

Quorn Mercury

Recording Quorn's History while it's Being Made

October 2022

Established 1895

Number 27/292

Show 102 in 2022



Excited visitors meet a baby crocodile from *Australian Bush Buddies*—Sponsored by BaCore



Magic moments for young and old with *Mickster the Trickster*



The opening of the Quorn Show by Mrs Nancy Murray

AFTER MONTHS OF PLANNING and preparations, it all came together. The one hundred and second Quorn Agricultural Show was a success, to the relief and delight of all.

It is remarkable that the tradition of the agricultural show continues this far north in South Australia. The spectacle of Horses in Action, the displays of Poultry and Pigeons, the Wool, the many examples of excellence to be seen in the Memorial Hall are a celebration of the talents and interests in our community.

The support of, the Flinders Ranges Council, the sponsors, community volunteers, and successful grant applications, is crucial to the viability of our Show. The funded entertainment and amusements were well patronised by more than 800 residents and visitors to the Show,

Quorn Agricultural Show President, Mrs. Kathy Rabig welcomed all, and invited Mrs. Nancy Murray to open the Show, and Mayor Greg Flint to speak on behalf of the Flinders Ranges Council.

See more photos and results on pages 22-31! ■

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Walking Trails

*All five Trails cleared and signposted
1–4 offer spectacular Summit Views*

1. The Dutchman's Stern Park

*8.5 km via Arden Vale Rd from Quorn to Car Park
10.6 km circuit (easier clockwise) or
8.4 km return via Terrace/Northern Trail or
6 km return to Stony Creek Lookout or
5 km return to Terrace Lookout*

2. Warren Gorge

*22 km via Arden Vale Rd from Quorn to Trailhead
5.2 km circuit (easier clockwise)*

3. Devil's Peak

*10 km via Richman Valley Road & Devil's Pk Rd to start
2.6 km return (some scrambling near top)*

4. Mount Brown Park

*14 km via Richman Valley Road to Olive Grove to start
15 km circuit or 12 km return via Western Trail or
5.4 km return to Bald Hill Lookout*

5. Waukarie Creek

*14 km via Richman Valley Road to Olive Grove to start
12 km return to Woolshed Flat Railway Station or
2 km return to Heysen Trail Shelter*

Details & Leaflets Flinders Ranges Visitors Information Centre Quorn, Quorn Railway Station

Great News For Quorn

Below is a statement provided by Country and Outback Health, CEO, Zieco Skeldon regarding the future of the Quorn Medical Practice

‘FOR OVER 30 YEARS, the Quorn Medical Practice (Kanyaka Surgery) has provided accessible, comprehensive, high-quality medical service to the community and district of Kanyaka-Quorn in the Southern Flinders Ranges.

With the pending retirement of long-serving GP Tony Lian-Lloyd from the Practice, the community had limited access to health care services and faced the real possibility of closure altogether, having enormous implications for the people in the region and placing higher pressure on other Medical facilities in the wider area.

In partnership with Rural Doctors Workforce Agency (RDWA) and the Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network (FUNLHN), Country & Outback Health (COBH) will be supporting the community's needs by managing Quorn Medical Practice's operation from the 1st of December 2022.

Country & Outback Health have comprehensive experience and a long-lasting commitment to providing health services to regional and remote South Australians via our extensive geographical footprint across our state. COBH have also been successfully managing a medical practice on the Yorke Peninsula for several years, providing a solid basis for the prosperous operation of Quorn Medical Practice.

Country & Outback Health understand the importance of having access to quality medical care and will be working hard to secure healthcare professionals for the Practice to continue this vital service for the district.

The change in operational ownership is a significant outcome for the Kanyaka-Quorn district, and COBH is proud to be working collaboratively with the RDWA and FUNLHN to provide this service to the community.”

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Chat with a Quornie



Anyone interested in taking over this very popular Department, or providing something similar to it to your own design, or just enquiring about it, please get in touch with the *Quorn Mercury* at mercury@frc.sa.gov.au or PO Box 367 Quorn SA 5433

Bowling Club turns 100!

QUORN BOWLING CLUB celebrated its 100th birthday on 22nd September 2022.

A day of celebration and fun was organised and we had 14 teams from 8 other clubs and ours turn out for the day.



Group of Quorn bowlers

We started the day with a lovely morning tea provided by the ladies of the Club.

President Mat Britza welcomed everyone for coming along to this most special day but before we could continue with the frivolities, as this was also the National Day of Mourning, 1 minute silence was observed for the late Queen.

We also combined it with the opening day of the season, so the first jack was put down by Life Member, Geoff Roberts, followed by the first bowl by Life Member Leon Bury. It wasn't a serious game and all the Clubs had a great time playing.

Then we all enjoyed a delicious BBQ lunch with a great selection of salads, again provided by the wonderful ladies.

In the second game of bowls in the afternoon, we decided to shake things up and do things a little different, and put all the bowlers name in a hat, and randomly picked teams, so everyone had a mixed-up team of however they got. This turned out to be a highlight of the day and was immensely enjoyed by everyone.

Afternoon tea featured a Celebration cake, made by Sam Hartin and was cut by Carmel Reid. At this stage the cards from both morning and afternoon games were put on the table face down and randomly picked the winners. Everyone agreed that this way was the best way of finding winners.

Raffles were donated for prizes, and a special thankyou to Wendy & Sally Brown for their

most generous donation of a 2 nights' accommodation package in one of their luxury apartments as the major raffle prize, which was won by Kath Altman. Thankyou to all everyone else who donated prizes for the day.

A big thankyou to Barb Flower and the ladies for the most excellent job they did with the catering for the day. ■



Leon Bury rolling the first bowl



A good turn out



Contemplating the head



Synchronised bowls—Jeremy Rigden & Owen Brown



The club looking inviting



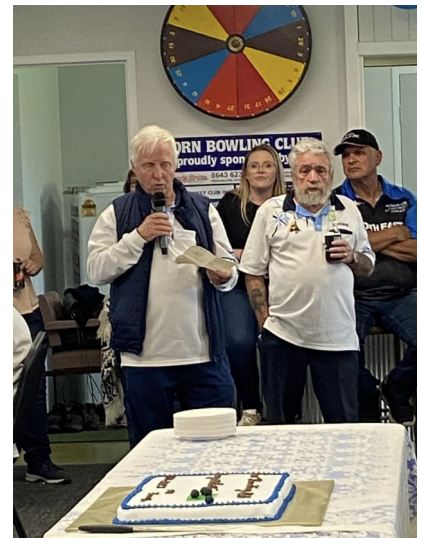
Everyone relaxing



President Mat Britza welcoming everyone



Carmel Reid cutting birthday cake



Ted Paynter and Brian Hartin have everything under control



Group of spectators



Jane Paynter, Barb Flower, Rita Britza, Carmel Reid and Sue Smith

Mayor Flint's Address to Country Cabinet

GOOD MORNING Mr Premier, Honourable members, your Worships, Government members and members of the gallery. I am Greg Flint the mayor of the Flinders Ranges Council. I would like to thank the Legislature for allowing me to speak here today on behalf that Council.

Before I start I would like to acknowledge the Nukunu people as the traditional owners of this land, and also the Bungala who share traditional lands with them in the Pt Augusta Council area. I would also like to acknowledge all other First Nation's people who are with us today.

We are a progressive Council developing an environment that will attract people to our region to live, work and play by developing industry and making the Flinders a preferred Tourist destination. Evidence of our success is our magnificent Hawker gym and our recent Quandong festival that attracted approximately 3,000 visitors. Not only did the festival include a great culinary experience with lots of eating venues available, but also three days of demonstrations, discussions and participation.

With TV celebrities including Paul West, Rodney Dunn and the delightful Costa Georgiadis leading the way, there was something for visitors of all ages.

The line-up of renowned authors included Neville Bonney, Mark Tucek, Rebecca Sullivan, Lyn Harwood and Bruce Pascoe to name a few—thus giving visitors a deep insight into our wonderful bushfoods and future opportunities of becoming a part of that industry.

These attendees expressed a desire to come back. We believe that if we can run at least four more of these, our numbers could climb to at least 10,000 visitors. But we have issues that need to be addressed and forefront is our quality of water. Not just the taste and smell but the fact that it damages electrical and other appliances and fittings. I believe the process for better water is tracking well and hopefully won't be vetoed as has happened in the past.

Our vision moving forward: The Flinders Ranges is an iconic and beautiful landscape stretching more than 500 kilometres including the popular Heysen and Mawson trails. Work on sealing the Strzelecki Track is in progress and soon there will be a conduit from Queensland through the Flinders to the rest of South Australia and Western Australia. A conduit that will enable everyone especially young families that don't own expensive SUVs to be able to safely take that short cut from Queensland and visit us.

Our Flinders Ranges is also one of the oldest bits of land on our planet and to tell that story this Government has invested in a bi-partisan project to take a proposal to UNESCO naming seven sites to be acknowledged on the World Heritage List. This proposal is now in Paris and will be presented for assessment in 2024. Whether it is successful or not the sites are still here and being upgraded by our Parks and Wildlife Department.

How are we as The Flinders Ranges Council demonstrating our support for this project?

In General Terms:

AIRPORTS—the Quorn airstrip has now been fenced and has a lit air sock and office facilities including toilets and showers. We have received funding to seal the runway in Quorn and reseal the Hawker runway. Hawker runway has an amenities building and a Council owned fuel depot.

STREETSCAPE PLAN—upgrading and beatification of our towns including new footpaths, trees, shrubs, planter boxes, murals, pictographs, a new town square and new entrance ways with a WOW factor—all to be completed in the coming year.

BUSINESS SUPPORT—\$200,000 shared with business and residents on our main streets to upgrade their frontages and strategies to encourage new business to our communities.

Things to do:

- The pioneering way with a self-drive track with signage including photographs and descriptions.

- The prize winning iconic Pichi Richi Railway.
- The Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society with \$349,000 invested in a new pavilion and other infrastructure.
- The Pithi Kawi bushfood garden in Quorn, including a three kilometre concrete walking path that is lit, with exercise equipment and is wheelchair and gopher friendly.
- The beautiful prize winning silo moving art show with its ever changing stories.
- The renowned Warrens Gorge camp ground set in a natural habitat that includes our delightful yellow footed rock wallabies.
- A series of large pictographs in Hawker depicting Adnyamathanha/Kuyani dream time stories.

Specifically:

We have invested 100,000 dollars to design and develop a business plan of a geoscience and cultural centre to be built at Hawker as a gateway to the World Heritage Sites. We believe this has to be a reflection of the efforts already being made by this government at the individual sites themselves, and what international visitors would expect. However the focus on this centre is to make it economically viable through private enterprise with some of the aspects that have been canvassed to include:

- Offices for tourism flight companies (there are already two in Hawker).
- Offices for Indigenous tourism operators.
- Other private entities including but not limited to Chemist, art sales, café, bush food products, general tourism operators, bushwalking outfitters etc.
- A small lecture theatre.
- A cultural display of Adnyamathanha artefacts in conjunction with the SA Museum or one of our universities.
- World heritage representatives either National Parks or another Government Dept.
- A visitor's information centre designed to cater to large groups of international visitors as well as our local tourists.

And in case the question arises, we already have full support for this centre from members of the Adnyamathanha group of peoples.

However I do believe that to compete on the world stage, this project should be taken seriously by all levels of Government.

Other Future Projects:

Different difficulty four wheel drive tracks, horse and bike tracks—I have been taken on a tour of a proposed bike track, a fire access road on a ridge with close access to Quorn. It has several resting areas where you see Upper Spencer Gulf to the south and in the same spot looking north you see our vast Ranges stretching out to Wilpena—sites to take your breath away.

We have rock climbing areas on our radar as well as natural amphitheatres that could be used for live music events.

We have gorges and gum tree creeks that can be utilised as camping areas.

We have also just purchased one of our heritage listed department stores to be used as a business hub, a strategy well received by our community.

This is just a taste of what we are planning—there are more, however we have to keep some ideas close to our chest.

Personally I would like to see a conversation started in regard to our Council taking responsibility for more of the communities to the North of us. And I say that with no disrespect to the Outback Communities Authority or Mark Sutton whom I hold in high regard, but I believe that we as a Council are best placed to service those communities.

Conclusion:

I believe that I have demonstrated that we are a progressive Council, a benefit not only for ourselves, but also for our neighbours and the rest of the State. The ratification of the World Heritage sites will not only bring the rest of Australia to us but also put us on the world stage as a go to or bucket list destination. This is a trope depicting the Australian landscape not just another grape vine or bottle of plonk or indeed a tropical reef but a unique and beautiful indeed iconic place that has captured the imagination and hearts of artists, including painters, poets and movie makers. And yes I am selfish as I want the Federal and State “gaze” to focus on the true heart of Australia—our amazing Flinders Ranges. On a last note though, on behalf of our community, I would like to remind cabinet about our water.

Thank you ■



DON'T WAIT TILL YOU'RE STUFFED!

FREE EVENTS

MEN'S NIGHT OUT – FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2022

6.00PM AT THE BIG SHED AT THE MACHINERY PARK

CATERING BY SMOKEY UPPERCUTS

LADIES HIGH TEA – SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2022

11.00AM QUORN TOWN HALL

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THIS IS A VERY BIG THANK YOU to Wendy and Sally Brown who have hosted Flinders Flicks over the last 8 years.

There have been the regulars but also we have had many visitors attend from various parts of the country who just happened to be in the area. A lot of people asked about how it was run and said they enjoyed the evening. Of course it always came back to the excellent venue, and the supper made by Wendy. At one stage we had to “force” Wendy to charge us more to make it more worthwhile for them, but she always said she loved doing it for the film night.

Flinders Flicks (FF) commenced in 2008 with a screening of Galipoli and Lucky Miles at the Flinders Ranges Bush Festival. Over the next six years there were various screenings, three being held outdoors.

FF needed a permanent home and Cindi Drennan began looking. She approached Wendy about screening in the Bistro and of course the rest is history—FF had somewhere to call “home”.

11.7.2014—The first movie night at the Bistro was a glamorous night, with many people dressing in their finery to see “The Great Gatsby”.

After 21.10.2016 “Little Voice” FF had a recess while the major building works of the Grand Lodge Motel were underway. There were four screenings in the Lodge Conference Room, however we convinced Wendy and Sally to have us back in the Bistro and the first screening was Paddington Two on 27.4.2018. In total there have been 65 films screened at the Bistro.

Flinders Flicks is currently looking at a new venue for our monthly movie night and hope we can start again before long.

Most of the movies screened by FF are available on loan from the Quorn Area School Library.

To Be Continued ASAP ■

Seeking Farmhouse To Rent/Buy

Seeking farmhouse, possibly a fixer-upperer, to rent indefinitely or buy in the Southern or Northern Flinders or Olary Ranges area.

May be a secondary and vacant building on your property perhaps not currently advertised that could provide you with an additional source of income through rent/purchase.

Must be:

- Weather Proof (sealed roof, windows, walls, floorboards etc)
- At least 1-4 ha of land available

About me:

- Considerable background in land management (NRM board) and ecology (I’ll take care of it)
- Responsible with exceptional work and character references (supplied upon request)
- Originally from the Mid North/Southern Flinders
- Email flinders.olary@gmail.com or call or text **0411 519 798**. If I can’t pick up (at work) please text me the best time to ring you back.





**The Flinders
Ranges Council**

LIVE LOCAL. VOTE LOCAL.

This October, vote for what affects you in your local council elections.

Watch out for your ballot pack in your mail from 17 October 2022 and vote local.

Make sure you post your completed ballots, so they arrive back before 5 pm on the 10 November or drop them into the FRC Council Office, 1 Seventh Street, Quorn before this time and date (no late ballot papers will be accepted).

More information including candidate profiles is available from www.frc.sa.gov.au/council/elections



Find out more at councilelections.sa.gov.au



Flinders Ranges Council

Mayoral Election

VOTE 1



Ken Anderson

- Quorn resident for over 14 years, Councillor for 10 years: 6 years as Deputy Mayor.
- Supports the community and provides strong leadership.
- Committed to public consultation, inclusion and equity for all, listens, hears and acts.
- Focussed on maintaining and improving aged care, health and education services for all communities.
- Strives for ongoing, sustainable economic, business and job growth for the Ranges Council and regional areas.
- Continues to ensure improved asset maintenance and upgrades for basic services for Quorn, Hawker, Cradock and surrounding districts.
- Supports a sustainable budget and spending with improvements on savings to ensure below CPI or minimum rate increase.

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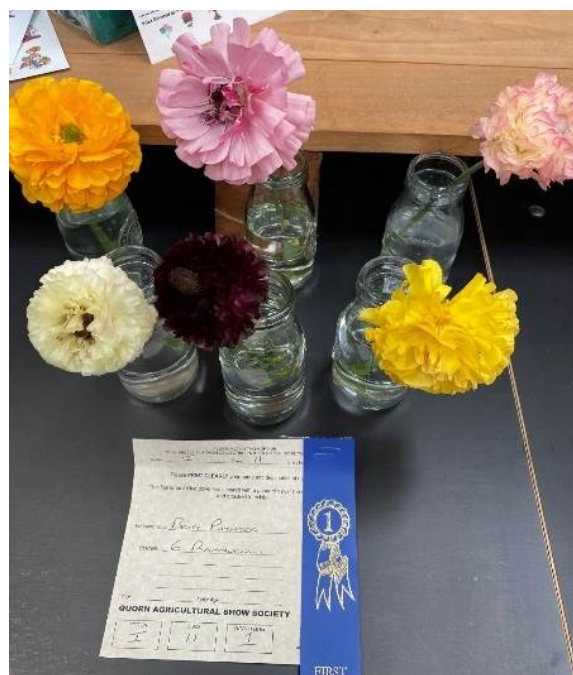
Quorn Health Services



"Talk Like a Pirate Day". Blimey Me Hearties! Barrel of monkeys and fine grub under the Jolly Roger for these Land Lubbers. With no one hanging the jib or to dance the hempen jig

THIS YEAR THE residents entered flowers at the show and also made a scarecrow they named Doris. As you can see we had had a great day with Betty's flowers coming 1st and Doris wheeling in 2nd.

James the magician visited the following day and put on a magical performance leaving quite a few of us scratching our heads as to how he does it. ■



EACH MORNING WE start the day, celebrating a national day of something. We were very lucky to be able to celebrate "Coffee with a Cop Day" with Kathryn this year. She has been relieving for our local Adam while he is taking a well deserved holiday somewhere nice. She shared with us some of her experiences and answered a lot of questions before listening to some real life true confessions which was quite entertaining. ■



Interested in being part of the Quorn Business Group?

If you're a Quorn business and you would like to join, membership is just \$50 per year.

Members have access to these great benefits:

- Networking events with other local business owners
- Discounted training opportunities
- Information nights with expert guest speakers
- Current information about grants that can help your business

It's a great opportunity for us all to share information and to collaborate with like-minded business owners.

We want to support sustainable business growth and make it easier to do business in Quorn.

If you're a local business and you'd like to find out more, contact:

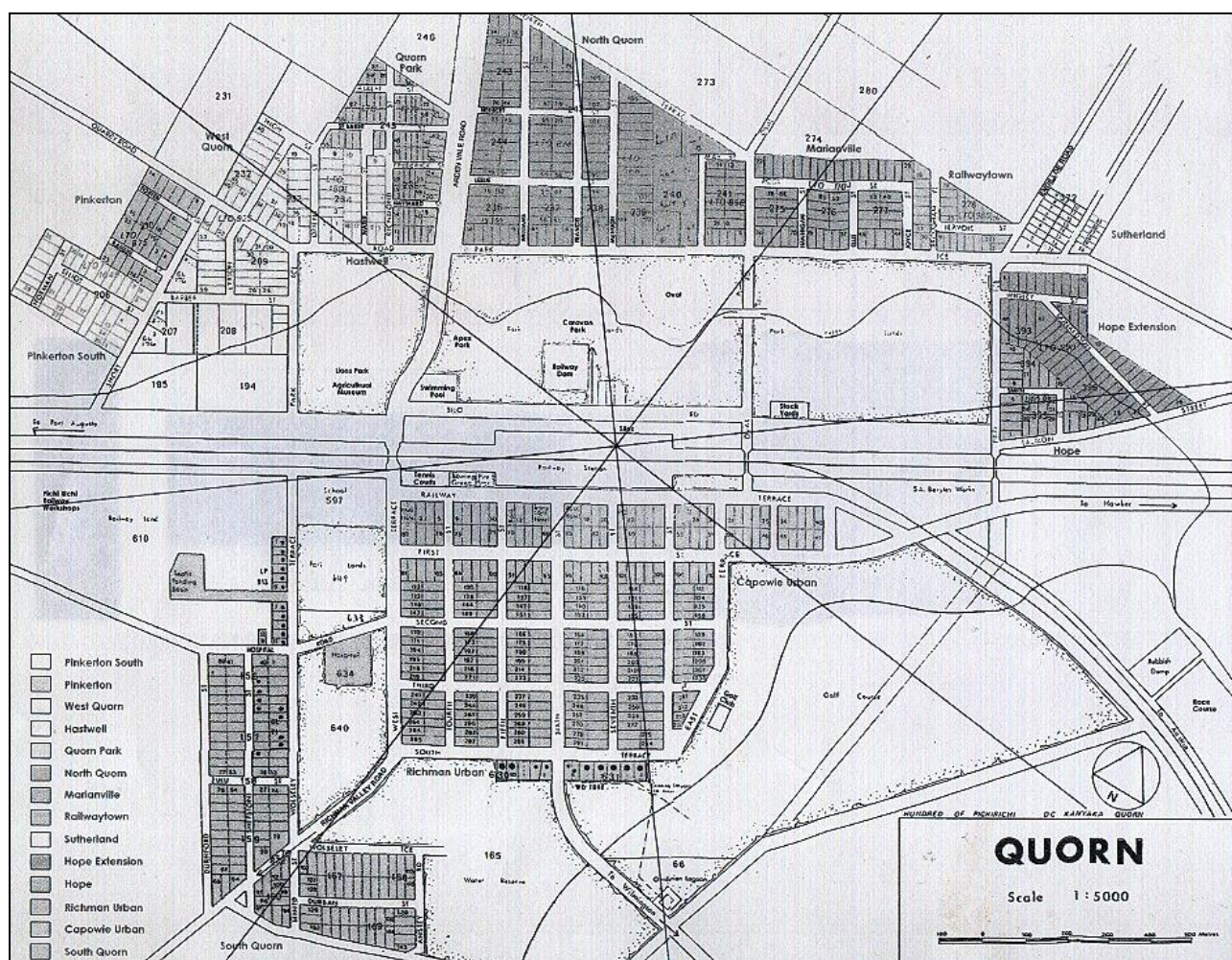
President – Stu Hackett 0475 410 127

or

Secretary – Ellenor Day 0403 011 230

Upcoming meeting and event details will be posted in the *Quorn Out and About* group on Facebook soon.

Where Can I Find a Seat?



WHEN YOU GET OLD but still want to go walking around Quorn, you're liable to find you navigate your way from one public seat to the next. But in Quorn there's no planned siting of such seats.

You find sometimes there are lots of seats all close together, and then huge gaps from one to another. Sometimes there are no seats at all for several blocks. The result is that too many oldies give up any serious walking altogether.

Some oldies find that if they have too far to walk to the next seat, they're likely to get uncertain on their feet. And as they tire, they're likelier to fall over, and perhaps be too weak to get up off the ground without help. So, walking for their health goes into the Too-Hard-Basket.

Now look at the map above. There are eight compass lines radiating out from the centre of town to its extremities. What a great idea it would be if seats were carefully located about two blocks apart along (well, *near*) these lines. But as well, of course, a third or quarter of the

way out from the centre, you would also want extra seats in between those lines.

The idea would be that wherever you lived, you'd find seats regularly placed. Then, if you're old you'd feel safe and confident about walking around Quorn for your health. What better way would there be to encourage this!

Sadly, it's not the kind of project a town *will* take up, of course. Small town projects are far more likely to have tourists and other visitors in mind. They're far more interested in spectacular projects aimed at persuading *them* to come.

Sadly too, very old (but still mobile!) townspeople have less influence over decisions like this. It's because they've been quieted down by their age, and are mostly no longer involved in their town's decision-making. As well, it's a quiet, unnoticeable, and unspectacular kind of project.

And sadly too, when you get old you feel that younger folk would rather shove you into a corner, and hope you don't kick up too much fuss. ■

—Ray Wood

Pictures — From the Past



PETERSBURG, Wilmington, & Pt Augusta Combined District Rifle Club teams at a Shoot, 12 November 1907.



WILMINGTON RESIDENTS again, who used to invite shooters from Pt Augusta to take part in an annual shooting party, to celebrate the Prince of Wales's birthday. Over seventy hares were shot this day. Can you find the shooters who are the same in both photos, such as the wide-faced bearded man? Rifle Clubs were very popular in earlier times, and even encouraged by governments with an eye on providing a future pool of excellent riflemen in case of war. Photos Reg J. Mayes, *Pictorial History of Port Augusta* (1974). ■

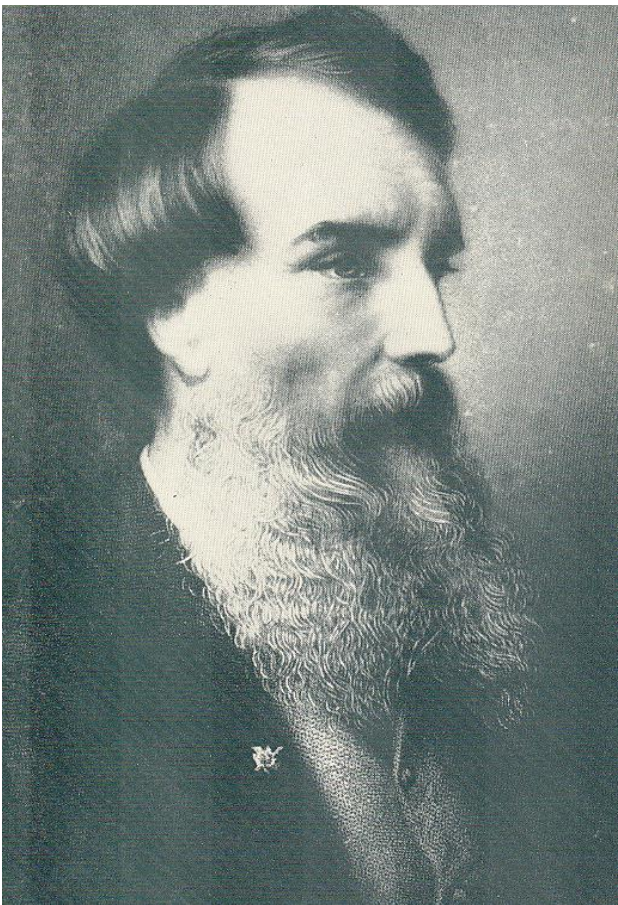
Eyre's Stupendous Lake

AN ARTICLE in July's *Mercury* (pp 18–19) told how the famous explorer, Edward John Eyre (1815–1901), discovered Depot Creek near Quorn in May 1839. He reached it only three years after the founding of South Australia.

At first he'd thought that perhaps the Flinders Ranges would continue all the way across Australia to the north! But he did in the end reach their northern end, and find he was wrong.

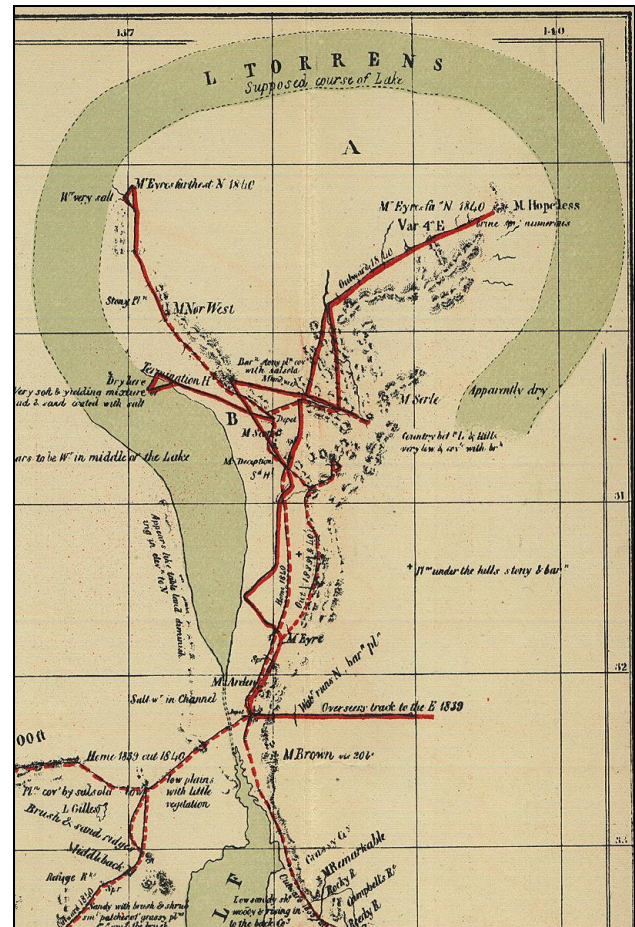
He used Depot Creek as a base on his 1839, 1840, & 1841 expeditions. He tried to explore inland to the north. But each time he headed that way he was blocked by a dry salt lake, starting with Lake Torrens. And though dry, he found them too boggy for his parties to cross.

He was out of luck, because he kept on coming up against the Lakes, instead of finding his way between them. As you would know they are *separately*: Lakes Torrens, Eyre (North & South), Gregory, Blanche, Callabonna, & Frome.



Edward John Eyre in 1845

So, what he *thought* was that these were all a single gigantic lake that stretched all around the country he was exploring: west, north, and east!



You can see in the map above, the north end of 'Spencers Gulf' at its foot, Mt Brown at the Gulf's north end, Depot Creek where the heavy and dotted lines all meet a little above Mt Brown, and Eyre's supposed horseshoe 'Lake Torrens'.

The Lake has on it 'Supposed course of Lake' and 'Apparently dry'. The three points where Eyre reached *his* immense Lake's shore are 'Termination Hill', 'Mt Eyre furthest N[orth]', and ironically, 'Mt Hopeless'. That last name shows his despair on reaching that peak.

It's a very small eastern part of a much larger map titled '*Southern Coast of Australia, Encounter Bay to King George Sound Shewing Mr Eyre's Track in the Years 1839, 1840 & 41*' [sic]. And the 1843 map itself is dated, '*Papers Relative to South Australia 1843*'. (King George Sound is at Albany far away in Western Australia.)

So as the name 'Hopeless' tells, he gave up exploring further north, and headed for Albany in WA instead, as the map shows at bottom left.

It's amusing to think what the history of the Flinders Ranges would have been like, if Eyre's stupendous 'Lake' had, in fact, existed! ■

Shards

Birds 2020

Is it just me or have the magpies gone weird?
there used to be birds here
now the magpies chase off all feathered creatures
that are not other magpies
I saw a pigeon fly as it had never flown before
escaping the bully
the happy ringneck is also ganged up on
by these black and white vigilantes
and when was the last time I saw a willy wagtail?
they're supposed to come in autumn
all birds small and large are being seen off
the only song here
a warble

The incipient headache

Apart from the migraine
no headache is worse than the incipient one
which is there but not yet.
You can feel the edges of what's coming
even though there's no pain.
With all the misery of anticipation
you just want it to start
so you can take something

Under Occupation – Guernsey WWII

It's coming.
It's here.
Faces are grim.
No one knows how to laugh
and no one can go further than a mile.
Food becomes scarce
and reliable news even scarcer.

Adventure playground, April 2020

at the Onkaparinga mouth
two motorcycle cops
patrol an empty playground

Tarla Kramer
From 'poems for the non-compliant'



“Every Dish Tells A Story” features stories that document important foods and recipes of the Flinders Ranges and chronicles their evolution and significance ... from bush tucker, settlers’ fare and local produce, right through to innovative cooking and growing techniques for the arid region.

In 2009-2011, This project was researched and written by Flinders Ranges Writers Tarla Kramer, John Mannion and Photographer Liz Collins, and involved dozens of local contributors. We bring a new story to you each month—this month features.....

Bart Brooks—Previous Quorn Resident

BART BROOKS has put kangaroo on the menu nearly everywhere he has worked during 20 years as a chef. “It’s the best meat—cholesterol free, fat free and free of hormones. The hardest thing about kangaroo is that it can’t actually be farmed without a big cost fencing-wise.”

After completing his apprenticeship in 1992 at the Berri Hotel (now the Berri Resort Hotel), Bart moved to Adelaide where he spent the next few years. A couple of years were at Boltz Cafe on Rundle Street where he was Second Chef to Peter Reschke (who is no relation to the Quorn Reschkes as far as we know!) “He was probably one of the biggest influences on my cooking, especially the care factor. I remember him saying to me, *‘you’re better off making somebody wait a bit and giving them something you’re pleased with serving, rather than sending it out too fast’.*”

Bart moved to the Flinders Ranges in 1998, where he began to work with Australian native foods. “I’ve always been interested in bush foods; in one of the first menus I ever wrote, which was at trade school, I used yabby cocktails and a kangaroo dish.” He didn’t get much opportunity to use these ingredients in his first few jobs but his big chance came when he got a job at the Prairie Hotel in Parachilna, where he worked for 2½ years. The feral foods at the Prairie had only just started when he got there. “My first interview was to find out whether I could carve a baby emu; they were having a Christmas in July and they said, *‘have you ever worked with that before?’* and I said no but I’ll give it a go. So they cooked it and we carved it up for a few people—the emus are designed a little bit differently than the normal turkey”.



Over the 2½ years at the Prairie he cooked with smoked emu, smoked camel, camel sausages, camel steak, buffalo and a lot of kangaroo. “We used to do things like a peppered emu stir-fry and we did goat racks and kangaroo racks. Emu pate was one of my favourites at Parachilna; and we used to do a native herb lavosh and muntries chutney, which we used to make ourselves. We used quite a few herbs and native spices in chutneys, and we used to make a salt and pepper calamari and prawns that was made out of native spices.”

Many of the recipes were developed by Bart himself. During the time he was there the Prairie Hotel was voted the best country restaurant in South Australia by Dine Book.

Some recipes of his from then also appeared in Vogue magazine, including some of the following:

Emu Omelette

50g rindless bacon, sliced into long 1cm wide strips

50g spanish onion rings, sliced thinly

5g spring onion, sliced into ringlets 1cm thick

60g red capsicum, sliced into long 1cm wide strips

1 emu egg

300ml thickened cream

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon pepper

30g butter

2 frypans (makes 2 large omelettes)

PLACE bacon, Spanish onion, spring onion and capsicum in small bowl and set aside.

PLACE emu egg on a folded tea towel—this will help to hold it steady. Begin cutting around egg with a sharp bread knife. Cutting the end of the egg off is the best way to keep the contents and shell. Watch for shell dust and chips while doing this. Tip egg white and yolk into 3 litre mixing bowl. Add thickened cream, mix thoroughly, add to this the salt and pepper.

PLACE saucepans on medium heat. Put 15g of butter in each pan, sauté half the bacon, capsicum and onion mixture in each pan. Add half the egg and cream mix to each pan. Stir once with a fork. Cover with frypan lid. Cook for 10 minutes or until set. Turn onto serving plate and accompany with grilled bacon and tomato and chargrilled toast.

Steamed Banana Pudding with

Native Toffee Sauce

235g castor sugar

235g unsalted butter

4 medium eggs (room temperature)

80ml milk

300ml banana puree

330g self raising flour

12 x 200ml pudding moulds

40 x 30 cm deep baking tray

CREAM butter and castor sugar in 4 litre mixing bowl. Add eggs one at a time whilst mixing continuously. Add milk gradually and then banana puree.

SIFT FLOUR twice into another 4 litre mixing bowl. Fold flour into banana mixture until all ingredients are combined.

¾ fill pudding moulds and place in baking tray. Once moulds are complete, fill baking tray with hot water and cover with aluminium foil. Cook in an oven 200°C for 40 minutes. Allow to cool in tray with foil still covering it.

Native Toffee

Sauce:

200g castor sugar

1 cup water

100g butter

50g acacia seeds, ground

½ litre cream

PLACE sugar and water into stainless pot.

Cook until it has become a peanut or golden colour. Add butter and acacia seeds. Bring to light boil. Add in cream and bring to a simmer, remove from heat. Pour over puddings and serve.

Acacia Wafers

50g acacia seeds, ground

750g plain flour

300ml milk (full fat)

5g sugar

2 medium eggs

75g melted butter

10g salt

MIX all ingredients except acacia seeds until blended to a smooth dough. Use dough hook on kitchen aid or in a strong food processor.

PLACE in a 4 litre mixing bowl. Rest for 1 hour. Cut into quarters.

ROLL one quarter at a time into flat sheet, 2-3 mm thick.

Place on baking tray and sprinkle with acacia. Cut into desired shapes (I use long triangles) with a sharp knife. Bake in oven on high 200-250°C for 4 minutes or until crisp and golden.

IN 2000, Bart and his family moved to Quorn, where he worked in the bakery at Quorn's IGA, where there is little time to experiment with bush foods, apart from adding to the list kangaroo pies. He did a little moonlighting with Pichi Richi Camel Tours, which gave him some opportunity to cook with bush foods. "We worked out most of the menu together of how to do it, Jannene does most of the preparation and I just go out and cook."

Bart's tips for using native herbs and spices:

BUSH TOMATO: "I love bush tomatoes—I use them as a spice, I use them as a dust on steaks, ground up. I also make up a mixture like dukkah but I crush the tomato in it with macadamia nuts, and use the dukkah mix with some good olive oil on damper, or I sprinkle that over the top of fish and then grill it. Because the native tomatoes are so bitter I make a chutney out of them, which is really good with any red meats."



Lemon Myrtle Lamb Marinade

4 lemon myrtle leaves, fresh

2 cloves garlic

500g lamb loin chops

¼ cup good quality virgin olive oil

Pinch salt

Pinch ground white pepper.

Crush leaves in your hand.

Crush garlic with flat side of knife then roughly chop. Mix with pepper and salt and olive oil.

Once combined add in chops and stir, coating all the chops in oil. Leave to marinate for at least half an hour before cooking.

NATIVE PEPPERS: “I mostly use pepperleaf but do use the pepperberry. The pepperberry I use infused into curries and stews but it’s a sweeter taste than normal pepper, same with the pepperleaf. The pepperberry is a bit like juniper berry, it’s like a sweet flavour but the juniper berries don’t have the heat. The pepperberries are good with any gamey meats if you’re making a sauce (kangaroo; wild goat) because they have that real strong flavour.”

LEMON MYRTLE: “It’s better to purchase whole leaves, and you can always crush them yourself. I use lemon myrtle in place of anything like lemon grass, and when you’re making a curry

you can put the whole leaves in. Also instead of lemon zest in cheesecakes, that’s why it’s better to have the whole leaf, so you can infuse it into your cooking and then get it out. You shouldn’t really use the powdered stuff in a cheesecake because it goes like a bay leaf and it’s not palatable whole, but it’s great in herb mixtures on steaks. If you marinate meat with lemon myrtle instead of lemon juice it doesn’t cook the meat. So if you’re going to a barbecue or something you can chuck some olive oil and lemon myrtle and garlic on your steak or your chops, and when you get there it’s not going to be that half-cooked and soaked in but it’s still got that flavour. It’s also good on fish, native basil with lemon myrtle cooked on the barbecue in alfoil.”

Fish Dish

1 carrot

½ stick celery

3 lemon myrtle leaves

1 tomato, cut into thick slices

¼ onion or spring onion

1 spinach leaf

50g bean sprouts

1 teaspoon sweet soy sauce

4 x 250g fish fillets or whole fish (trout, barramundi, callop or tuna steak)

JULIENNE carrots, celery, lemon myrtle, onion and spinach. In a mixing bowl combine all ingredients except fish.

PLACE FISH on individual sheets of alfoil. Place handful of lemon myrtle mixture and slice of tomato on top of each fish, then wrap in alfoil completely sealing it in.

COOK ON BBQ for 10-15 min depending on thickness of fish – may need longer for larger pieces; or bake in oven for 20-25 mins at 180°C.

Serve with undressed garden salad or by itself. Don’t eat the alfoil.



Around the Show



Women's Weekly Birthday Cake Competition
Senior winner- Karen Pyman



Australian Bush Buddies
Friendly Python



Winner of Scarecrow Competition
the Tschirner Family



Waiting for a go on REVITUP



Port Augusta Navy Cadets



Scarecrow Competition Runner up
Flinders House



Art and Children's Exhibits



Patsy Reynolds and the Courthouse History Display



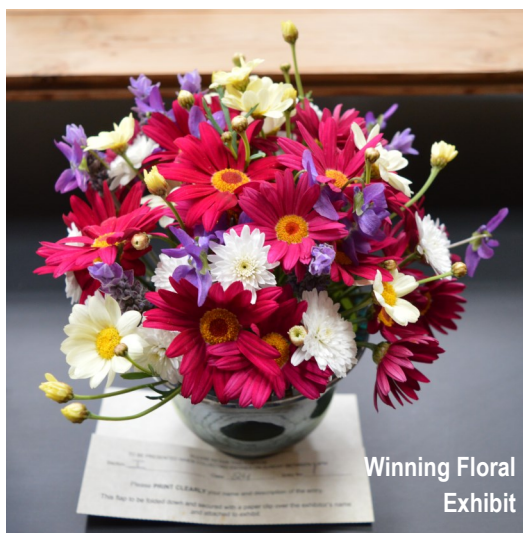
From the Poultry Pavilion



School Display of Children's Art



Golf Club Volunteers in the Barbeque Shed



Winning Floral Exhibit



SES Volunteers Demonstrate Rescue of Trapped Accident Victim

Quorn Agricultural Show



Nancy Murray declares the Show Open assisted by Show Soc President Kathy Rabig. Seated at L Mayor, Greg Flint



Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society with an operating 1908 Blackstone oil engine



Enjoying the strawberries, donuts, and other treats on offer



In view from left—Carlene Voigt with Izzy McTaggart, Shirley Carn, Yvonne Player and Betty Eckert



Another view of the show crowd



Line Dancers with Kit Fortune, actor of the RM Williams advert filmed at Emily's Bistro, and also from McLeod's Daughters. From left—Kit, Lena Bowden, Kathy Rabig, Marg Wilson, Modris Ozolins



Ted Lowe's house. Ted Lowe owned the Butcher Shop facing the Newsagency in Sixth Street, until the railway line to Adelaide was rerouted. He sold it to Colin and Jack Pearce in about 1944/45. Colin purchased Ted's house, and lived there with his wife, Mione and their children, Pat, Jaycy and Richard (dec.). The Lowe family, Ted, followed by his son, Rex, and then grandson, Bruce, owned and lived on Mt Dare Station. (Information from Jaycy Reddaway, Quorn, and Pat Lambert, Brisbane)



Lowe Family Visit. From left—Wayne Birchmore, Richmond, Qld; David Coverdale of Quorn, and Bruce Lowe, Hervey Bay, Qld

Seen at the Show



Nes and Tony Lian Lloyd taking enjoying a day at the show



Great to see the Horses in Action throughout the day



Bronwyn and Trevor appreciating the show atmosphere



Singer, Jasmine Kimber entertaining show patrons



Bush Buddies Tawny Frogmouth being introduce to a show visitor

THANK YOU TO ALL our horse riders who supported us with their presence today.

With much gratitude I would also like to thank all the hard working volunteers who make events like these happen. Shows like this are NOT guaranteed - in fact this one almost didn't happen on more than one occasion - and all our volunteers should be greatly appreciated.

Judged by Diedre Geldard, the Junior Kanyaka Prize in the Australian Working Horse classes was won by Alice Johnson & Jazzy Little Gift. The Senior Kanyaka Prize was by Chantelle Hunter and her stallion BGW Dan Sure.

Thank you to our sponsors Dr Tony Lian-Lloyd and Ranges Country.

In the Showjumping Ring the Judges Choice of the Best Combination of the Day went to Maddison Wissel & Keira Park Cavalier. Big thank you to our major jumping sponsor Quality Hay Supplies from Booleroo. Maddison also won a rug donated by Flinders Farriers. It was wonderful to see Donny Williams, our showjumping course builder and judge back once again for the Quorn Show.

In the hack ring, judged by Sophie Jennison, the prestigious Shiralee Equestrian was won by Rebecca Struck & Finale! Thank you to Nicole Afford of In Vouge Browbands for their generous sponsorship of this class.

Speaking of Nicole Afford, her lovely Morningside Playboy was sashed Supreme Ridden Horse of the Show! Congratulations on winning the voucher donated by Ranges Country.

For the first time this year we also had The Ranges Country High Point Prize, awarded to the highest point scorer of the day with all 1sts, 2nds & 3rds worth points for an aggregate total. Well done to Sophie Page & Wynara Trinket who were the inaugural winners of this prize sponsored by Ranges Country.

Congratulations to all of our other competitors & winners, & heartfelt gratitude to our long list of amazing sponsors.

Amelia Greenfield ■

Horses in Action



Maddison Wissel and
Keira Park Cavalier



Millie Pyman and
Mollie with Mum,
Karen Pyman



Sophie Page and
Wynara Trinket



Ella Holtham and
Cantik Park
Prince Charming

Judging Wool

THE MERCURY OFTEN PUBLISHES items from the past. Hopefully future readers will enjoy this article in the future too.

In the tradition of the Agricultural show, farm livestock and produce were shown in Quorn, and judged on their qualities, in search of the best examples in the local district.

Issues of logistics, changes in farming populations and the community have showing of livestock in Quorn, now consisting of Poultry, Pigeons, Horses in Action, and Wool from local producers.

The comment of Wool judging will be of interest to those who entered fleeces this year and those who want to see this show section, and others, continue.

It is encouraging to see the positive comments from the 2022 judging. ■



QUORN SHOW WOOL - 2022

TOUGH CONDITIONS THIS YEAR GAVE ME AN EXPECTATION THAT FLEECES WOULD BE LOWER YIELDING AND LACKING STYLE, BUT I AM HAPPY TO SAY THAT THE PRESENTATION WAS QUITE THE OPPOSITE. SOME FLEECES EXHIBITED VERY HIGH YIELDS, GREAT STYLE, AND HIGH TENSILE STRENGTH. A COUPLE OF FLEECES CONTAINED EXCESS DUST, AND HIGHER VEGETABLE MATTER CONTENT. STAPLE LENGTHS ARE GENERALLY LONGER.

GREAT TO SEE A HIGHER NUMBER OF ENTRIES THIS YEAR, WELL DONE TO THE EXHIBITORS AND THE WINNERS.

REGARDS,
Shirley Dool
NUTRIEN WOOL.



Fleece Judging, Quorn 2022

Section C WOOL

Class 1

Single fleece Merino wool, medium or fine. One year's growth, shorn from ram of any age. *The J Carling Memorial Prize*

1st Prize – Joe Eckert

Class 3

1st Prize – Shelby Finlay

Single fleece Merino wool, medium or fine. One year's growth, shorn from ewe of any age. *Prize donated by Quorn Agricultural Show Society*

2nd Prize – Shelby Finlay

3rd Prize – Mick Bury

Class 4

Single fleece Merino wool, medium or fine. One year's growth, shorn from a hogget. *Prize donated by L. Voigt*

1st Prize – Joe Eckert

2nd Prize – P Holtham

Section E POULTRY

Prize ribbons and money donated by Mitre 10, Nature's Harvest and Rowe Partners

Best Heavy Breed Cock	White Wyandotte	Adrian Riddle
Best Heavy Breed Hen	Langshan	Semmler Poultry
Champion Heavy Breed	Langshan Hen	Semmler Poultry
Best Game Breed Cock	Blue Red	Adrian Riddle
Best Game Breed Hen	Black Red	Mark Paynter
Champion Game Breed	Blue Red Cock	Adrian Riddle
Best Light Breed Cock	White Leghorn	Ian Arthur
Best Light Breed Hen	Black Silkie	Lorie Paynter
Champion Light Breed	Black Silkie Hen	Lorie Paynter
Best Soft Feather Bantam Cock	Black Pekin	TNJ Poultry
Best Soft Feather Bantam Hen	Langshan	Arthur Riddle
Champion Soft Feather Bantam	Black Pekin Cock	TNJ Poultry
Best Hard Feather Bantam Cock	Blue Red	Mark Paynter
Best Hard Feather Bantam Hen	Duckwing	David Ash
Champion Hard Feather Bantam	Blue Red Cock	Mark Paynter
Best Waterfowl Drake	Indian Runner	TNJ Poultry
Best Waterfowl Duck	Indian Runner	Adrian Riddle
Champion Waterfowl	Indian Runner Duck	Adrian Riddle
Champion Breeding Pen Trio	Heavy Breed Trio	Ian Arthur
Champion Bird of Show	Black Pekin Cock	TNJ Poultry
Reserve Champion Bird of Show	Blue Red Cock	Mark Paynter

Section E PIGEONS

Best Fancy Breed Cock	Black Carrier	M&D Lanyon
Best Fancy Breed Hen	Modena Schiette Bronze	M&D Lanyon
Champion Fancy Breed	Black Carrier Cock	M&D Lanyon
Best Utility Breed Cock	White King	Bill Gosling
Best Utility Breed Hen	Blue Barred King	Bill Gosling
Champion Utility Breed	White King Cock	Bill Gosling
Best Show Pen Homer Cock	Mealy	Bill Gosling
Best Show Pen Homer Hen	Red/Red Chequer	Bill Gosling
Champion Show Pen Homer	Mealy Cock	Bill Gosling
Champion Bird of Show	Black Carrier Cock	M&D Lanyon
Reserve Champion Bird of Show	Red/Red Chequer Hen	Bill Gosling

Section F Photography

- Adult - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-14
1st Prize – Kathryn Batten, 2nd Prize – Bronwyn Filsell, 3rd Prize – Pat Wiseman
- Junior - Aggregate Points for Classes 15-25
1st Prize – Shelby Finlay

Section G Dairy Produce and Vegetables

- Open Class - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-26 *Trophy donated by B. Flower*
1st Prize – Tanya Paynter, 2nd Prize – Jenny Wooley and Shelby Finlay
- Children -Kindergarten, Reception to Year 7 Aggregate Points for Classes 27-36 *Trophy donated by Bob and Margret Rankin*
1st Prize – Shelby Finlay, 2nd Prize – Logan Wooley
- Children – Year 8 to Year 12 - Aggregate Points for Classes 37-48 *Trophy donated by Bob and Margret Rankin*
1st Prize – Elspeth Lyman, 2nd Prize – Maia Tschirner

Section I Plants and Flowers

- Cut Flowers - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-16 *Trophy donated by P & J Sandles*
1st Prize – Bett Paynter, 2nd Prize – Tanya Paynter and Jenny Wooley
- Champion Bloom of the Show *Trophy donated by B Filsell*
Tanya Paynter
- Vases, Bowls, Pot Plants - Aggregate Points for Classes 17-37 *Trophy donated by J Wooley*
1st Prize – Jenny Wooley, 2nd Prize – Bronwyn Filsell, 3rd Prize – Jillian Wilson
- Floral Art - Aggregate Points for Classes 38-53 *Trophy and prize donated by Quorn Show Society*
1st Prize – Paula Roberts, 2nd Prize – Jenny Wooley, 3rd Prize – Andrea Tschirner
- Floral Art for children under 17 years - Aggregate Points for Classes 54-58 *Trophy donated by J Wooley*
1st Prize – Annie Carn, 2nd Prize – Maia Tschirner
- Floral Art for children under 12 years - Aggregate Points for Classes 59-63 *Trophy donated by C&J Campbell*
1st Prize – Petronella Brown, 2nd Prize – Logan Wooley

Section J Cookery

- Open Section - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-20 *First Place Trophy donated by Pat Wiseman, Second Place Trophy donated by Mrs M Cormack*
1st Prize – Kathryn Batten, 2nd Prize – Amanda O’Loughlin, 3rd Prize – Brittany Popp
- Children 13-17 years - Aggregate Points for Classes 21-29 *Trophy donated by Mrs P Hilder*
1st Prize – Elspeth Lyman
- Children 6 to 12 years – Aggregate Points for Classes 30-36 *Trophy donated by Anne Freebairn*
1st Prize – Petronella Brown, 2nd Prize – Georgia Shannon, 3rd Prize – Maddie Foster
- Children 5 years and younger - Aggregate Points for Classes 37-40 *Trophy donated by Rita Britza*
1st Prize – Blake Ryks-Jones
- Laucke/CWA Scone Competition Class 41 *Prizes donated by Laucke Mills*
1st Prize – Kathryn Batten, 2nd Prize – Amanda O’Loughlin
- *Women’s Weekly Birthday Cake Decorating Challenge*
Senior 13 years and up
1st Prize – Karen Pyman, 2nd Prize – Elspeth Lyman
Junior 12 years and under
1st Prize – Petronella Brown, 2nd Prize – Georgia Shannon

Section K Jams and Preserves

- Open - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-16
1st Prize – Kathryn Batten, 2nd Prize – Jean Sandles, 3rd Prize – Jenny Wooley

Section L Needlework

- Knitting and Crochet - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-11
1st Prize – Kathryn Batten, 2nd Prize – Betty Eckert, 3rd Prize – Shirley May
- Needlework - Aggregate Points for Classes 12-29 *Trophy donated by Mrs E Rodgers Family*
1st Prize – Joan Gibb
- Quilting - Aggregate Points for Classes 30-48 *Trophy donated by Mrs M Francis*
1st Prize – Betty Eckert, 2nd Prize – Kathy Cameron, 3rd Prize – Sam Hartin

Section M Handicraft and Art

- Miscellaneous - Aggregate Points for Classes 1-25 *Trophy donated by Mrs V Roeby and Family*
1st Prize – Patricia Kennedy, 2nd Prize – Jack Finlay, 3rd Prize – Lisa Bright and Raeleen Clarke
- Children 12 and Under - Aggregate Points for Classes 26-34 *Trophy donated by Mrs B Eckert*
1st Prize – Petronella Brown, 2nd Prize – Eric Brown, 3rd Prize – David Brown

Best Recycled Scarecrow Competition – judged by patrons on the day.

Vouchers donated by Port Augusta Cinema

1st Prize – Tschirner Family, 2nd Prize – Flinders House.

Pinkerton Creek Trophy – Awarded to the Exhibitor with the highest points in the Memorial Hall

- Senior Section - *Trophy for first awarded in memory of Grant Filsell. Runner up trophy donated by the Quorn Craft Shop*
1st Prize – Kathryn Batten (143 points), 2nd Prize – Jenny Wooley (69 points)
- Junior Section – *Trophy donated by WJ & KJ Altmann*
1st Prize - Petronella Brown (89 points)

Section A Horses in Action – Interim Results – Aggregates to follow in next Mercury

Kanyaka Prize

Junior Champion: Alice Johnson and Jazzy Little Gift.

Senior Champion: Chantelle Hunter and BGW Dan Sure

Show Jumping

Champion Show Jumping Combination Maddison Wissel and Keira Park Cavalier

The Shiralee Equestrienne Rebecca Struck and Finale

Supreme Champion Ridden Exhibit Nicole Afford, and Morningside Playboy

Inaugural Ranges Country High Point Prize Sophie Page and Wynara Trinket

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Quorn Freemasons Installation Meeting

ON THE 9TH of September, the Quorn Freemasons met at the Lodge room on Railway Terrace to install a new Master (Chairman). A team of eight Grand Lodge Officers conducted the Installation Ceremony of the new Master. Ten visitors from other Lodges were in attendance. Brother Daniel Lutz was installed as the Worshipful Master of Quorn Lodge No.59 for the year 2022-2023, being the 96th Worshipful Master in 112 years.

The Worshipful Master presented the Immediate Past Master Scott Teague with a Past Masters jewel. This jewel was originally Wpl. Bro. Benjamin Treloar's jewel, who was Master of Quorn Lodge in the year 1920-1921. Wpl. Bro. Scott Teague's Great Grandmother was a Treloar.

The installing Master then presented a 25-year pin to Wpl. Bro. B.A McCarthy. After the meeting, a dinner was held at Emily's Bistro for toasts and speeches.

The Quorn Lodge has 112 years of history, with many Quorn men being members over the years. Now, there are only three Quorn residents who are members of the Lodge.

The Lodge is open to men from Quorn and surrounding towns. We meet once a month for our Craft Lodge and there are other opportunities to attend lodge meetings across the region, as well as social events.

Freemasonry holds rich traditions dating back centuries, but mostly it's about being good blokes, improving ourselves, forging friendships, and being there for others when they need us. We raise money throughout the year for local initiatives, such as student calculators for the school. Freemasons are just ordinary Australians who care about our community.

Anyone interested in joining the Quorn Masonic Lodge can just speak to one of our members to find out more. Alternatively, you can use the contact form on the SA and NT Freemasons website: <https://www.santfreemasons.org.au> ■



Quorn Lodge Members and Visitors



Wpl. Bro. Lutz with Grand Lodge



Right—Wpl. Bro. Teague (left)
and Wpl. Bro. Lutz

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SKILLS MAINTENANCE DRILLS (SMDs) are structured drills that provide personnel with the opportunity to demonstrate their skill, knowledge and understanding of specific tasks and/or events. Successful completion of the SMD allows revalidation for a period of time, permitting a member to perform specific tasks and/or attend events in accordance with the defined policy.

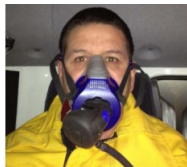
Skills Maintenance Drill No 1 is a mandatory requirement of all brigade firefighters attending any fireground.

Otherwise known as the '**Burn Over Drill**' is a mandatory requirement of all brigade firefighters attending any fire ground. It is recommended that the drill be completed annually in the months leading up to the commencement of the Fire Danger Season.

This training is crucial to assist fire fighters in the event that they get caught in the line of a fire to survive. The equipment now on trucks to assist in the safety of the volunteers has improved so much in the past decades.

Skills Maintenance Drill No 2 must be undertaken as part of Skills Maintenance Drill No 1 if in-cab breathing apparatus is fitted to your appliance. Successful completion of these drills is recorded on the database and is valid for a 12 month period.

These mask supply clean air for the volunteers to wear inside the fire truck in the event of being caught by the fire.



As these drills are considered a significant part of pre-Fire Danger Season preparation, it is recommended that the drills be completed in the months prior to the commencement of the Fire Danger Season, every year.

These drills are included as a component of the 'Chief Officer's Award for Training Excellence' each year.

Drill Objectives: To ensure operational readiness by demonstrating that all crew can: don appropriate PPC for a rural response, work as a team under simulated duress to protect themselves during a Burn-Over event, proficiently operate firefighting equipment, proficiently operate tanker safety devices and relevant protection devices, and undertake correct emergency radio call procedures. ■



Training Officer, Graeme Geldard, instructing brigade members about the burn over drill

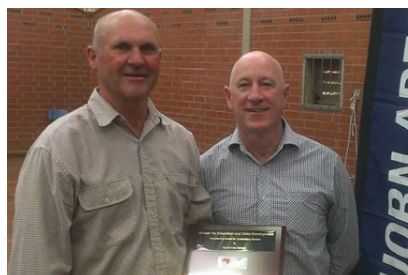


Quorn Fire Unit, 34P, with fire curtains deployed and Halo spray bar operating to protect crew who are in the cabin with breathing masks worn

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



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Quorn Mercury Revisited

Crispy's 60th

Jenny Crisp celebrated her 60th birthday with family and friends in the week of 11th September. Jenny and Peter's eldest son Paul made a surprise trip from Brisbane to be with the family for the event.

Guests travelled from Brisbane, Portland, Naracoorte, Adelaide, Burra, Nuriootpa, Melrose and the local district for the celebrations.

Eight family and friends enjoyed a dinner at the Standpipe Restaurant on Saturday 15th September.

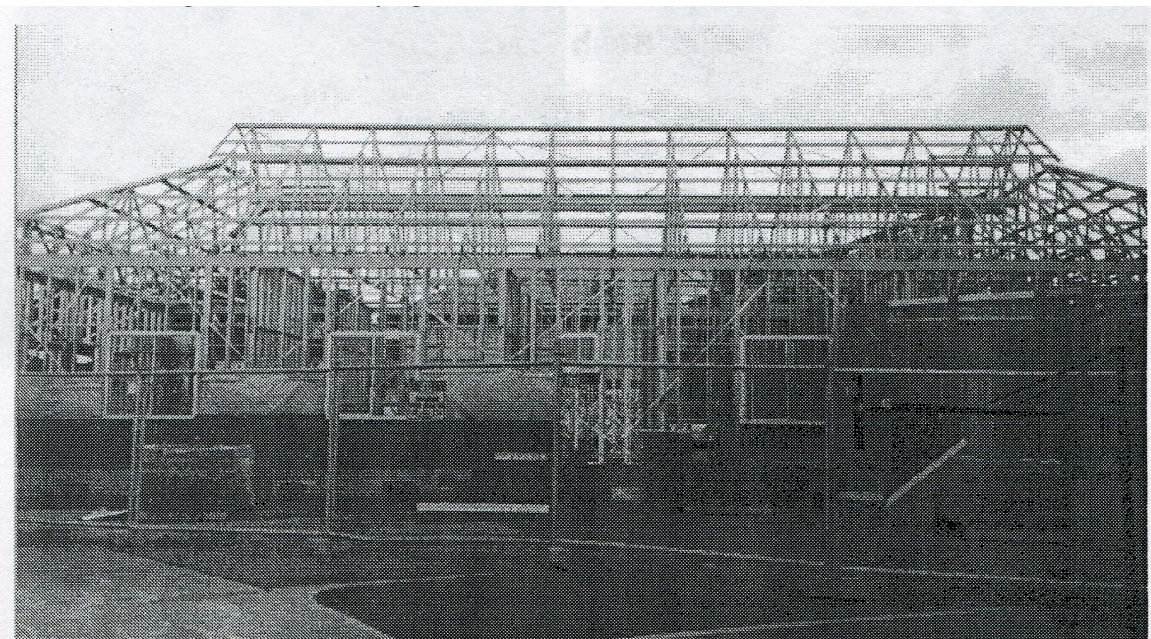
Below pictured from left: husband Peter, Jenny, Nigel, Paul and in front Michelle and Jenny's mum, Pat Wright.

10 Years Ago



New aged care wing

20 Years Ago



The new aged care wing is rapidly taking shape, brick work has almost been completed and the roof is taking shape.

Port Augusta-Quorn Landscape Group

The Port Augusta-Quorn Landscape Group provides an important link between the local community and the SA Arid Lands (SAAL) Landscape Board. Group members are local people who ensure there is community input into the development and delivery of the Landscape Board's regional plan.

The group works with community members to care for the local environment by building awareness, skills and networks. The Quorn-based members are Richie Paynter and Renata Hackett, with Kurt Tschirner also attending group meetings as a board member. The group's next meeting will be in Quorn on Tuesday 18 October. If you would like to attend, contact a local member or Community Landscape Officer Brett Devitt on 0409 753 495 or Brett.Devitt@sa.gov.au

QUORN AGRICULTURAL SHOW

The Quorn Community Landcare Group and the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board joined forces to host the Wallaby Trail at the Quorn Ag Show. Around 30 children took part in learning about local cactus weeds, and taking home a prize. Thanks to everyone who took part in running the day and participating. Andrea Tschirner, an active Quorn Community Landcarer and also the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board's Regional Agricultural Landcare Facilitator, and the Port Augusta – Quorn Community Landscape Officer, Brett Devitt, hosted the trail and also had a stall at the show.

UPCOMING EVENTS

National Gardening Week – 9-15 October

A wonderful opportunity to celebrate the simple joys of gardening and to promote an activity that is good for both mind and body

Farming and Grazing for Profit School in Adelaide—19-25 October

The famous seven day RCS course covers building a profitable, regenerative farming business. <https://www.rcsaustralia.com.au/event/fgfp-adelaide-2022/>

Secret Rocks Sticky-beak Day—Friday 21 October

Join John and Katherine on a tour of Secret Rocks to learn about the new Mallee Refuge Area, reintroduction of native species and vegetation response post fire. RSVP to Chris Fulton 0477 307 038 or Christopher.fulton@sa.gov.au

Brett Devitt

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Tatty K will be bringing pottery classes back to Quorn at the Catholic Church Hall, and running sessions over the 7th, 8th and 9th October weekend

*Children's School Holiday pottery – Friday 7th Oct - 2pm
Adults at children's prices)
*Wheel Pottery – Saturday 8th Oct - 9.30am & 12.30
*Wheel Pottery – Sunday 9th Oct - 9.30
*Hand Built Pottery – Saturday 8th Oct - 3.30
*Carving and Decorating – Sunday 9th Oct
PLUS Fine Silver Jewellery Making
(using precious metal clay 99.99% fine silver)
– Friday Evening 7th Oct 6.00pm

Bookings: www.tattyk.com

Contact the artist: Tania 0404 083109 or Jane: 0427 774112 for enquiries.



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Riggers Rob & Jim assembling shade structure rear of hall



Paul busy emu bobbing picking up the dropped screws



Screen door painted by Lyall, ready for screen wire



Another seat made, painted and ready for delivery by Lyall



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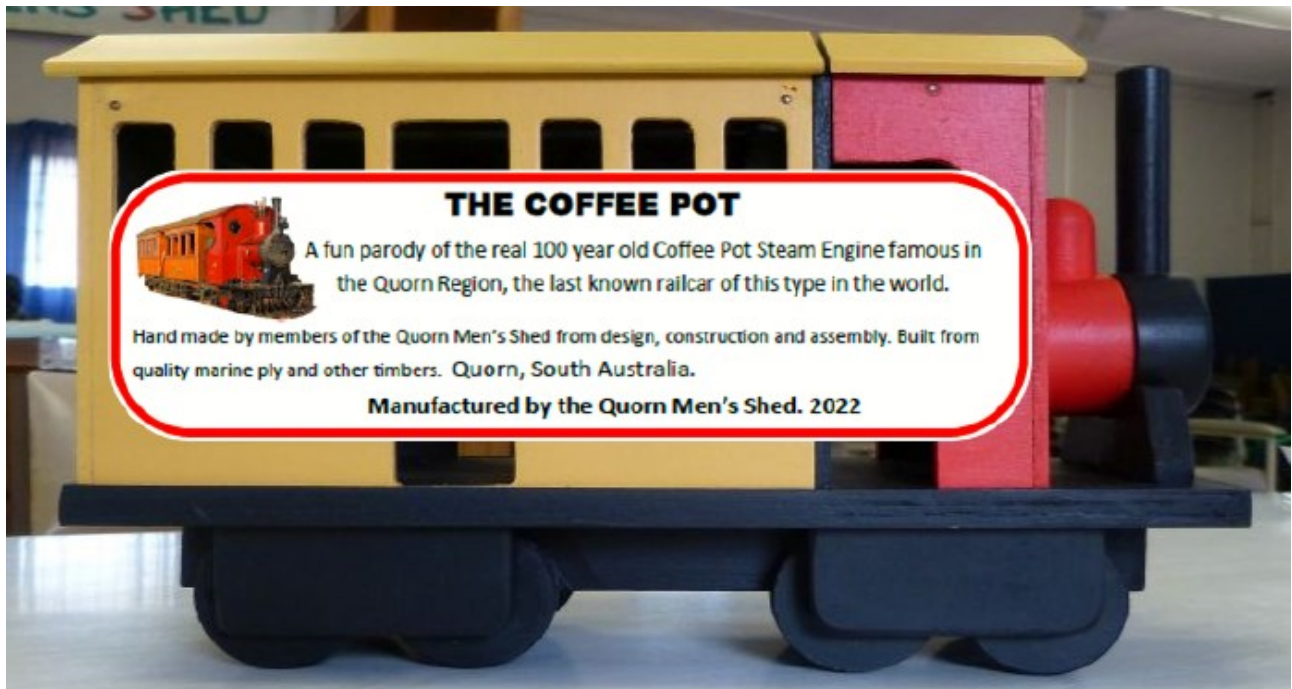


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THE COFFEE POT
A fun parody of the real 100 year old Coffee Pot Steam Engine famous in the Quorn Region, the last known railcar of this type in the world.
Hand made by members of the Quorn Men's Shed from design, construction and assembly. Built from quality marine ply and other timbers. Quorn, South Australia.
Manufactured by the Quorn Men's Shed. 2022

The Iconic Coffee Pot Train model is now on sale at Quorn Pichi Richi Railway Station.
Train Ruffled at Quorn Show won by Ken Anderson.

Anyone can drop in for a cuppa and a chat on
Thursdays any time between 9am and 2pm
Shed breakfasts at 0900hrs on 13th & 27th
October.

Steak sandwiches for workers lunch, only
\$4—on 6th & 20th October.

Toolbox meetings

October 13th.

November 10th. A.G.M.

December 8th.



Soil
0427 700 182

Fibreglass
Ring
0458 622 555

Thanks to suppliers
Flinders Supplies for soil
Fiberglass Pipes Gulnare



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Murray Gibb

Funerals

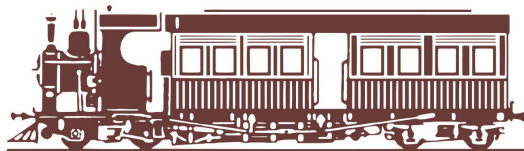
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PICHI RICHI RAILWAY



THE OCTOBER SCHOOL holidays has always been the peak time of year around the Flinders, and we are getting those trains out. We have also been able to run quite a few special hires during August and September.

Behind the scenes work has continued in many areas on the railway including:

- Final levelling and propping of the Goods Shed to ensure that it is safe and stable prior to the commencement of restoration works
- Installation of a new timber deck to the passive level crossing at Woolshed Flat
- Installation of concrete slab in the Vehicle Storage Shed.

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THE ROWE PARTNERS Port Augusta Outstanding Business Awards recognise and reward businesses and services within the community, who demonstrate a commitment to excellence, innovation and continuous improvement.

Awards are presented in 13 categories and PRRPS is a finalist in the **Spencer Gulf Law – Excellence in Community Service by a Volunteer Group**. Special thanks to all those wonderful people who have at times put the running of the railway ahead of other things in their lives. Go #teamPRR!



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 October

(1st. Afghan, 2nd 3rd 4th Explorers)

Thursday 6th Pichi Richi Explorer –
dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

Saturday 8th Afghan Express –
dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

Sunday 9th Pichi Richi Explorer –
dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

Tuesday 11th Pichi Richi Explorer –
dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

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

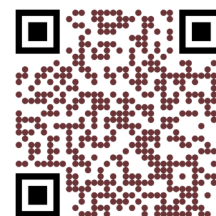
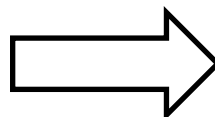
Saturday 15th Afghan Express –
dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

Sunday 16th Pichi Richi Explorer –
dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

Sunday 23rd Pichi Richi Explorer –
dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30

Saturday 29th Afghan Express –
dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

**BOOK YOUR
JOURNEY HERE**



PRR Volunteer 3 Questions Survey John Bowey

How long have you been involved with PRR?

12 years

Best thing about volunteering at PRR?

Camaraderie, interacting with the passengers

Three words to describe PRR

Interesting, enjoyable, history



Connecting your health and wellbeing with Community based health professionals from Country Health Connect

Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network

To Access these services

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

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

Quorn August 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
64	343	22	2	6
Allied Health Professionals October 2022 Visiting Schedule				
6 October	12 October	13 October	20 October	
Dietetics Diabetes Ed Social Work	Podiatry OT Physio	Speech Social Work Diabetes Ed	Diabetes Ed Podiatry Social Work	
Community Care Nurse in the Quorn Community Visiting Schedule				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9am – 3pm				
Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Kanyaka Surgery				



This QR Code will enable you to put in feedback, or phone 8668 7583, or send an email Health.FUNOCEOCorrespondence@sa.gov.au Alternatively chat directly with the staff providing your care.



Classified Adverts

Quorn Social Lottery September Draw

1st J & K Marr

2nd A Freebairn

3rd S Hughes

Rainfall 2022

Jan	34.2mm
Feb	14.6mm
March	0.2mm
April	14.8mm
May at 28/5	2.6mm
June	14.6mm
July	3mm
August	47mm
September	68.8mm
YTD	219.4mm

Erratum

UNFORTUNATELY an error in the last issue of the *Mercury* destroyed a key piece of advice in the first article of this series, 'So you want to Write a Book'. A down-pointing arrowhead of advice to the right of the first photo of 'Raymond Chandler' should have been

**Get a pen
Sit down
Write**

Without it the first page made little sense.
The *Mercury* apologises for this error



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Rowan Ramsey MP

Federal Member for Grey

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

Please contact Rowan's office 1300 301 742 or 8633 1744
Email: rowan.ramsey.mp@aph.gov.au
PO Box 296 PORT PIRIE SA 5540

October 2022

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist
Diabetes Educator
Dietitian
Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist
Speech Pathologist
Social Worker

Country Health Connect 8668 7706



October 2022

Anglican Church of St Matthews
3rd Sunday of month 10am
Contact Number
Ph: 0447711056 or 0407640425

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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Next Issue's (November 4th 2022) Deadlines:

- Submissions preferred as email attachments using Microsoft Word or Publisher
- Other submissions to Visitor Information Centre, Quorn Railway Station before 4.30 pm 28th Oct. 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

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Quorn~Hawker~Cradock Events October 2022

Regular Events

Quorn

Quorn Book Club

Phone Sam Nester for info
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 (not in school holidays)

Quorn Business Group

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

Flinders Flicks In Recess - TBA

Hawker

Community Group—Tuesday
fortnightly

Yoga with Polly at the Hawker Gym

Development Board—2nd
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

Pichi Richi Railway

Check www.pichirichirailway.org.au
for all dates for the Afghan Express
and Pichi Richi Explorer

Silver & Pottery Workshop

7th Oct - 2.00pm Catholic Church Hall
Contact Jane Egerton Warburton for
more info. 0427 774 112

Quorn & District Local History Group

Saturdays 8th and 22nd 11am to 2pm
at the old courthouse

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

Stockyard Arena

Bronco Branding, Motokhana &
Gymkhana
29th October 8.00am

Quorn Product and Craft Market

Homemade goods, fresh local
produce, handmade knits, crafts,
cards and so much more!
Last Sunday of the month at the
Town Hall 8:30am – 2:30pm

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*Experience is the name everyone
gives to their mistakes.*

Oscar Wilde

Regular Events

Quorn

Hannifitt

6.30pm Monday nights Location TBA.
1:30pm Tuesdays Circuit meet at tennis
courts
10:30am Wednesdays Low impact Town
Hall

Boot Camp

Tuesday & Fridays 6.30am Quorn Oval

Yoga

Thursday nights 6.30pm
Uniting Church Hall

Quilting/Sewing/Knitting Group

1st and 3rd 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

Austral Inn Hotel

Sunday Pizza, Tuesday Seafood and
Wednesday Schnitzel Night

Transcontinental Hotel

Tuesday Night Schnitzel Night

Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society

Wednesdays from 9am at the Lions Park
Second Saturday of the month 10am-2pm
Everyone welcome



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SEE YOUR PHOTOS HERE.....Email to—mercury@frc.sa.gov.au



Waukarie Creek pool below the falls, at least four times bigger than before flooding rains on the 7th September. The creek had run at full width of the falls and flowing down the walking path and shifting the big log which has been there for more than 45 years.

Photos Modris Ozolins

