

Quorn Mercury

Recording Quorn's history while it's being made

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From Left: Tori Atkinson, Jockey D McWhinney, Trainer Bryan Holtham and cup presenter, Oz Minerals Managing Director and CEO Andrew Cole.



Quedoutes leads to win the 2018 Oz Minerals Carrapateena Quorn Cup



Fashions on the Field winners— Men's Winner: Azhrudin Coulthard, Women's Runner Up: Kimberley Marden, Millinery Winner: Mija Reynolds Women's Winner: Michelle Reynolds.



RACEGOERS ENJOYED SUMMERY conditions at the Quorn racecourse for the running of its 137th cup meeting.

Highlight of the five race programme was the running of the Oz Minerals Carrapateena Quorn Cup.

Port Augusta musician John Sharp entertained racegoers with singing and guitar accompaniment.

Fashions on the Field was a popular attraction, with a great range of fashions for women, men and children modelling outfits ranging from elegant to whimsical.

Many thanks to sponsors and all who contributed to the success of the day. ■

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Chat with a Quornie

Pat Wright



MY PARENTS were Pearl Evelyn and Kenneth Ingerson Gould. I was born at Memorial Hospital, North Adelaide. We lived at 4 Buller Street, Prospect in a house named *Crawford* after my great grandmother's farm at Sheoak Log where my mother grew up. We had no phone or car but went by tram or bike everywhere.

My sisters, Nell and Marjorie were a few years older than me. I was always told that they didn't like taking me to see their friends, because I talked too much and gave away their secrets.

Geoff Taylor, the boy next door, and I would climb up on our garage roofs and play for hours. I suppose we were about five when we decided we would marry, and his father promised us the Grandfather clock he'd made. Geoff never married, and I don't know what happened to the clock. The Taylors were wonderful neighbours, and we've stayed friends through the generations.

Two spinster ladies lived on the other side—Miss Minnie and Miss Ada Saunders. They were darlings. I remember when I had

chicken pox badly and found it hard to swallow, they brought me a bowl of jellied strawberries. Such kindness has stayed with me all these years.

When I was quite young, Mum taught me to knit. I used her odd bits of wool and the needles she wasn't using, to make Geoff a scarf. Mum was a great knitter, and we girls knitted all our lives. Marj knitted beautifully and did beautiful needlework. Nell was the artistic one. Later, I made jumpers for Gerald and myself, our children and grandchildren.

I went to Prospect Primary School—quite a walk from home, and later to Adelaide High School, where I made lifelong friends. I did a General course, hoping to become a teacher like Nell. I did English, French, Latin, History and Math 1 and 2. However I failed Latin, which I needed for Matriculation.

In those days before being appointed, you had to do a year's junior teaching, which meant going to a country one-teacher school. Dad was ill at the time, and Mum didn't want me to go, so I didn't sit the Supplementary Latin exam. Instead I went to a Business

College, to learn to type and use a comptometer.*

World War 2 began on September 3rd 1939 and from then on many things changed; we had to black out all the windows, dim car lights—though there were few of them; and our petrol was rationed.

Pat's Wartime ID card

Friends of Nell and Marj went off to war. I knew them too, so we would watch them march down King William Street before embarking to go overseas. Seeing soldiers march still puts a lump in my throat.

We had air raid drill on Wednesday mornings, and I remember clattering down the iron stairs outside Adelaide Girls High School. We had to run across Grote Street, down a lane, into the church and under the pews. We quite enjoyed the interruption to Maths lessons.

We had coupons to buy clothes, tea, sugar, butter. We had to be careful what we used, but somehow Mum and many others saved ingredients and were able to make a fruit cake to send to someone overseas.

Mum used to say that if she had a son, she would like to think he could go to a home

when he was on leave. So she and Dad put their name down at the Cheer Up Hut, where the boys did the same. We often had a young soldier at home for weekend leave. It was a happy Christian home.

There was an Air Force training camp at Port Pirie. Three boys came to us quite regularly and became good friends. One, Doug and Lorna, his wife, lost their baby in Sydney. Mum invited her to come over for a while to be near Doug. That is what a wonderful mother we had.

We used to knit socks wherever we were: in the train, the pictures, anywhere. If they were't for anyone in particular we'd write our names and addresses on them, and sometimes a soldier would reply. I wrote to Les from Sydney for several years, and he spent part of his leave with us when he returned from the Middle East.

In the same way, I had letters from a West Indian whose boat had been torpedoed, so he became a prisoner of war in Germany. English was not his first language, but I did have some of his letters. His mother wrote after the war, but sadly we lost touch.

It is hard now to think of slit trenches all over Victoria Square. But there were.

On the day the war ended we were to do exams, but we all rang the bell, went home to change, then back to the city. The scene was one of complete chaos. The streets were jammed with people, bands playing, people dancing with whoever they pleased. I remember three planes flying upside down so low, that it looked as if they had to rise to get over the buildings in King William Street.

There was great excitement when the boys began to arrive home, but sadness too for those who would not return.

I worked for Webber and Williams, builders, where I was well looked after as the only girl there. My first purchases were a bike to ride to work, and a tennis racquet for £5.

Our beloved mother died in 1948, leaving a huge gap in our lives. Nell was teaching in Port Lincoln, and Marj gave up her job for a while to keep house for Dad and I.

I could never repay Marg for all she did for us, and wish I could have told her how much I appreciated her selflessness.

*The comptometer was an early type of calculator



Sisters at Ann's wedding in 1997: Marj, Pat and Nell

Our lives revolved round the church at Highbury Street. We had our own football, cricket, netball and tennis teams. A group of us went to dances or pictures That's when Gerald and I met, as he'd come to Adelaide to work in the railways.

His brother Rob, a great kid, left school to work on the farm. He was found to have melanoma, and died in 1952. Gerald went back to Quorn to work at the farm, and also for Mr Arch Kidman at Argadells.

We were married by family friend, Rev Harry Alvey, who'd married my parents at Highbury Street.

We lived at *Montefiore*, in a caravan that leaked in 13 places the first time it rained. *Montefiore* was named after Joseph Sebag Montefiore, whose name was on the original 1890 deeds. Our house was built in 1925.

It was a steep learning curve. I was horribly ignorant about things rural, and had to get used to not having a weekly pay packet. I tried Gerald's mother's patience terribly. She was so good to me, and I loved her.



At *Montefiore* From left: Ann, Jenny, Mrs Dulcie Wright,

We grew wheat— some years more successfully than others—and ran sheep.

Graham Francis shored his first sheep at our place. After his first day he was met by the boys with the wheelbarrow to wheel him in.

Gerald's Dad gave us our first car, a 1927 soft top Fiat with four gears on the right-hand side of the floor. When Jenny was born, Gerald's two sisters came in the car to see us, with the umbrella up, as it was raining.

We mostly came to Quorn on Tuesdays and left our grocery order at Fosters. If we were not back by 5.30, it would be left in the box outside the door for us to pick up.

Ken was born in 1954, and Greg in 1957. They were busy years. We shared a telephone line (Party Line) with the McColl, Kelly and Rodgers' families.

Gerald played cricket or tennis and occasional games of football. We went up to Blinman for the Easter Tennis Tournament with Len, June, and Geoff Roberts. All our kids learnt to play tennis on our dirt court.



Quorn Cricketers. Back: From left: John Hughes, George Laidlaw, Lyall Voigt, George Smith, Bill Smith, Clarrie Searle, Gerald Wright. Front From left: Leon Bury, Andrew Smith, Mervyn Starr, 'Trigger' Joyce, Geoff Brown

We usually milked one or two cows, and separated cream to make butter. Gerald's butter was much better than mine, but the kids hated it. We kept a few fowls, and killed two-tooth wethers for our meat. Our Lanz Bulldog tractor had to be started with a blowtorch.

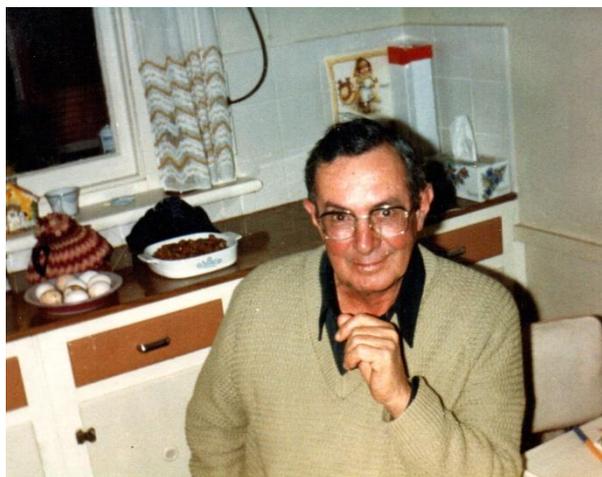
Our family went to church at Richmans Creek until it closed. Ken was the last baby to be baptised there, in the same building that the Wrights went to for school, and where Grandma taught before her marriage.

There wasn't always a school bus, so we worked in with Daph and Ron Hilder to take the children to school. Daph and I had lots of yarns under the gum tree at Burnt Down Creek.

Ann was born in 1966 in Adelaide. Jenny worked in the Quorn Branch of the Savings Bank. Ken did a year at Brighton High, and became a shearer in Tasmania. I enjoyed some wonderful holidays there.

Until 240 volt power was connected in 1969, we had a 12 volt engine for power. It ran the iron and electrical devices. We used an Everhot combustion stove, and kero fridge.

Gerald and I moved into Quorn in 1984, but Greg stayed on the farm, married and brought up his children there.



Gerald at home on the farm



Greg's family: From left: Kieran, Nicholle, Daniel and Matthew

Before his death in 1986, Gerald and I had two wonderful trips to Singapore and Malaysia with Devinder and Surinder Grewal. We also spent a lovely holiday in Fiji.

In the 80s, Ann was an Exchange Student in South Africa. When she was invited to the wedding of the daughter of a family she'd stayed with, she asked me to come too. My sister, Nell, and Colin Britza, who was Ann's great friend, joined us for a wonderful holiday. We went to Harare, Cape Town Johannesburg, and Kruger National Park.

When Ann was working in England, Edna Rodgers and I visited her. We travelled round England, Scotland and Wales, Ireland. Then we toured the Continent by bus.

Three years ago, Greg, Marlene and I flew up to visit his son, Matthew and his family, on their cattle station on the Gascoyne River 400km from Carnarvon, WA. The country and rivers were beautiful. It was a whole new experience for me.



Jenny's birthday at *The Willows Restaurant*. From left: Michelle, Paul, Peter, Nigel, Jenny

Jenny and Peter took me to Queensland to see their son, Paul. We travelled round another beautiful part of our great country.

Ann and husband, John, live in Roxby Downs. We meet in the Port, whenever they are going to see their two girls in Adelaide.

I am fortunate to have many good friends. I am also greatly blessed to have the love and support of my children and their partners, my nine grandchildren and 12 beautiful great grandchildren.

My family is the most important thing in my life. The frequent calls and visits I receive from them are the highlight of my days. ■

The Flinders Ranges Council



NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN!

As of Tuesday 4 September 2018

Nomination packs available at the Quorn Council Office

Want to represent your community?

Interested in being a part of the decision making process of your Council?

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 12:00 noon Tuesday 18 September 2018

Mail out of voting material to electors

Monday 22 to Friday 26 October 2018

Close of Voting 5:00pm Friday 9 November 2018

THE FLINDERS RANGES COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Following the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14 August 2018, Council wishes to consult with residents on the following:

FRC Policy G1.25 Procurement and Disposal v6

FRC Policy G1.47 Community Grants V1 and OG.02 Community Grants Guidelines

Written submissions on the above, addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 43, Quorn SA 5433, are due by 5:00pm on Friday 21 September 2018.

Further information is available at the Quorn Council Office, Hawker Motors, on Councils website or by emailing council@frc.sa.gov.au

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A Scholars-eye view

THE QUORN ALL SCHOOLS Reunion at the end of September reminded reader, Pat Wright, of an article she had kept. The author (unknown) describes his schooldays from 1919, at a one-teacher school near Adelaide. The teacher was the granduncle of the Wright family of Quorn.

He was ten feet tall with a body in proportion, or so it seemed to me at my first meeting with the man who was to spend seven years trying to perfect my understanding of the three R's.

I had been delivered by an older sister to the Virginia Public School on a day in 1919 at the tender age of six, to commence my formal education. My sister, the callous girl, abandoned me at the school door, apparently at that point disowning me, and trotted off to mingle with her friends. Somehow, I was guided to a desk, seated with a number of other amateur scholars and handed a small blackboard and a piece of chalk. The strange room, the massive school teacher and the sensing of a restriction to my liberty overwhelmed me, I wept.

The first day at school was a disturbing experience to children of the time, most of us having been brought up on farms where we had little contact with other than the immediate family, or occasionally visiting relatives or neighbours. Children in the early 1900's were subject to considerable parental control and were trained to be seen and not heard.

When parents were entertaining visitors we were paraded to be patted on the head and then expected to remove ourselves smartly from the room. To be suddenly moved into unfamiliar surroundings and placed among strangers without the comforting assurance of a parent nearby for protection was a traumatic experience.

The man who was to control my life for the greater part of the next seven years, at times with the assistance of a junior teacher but on occasions teaching alone the entire school of up to sixty pupils divided into seven classes was Walter Morris Wright.

He was a disciplinarian who ruled us with a thunderous voice and at times the skilful use of a long cane. The end-of-year examinations were the goal towards which he relentlessly drove us, to fail was utter disgrace, to pass with above average marks brought grudging words of praise.

Our days in the school yard were governed by the sound of a bell and shrill piping of a whistle. The bell was rung to inform the students that the school day was about to begin, the whistle formed us into military lines and directed us to march into the school room after each recess.

Aids used in the school room were few, most of the instruction being demonstrated on large blackboards with the students transcribing the

information into exercise books with pencil or a steel nib pen when you had reached the fourth class. The very junior pupils wrote on a small hand-held blackboard with chalk, a messy business, one could usually finish the day with multi-coloured chalk up to the elbows. Simple arithmetic was demonstrated to the junior class on an abacus. In the student's seventh year, providing he had moved up a class each year, his target became the 'Qualifying Examination'. Passing this mile post was considered a must by both pupil and teacher, but for two different reasons.

The student looked on it as a means of release from the drudgery of study, the teacher accepted a pass as victory over the pupil who for seven years had stubbornly resisted the teacher's efforts to educate him.

Despite having to cope with the many problems posed try the necessity to control and instruct seven classes of pupils in one room, Mr Wright's pass rate was excellent, very few pupils left school without a 'Certificate'.



Mr Wright



School Class 1922

Nature study was included in the curriculum, a subject in which our teacher was intensely interested. The window ledge in the school room was usually cluttered up with insects in jars sprouting seeds on damp cotton wool, lumps of rock and any other object he considered we should take note of.

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A Scholars-eye view cont

On one occasion, when demonstrating a large spider to the school, our mentor placed it on his bare arm. The spider, not being house trained, bit him. with the result he suffered a painful swelling on the affected arm for several days.

The school day commenced with an act of loyalty directed to our sovereign by the raising of the Union Jack on the tall flag pole which stood on the western fence. We were put through a series of physical training movements before being marched in single file into the school room to start the day's studies, sitting at long wooden desks, four to a desk, our bag of books at our feet.

The school bag held all our worldly possessions pencils, pens, steel nibs and a rubber, all confined in a pencil case usually constructed in two hinged parts with a sliding lid, and an assortment of books.

The first grade were all equipped with a copy of that great literary work the 'First Primer'

It was a publication which had much to say on the subject of cats, hats and mats.

Another important item of equipment was a lunch bag of blue or white cloth, equipped with a draw string, containing the day's rations to be consumed during the various recreation breaks. Drinking water was supplied in a bucket near the school door, each student dipping his own mug to satisfy his thirst.

Almost all scholars made the journey to school on foot, some covering a distance of over three miles each way. One family provided a horse and buggy, the children driving themselves. One fortunate young fellow rode a bicycle. During the time the coach was travelling from Adelaide to northern towns, some enthusiastic lads would run behind the vehicle, jumping on the rear step to be carried if the driver did not manage to catch them with his whip, to a jumping off place near their homes. ■

Flinders House receives gifts

FLINDERS HOUSE RESIDENTS have recently received a new bowling carpet for indoor bowls.

Carpet bowls is a very popular activity here.

To accommodate everybody's needs, we play with pool balls. We slide them down a carefully lined-up tube and the balls roll into tunnels marked with different scores. It can be very competitive and anybody can win a trophy.

We can't really say that the new carpet has helped to improve anyone's scores, but it is beautiful. It is also softer, safer to step onto and a lot straighter.

The Auxiliary has very kindly donated the new carpet. This group of people works tirelessly and selflessly, raising money and has donated many fabulous things to Flinders House.

Thanks to them we are now able to incorporate aromatherapy and music therapy into our care regime, and have more suitable armchairs.

We are very lucky to have *The Auxiliary* and appreciate what they do for us.

Thank you very much! ■



Above: Residents Jeffery Michelmore and Fred Struensee watch Jean Feige whilst she plays bowls on our new mat.

Quorn Agricultural Show

Sunday 23 September 2018

From 9:00am - 4:00pm



CSA Amusements: Bungee Trampoline.
 Water Walkers , Kids Paddle boats
 Inflatable Shark Slide
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 New Exciting Carnival games
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 CosPlay Medieval Entertainment
 Old McDonald's Travelling Farm
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 Wednesday 19 September 2018 from 10am - 3pm
 Thursday 20 September 2018 from 10am - 3pm
 Friday 21 September 2018 from 9am - 5pm



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Admission:
Adults: \$10.00
School Age Children: \$ 2.00
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It's Showtime!

THE BIG DAY is almost here!

Quorn Agricultural Show booklets are available at Quorn Newsagency, the Post Office, and from *Skin Scents and Ranges Fodder & Saddlery* in Port Augusta.

The Flinders Ranges Council has published a PDF of the Show Booklet with a download link on its web page. The link is printed below this article. Download the PDF of the Show booklet and print entry forms if you wish.

Completed forms with the appropriate entry fees may be posted to the Secretary or brought to the Quorn Council Chambers when committee members are in attendance.

The details of some sections have been simplified, with the opportunity to enter a special product in the "Any other" category of a section.

It's time to plan your entries now. Many photographers will be selecting, editing and printing their items for display. Handicrafts will be close to completion. Bakers will be making plans in readiness for the last minute task of producing fresh items on the day.

It's time to check the garden. Maybe your home grown fruit, vegetables or blooms will add colour, beauty and inspiration to the displays on Show Day.

The show poster published in this edition and displayed about town shows opening times for the Secretary's office at FRC council chambers, and includes contact information for committee members.

If you have any queries please contact a committee member.

Hope to see you at the show! ■

Link to PDF of Show Booklet: <http://www.frc.sa.gov.au/page.aspx?a=2&c=1287>

Click on the word 'here' located just above the map shown on the web page

Quorn Show Traffic Control

ALL COMMUNITY EVENTS are required by law to adhere to strict traffic control regulations—it's all about YOUR SAFETY. To protect you and your family, we have developed these rules:

- There will be **NO** vehicle movement on the show grounds between 9am & 4pm.
- If you are driving on the show grounds before 9am to deliver entries into the hall, the speed limit is 5km per hour. Please watch out for pedestrians.
- The show committee will assist you if you require help. You can find us at the Secretary's Office.
- There will **NOT** be any exceptions as our insurers make **NO** exceptions in our contract. We can't run our show without insurance. It's as simple as that.

We work really hard to bring you a great show, so please support us to keep it safe for everyone.

Bronwyn Filsell – President.

PRR Trade Training Centre

TEN YEARS AGO, the Quorn Area School started a program of training Year 10 students for life after school. I caught up with them during the Term 2 program this year.

This five-day program happens at the end of each term. Originally there were six schools involved in it, but over the years other interests and changes have reduced participation to Hawker, Quorn and Orreroo. The Pichi Richi Railway benefits greatly from the learning experience of these students.

Before the outdoor work commences the planning and theory work needed to be covered.

A series of industry modules is undertaken. They include White Card safety induction; working safely in the construction industry; work place calculation; simple levelling devices and dumpy level use; hand and power tools use; working at heights; and portable equipment.



Alysia Galarita moving pavers with a hand cart

Once the basics are covered, it's out to work in the open and on site.

Term 2 had the students setting up to lay pavers onsite at the new accommodation area in the Society's Loco Yards.

As always, good preparation work at first allowed for a well-finished job at the end.

The paver-laying was of a high standard, and complemented the area immensely. No more muddy boots tramping into the kitchen area and accommodation block!



From left: Tayla Finlay, Kane Press, Shalaynee Brady and Nuala Wilton

The Society's paint van received attention too. A complete strip-out was done, and a new floor laid to make the area safer. New storage cabinets were installed. In Term 3 a new roof will be fitted to the paint van.

The boundary fence was relocated. But first, the old fence was removed, and stored for later use. Post holes were dug, the new posts inserted and cemented in place.

The Society has built a new coal bunker. The students relocated the entrance gate.

The students acquired skills in operating the machinery; used the excavator to remove old trees and posts of the old fence line; used the Kanga to dig post-holes and a myriad of other tasks.

It goes without saying that all of this was following a plan, including the use of various hand tools, and *lots* of physical exertion.

Working at heights was another module that all students participated in, and although quite scary at times, all passed their assessments.

The TAFE system has a purpose-built unit for the learning process. It travels the region, training young students in the correct way to work safely. Pichi Richi has benefited greatly from the school's efforts.

Since the inception of the PRTTC, the trolley shed was rebuilt due to white ant infestation, and one of the cattle crates was completely stripped and rebuilt. (*Continued*)

Trade Training Centre

(From previous page)

This was later used for the Stockyard Arena group, for transporting their horses to Woolshed Flat for a unique trail ride start.

When the Society finally agreed to having the Visitor Information Centre in the railway station, it was the PRTTC who removed the old flooring, repaired supports and replaced damaged floor-boards.



From left: Ebony Rowe, Nic Garood on ladder, Codin Mason. On top, Instructor Danny McCarthy, and Jayden Chandler.



Even senior members help contribute to finishing essential tasks—with a *pink* shovel!

New shelving was installed, and a very serviceable retail and ticket sales area offered the opportunity to generate more income in pleasant surroundings. The Flinders Ranges Council leases the area for an annual fee.

The toilet block at the railway station yard was built in 2014.

And so, the list of achievements goes on. Students leaving school have found good employment all over Australia. There are past students in mines, WA, Tasmania, NSW, and SA.

Modris Ozolins ■

Letters to the Editor

All letters to the editor received for this issue of the Quorn Mercury relate to the issues of the proposed Radioactive Waste Facility.

These letters have not been published at this time in consideration of the injunction sought by the Barnkala Corporation before the Australian Human Rights Commission.



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PICHI RICHI RAILWAY



Hello Quorn!

Welcome to the September edition of our Quorn Mercury Newsletter, where we'll be keeping you up to date with the latest news from the Pichi Richi Railway.

Spring is usually the busiest time on the Railway and this year is no exception. In September 10 scheduled services are planned and include a double header train, two Coffee Pot, three Afghan Express, four Pichi Richi Explorer trips and four special hire trains.

Train Journeys in September

Afghan Express – departs Pt Augusta

Saturday 1st

Saturday 15th

Saturday 29th (double header special)

Pichi Richi Explorer – Departs Quorn

Sunday 2nd

Sunday 9th

Sunday 23rd

Saturday 29th (double head with the Afghan)

Sunday 30th

Coffee Pot Lunch Special

Sunday 9th

Sunday 30th

In 1990 after negotiations with the Pt Augusta Council Passchendaele was exchanged for the 'old Ghan' locomotive NM25 which was duly restored and now operates the regular Afghan Express from Pt Augusta to Quorn.

The Passchendaele locomotive was transported to Pt Augusta and located in Homestead Park as a recreational attraction.

Check out this little shunting engine, now parked near the water column in the Quorn Rail Yard. It is due for a coat of paint to protect the locomotive from the elements, as it waits its turn for restoration.



Homestead Park Engine

Moves to Quorn

Max Cranes from Pt Augusta recently lifted a shunting engine, which had been at Homestead Park for the past 20 years, onto a low loader for transportation to Quorn and relocation in the railway yards at the Quorn Railway Station.

Four small shunting engines were used by the Broken Hill Smelters at Port Pirie, but after decades of active duty were retired.

One of these engines named Passchendaele was plinthed in a school playground in Port Pirie. Then almost 30 years ago Pichi Richi Railway acquired this engine and it was stored at the Quorn Depot.



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Flinders House Benefactor

CYNTHIA NICHOLSON of *Sgorra Bhreac*, Strathalbyn is overwhelmed at the care and support her brother Matt Carter receives as a full time resident at Flinders House. Their mother, Barbara Klingberg was born in Quorn so has family roots here.

“I’m blown away at the very warm welcome Matt has received and the friendliness of all the staff at this beautiful home-away-from-home,” she said.

The proof of the pudding is that Matt has regained his appetite and is smiling again—blessing indeed for Matt who lost both his wives to cancer some years ago, and now finds comfort in his own journey.

Cynthia is an avid fundraiser for people suffering from and coping with illness in rural and regional South Australia.

She designed and planted the 2 ½ acres of bare ground from 2010 to 2014.

She runs fundraising garden tours, bus tours, high teas and luncheons at *Sgorra Bhreac* for groups and clubs, and weddings. Find it on Facebook.

Cynthia’s current fundraising efforts started with a conversation with a friend over a glass of wine.

Her first task was a garden makeover at SA Cancer Council’s Greenhill Lodge in Adelaide.

This facility is used by country patients who need accommodation during radiotherapy or chemotherapy treatment in Adelaide.

A friend from America was staying with her, and earned his keep by helping her cart fertiliser, mulch and plants, and providing much help with the shovel.

“Our efforts created a lot of interest. Cancer sufferers and their families ventured outside, joined in the fun and chatted while I wielded a paint brush or broom or had my hands deep in dirt!” she said. “

Everyone walked away with a smile and that’s what happy therapy is all about!”

Cynthia has a group of volunteers who willingly help her cater for various events

through the year. It is therapeutic and brings people together. Cynthia says “If we can’t laugh with each other then we don’t have much do we?”

They have contributed valuable funds for many projects including:

- renovating the motel type rooms at SA Cancer Council’s Greenhill and Flinders Lodges
- donations to Strathalbyn’s Suicide Prevention Network
- Murray Bridge Hospital Chemotherapy Unit
- The Neighbourhood Community Centre in Strathalbyn
- The Strathalbyn International Women’s Day Committee
- Chaplaincy for Student Counselling group in Strathalbyn.



Heather, Ashley, Cynthia and Ollie

A chance conversation with Bronwyn at Flinders House highlighted a bucket list of items she dreamed of having for the benefit of residents of Flinders House.

Cynthia donated a Smart TV and wall mount, for families to see the activities Flinders House residents enjoy. They will be able to watch their favourite DVDs, of which Matt has a big collection. It can also double up to play *Wingo for Bingo* games.

Cynthia’s motto of “Giving is also receiving and it feels good” is one we could all take to heart and live by.



in partnership with



Friday 21st September

6.30pm for 7.30pm start

Est 10.00 pm finish

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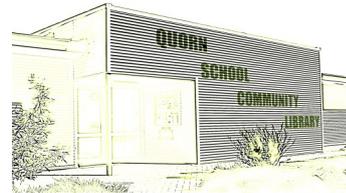
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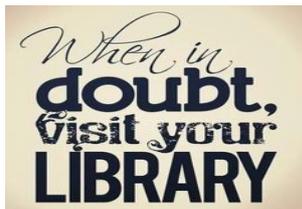
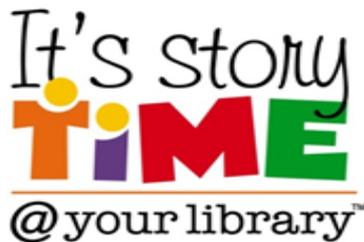
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September 26th

Note 7:30 start

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 “The Book of Strange New Things” by Michel Faber



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Most people answer, ‘my mother or grandmother always wore one.’ Sometimes they were called “pinnies”. Some had pockets across the front to store the pegs in on washing day. Others you only wore to serve afternoon tea—these were usually fancier and only used on a special occasions.

Another memory it evoked was sewing your own apron at school, where you also learnt to cross stitch along the border and pocket. Aprons are still used in many occupations, eg butchers’ shop, blacksmiths, and waitressing. In the library we have a display of various aprons—one is sixty five years old—and some are made of handkerchiefs. ■

Bluegrass Concert and Dinner

Emily's Bistro



Bluegrass Junction

One of Australia's best Bluegrass bands will be playing at Emily's Bistro, QUORN

Sat Sept 8th 6-6.30pm start

Tickets \$40 includes spit lamb roast dinner.

Book early as tickets are limited!

Ring Sally at Emily's Bistro ph 8648 6940

Email: admin@greatnorthernlodge.com.au

Bluegrass Junction formed in 1997, and has a focus on the traditional old-time country music that pre-dates bluegrass music.

They will be a feature of this year's Quorn Bluegrass Jam Camp 7th to 9th September. Anyone wanting to join and learn how to play and sing in a group using no music, only chords are welcome. For more details contact: Australianbluegrass.com / Jam Camps SA, or phone Sue Tulloch 8648 6117



Leaving ‘Macumba’ — Bruce Delany

I TERMINATED my employment on Macumba under less than auspicious circumstances.

The trouble started when our mustering camp, consisting of Head Stockman John, Hughie Lightburn, and me, and Aboriginal Stockmen George, Sid, and Clinsey, attended a muster at Anna Creek Station south of Macumba. There were three Macumba mustering camps at that time, and each tended to keep the same personnel.

There was a mix-up in the dates. Either we arrived eight days early at the meeting place (Christmas Hole), or the Anna Creek plant were eight days late. In the words of Con the Fruiterer—‘Doesn’t matter’.*

We had run out of meat waiting, but John wouldn’t let us kill, and said, ‘You don’t kill on your neighbour’s property.’ A statement that would amuse a lot of people on a lot of properties throughout Australia!

The situation had a lot of potential for aggravation, because we soon became sick of eating damper & tomato sauce, and damper & plum jam (I hate plum jam).

On about the Seventh Day (Biblical connotations?) I saw a rabbit run into a blind burrow, and eventually dug out not one, but three rabbits. Much rejoicing! I split them, giving one and a half to the Boys, and keeping one and a half for us.

And I told Hughie, ‘If that bloke (John) wants any, he’s going to have to ask for it’. He didn’t ask, and I didn’t offer.

So things became pretty acrimonious, especially when the Boss of the Anna Creek plant arrived (Neil, son of the famous Archie McLean). Neil told John he was a ‘bloody dill’ not to have killed. It was pretty ludicrous, really, since both properties belonged to Kidman, and the only difference was the brand.

So the stage was set, and I did it a bit hard from then on. Things came to a head a couple of months later, when we were tailing a mob of fats just out of Oodnadatta at a place called Hookey’s Hole, preparatory to trucking them to Adelaide. And I had a horse to shoe.

It was a pretty hot day, and everyone except John and me were out tailing the cattle. The horse I had to shoe was a quiet old bloke, but

hated to be shod. My guess is that he had been pricked at one time, and hadn’t forgotten it.

I had my usual battle with him. He kept pulling back, and breaking the lace that joined the reins, until I had to put a halter on him, and tie him to a tree.

Then he kept lunging, and leaning on me, and making things as uncomfortable as he could. Things would have been a lot easier if John had offered to hold him, but he sat there against his rolled-up swag, just looking at me. So I didn’t ask, and he didn’t answer.

When I eventually finished after about two hours, I let the horse go, packed the shoeing gear, wiped the sweat off my face, and said, ‘John, when those cattle leave on the train tomorrow evening, I’ll be leaving with them!’

He merely said, ‘Okay.’

Nearly everything I owned was in my swag, so I didn’t leave much behind. To give John his due, he did arrange a Train Drover’s Pass for me. So I got a free trip to Adelaide.

When I presented myself at Kidman’s office in Adelaide at a later date, all the wages due to me were paid in full.

John and I met a few years later, and there’s no animosity between us at all.

* Con the Fruiterer is a fictional character created by Australian actor and comedian Mark Mitchell. Mitchell created the character after being served by two Greek-Australian stall holders at Melbourne’s Glenferrie Markets in 1984. The character became known nationally from regular appearances in *The Comedy Company*. ■

Courtesy *The Western Herald*, Bourke, NSW



Bruce Delany

Out and about



Murray and Kay Langford from Mt Gambier with their Inter AB110 International Utility



Brenna, Pat and Skye Gilbert enjoy lunch in the sun



Trevor Kelley from Littlehampton with his Fargo Utility



A recent photo taken at Bruce



Since the construction of the new skate park on Railway Terrace it has been well patronised by all age groups and various mobility devices—skate boards, scooters, bicycles, and even a pram was rumoured to have taken to the slopes.

At the Races



Local ladies entering into the fun of Fashions on the Field. Congratulations to Leanne Slattery, winner of the Local Women section.
From Left: Kathy Rabig, Leanne Slattery, Lorraine Pumpa



Marie Williams, Fashions on the Field judge



From Left: Leanne Slattery and Peter Culleney



John Sharp entertained racegoers for the day



Mustering entrants for the children's Fashions on the Field



Pat Wright (second from left) with her family Ken, Jenny Crisp, Ann O'Sullivan and Greg. Pat is featured this month in "Chat with a Quornie" page 2



Scott Reubenicht and Kevin Dale with Actor John Wood (centre) with the YX141 in the background.



Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society hosted a morning tea for the volunteers of the Quorn Community Preloved Boutique. The "Op-Shop" has recently donated \$2,000 to the organisation for the purchase of a heart start machine. From left: Jan Jarvis, Dianne Ashton, Jacky Jessop, Carlene Voight, Lena Bowden, Brenda Hunt, Modris and Sandra Ozolins and Jacky Vonow.



Picture News



The Historic Commercial Vehicle Club of Australia visits Quorn. From 31 August to 3 September, 42 vehicles including 35 old trucks visited Quorn. The Club has members from all over Australia, 110 in SA and they chose various destinations for their tours. There were many photo opportunities as the trucks lined up in front of some of our famous icons. Photo at left courtesy of Norman and Coralie Bee.

Eric Welford celebrates 90 years

Eric Welford celebrated his 90th birthday with family and friends, in Gawler on 7 July, 2018.

Guests came from far and wide, and included grandson Jeremy and his family from Mackay, Qld.

Quorn and Port Augusta locals James Hackett, Ron and Roger Hilder, Judy and John Hills, Shirley Falconer, Cathy Irvine and Irma Rainford also made the journey to enjoy this impressive milestone.

Eric cut his fabulous three tier Sturt Blue cake, which was decorated with silhouettes representing all things celebrating Eric's life so far.

They include: Eric and Irene's three gorgeous children, eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren: his love of music, Kangaroo Island, lawn bowls, fishing, St John Ambulance, wool classing and the Pichi Richi Railway.

Eric would like to thank all his family and friends who joined him, those who sent good wishes and gifts, celebrating this epic occasion.

Special thanks to Ron Hilder for his lovely speech. ■



Eric and Irene with son Bill and daughters Maggie Cooper and Heather Holmes



Eric and Irene with their grand children and great grand children from left—Matt Cooper, Alex Welford, Tim Cooper, Meg Holmes, Eric & Irene, Ella Holmes, Paige Welford, Jeremy Welford and Daniel Welford
Front: Skye Welford



Sharing a joke before blowing out the candles. Eric and Irene, Warwick Hummerston and Bill Welford



From left: Eric, Irene, Warwick Hummerston, James Hackett, Ron and Roger (Broom) Hilder

In Good Hands

THESE DAYS, in industry and volunteering, a ticket to operate any machinery or equipment is mandatory.

This is a good policy, as so often it is assumed that a person knows what to do and how to operate a piece of equipment that may be dangerous.

This is especially so with chainsaws. The blade is sharp and rotating at speed, contact with any part of the body is going to draw blood and cause lots of pain.

Quorn CFS sent six of its volunteers to a training course at Wirrabara in preparation for the summer fire season this year.

Also, an emergency is not the time for a chainsaw to fail, from dirty fuel or clogged carburettor. Starter pull cord must be in good condition too.

The training attempted to leave nothing to chance. The equipment must function first time every time.



Tom Millington, fuelling up the saw with a safety fill container and topping up the bar oil.



Ben Hilder showing off his skills at fine cutting with a sharp chain.

Safety equipment to be worn is visor helmet and ear muffs, gloves, chaffs and safety boots. These are rarely worn by the casual weekend wood cutter. All participants passed the course.

The Quorn team was Cameron Saxon, Ben Hilder, Abraham Tuckwell, Tom Millington, Cam Finlay and Modris Ozolins ■

All Quorn attendees had some experience of using a chainsaw, some more so than others.

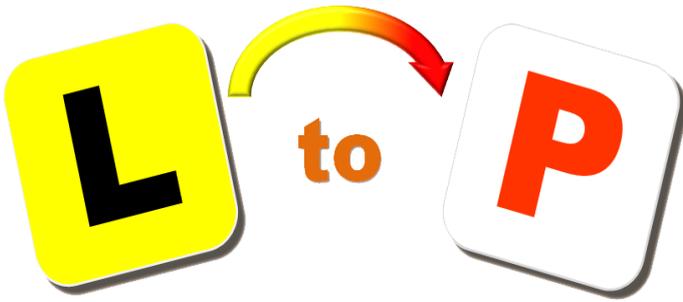
The basis was that the saw was to be used safely with many considerations to be stepped through before starting to cut.

Cleaning was also emphasised, especially around the fuel and oil fill areas.

Saw preparation was extremely important, before attending an incident. Blade sharpening with the right file and guide and correct tension on the bar was important. This was to prolong the life of the bar and chain. Sharpening at an incident is not classed as prepared.



From Left Tom Millington, Cam Finlay, Abe Tuckwell, Lecturer, Gerald Smith, Nic Kamin and Matthew Wilson.



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Federal Member for Grey

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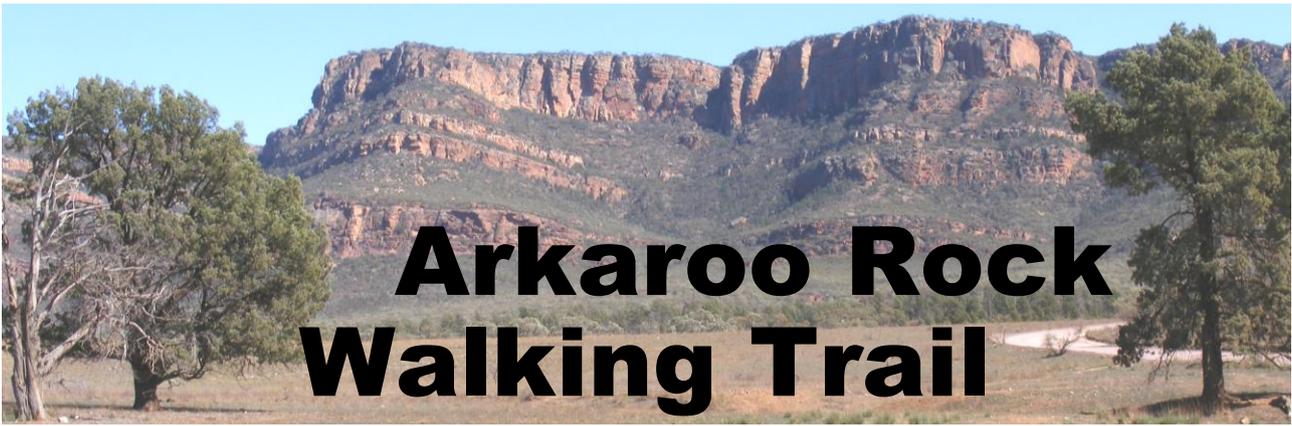
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Pictures — From the Past



BRINGING THE WHEAT into Quorn, and stacking it at the Station in the oold ways. The Quorn Silo was not built until 1963. Just think how much labour and time—both by ‘man and beast’—was involved in what used to be called the ‘Horse and Buggy’ days! Both photos courtesy Val Francis.





Arkaroo Rock Walking Trail

THIS TRAIL is on the eastern side of Wilpena Pound. It's around 110 km from Quorn to the turn-off on the left side of the Quorn–Hawker–Wilpena Road. The gravel road from the turn-off to the Car Park is 1.7 km—shown above, right.

It's 1½ hours from Quorn, driving very easily. The Trail is short, only 3 km return. Two hours to walk it is recommended. The car park is large and sheltered by Native Pine Trees.



Information Boards and shelter, with map, at the car park

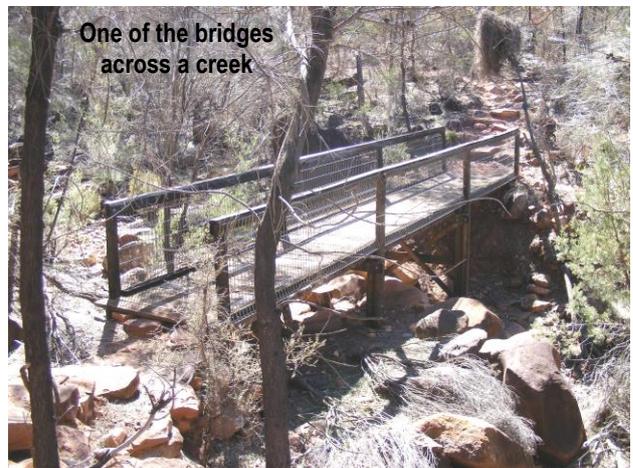
An excellent part of the Trail is the seven wooden seats spaced equally around it, inviting frequent rests. They're placed mostly where there are excellent, often spectacular views.

It's only 17 km south of the Wilpena Pound campsite, and only 10 km north of Rawnsley Park. So you could easily leave Quorn early enough to finish your hike and eat an excellent restaurant meal after it at either place. But ring for their times open, and if you need to book.



Seat with a view

The Trail is fairly rocky, and occasionally steep. But it's mostly easy to pick your footing between the rocks, or use them like stepping stones. There are helpful bridges on the way too.



One of the bridges across a creek

At the seat to the right of Arkaroo Rock (on the map) are three large boulders. Arkaroo Rock is even bigger, and overhangs a wooden platform with seats. It's a good place for a picnic lunch, while you look at the Aboriginal Paintings.



The platform and seats under the Arkaroo Rock

Many people, who don't walk much, prefer Trails no more than around 5 km long. So this one, of only 3 km, may be attractive to such walkers. You might easily combine a pleasant drive with an interesting walk, and picnic or a great restaurant meal afterwards. ■

Arkaroo Rock Walking Trail Map



Stones arranged as stepping-stones and a staircase



Some of the Aboriginal Art beneath the overhanging ledge

THE ROCKY nature of the path may put you off. But you can always end your walk at one of the seats with a wonderful view, and take a long breather before turning back. The circuit part of the Trail goes anti-clockwise, so if you stop on one side of it, and your party goes on, you'll need to go back below the circuit to rejoin them.

NOTES— For those who have been collecting this three-year series of Walking Trails Articles :

- ❶ The Mt Cavern Trail reported in the April 2017 *Mercury* is closed indefinitely to walkers;
- ❷ The Mt Remarkable Trail reported in the October 2016 *Mercury* is not now a simple return trail but has had a circuit added to it. ■

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Please let the *Mercury* know if you'd like your business or service added to this list. And please let us know if your hours are wrong, or if they change. The list will be updated & published twice a year. (This list is as at the start of Sept 2018)

Austral Hotel — Mon–Sat 11am–midnight, Sun 11am–10pm.

Australia Post — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm.

Carina Turner Gallery — 7 days 10.30am–4pm.

Carling Fuels — Mon–Fri 8am–5.30pm, Sat 8am–12.30pm.

Corey Finlay Electrical — 24/7 (flexible).

Craft Shop — 7 days 10am–3pm.

Criterion — Mon–Fri 1pm–whenever, Sat–Sun 11am–whenever.

Crossroads Pharmacy — Mon–Fri 9am–5.30pm, Sat 9am–midday; deliveries from Pt Augusta 2pm Mon–Fri, but not Sat.

D & J Restore & Gallery — 9am–5pm (flexible).

Emily's Bistro — Sun–Mon 8am–5pm; Tue–Sat 8am–late.

Flinders Ranges Council Office — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm; *Bendigo Bank Agency* Mon–Fri 10am–4pm.

Flinders Ranges Council Works Depot — Mon–Fri 8am–4.30pm.

Great Northern Lodge — 8am–till late.

IGA Supermarket — Mon–Fri 8am–6.30pm, Sat–Sun 9am–4pm, Public Hols 9am–2pm; *BankSA Agency* Mon–Wed, Fri 9.30am–4.30pm, Thur 9.30am–4pm; **ATM**.

Junction Art Gallery — 7 days 9am–5pm (very flexible).

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Kanyaka Surgery Office — Mon–Fri 9am–5.30pm.

Kev the Small Jobs Bloke — Mon–Fri 9am–4pm.

LKM Hair Designers — Tue, Thur 9am–5.30pm, Wed 9am–midday, Fri 9am–6.30pm, Sat by appt.

Police Station — When manned or by appointment.

Q Books — Most weekends from 11am, irregularly during week.

Quandong Café — Wed–Mon 8am–4pm, Tue closed, School Holidays open 7 days.

Quorn Area School Administration — Mon–Fri 8am–3.30pm.

Quorn Autoport — Mon–Fri 8am–5.30pm; weekends summer 8.30am–2.30pm, winter 8.30am–4pm.

Quorn Caravan Park — 7 days 8am–6pm (flexible).

Quorn Community Pre-Loved Boutique — Mon–Fri 9.30am–1pm.

Quorn Meat Store — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm, Sat 9am–11.30am.

Quorn Newsagency — Mon–Fri 7.30am–5.30pm, Sat–Sun–Public Hols 8.30am–2.30pm.

Quorn Pharmacy — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm.

Quorn Rural Traders — Mon–Fri 9am–5.30pm, Sat 9am–11.30am.

Quorn School Community Library — Tue 1–6pm, Wed 9am–5pm, Thur 1–5pm, Fri 11am–6pm, Sat 10am–midday.

Saltbush Delcaf — Wed–Thur, Sun 10.30am–9pm, Fri–Sat 10.30am–9.30pm.

Teas on the Terrace — 7 days 9.30am–5pm.

Transcontinental Hotel — Mon 3pm–whenever, Tue–Sun 11am–whenever; **ATM**.

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Washhouse — 24/7. ■



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Lions Club of Quorn



Induction of new Lions, Left to right: New Lion Kay Popp, Secretary Lion Anne Freebairn, New Lion Pam Hunt, VDG Lion Kevin Masters

ON WEDNESDAY 8th August the Lions Club of Quorn welcomed two new members. A special guest, Vice District Governor (VDG) Lion Kevin Masters, inducted the members at a dinner meeting held at the Austral Inn.

Lions Kay Popp and Pam Hunt are welcome additions to our ranks and have already been part of our catering team, helping out at the recent Quorn Races where the club served hot chips and soup from the catering van. The club also served steak sandwiches, sausages, hamburgers and hot dogs on a successful day.

The club was helped by four members of Booleroo Centre Lions Club, without whom we would not have been so quick and efficient.

The new members also managed the Quorn Market barbecue on Sunday 26th August.

Quorn Lions Club extends a warm welcome to prospective members. Come along to a meeting at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month in the Clubroom on Railway Terrace.

See for yourself how rewarding being a Lion can be—you get to cook donuts! ■



Caroline Walters cooks steaks at Races



Booleroo Centre Lions



ROWAN RAMSEY MP
Federal Member for Grey



Media Release

Community Support for SA Farmers

Federal Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey said he has received a number of inquiries from constituents asking how they can help South Australia's drought-stricken farmers.

"I am constantly humbled by the willingness of people to help others in tough times and there are farmers in some areas of South Australia who are going through very tough times.

"In some parts of the State farmers are in dire straits with no feed for their stock and a number of people have specifically asked where they can donate to ensure the aid reaches South Australian farmers. I have contacted two organisations that I believe will best satisfy those conditions.

"Following my contact with the Buy a Bale organisation, which is raising money to assist drought-affected farmers in NSW and Queensland, they have now committed to expanding their operations into South Australia.

"Buy A Bale Rural Aid Manager, Wayne Thompson has informed me that as from next week South Australia will be added to their website so farmers can register for aid from this organisation.

"This will be happening in the next few days, so people in South Australia who want to donate can do so to support their local farmers," Mr Thomson said.

"Those looking to assist can donate to this organisation from their website buyabale.com.au and donations over \$2 are tax deductible. I strongly encourage farmers needing immediate assistance to register," Mr Ramsey said.

"The other option to donate to the drought locally is "Locals Helping Locals" on Eyre Peninsula. "A Charitable Trust is being established in a partnership between Epic Grain Brokers and Mentally Fit EP that will see farmers from southern Eyre Peninsula, where seasonal conditions are favourable, donating their post-harvest residues for baling and transport to those in need of aid.

"Finance will be needed to pay baling contractors and for transport and this is where members of the public can make a real difference with a local problem.

"Steve Whillas from Epic Grain Brokers has set up a charitable trust and monetary donations to support this can be made through the Mentally Fit EP Facebook page."

"I congratulate Epic and Mentally Fit EP on their initiative and encourage farmers to register if they need any stockfeed or other needs."

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School News



Quornas.sa.edu.au

HAVE YOU SEEN our new and improved website? We welcome you to have a look at what we have been up to.

Quorn Area School has been busy hosting Pre-service teachers this Semester. Six pre-service teachers from The University of Adelaide were placed in various classrooms within the school as part of their placement exercise at the beginning of the term.

We also welcome Jed Woolford who will be working as a pre-service teacher at QAS for a four week placement beginning Monday 20th August. Jed is from the University of SA and is a recipient of a scholarship through Regional and Professional Experience, offered through Uni SA. He is in his final year and completing his final placement. Jed's main focus area is Design and Technology and his minor is Health and PE.

Penny Finlay is currently on placement with us as a pre-service teacher from Charles Darwin University. Penny is studying a Bachelor of Education - Early Childhood Teaching and is undertaking her final professional experience in the Year 3/4 class with Mrs Reed from 23rd July to 3rd September.



100 Days smarter

On Monday 23rd July, QAS Receptions celebrated 100 Days of school. Students invited their parents along to the celebration and participated in '100' themed literacy and numeracy activities.



Nature play

On Thursday 21st June, Glen Wagland, a Nature Play specialist from Mobile Junk Yard visited the school, offering our Primary Students an opportunity

reengage with nature. The idea is that engagement with nature will help multi-disciplinary learning, for example, playing in mud helps students understand volume (Maths); creating structures from sticks promotes

understanding of geometry (Maths); structural integrity (Technology and design), observing patterns in pine cones, shells and trees develops understanding of concepts such as the Fibonacci sequence (Maths).



SSSSA Volleyball

On Monday 6th August a group of students travelled to Adelaide to take part in the SSSSA Knockout volleyball competition.

The boys and girls teams played 4 x 50 minute games. Our boy's team played really well throughout the carnival, only losing one game to Booleroo in the final.

Our girls played fantastic volleyball most of the day, until our last game which ultimately cost us moving on to the next stage of the competition. ■



AUSKICK

As part of their Personal Learning Plan, three enthusiastic Year 10 students offered a 10 week AUSKICK program for younger students. Each session went for an hour on Monday afternoon at the QAS oval. The program began in Term 2 and concluded half way through Term 3.

Grounds Update

Some of you may have noticed the first stages of the entrance re-development. Half the wall has been panelled on the east end of the primary block, with railing ready to go for the rest of the wall. There is a space between the



panelling that has been left to establish a green wall, with an aquaponics system.

Students have been busy working in the greenhouse propagating plants to fill the large space.



We can't wait to see the system in operation.

MNSEC Formal

Last Friday night 24th August, QAS students dressed to impress at the MNSEC Winter Wonderland Formal.

This year Peterborough High School hosted the event. Students had a great time dancing to some old classics—the Nutbush never disappoints. Thank you to the teachers who travelled with the students to supervise.



Keeping Traditions Alive: Quorn Slowdown, Round 2

IN LINE WITH their school commitments and to give back to their community, Cameron and Luke Finlay organized another Slowdown fundraiser for our local community. After the success of the 2017 event, the boys decided to keep the tradition alive and on 29th July 2018 held, what will now be, the annual Quorn Slowdown football match.

The atmosphere was set by Ashley's music, with Broom on the microphone commentating. It was great to see young and old pull on a pair of boots for a worthy cause.

It was Town vs Country, with Country eager to run down the trophy to be back-to-back champions. Town was captained by Anthony McKenzie and Country by Fraser Hoare. Country did win back to back titles and took home the trophy once again. Des Finlay, Leon Bury and Greg George awarded Jamie Paynter Best on Ground, with a kind donation from Greg and Dianne George.

Many thanks to the volunteers who helped make the day run smoothly:

- Tanya and Mark Finlay for setting up
- Mick Finlay for umpiring and organizing behind the scenes
- CFS for the ice
- Penny Finlay and Jack Hoare for cooking the BBQ
- Broom Hilder for commentating
- Quorn Meat Store for meat
- Ashley for music and sound
- Lachie, Mackenzie & Mia for standing on the gate
- Sam, Lucas, Cooper and Riley for running much needed water
- James for umpiring
- Nigel Crisp, Joel and Isaac for goal umpiring
- Abraham for keeping score.
- Fletcher, Tom and Joe for showing Cam and Luke the ropes this year.

Most of all, thank you to the players and spectators for your support. The day would not have been the success it was without you. A special mention also goes to Sundrop Farm for presenting a generous cheque. As a community we are truly thankful.

A total of \$1900 was raised and will be donated to the Quorn Hospital Auxillary. ■



Photos, from top: Town and Country teams;
Neil and Cameron Finlay;
Cameron and Mark Finlay;
Joe Eckert, Luke Finlay, Fletcher Hoare, Declan Finlay,
Cameron Finlay

Bowling Club News

Mens Fours Tournament

On Friday 24th August the Quorn Bowling Club held Men's Fours Tournament to coincide with the Quorn Races.

Twenty teams participated. They came from Warooka, Port Pirie, Pt Germein, Laura, Melrose, Orroroo, Hawker, Wilmington, ETSA Pt Augusta, Pt Augusta Town, Whyalla Golf and Quorn. It was a very successful day.

It was good to see such a large representation of Clubs with some teams playing for the first time at Quorn.

Sponsors for the day were Emanuele Bros and Bury Plumbing from Pt Augusta and the Quorn Jockey Club. We are extremely grateful for their support for this big day.

Emanuele Bros had two Isuzu vehicles on display at the Club on Friday for anyone interested. Two reps, Shelley Minney from Pt Augusta and John Smith from Adelaide were at Quorn for the day.

If you are in the market for a new vehicle call into Emanuele Bros Showroom on Footner Road, Pt Augusta and chat to Shelley Minney for a test drive and a good deal.



Emanuele Bros Representatives;
John Smith and Shelley Minney

Winners for the day were a team from Whyalla Golf skippered by Chris Schrapel
Second: Howard Kaesler's team from Wilmington, Third: Quorn, skippered by Phil Shillabeer and Fourth: Melrose, skippered by Brenton Jones.

A lucky draw for losing teams was won by Ron Robert's team, Pt Germein.

Some bowlers stayed in Quorn for the weekend to attend the races, which was the idea of having the Tournament day.



From Left: Winners
Butch Smale, Clay Everett, Chris Schrapel, Shelley Minney, Rep, and Mick Treloar



From Left: Runners Up
Jeff Pycroft, Bob Rankin, Shelley Minney (Rep), Howard Kaesler and Colin Edson

We hope to make this an annual tournament to coincide with the Quorn races. From feedback there will be more bowlers staying on for the races.

We want to make this a bigger and better Tournament next year, so will be looking for more sponsors. If anyone is interested in becoming a sponsor for this Tournament please contact Grant Lever on 0407609574.

Bowling Club News cont



From Left: Third:
Brian Hartin, Lou Walker, Shelley Minney , Rep, and
Chris Hicks. Absent: Phil Shillabeer



Ladies in the kitchen: Back From Left: Sue Kelly, Cheryl Hilder, Jan
Noden, Carmel Reid and Jane Paynter
Front From Left: Barb Flower and Sue Smith



Bar men From Left: Terry Smith, Richie Paynter and
Bill Altmann

OPENING DAY 2018/2019 SEASON

The Bowling Club will hold its opening day on 9th September.

There will be a sausage sizzle at 1pm, The presentation of Life Membership badges to Kath Altmann, Leon Bury, Peter Maloney and Geoff Roberts will follow. A game of bowls and afternoon tea will end the day.

All members and intending members are asked to attend and make a good day of it. ■

Local Wins Award



SHARON HOOPER was a finalist in the 2018 Adult Learners Week Adult Educator/Mentor. and given an award to recognise her work as an Adult Educator/Mentor.

“Sharon Hooper delivers programs to support adults to build a better way of being, to succeed in the workplace and life in general.”

Travelling to numerous areas to run her Wellbeing & Resilience Workshops, the training is provided in a supportive group environment where participants can build confidence, gain skills required to move forward and improve their quality of life.

The learning programs provide a variety of tools for participants to be able to work on building a positive way of being; create meaning in life; help become engaged with community and see/feel a sense of accomplishment. ■



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Tribute

Hombsch Pamela Kay



September 4th 1960– August 6th 2018
Aged 57 years

Youngest daughter of Claude (dec) and Reta.
Loving sister to Rob (dec) Su and Tony.

Much loved Auntie Pam to Rohan, Annie and Toby, Great Aunt to Callam and Lucy and special and doting Aunty Pam to Monique.

We all hold fond memories of a life lived to the fullest. Your love for your horses is legendary, and the way you excelled from the age of four at pony club, gymkhanas, tent pegging and team penning is inspirational.

Your home was always open to family and fiends and the fridge always held a coldy. You were a kind and generous lady and I can't think of any better representation of beauty, than someone who is unafraid to be herself. The sound of galloping horses will always remind us of you. RIP Pam. Love your big sister Su, Rohan, Trisha, Callam and Lucy, Annie, Nigel and Monique, Toby and Brittany.

Losing someone we loved is hard, but we are finding courage in the lovely memories we have of Pam and from the love and kindness of family and friends. ■

Hombsch, Pam

Our beautiful brave long-time friend has embraced the heavenly horses and galloped over the rainbow bridge.

So dearly remembered and cherished by the Redman and Absalom families.

Memories last forever. Ride free Pam.

Our thoughts are with PC, Amanda, Reta, Su, Tony and their families.

Hombsch – Pamela Kay

Sept 4 1960 – August 6th 2018

A brave and courageous daughter much loved and gone to soon.

Fond memories of tent pegging competitions and happy times.

Love from Mum, Tony & Dustin



Classified Adverts

The Mercury volunteers offer condolences to Adrian, Naomi and family in their sad loss.

Hombsch – Reta Fay

22/12/1925 – 30/08/2018

92 Years

Youngest child of Annie & Jack Lock (both deceased) of Coonato
Youngest sister to Mabel, Little Jack, Doris, Ned and Glenice (all deceased)
Loving wife to Claude (deceased)
Loved Mother of Rob (deceased), Su, Pam (deceased) and Tony.
Mother in-law to Leanne (deceased) and Peter Nanna to Rohan and Trisha, Annie and Nigel, Toby and Brittany.
Great Nanna to Callam, Monique and Lucy
Special friend to Amanda and Mick.

Your life was long and full, you made many friend through your athletic days, and you loved your Netball & Tennis.
We have wonderful memories of you and Dad quick stepping around many dance floors, and you enjoyed watching your children riding at the many horse events in this area.
It's your time to rest, reunited with your loved ones.

December Edition

We are looking for ideas for the front page.

Devil's Peak in the snow?
Wallabies with hats?
All suggestions welcome

Thank You

The Maloney Family wish to thank everyone for their support following the loss of Patrick.

To all who sent cards, meals, flowers, made phone calls, messages, offered accommodation or dropped in, your kindness is greatly appreciated.

We are blessed to have wonderful family, friends and the Quorn Community where we care for each other and share the pain in our time of need.

A Hughes get together

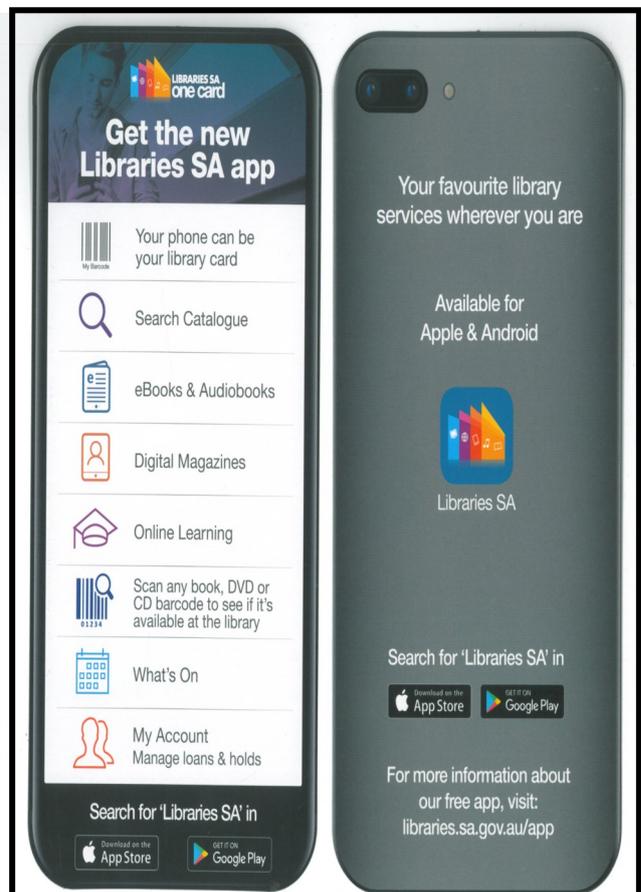
The family of the late Jim (Tump) and Lil Hughes—Robyn, Debbie and Jenny will be in Quorn on the 21st and 22nd September.

They are getting together at Britza's wood-chop.

Signs off Richman Valley Road will show directions to Olive Grove.

Bring meat and drinks for a B.B.Q starting 10.30am.

Friends welcome.



Health Calendar

Requests for Allied Health 1800 003 307

September

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist
Diabetes Education
Dietitian
Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist
Speech Pathologist
Social Worker

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and every second Thursday

Bookings 8642 3201



September

Anglican Church of St Mathew

Three services a year:

- St Mathew's Day September 18th
- Christmas Eve
- Easter

If required for a funeral service

Ph: 8648 6162 or 8648 6763

Catholic Church Church of the Immaculate Conception

Parish Priest: Father Jimmy Pantin

Sunday Mass 8.30am

Weekday Mass (W-S) 9.00am

Flinders Christian Fellowship

Sunday Service Weekly 10.00am

Lunch Mon & Thurs 12pm

Bible study Tues 12:30pm

Uniting Church

Sunday Service Weekly 11.00am

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Quorn~Hawker~Cradock Events September 2018

Regular Events

QUORN

Powell Gardens Working Bee—

2nd Sunday and 4th Thursday of the month

Quorn Produce and Craft market

Sunday 30th September

Quorn Book Club

Wednesday 26th 7.30pm at 21 Park Tce. For more info

Phone Sam Nester

0456 129 870

Women's Fellowship—

3rd Wednesday of the month see the poster in the laundromat window or Facebook for details

Quorn Men's shed

Breakfast 13th & 27th

Flinders Flicks

21st 6.30pm for 7.30pm movie "Spy"

Spit Roast

at Emily's Bistro every Sunday

Events

8th - Rural Doctors Mock accident

Every year a mock scenario is hosted by the Rural Doctors association. Student doctors work with local volunteers from the emergency services.

23rd - Quorn Show: 9am to 4pm

Quorn Community Oval. Rides, food stalls, craft, flowers, Cooking, jam & preserves, poultry, photography, wool show bags, vintage cars, Old MacDonald Farm, Dog Obedience, horses in action, show lunch and afternoon tea

2018 Quorn Area Interschool's & HRCVA

Gymkhana following the Quorn Show Monday 24th Open Hack and Hunter Rings, Encourage Show Ring, Led Breeds Ring, Show Jumping Ring, and Timed Games Competition. For more information, contact Chloe Hilder on 0488 498 910 or email chloe.hilder328@schools.sa.edu.au

FlindersFest

Sunday 30th at Blue Burt Park 10am to 2pm Bric Brac, Food, Face painting, Games, Bouncy Castle & music

Brush with Art

8th September to 7th October. Flinders wide art exhibition

Pichi Richi Railway Train Journeys

Pichi Richi Explorer - Departs 10.30am Quorn to Woolshed Flat and return. Afghan Express – Departs 10.30am Port Augusta to Quorn and return

Timetable at the VIC Quorn or visit

www.pichirichirailway.org.au

Regular Events

QUORN

Line dancing

Tuesday nights 6.30pm Town Hall cost \$6

Yoga

Thursday nights 6.30pm Uniting Church Hall

Badminton

Tuesday nights 7pm School Gym

Probuss

1st Tuesday of the month 10am Bowling Green Club rooms

Aerobics/Walking Exercise

Monday and Thursday Anglican Church Hall 6.00pm cost \$2

Quilting Group

Friday at the Austral Hotel all day everyone welcome

Quorn Bowling Club

Interested in playing a game of social bowls, Monday 1.00pm for 1.30pm start or Thursday evenings at 7pm.

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun

HAWKER

Quilting Group—Friday fortnightly

Community Group—Tuesday fortnightly

Friendship Group—3rd Wednesday

Development Board—3rd Monday of the month

Quote of the Month

When we have done our best... we can await the result in peace.

J Lubbock



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Flinders Local Action Group

WASTE DUMP VOTE POSTPONED

**Please lodge your submission to the Department
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

MANY IN THE COMMUNITY may be feeling annoyed that the vote “FOR” or “AGAINST” the waste dump has been postponed.

After two and a half years of attention by the Department of Industry, and after the more than 100 newsletters, factsheets, media releases, and other documents that have come to our letterboxes, most people have had enough and wish the whole thing was over.

The Barnjarla Corporation sought an urgent injunction from the Supreme Court of SA for lack of consultation, and the exclusion of the majority of its members from voting on the Kimba waste dump issue.

The Court agreed with their arguments, granted a postponement of the vote, and referred the matter to the Human Rights Commission (HRC).

We understand that the HRC will return their findings to the Supreme Court, which will then make a ruling. We do not know if or when the vote will be reactivated.

It was the Minister’s wish that votes in Kimba and our region should be run simul-

taneously. For this reason, the vote on the Wallerberdina dump has also been postponed.

Most District Councils will go into “caretaker mode” at Close of Nominations on September the 18th, pending local government elections.

If the result of the court proceedings is upheld, the ballot will not proceed and it is likely that Council elections will be in contention due to the same argument.

We do know that the vote will only be one factor in the Minister’s decision on where to put the dump. He will also be looking at submissions from the public to the Department. Throughout this process it has been said many times that the dump “**will not be forced on an unwilling community**”.

The submission process was announced to run from the 1st August until the 24th September. We have heard no change to this, even though the vote is postponed. By the time you read this in the Mercury, you will have less than three weeks, at the most, to lodge your submission.

**Please take just a small amount of your time to send a submission
AND MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD**

Submissions can be sent by e-mail to: radioactivewaste@industry.gov.au

OR, write to: The Department of Industry, Innovation and Science -
National Radioactive Waste Section,
GPO Box 2013
Canberra, ACT, 2601

Important: Please make sure that you provide your name and address with your submission. You can choose for it to be made public or not, by simply writing - I give (OR) do not give permission for this submission to be made public.

If or when the vote is to be re-activated, the public will need appropriate notice.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU RETURN A VOTE, as well as a submission.