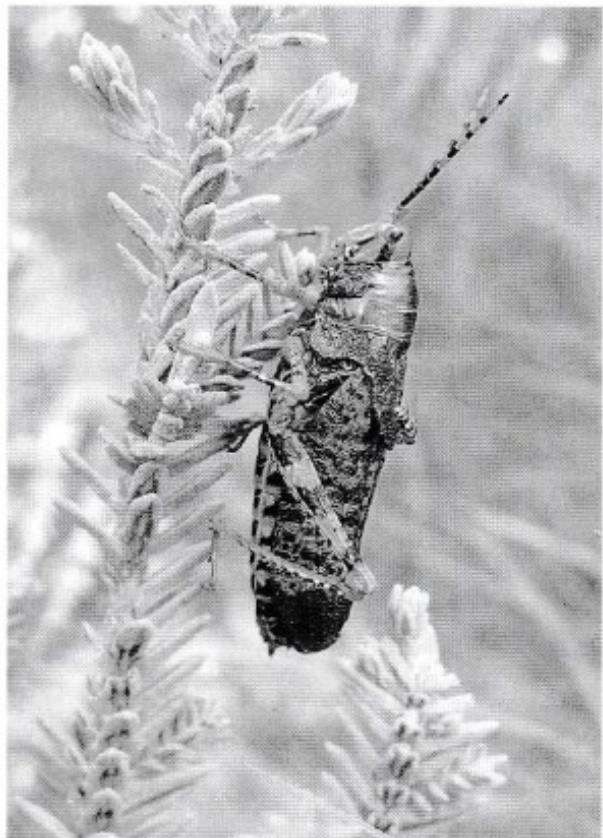
Modern-day northern Australian fire regimes are characterised by fires that are later in the monsoonal dry season, and which Cherry and the Rangers say are more frequent and more intense than traditional burning would have been in this

region. Unburnt patches can act as refuges in stony country, a shelter for both plant and animal alike, but these are less likely to be protected during intense fires.

Thus, fire impacts these grasshoppers directly, and by burning their only food source. Research on Leichhardt's Grasshopper populations in Kakadu National Park suggests that modern changes in fire regimes have negatively impacted the species. Traditional Aboriginal burning patterns may have been better for them.

The Yugul Mangi Rangers want to protect Leichhardt's Grasshopper, its *Pityrodia*, and the area, by making 'right time fire' in the cooler months of July to September.

The Rangers took some of the grasshoppers to the local Ngukurr school, and told the students about them. None of them had ever seen these fascinating creatures before. ■



This hopper, *Petasidia ephippigera*, was found by Quorn's Bradley Murray on Jervois Station near a local water hole. This is a long way south of its normal habitat in Arnhem Land. Its common name is **Leichhardt's Grasshopper**

# The Ruined Devil's Peak

HERE IS A VERY LONG STORY ———

My family came to live in Adelaide at the start of 1947. Back then a major way of traveling, even around suburbs, was by train.

In 1950, just between 5 am and midday, passenger trains left Bridgewater for Adelaide at 5.07, 5.36, 5.59, 6.18, 6.27, 6.50, 7.34, 8.30, 8.48, 9.03, 10.35, and 10.54 am—*twelve* altogether! (Bridgewater today?—there are *none*.)



Quornies on the Devil's Peak c 1925. Look how people dressed up for a climb back then! Photo Jan Arnold

Train carriages back then had huge black-&-white photos all around their walls above the windows. They showed Australia's greatest tourist spots. Many were repeats. But I've never forgotten the three most common of them all.

Not in order: one was the 'Three Sisters of Katoomba'; one was the famous view inside the 'Jenolan Caves' of its stalactites & stalagmites; and one was the 'Devil's Peak, Quorn'.

I was ten when I first saw them. And the 'Devil's Peak' fascinated me most of all. Right there and then I was determined that one day I was going to climb it.

But that name! How could you possibly name a mountain after the *Devil*? In fact, around ten years ago I googled 'Devil/Devil's Peak/Mount/Whatever', and think I found only three in the entire world, including ours.

## Quorn's Greatest Attraction

I MANAGED TO CLIMB it in the mid-1950s. And I've been climbing it regularly ever since. It's not high that makes it so spectacular. It's that it's in a huge basin whose surrounding peaks are higher. So that *view's* such a beautiful one.

Yet today you might find it hard to believe that once our Devil's Peak was one of Australia's great tourist attractions.

Now, whenever I met people climbing the Devil's Peak, I stopped to ask them questions.

And one of the most fascinating things that I found out was from overseas visitors.

One thing they sometimes said, was that they were putting it on *top* of their list of must-see places in Australia, for their relatives, friends, and neighbours when they got back home.

Early in, I think 2010, Safari Bus Tour operators discovered the Devil's Peak. (They take adventurous young people touring Australia's outback.) They told me it was perfect for them. They'd leave Adelaide around 7am, reach Quorn around 3pm, and stop there so their passengers could shop and use the town's toilets.

Then they'd drive out to the Devil's Peak, and lead their passengers to the summit. When back down again they'd drive further north past Quorn to camp. News of this spread to other bus companies, even interstate. And I found that there were sometimes two buses there at a time.

Then one of them added a fascinating wrinkle to this. He kept his passengers on the summit to watch the sunset while they ate their dinner. And they'd come down by torchlight. That new twist became very popular. What a great stunt!

Then a driver-guide told me that companies were considering camping after this *in Quorn itself*, instead of driving further north to camp.

Came the Fire Season's start. Back then this meant the Devil's Peak was closed all the way through it. Just after this I met a bus stopped by the 'Closed' sign. Its driver-guide was fuming.

He said something like this: 'If Quorn doesn't want our business, I'll bloody-well make sure I never come here again! And I'll tell every other bus company never to come here again too!'



Modris Ozolins on The Stiletto, with the Devil's Peak behind him, 1st March 2010. Mt Brown is on the left on the horizon



## Other Long-Time Activities

**BACK IN THE 1930S** up to the 1950s, while regular passenger trains were still running, city bushwalkers would catch a train to Woolshed Flat, hike from there to the southern end of the Devil's Peak Range, hike right along the top of its ridge, and then down and into Quorn.



1 What walking trails *should* look like

They'd camp overnight on the way. And they'd catch a train from Quorn back to Adelaide. A couple of times I went right along the top of the ridge to pick up thirty years of their rubbish, including two ancient water bottles, a billy,

and even parts of a green sleeping bag!

'Rubbish' reminds me of when two of us took days to pick up all the rubbish at the foot of the great cliff below the summit. The most fascinating thing we found was a tiny Coolgardie Safe small enough to carry to the top. Sadly, it collapsed in our hands or we'd have brought it back to be restored and archived.



2 Devil's Peak Trail above one km

A second major activity on the Devil's Peak was rock climbing. It especially offers 'Kindergarten Climbs', that are great to teach new climbers on.

The Commonwealth owns the 100 square yards of the top, and I've met Soldiers

there, who were practising abseiling down the summit's face—even during the bushfire season.

A third activity is Geology students from several Universities studying the geology of the Peak, which is apparently quite spectacular. One party was even from Melbourne University.



3 Yes! A 'Trail', the last 300 metres!

So, you can see that the *past* history of The Devil's Peak was a hugely busy one. And that it was one of our greatest assets where attracting visitors was concerned. At least it *was*, when the Trail was in any kind of good condition!

## The Present Dangerous Trail

**THERE NEVER WAS** a planned and properly constructed walking trail up the Devil's Peak. From the start, Quornies just pushed through the scrub *straight* up to the top. Over time this turned the Trail into a human-made creek bed. And every heavy rainfall washes more dirt away and exposes still more rocks formerly buried under that dirt.

Look at photos 2 to 4. They're from earlier than 2016, too. And today the Trail's mostly much worse than this between 1 km and the summit at 1.3 km. Climbing over rocks like that is not merely punishing, it's now dangerous, too.

Look at photo 1. It's what a walking trail *should* be like. To get a steep trail to stay like that you normally zigzag it so the gradient is far less. And it's hard to see but there are *three* drains with mounds on their lower sides across that path to divert rainwater. They protect the trail from heavy rain gouging the dirt out. It's part of the *cared-for* trail on The Dutchman's Stern.



4 Can you believe this is the Trail?

The greatest danger is that many of the rocks in pics 2 to 4 are loose. Tread on one and you just might find yourself with a broken leg. Or pelvis. Or skull. Those rocks are dangerous.

Thirty years' pleading, several reports, and even an expensive



study, have led to scarcely anything at all being done to clean up this dangerous mess.

Several Quornies have told me that they're no longer game to climb the Devil's Peak. I don't blame them. In fact, though I feel sad to say it, if it were up to me, *I'd* close the Devil's Peak Trail permanently, until it's properly repaired, or better, re-laid by professional Hike Trail Makers. Otherwise, sooner or later someone's possibly going to be seriously injured.

If closed, it'll be the very sad end of what was once one of Quorn's greatest tourist attractions.

### Trail Indicators



200-metre pole on the Devil's Peak Trail. Notice the trail turning into a creek bed, grossly widened by walkers to avoid it?

**WALKING TRAILS ARE** usually marked at regular intervals—how regular depends on how easy the trail is to see. Trails especially need to be marked at places where it's easy to go the wrong way and get lost. (See 'Rescue' below.)

The path in photo 1 on the previous page is easy to see, so the markers on it are only poles every 200 metres, that also inform you how far you've walked and how far you still have to go.

But over shale and through the pine forest on the Warren Gorge Trail the path scarcely shows at all, so line-of-sight white markers are used.

The problem on the Devil's Peak is that there are *three* sets of markers that have been installed over the decades, without the older ones being removed. One set is the red triangular ones such as that shown below, nailed to trees.



Red Triangle markers. Vandals removed this one, turned it to point the *opposite*—hence the *wrong*—way, and re-nailed it

Fortunately, you can see the Peak itself ahead and above you as you walk, or these vandalised red markers would by now have led to climbers getting lost. But what about at twilight? Then such vandalism becomes extremely dangerous.



Decades-old graffiti in Lucifer's Cranny close to the top of the Peak. What a wonderful advertisement they are for Quorn!

28th June 2016, lack of signage at a corner in the trail on top of the ridge led a climber to get lost when he continued north along the top instead of east down the Peak. A huge rescue effort by the Quorn SES, CFS, SA Ambulance, SA Police, and other Quorn residents found him late that night, suffering badly from the cold. (See the *Mercury*, August 2016, pp 3–4.)

Yet nothing's been done to remedy the dangerous signage shambles that still exists. You can only say, 'Disaster!—waiting to happen'.

### And...All that Graffiti

**THERE'S A LONG**, narrow cranny at the summit. You climb out of it up to either Little Devil's Peak on its northern side (as most do), or the Devil's Peak itself on its southern side.



More graffiti at the top of Lucifer's Cranny. There's plenty of it! There's even some on Armchair Rock between 0.8 & 1.0 km

Lucifer's Cranny is spectacular, but at its sublime top end you're surrounded by hideous graffiti. One obviously local graffito even says that 'Quornies Rules'. What do you think overseas climbers think of all of that? What an advertisement for Quorn! When they get back to their own countries, what'll they say about it? ■

— Ray Wood

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# Quorn Health Services Update

March 2022

## Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network information 'Living with COVID' phase for Quorn Health Service.

The Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network will be transitioning to the 'Living with COVID' phase of our Management Plan and from 1 April 2022 the following changes will be in place at the Quorn Health Service.

- Emergency Department Services will return to an onsite service and patients no longer need to call ahead, we ask that patients continue to use the rear (ambulance) entrance to access Emergency Department Service
- Acute admissions will recommence for patients who are not at elevated risk of COVID, those patients who are COVID positive or who are close contacts of someone who is COVID positive will continue to be redirected to Port Augusta for treatment and inpatient care.
- COVID testing and Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) collection will be available from 2-3pm by appointment only

### Visitors

- Acute Care – 2 visitors per patient for up to 2 hours per day
- Aged Care – 2 visitors per resident per day, visiting times are not restricted

All visitors will be screened for COVID risk and will be required to perform a Rapid Antigen Test prior to entering the facility.

Visit can only occur in patient / resident rooms or outdoors and visitors are required to wear a surgical mask for the duration of the visit.

Additional Infection prevention and control measures have been put in place to minimise the risk of our Aged Care Residents contracting COVID and we ask for your cooperation.

Please do not visit a patient or resident if you have:

- Been identified as a close contact of a COVID-19 positive case within the last 14 days
- A temperature higher than 38 degrees Celsius
- A history of fever or chills within 72 hours of entry
- Symptoms consistent with an acute respiratory infection or loss of taste/smell
- Undertaken a COVID-19 test and are awaiting a test result (unless part of routine surveillance testing)

# Pictures — From the Past



**THE QUORN LOCOMOTIVE** Running Sheds at the start of the 20th century. The two locomotives are Y Class, built 1885–98 by Beyer Peacock & Co.; J. Martin & Co. Gawler; and at the Islington Workshops. They were used between Pt Augusta and Farina. There look to be around 54 men posed here, though the top right one may be a woman. Presumably they're Quorn Railways Staff—how big a staff is that? Notice the loco head-lamps are oil? In August 2021's *Pictures From the Past*, p 30, was a similar photo with posed staff from 1882, with two X Class locos, found in the *Back to Quorn Sept. 24–30 1928 Carnival Souvenir* booklet, on p 50.



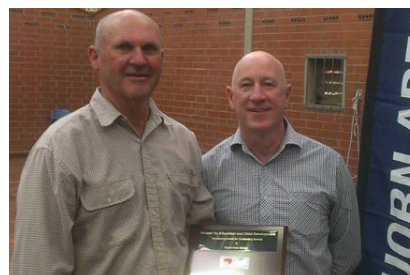
**AN EARLY COMMON** type of mass transport was the 'charabanc' (French, *char à bancs*, 'car with benches', ie the seats go right across without a middle passageway). A 1950s charabanc is shown in the May 2020 *Pictures From the Past*, p 42, in Warren Gorge, October 1958. This one is Birdseyes' Charabanc in 1916, leaving the Terminus Hotel, Port Augusta, to take a party of picnickers into the hills. Notice the chain drives to the rear wheels? Both photos are from Reg J. Mayes, *Pictorial History of Port Augusta* (Rigby, 1974). ■



I have been the Member for Giles since 2014 and was appointed Shadow Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development in 2018.

Giles is the largest South Australian state electorate and covers Whyalla, Quorn, Hawker, Kimba, Cowell, Roxby Downs, Coober Pedy and the APY Lands reaching all the way out to the Western Australian and Northern Territory borders.

Please contact my office if you require assistance with State Government-related matters.



### My office can help you with

- Community or individual advocacy, engagement and consultation
- Provide advice and assistance on State Government matters relating to the Giles electorate and Primary Industries and Regional Development
- Refer you to the appropriate service provider or Government agency if we cannot provide the service
- Assist community organisations and sporting clubs with grant applications
- Provide advice on possible funding sources for community projects
- Assist with the preparation of petitions and table them in State Parliament
- Justice of the Peace Services



# Eddie Hughes MP

## Member for Giles

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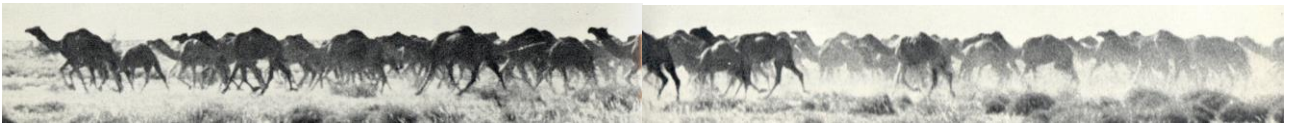
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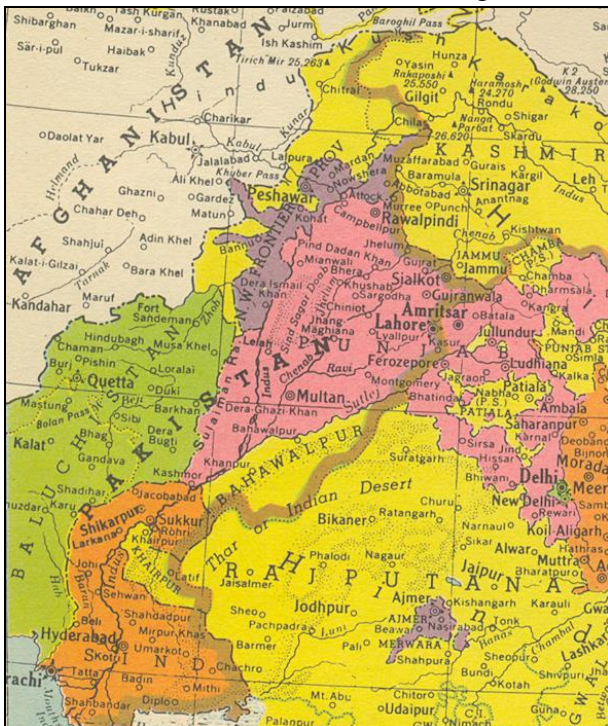
# Those Afghan Cameleers

**MOST PEOPLE HAVE** heard of the Afghan Camel Drivers, especially of Marree, and also of the camels imported to South Australia, particularly during the 19th Century. They were valuable for exploring our outback, and for carrying goods of all kinds where there were no trains or roads.

Today, vast numbers of the descendants of those camels roam wild across our outback. The top photo shows just one mob of feral camels on Durham Downs Station in Queensland. In fact, you may have read that Australian camels are in demand overseas today, where the local camels have become diseased, while ours aren't!

A long string of camels could be fastened from nose-peg to tail, and managed by one cameleer at the front, and another at the rear.

But what may surprise you is to find that most of these cameleers were not Afghans, and most of the camels were not from Afghanistan.



The darker parts of the map were British India in the 19th century. Afghanistan was not British, who fought Afghanistan three times, in 1838-42, 1878-79, and 1919. The British army in 1842 was almost entirely massacred.

Now see Baluchistan on the map. It's now a province of Pakistan, though trying to gain its

independence today. In the 19th century it was part of British India. It has great deserts, and its camels are some of the finest in the world.

Now, when Australia and India were parts of the British Empire, and the Afghans and British were enemies, ask yourself, 'How could South Australia buy camels and hire cameleers from Afghanistan?' Not only that, but Afghanistan was entirely landlocked, so where were its ports to ship such camels and cameleers from?

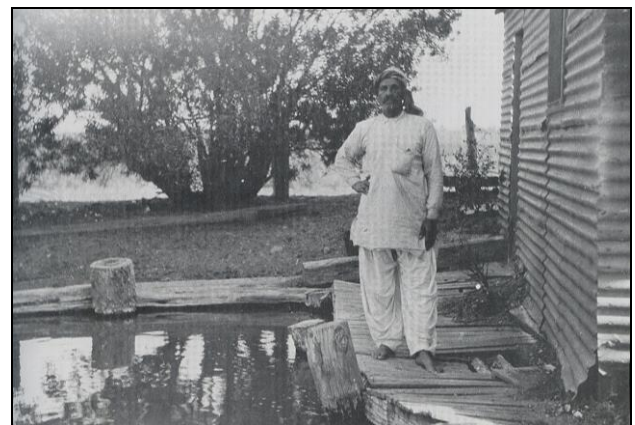
But notice one of British India's great port cities, Karachi (name slightly cut off), right on Baluchistan's south-eastern border. Sir Thomas Elder got *his* camels from Baluchistan and shipped them from Karachi, in 1866. And they were unloaded in January 1866 at Port Augusta. How much more sense does *that* make.

The Geographer Dr Tom McKnight in his 1969 book, *The Camel in Australia*, writes:

Throughout the history of camel-driving in Australia the natives who were brought as handlers were referred to as 'Afghans' or simply as 'Ghans'. Although a few actually originated in Afghanistan, the great majority apparently came from Rajasthan, Baluchistan, or near-by areas in what is now West Pakistan. Eventually a small number of handlers were brought in from Egypt, Persia and Turkey, and they, too, were invariably called 'Ghans'. 23

Rajasthan consists mostly of the Rajputana Principality shown at the bottom right on the map.

The famous Adelaide Islamist & Herbalist signed himself 'Mahomet Allum, Afghan, Kandahar' to show that *he* was a genuine Afghan. ■



Afghan Mullah, perhaps Mullah Assim Khan, at the Ablution Pool in front of the Marree Mosque

# Quorn Bowling Club Trophies

## 2021-2022

### Ladies

Singles Winner: Kath Altmann  
 Runner Up: Mary Collis  
 Pairs Winners: Kath Altmann, Di Paynter  
 Runners Up: Jane Paynter, Sue Kelly

#### Wednesday Shield Point System:

Winner: Jane Paynter  
 Second: Sue Kelly  
 Third: Mary Collis

### Prize Donated By:

Grant Lever, Barb Flower  
 Richie and Jane Paynter  
 Quorn Bowling Club  
 John Daw

Kath and Bill Altmann  
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### Men

Singles Winner: Grant Lever  
 Runner Up Des Finlay  
 Pairs Winners John Daw, Allan Brokenshire  
 Runners Up, Ted Paynter, Lou Walker

Kath Altmann  
 Brian Hartin  
 Pat Wright  
 Bill Altmann

Fours Winners  
 Ted Paynter: Richie Paynter, Lou Walker, Geoff Evans  
 Runners Up:  
 Mat Britza, Brian Hartin, Dave Coverdale, Dean 'Monty' Kevin Montgomerie

### Mixed

101 Singles Winner Mat Britza  
 Runner Up Ted Paynter  
 Pairs Winners Sue Kelly, Mel Noden  
 Runners Up Jane Paynter, Richie Paynter

Don Calliss  
 Quorn Bowling Club  
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 Mat Britza

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At left John Daw, Allen Brokenshire  
 Winners of the Pairs Championship

From Left: Kath Altmann,  
 Ladies Singles Championship winner,  
 and  
 Grant Lever, Mens Singles  
 Championship Winner







From Left: Men's Singles Runner up, Des Finlay, congratulated by Des Wallace



From Left: Ladies Pairs co- runner up, Di Paynter, presented by Des Wallace



Above, Barb Flower spoke on behalf of the Ladies, about the success of the ladies Pennants Team



From Left, Sue Kelly and Mel Noden, Winners of Mixed Pairs Competition



From Left: Geoff Evans, Lou Walker, Ted Paynter, Winners of the Men's Fours (Absent Richie Paynter)

THE QUORN BOWLING CLUB is a very progressive club. This past season due to successful grants won, and many hours of voluntary work by members, the club house has been painted inside and out, new lights, ceiling and blinds installed, carpet tiles laid and new tables purchased, just to name a few of projects completed.

Mid-week pennants competition was played on Wednesdays.

Quorn had first and second Division teams compete in the Saturday Pennant competition.

A club coaching clinic was held recently where twelve players took part.

Night Owls has been very popular on Friday nights.

Presentation night was held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March and a thankyou BBQ for our Sponsors was held Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

Students from Quorn Area School have just started to learn about bowls within their school program assisted by bowling club members.

Ladies Open Day was held on March 24<sup>th</sup> with 12 teams participating

Farmers and Friends day will be Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

The Annual General Meeting will be held on

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30pm.



Above , Two photos showing some of the many members attending the Bowls Club Windup night for 2021-2022





Barbara and Lindsay Oliffe from Brighton were back in Quorn on 27 March for the dedication of Tom and Nell Finlay's headstone, recently relocated from Centennial Park cemetery. *Photo—John Mannion*



Voting Day in Quorn—Helpers and Voters



Cali and Clay Rodgers next to their 6 foot tomatoes and still growing! Thanks to Ken Fuller for his time, effort and guidance. *Photo—Heidi Williams*



March 25 Season finished  
Last big swim for the morning lappers  
*Photos—Barb Walker*



The Slattery boys (Peter, Mick and Bill) recently had a long weekend together... meeting up with Jim Slattery in Laura. *Photo—Lee-Ann Slattery*



Last Tuesday training at SES Quorn, together with Port Augusta SES and Stirling North crew. The discussion was about equipment used in a Road crash recovery



From left—Allan Brokenshire and Geoff Evans



From left—Lyn Edson, Sue Smith, Marlene Evans, Cheryl Thomas and Barb Griffin

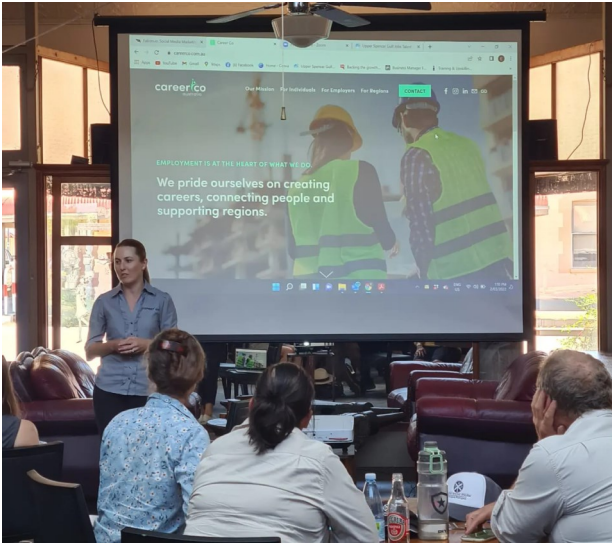


From left—Pat, Kay, Shirley Yvonne and Heather went out to the Trans for Adelaide Cup—March 14. They all had a lovely lunch and a great day

## Quorn Out and About



# FRTOA Meet in Quorn



THE 60TH FLINDERS RANGES Tourism Operators Association Forum was held in Quorn on Wednesday March 2nd.

Massive thank you to all our guest speakers, Andrea Tschirner also for your fantastic and educational tour of the new Quorn Bushtucker Gardens, Eric Brown (Quorn CEO), Emma Davis (Director of Career Co), David Reubenicht (Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society) and all the members and non-members that attended on the day.

Exciting times are ahead! Much is happening in the Flinders Ranges and Outback area, with so many passionate people- let's continue to take pride, build and promote and our region.



The forum was held at Emily's Bistro. The renewal and updating of Tourist Attractions was one topic as was the sharing of training opportunities.



Andrea Tschirner Introduces the Bush Tucker garden to FROTOA



Identifying plants and their uses



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The Lions Club of Quorn  
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Fair skin that always burns rather than tans

Had blistering sunburn as a child enough to stay off school

Any inflamed skin sores that do not heal

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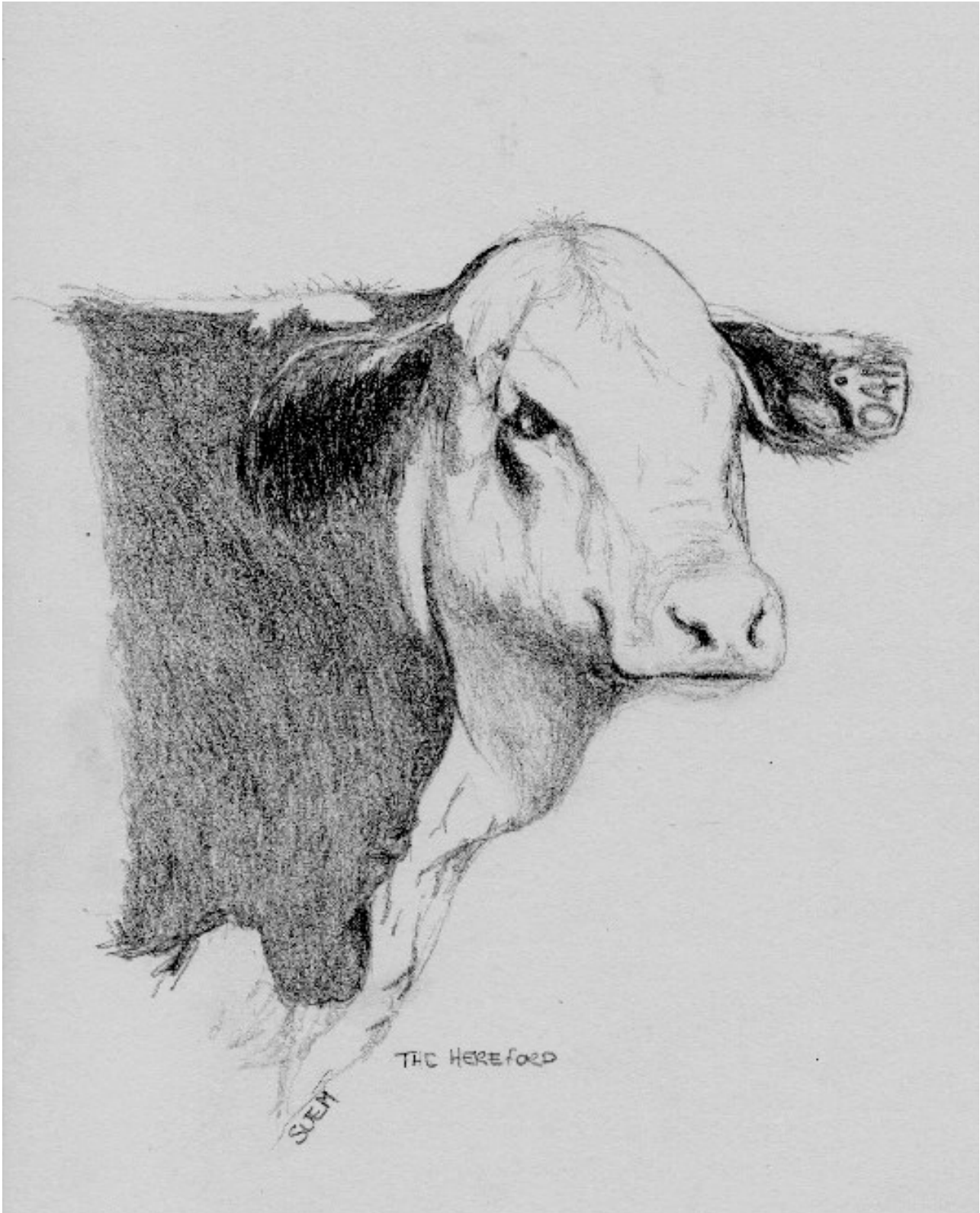
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# The Hereford



THE HEREFORD IS one of the most numerous of all breeds in Australia. It is found throughout the country in all extremes of environment, but particularly in the central and south-eastern States, and in South Australia and southern Western Australia. Producers have been reaping the benefits with markets across SA having been exceptional early in March with firm prices across the board.

There has been speculation that the prices of cattle might begin to fall this year, the high prices have been gratefully accepted but all good things don't last forever. ■



## OPENING HOURS

SUNDAY CLOSED  
MONDAY CLOSED  
TUESDAY 1:00 - 5.30PM  
WEDNESDAY 9:30AM - 5:30PM  
THURSDAY 1:00 - 5:30PM  
FRIDAY 1:00 - 5:50PM  
SATURDAY 10:00AM - 12:00PM

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- Browse the latest releases
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- Read your favourite magazines, fiction, non fiction and large print novels
- Have free access to the internet
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***Not a member? Signing up is easy and free!***

### **APRIL BOOK CLUB**

**WED APRIL 27TH 7PM, 63 THOMPSON ROAD**

**CONTACT SAM NESTER FOR INFO: 0456 129 870**

## ***NEW RELEASES AT THE LIBRARY***

### **ADULT FICTION**

The Horse Woman - James Patterson

A Man Of Honor - Barbara Taylor Bradford

Seven Husbands Of Evelyn Hugo - Taylor Jenkins Reid

Wish You Were Here - Jodi Picoult

The Midnight Library - Matt Haig

House Of Sky and Breath - Sarah J Maas

Normal People - Sally Rooney

Beautiful Little Fools - Jillian Cantar

Go Tell The Bees I'm Gone - Diane Gabaldon

### **Easter Storytime**

Dear Storytime families. Due to COVID we are unable to get together this year for Easter. But, if you call into the library from the 12th—14th of April, you will find the Easter Bunny has left an activity pack and Easter egg for you!

*~ Nancy*







## **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

- Provide advocacy, development and networking opportunities to the Quorn and District Business community
- Support sustainable business growth and make it easier to do business.
- Share information on what is happening in the community i.e., events, activities, visiting groups.
- Current information on training, funding, and grant opportunities
- Information evenings with expert guest speakers
- Network with other local business owners

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Quorn Business Group Executive Committee

President – Kevin Woolford

Secretary – Sharon Hooper

Treasurer – Stuart Hackett

Committee Members – Pat Gilbert, Mel Bowman, Hamish Gibson, Eric Brown

## **Next Meeting – To be advised**

See Quorn Out and About for date and venue

# Quorn Show 2022



**What  
new  
ideas  
will  
we  
see  
in  
our  
Show  
2022?**



FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

Planning for the 2022 Show on Sunday September 25th is underway.

The Committee is still looking for a *Trade Space Coordinator*.

Anyone that would like to book a Trade Space can find the forms

at [sacountryshows.com](http://sacountryshows.com) ■

Amanda O'Loughlin

**Watch this space!**

## FEES FOR 2022

### Admission:

<b>Adults :</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>School age Children:</b>	<b>\$ 2.00</b>
<b>Concession</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>

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**Membership 2 Adults \$15.00**

**Family Membership**

**2 Adults, 2 Children \$20.00**

**Save money!**

**Purchase a show membership!**

**Contact Jillian at the VIC for details**

**Proceeds from memberships help with preparation and planning costs incurred in lead-up to the event.**

## Next Committee Meeting

**FRC Council Chambers**

**Thursday the 28th of April  
7:00pm**

## Trade Space Organiser

**Is this you?**

**Like meeting people?**

**Computer savvy?**

**Enjoy volunteering your organisational skills?**

**We are in need of a person to book trades-people/ businesses /community groups into allocated sites for show day**

**Sunday September 25th.**

**If you are keen please apply by email to**

**[quornshow@gmail.com](mailto:quornshow@gmail.com)**

**Training will be given.**

## Enquiries to current Office holders:

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**Treasurer:-** Jillian Wilson

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**Trade Spaces:-** Still to be appointed



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Trav redrills bolt holes in the chassis of Car 74



Senga and Nardean cleaning up at Woolshed Flat, ready for the first train of the year



The first Sundowner makes it back home safely

Would you like to learn more about #teamPRR? Why don't you call our Members Services Manager, Bronwyn Ingram, to chat about the range of roles that may suit your availability, interests and capabilities. Bronwyn can be contacted on 08 8641 1527

## Scheduled Trains in April

**Saturday 2nd** Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

**Sunday 10th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Saturday 16th** Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

**Sunday 17th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Monday 18th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Tuesday 19th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Thursday 21st** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Saturday 23rd** Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

**Sunday 24th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Sunday 24th** Coffee Pot Heritage Rail Experience – dep Quorn 12:00pm, return 16:00

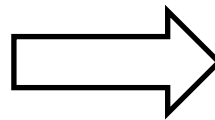
**Monday 25th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 14:30, return Quorn 17:30

**Tuesday 26th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Thursday 28th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

**Saturday 30th** Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

## BOOK YOUR JOURNEY HERE



## And finally...

While it was disappointing to not win anything at the National Tourism Awards, we would like to congratulate those fantastic SA tourist operators that did! These are the Gold winning Beach Huts Middleton (3-3.5 star acc); winning silver were Murray River Trails (ecotourism), Vasse Virgin at Seppeltsfield (Tourism retail and Hire services), and Bendleby Ranges (adventure tourism); winning bronze were The Guardsman (restaurants & catering services), Seppeltsfield Wines (wineries distilleries & breweries), Woodhouse Activity Centre (unique accommodation), and Eos by SkyCity (new tourism business) ■

# PRR Open Day for Prospective Volunteers

ON 3 APRIL 2022 the Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society will be hosting an Open Day to enable the public who may be interested in volunteering gain some insight into the organisation. The PRR will also be celebrating 20 years of operations out of Port Augusta, and this special train to Woolshed Flat will coincide with that milestone.

The Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society is a key tourist attraction in the Flinders Ranges and could be regarded as Australia's largest working museum. This authentic heritage railway carries about 10,000 passengers during the "train running season" from March to November each year. At other times, work continues on various projects including carriage, loco and rolling stock mechanical restoration and track maintenance, and working bees are held to keep the railway in top working condition.

Opened in 1879, the railway through the Pichi Richi Pass was the first section of what became the Ghan Railway to Alice Springs. For nearly 70 years the train hauled people, coal, troops, livestock, minerals and agricultural products between Port Augusta, Quorn and beyond.

In 1973 the Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society (PRRPS) was formed to preserve this line.

Operating between Quorn and Port Augusta, in the heart of the Flinders Ranges, PRRPS passengers can enjoy much of what the region has to offer, including magnificent scenery, local produce and the unique atmosphere of the town and surrounding area.

The first PRRPS passenger train departed Port Augusta at the conclusion of March 2002, after a major construction project saw our line extended from the then terminus at Stirling North, the project being awarded the 2002 Trackwork Achievement Award from the permanent way institute of South Australia.

Next year, the PRRPS celebrates 50 years since the Society was established during the inaugural meeting at Cooina, with the key objective being to preserve the line. Since that date much of the heritage railway you see today is as a result of the volunteers' passion to restore, maintain, preserve and operate this

precious Australian heritage narrow gauge railway running through the Pichi Richi Pass and preserving it for our future generations.

Recently the PRRPS won the SA Tourism Award Tourist Attraction category, an amazing achievement when you consider the entire railway is operated completely by its dedicated team of volunteers who work in various departments, including, but not limited to: Accounts, Marketing, Catering, Rolling Stock, Track, Structures, Locomotive, Restoration, Museum, Catering, Ticket Sales and on-board train carriage Guides (called Car Captains) who are responsible for pointing out the main points of interest along the trip, and passenger safety, amongst other things.

People of all ages, and capabilities are welcome to join us on the Open Day for a taste of the Pichi Richi Railway and experience a heritage rail trip from Port Augusta to Woolshed Flat and return, leaving Port Augusta around 10:30am and returning to Port Augusta about 2pm.

Volunteering enables you to learn new skills, join a team of people who come from all walks of life with a range of life skills, and make a contribution to the ongoing successful running of this iconic railway.

To attend the day, it is essential to register and obtain a complimentary ticket by contacting our volunteering manager: Bronwyn Ingram.

Contact: Bronwyn Ingram

Ph: 08 8641 1527

Email: [volunteer@prr.org.au](mailto:volunteer@prr.org.au)

<https://www.pichirichirailway.org.au/>





# We need your help

For several years we have been asking for help to prepare the *Mercury* to send to the printer. We have received interest from several people in town and we really appreciate your interest.

We don't need much of your time, a couple of hours **one day** a month.

We are looking now for a trainer/teacher who can assist us in guiding our new people.

Please send your contact details to  
Mercury @frc.sa.gov.au  
or any member of the team.



# Home Recipes



## Roasted Butternut and Spinach Quesadillas

### Ingredients

- 1/2 butternut thinly slices
- 2 tbsp light oil
- 3 cloves garlic skin on bruised
- 350 gm baby spinach
- grated cheese
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1tbsp chilli flakes
- 1 pack of 10 inch flat breads

### Method

Cook Time as required, just minutes each.

Serves 4-6

1. Pre heat oven to 180°C. Line a baking tray with baking paper.
2. Place the pumpkin slices onto the tray, drizzle with 1tbsp oil, add the garlic cloves and a good pinch of salt and pepper. Toss to combine.
3. Bake until the pumpkin is soft and lightly caramelised.
4. Sauté the spinach with the remaining oil and a good pinch of salt and pepper until wilted. Place spinach in a sieve over a bowl and allow to drain. Press as much of the liquid as possible from the spinach and set aside.
5. Heat a dry frying pan. When ready to serve take a wrap and add a sprinkle of cheese to one side. Top with a few slices of pumpkin, some wilted spinach and a pinch of chilli flakes. Add some more cheese and fold the wrap in half.
6. Place the folded wrap into the frying pan. Turn the quesadilla over after a few minutes or when the bottom is golden and toasty and the cheese is melting. Once the other side is toasted remove from pan.
7. Cut the cooked quesadillas into three and repeat with the remaining wraps.
8. Serve with your favourite dip.

*Recipe taken from **Wellbeing Eat Well** ( healthy easy and delicious.)*



This unusual shaped egg was laid by an older Isa Brown hen last week in the Rodgers hen shed. It has a thin shell. The other egg is for size reference.





**ALL WELCOME**

**QUORN MEN'S SHED**  
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 Quorn SA 5433  
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 PH: 0488 069 943 Terry Smith (Tres)  
 Email: quornmensshed@gmail.com



Lyall, Jim & Col picking up used formwork at Port Augusta Men's Shed from Port Augusta Bridge duplication done by PW2PA Alliance. Photo: Bronwyn Port Augusta Men's Shed



Dave working on container shelving



Shelving and storage box all ready to go



**Australian  
Men's Shed  
Association**  
 SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

AMSA Registration No. AMSA100844

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Patron: Dr. Tony Lian-Lloyd B.M.B.S, Dip, R.A.C.O.G, F.A.C.R.R.M





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**Email: quormensshed@gmail.com**

### Andy's corner

Container has now been painted inside.

Anyone interested in a community garden feel free to come along have a chat and a cuppa.

The electrical appliance testing is ongoing. Anyone with appliances that require testing can bring them to the Men's Shed and we can arrange to have them tested to the AS3760 standard. We can even arrange some repairs if parts are still available for them.

Anyone is welcome to drop in with a DIY project have a chat and a cuppa.

### Dave's Notes:

Andy back in Quorn, has popped in for a cuppa and a chat the last couple of weeks.

Thanks to the Flinders Ranges Council for the load of screenings to allow us to continue with yard beautification.

Workshop still busy with repairs to chairs, benches, chopping block and progressing with cutting out and painting components for the model Coffee Pot Railway Engine.

The yard has had trees trimmed, more shade for parking.

The shelving has now been completed in the container, ready for loading.

Thanks to Bronwyn at Port Augusta Men's Shed and PW2PA Alliance for the generous donation of the marine form ply from the Port Augusta Bridge duplication project.

Breakfasts are for any Men living in and around Quorn, all welcome.



Ian sanding back a barn door ready to paint



Dave painting his new window screen frames

Anyone can drop in for a cuppa and a chat on Thursdays any time between 8.30am and 2pm  
 Shed breakfasts at 0900hrs on 14th & 28th April.

Andy does Steak sandwiches for workers lunch, only \$4—on 7th & 21st April.

This is subject to COVID mandates.



**Australian Men's Shed Association**  
 SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

**AMSA Registration No. AMSA100844**

**Shoulder to Shoulder**

**Patron: Dr. Tony Lian-Lloyd B.M.B.S, Dip, R.A.C.O.G, F.A.C.R.R.M**



# *Murray Gibb*

## *Funerals*

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# Country Health Connect Quorn Updates

Allied Health Professionals April 2022 Visiting Schedule				
7 <sup>th</sup> April	13 <sup>th</sup> April	14 <sup>th</sup> April	21 <sup>st</sup> April	28 <sup>th</sup> April
Podiatry Social Work Dietetics	Podiatry OT Physio	Speech Social Work	Podiatry Social Work	Podiatry Social Work Dietetics
Community Care Nurse in the Quorn Community Visiting Schedule				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.30 – 4pm Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Kanyaka Surgery	8.30-4pm Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Kanyaka Surgery	8.30 – 4pm Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Kanyaka Surgery	8.30 – 4pm Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Kanyaka Surgery	8.30 – 4pm Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Kanyaka Surgery
Quorn January 2022 Service Report:				
New referrals received	Number of in person services	Number of phone services	Number of telehealth / video conferencing services	Number of “consumer not attended” services
61	236	96	-	1

## Connecting your health and wellbeing with Community based health professionals

### Over 65 years Register for Aged Care Services – CALL 1800 944 912

The team will support you to register for basic home care services and packages of care or clinical services to meet your health / conditions needs. This means connecting you to the My Aged Care Portal (home cleaning, shopping, transport etc...) or the Intake team for health conditions

### Under 65yrs register for any care needs: CALL 1800 003 307

The intake team will register your needs and forward the information to the relevant health professional.

**Wherever you are:** in the FUNLHN region Country Health Connect care team will enable and wrap health care around your individual needs. Not sure of your care need? We are happy to chat with you to understand your health and plan the best service to meet your needs.

**Services provided by:** Community Care Nurses, Podiatrist, Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapists, Dieticians, Speech Pathologist, Allied Health Assistants, Orthotics Prosthetics, Social Worker, Community Support Workers.

**Services are provided for:** Child Health & Development & Family Safety, Child and Adult Disability, Chronic Conditions, Rehabilitation, Aged Care, Hospital Care – discharge planning and avoiding admission, Orthotics & Prosthetics, general and specialist Nursing and Allied Health needs.

**Health Care:** will be tailored for your specific and general health requirements, keeping you out of hospital, connecting with your care team, supporting early discharge and most importantly providing better care in the community.

**Service Mode:** Services may be provided in home, clinic setting in the community via telehealth e.g. Video/phone call dependent on your needs.



# ***Quorn Mercury Revisited***

**Presentation Night 25th Mar**

**10 Years Ago**



**Jamie Chapman  
and the Trophy  
winners**

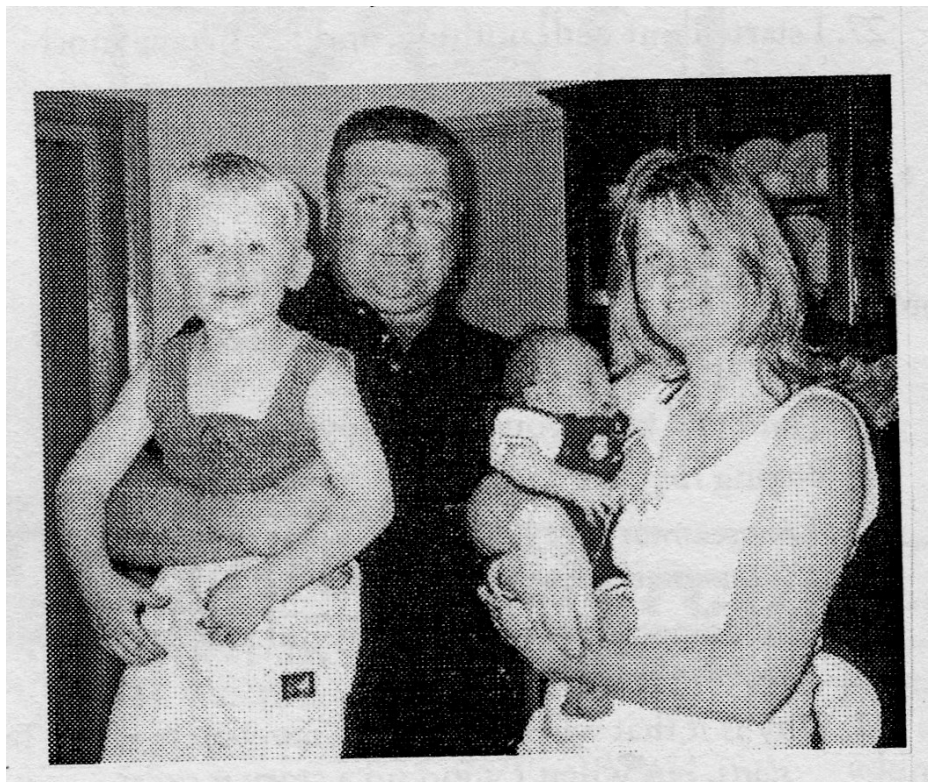
**L to R—**

Cody Schuteons,  
Joel Schuteons,  
Josh Robinson,  
Cody Fraser,  
Eric Brereton,  
Thomas Finlay,  
Keenan Saunders,  
Kade Baker and  
Jamie Robinson

**Birth**

**20 Years Ago**

**Preston Clay  
Hancock**—was  
born to Grant and  
Nina Hancock on  
February 14th  
2002, weighing in  
at 8lb 3oz.  
He is the baby  
brother to Callum.  
And a new  
grandson to Max  
and Joan Hancock  
and Nancy and  
Cam Jarvis





## Classified Adverts

### Rainfall 2022

Jan	34.2mm
Feb	14.8mm
March	0.2mm
YTD	49.2mm

### Quorn Social Club Lottery

March 2022 Draw

1st Amy Roeby

2nd Caroline Britza

3rd John Daw

### The Preloved Boutique (The OP Shop)

Is opening on SATURDAYS 9.30am until 12pm

**Come and support the shop that supports the Community**

REPRESENTING THE QUORN COMMUNITY



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Ramsey MP**

Federal Member for Grey

My office can help with Federal issues including Centrelink, Immigration, Communications, Veterans Affairs and many others.

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Email: [rowan.ramsey.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:rowan.ramsey.mp@aph.gov.au)  
PO Box 296 PORT PIRIE SA 5540



## World Day of Prayer

The World Day of prayer was attended by twenty people from the combined churches of Quorn.

The theme was England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Guest speaker was Mrs Jane Tanner who spoke on the United Kingdom and the difficulties that can occur for women and how their connections with faith helped them.

\$137 was donated for their years project "Bible Society Projects in Northern Ireland."

Prayers were said for Ukraine and flood Victims in Australia.

Fellowship and supper was enjoyed by all after the service. ■



## April 2022

### Anglican Church of St Matthews

3rd Sunday of month 10am

Contact Number

Ph: 0447711056 or 8648 6762

### Catholic Church

#### Flinders Ranges Catholic Parish

Parish Priest: Father Harold Camonias

Mass Times:

Weekdays: Tuesday—Fridays 9am Quorn.

Friday 11am Hawker

Saturday Carrieton 4pm

Sunday Quorn 8.30am Hawker 10.30am

Leigh Creek 5pm 1st Sunday of the Month

### Flinders Christian Fellowship

Sunday Church 10am

Monday and Thursday lunch 12pm

Tuesday Bible Study 12pm

### Uniting Church

Sunday Services 10am

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- Submissions preferred as email attachments using Microsoft Word or Publisher
- Other submissions to Visitor Information Centre, Quorn Railway Station before 4.30 pm 29th April
- Classified Ads on Visitor Information Centre form provided.

Must be paid for when submitted.

### Guidelines for Submissions:

- Text on white A4 with 2cm margins all sides, Times New Roman black type 12pt min 11-pt
- Photos jpg. w. caption info giving peoples' first and last names, what's happening, where & when (where relevant). Nicknames may be included
- Submissions must include separately: author's name, with address or phone number

### Contacts

- **Coming Events**—Jillian Wilson,  
Visitors Information Centre, 8620 0510
- **News in Brief**—mercury@frc.sa.gov.au

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# Quorn~Hawker~Cradock Events April 2022

## Regular Events

### Quorn

#### Quorn Book Club

27<sup>th</sup> April 7pm

Phone Sam Nester 0456 129 870

#### Women's Fellowship—

3rd Wednesdays

see poster in Laundromat window or Facebook for details.

#### Quorn Men's shed Thursdays

#### Quorn Play Group

Mondays 10-12 at the Quorn Kindy. Gold Coin Donation.

#### Probus

1st Tuesday of the month 10am

#### Line dancing

Tuesday nights, 7pm, Town Hall. Cost \$10

#### Quorn Business Group

Meetings are quarterly See Quorn Out and About or Facebook for details

#### Flinders Flicks

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 6.30pm

### Hawker

Community Group—Tuesday fortnightly

**Yoga with Polly** at the Hawker Gym

#### Development Board—

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month 2022

#### Friendship Group—

3rd Wednesday

#### Hawker Community Singers -

welcomes everyone to sing Friday 3.30pm to 5.00pm Hawker Hospital Community Room

#### Quilting Group—Friday

fortnightly

## Events

### Quorn & District Local History Group

2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> April 11am to 2pm at the old courthouse.

**Pichi Richi Railway** open day for prospective volunteers Sunday 3rd April. For more info contact Bronwyn Ingram 8641 1527

### Pichi Richi Railway

**Afghan Express** – A full day trip from Port Augusta to Quorn and return. Departing at 10:30am from the Port Augusta Railway Station

**Pichi Richi Explorer** – A half day trip from Quorn to Woolshed Flat and return. Departing the Quorn Railway Station.

Collect your copy of this year's timetable from the Flinders Ranges Visitors Information Centre in the Railway Station.

### Quorn Silo Light Show

Free projection every night, projecting onto the Quorn Silo. Viewing times are on the website and on the sign at the Railway Station

### Quorn Product and Craft Market

Homemade goods, fresh local produce, handmade knits, crafts, cards and so much more!

at the Town Hall 8:30am – 2:30pm. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it*

Joseph Goebbels

## Regular Events

### Quorn

#### Hannifitt

School gym from 6.30pm Thursday nights  
Low impact 10.30am Wednesdays Town Hall

#### Boot Camp

Tuesday & Fridays 6.30am  
Quorn Oval

#### Yoga

Thursday nights 6.30pm  
Uniting Church Hall

### Quilting/Sewing/Knitting Group

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month at the Lions Club Rooms.  
Everyone welcome

### Quorn Bowling Club

Interested in playing social bowls?  
Tuesday 1:00pm  
Saturday 1:00pm  
Everyone is welcome to join in the fun

### Pilates

Wednesday mornings at 9am and evenings at 7pm at the Quorn Town Hall. \$15 per session \$10 concession

**Suzanne's Dancers** Quorn Tuesday at Quorn Parish Hall for children

### Austral Inn Hotel

Sunday Pizza, Tuesday Seafood and Wednesday Schnitzel Night

### Transcontinental Hotel

Tuesday Night Schnitzel Night

### Wellbeing through Meditation

Held every Tuesday at the Catholic Church Hall on Railway Tce from 6:30  
Cost is by donation

### Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society

Wednesdays from 9am at the Lions Park  
Everyone welcome



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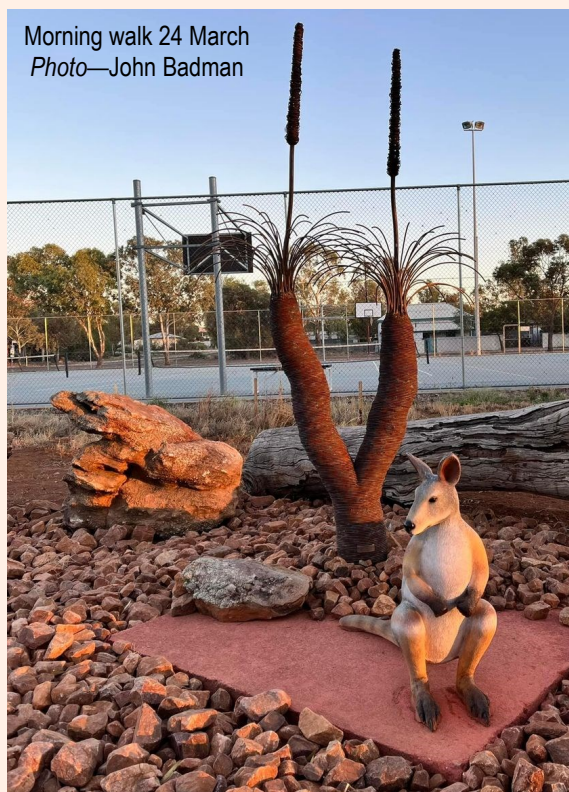


Port Augusta Garden Club group (above) had a full day in Quorn Saturday 19 March to visit local gardens and reserves. Andrea Tschirner joined them for morning tea at Emily's Bistro where she gave a talk about some of the plants useful for digestive teas. Andrea then took them on a guided tour to Pithi Kawi—Quorn Bush Tucker Trail. It was a very warm, humid day and the shaded tables and seats were appreciated. After lunch the group visited Powell Gardens and especially enjoyed a refreshing walk along the shady Capowie Creek. In front is the group's leader on the day, Shirley Mundy. ■

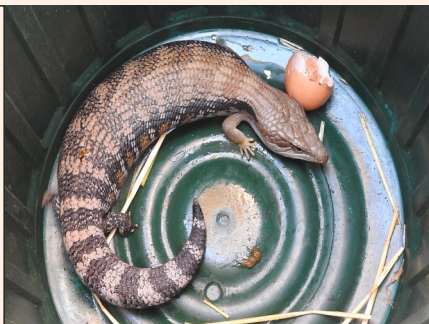
Autumn in Warren Gorge  
Photo—Katrina Bohr



Morning walk 24 March  
Photo—John Badman



Culprits caught. First one and then a second blue tongue lizard was found in my chook house enjoying the spoils—both have now been relocated.  
Janet Thomas



### March Full Moon 18.3.2022

Above and left setting over Dutchman Range at dawn  
19.3.2022—6.30am

### FULL WORM MOON



The March Full Moon is referred to as the Worm Moon. It is so called because, as temperatures warm, earthworm casts begin to appear and birds start finding food. It also has multiple other names including the Sap Moon, Crow Moon and Crust Moon, while its Anglo Saxon name is the Lenten Moon. The Worm Moon graces our skies in the same month as the Spring Equinox. Editors Note—The explanation for Worm Moon relates to the Northern Hemisphere. ■