

# Quorn Mercury

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## Race into Spring

**\$2**



The final moments of the 2019 Oz Minerals Carrapateena Quorn Cup.  
Leading from Right: 1st. Bam, 2nd. Dance of Heroes, 3rd. Northset, 4th. It's Humphrey (obscured)



Connections of The Cup Winner Bam  
with Dennis McMahon—Trainer and Matthew Kidner—Oz Minerals



Fashions of the Field: Susie Duffy—Local Choice,  
Winning Hat—Tricia Lehmann, Winning Man—Jakk Collins, Winning Shoes—Wendy Springhall, Ladies Winner—Mija Reynolds

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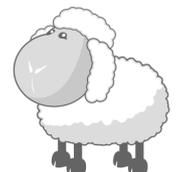
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- **\$50 cash prize for each category.**
- **A4 or A3 size poster.**
- **Entries open 1st July 2019 and can be handed in at the Quorn Community Library.**
- **Entries close 15th September.**
- **Judging will be done by the Quorn community. Posters will be displayed on the old Quorn Café ( previously the electrical shop) windows. Voting slips will be available at the Quorn School Library & IGA and can be posted through the mail box slip of the building where they are being displayed.**
- **A facebook group has been set up and photos of the posters will be on the page to allow for online voting by voting with likes for your favourite poster. Links to the Facebook page will be displayed on the FB groups – Quorn out and about and the Quorn Agricultural Show page.**
- **Voting closes 20th September 2019.**
- **Winners for each category will be announced at the Quorn Show—following the opening ceremony.**
- **Competition entrants must be at the Quorn Show winners announcement, or have a representative at the winners announcement to collect the prize money. \*\* If no winning entrant or representative present, the next person in line with the most votes will be awarded the prize money.**
- **Name of the entrant, category entering and a contact number is to included on the back of the poster.**



# Port to Port Quorn Silo Projection

SATURDAY EVENING 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, Quorn silos became a huge screen as part of the Travelling Light-Illuminart Projection Art Tour. The South Australian Living Artists (SALA) event was one of 17 projections by Illuminart during August.

The night was perfect for the viewing, and the show was seen by a crowd of over 300. Illuminart Director, Ms Cindi Drennan said she really enjoys bringing the stories of smaller communities to life, so that they can be captured for future generations.

The projection at Quorn was one of seven Viterra silos along the way. The silos became a unique and striking canvas for local storytelling, offering incredible visions against the winter night skies.

Cindi said the Travelling Light tour was the finale of a five-year-long project called *Port to Port*, made possible through funding by the Australia Council for the Arts. Illuminart worked with creative collaborators in regional communities across South Australia, mentoring them in a process of gathering stories and making special digital artwork for each community.

‘The creative stories that depict South Australia’s heritage in a joyful way, are all about appreciating the beautiful and interesting places where people live. The free, colourful midwinter shows brought big crowds out to enjoy an injection of bright and invigorating entertainment and creativity,



Illuminart Director Cindi Drennan with Kaylene McMillan who gave the ‘Welcome to Country’

combining history, humour and warmth into a single event and celebrating arts and storytelling during South Australia’s Living Artists Festival,’ said Cindi.

The Flinders Ranges Council has decided to make a permanent display on the silos that will be operating from December this year. If you would like to put forward your ideas, a community survey is available and should be lodged by 8<sup>th</sup> September at the Council office or the online survey. ■

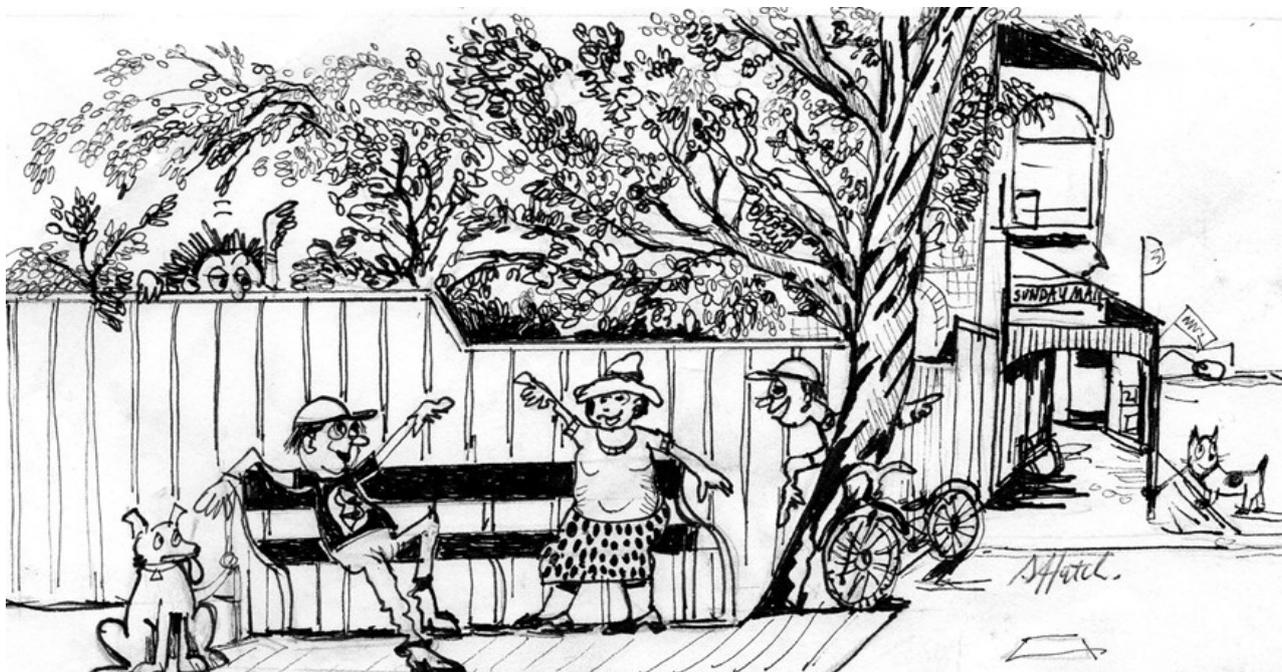


Pictured are some of the vibrant images seen on the Quorn silos against the night sky

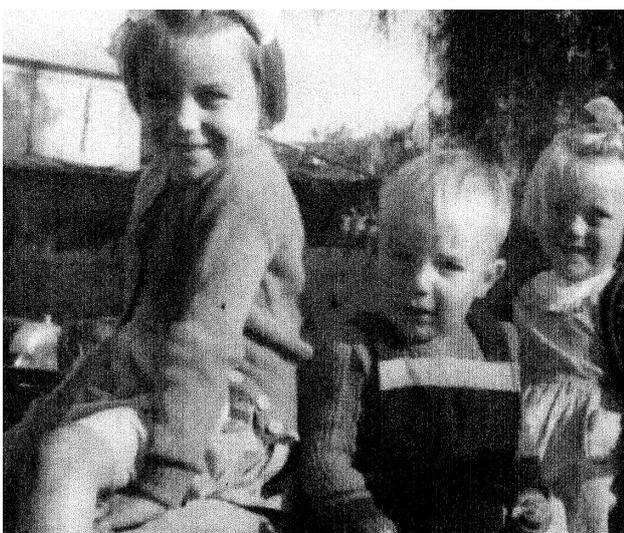


# Chat with a Quornie

## Wanda Smith



I WAS BORN on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 1950 in the (now) Quorn Hospital. My parents were Lloyd and Thelma Hall. I had four siblings—Roslyn, Robert, Sandy and Greg, who died when he was two. I can still remember the impact it had on Mum and Dad.



From left—Roslyn, Robert and Wanda

Dad and his three brothers served in WW 2. They all returned home at the end of the war.

My older sister, Roslyn married Frank Kopka. Frank fell at his workplace in 1980, and became a quadriplegic. Ros nursed him for 17yrs before his death. They had two children.

Trisha lives and works in Melbourne; Wayne lives with Ros, and works from home.

If you see a little white car at my place, or around town, with the number plate RS-UP-80, you'll know Ros is around.

At 15, Robert joined the Navy, and went overseas to many countries. He always said that Canada was one of the nicest places he had been. His ship transported Australian troops to and from Vietnam.

He spent six years in the Navy before returning to Quorn with his wife, Helen. They had four children, Megan, Rebecca, Tracey and Ben, all married with families.

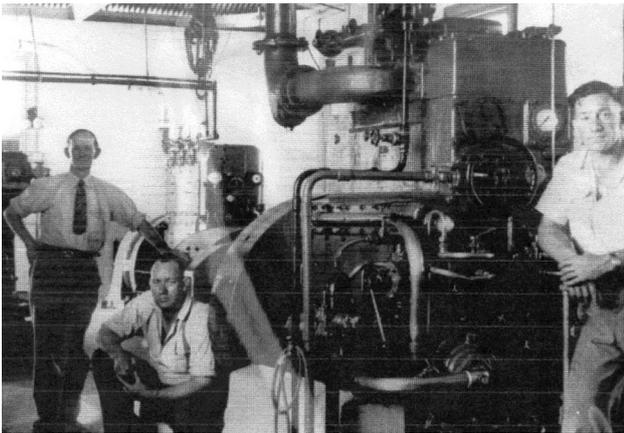
Robert worked for ETSA in Pt Augusta. In his mid forties, he developed throat cancer, but after many hospital stays and lots of care, he won his battle.

He lived for another 20 years cancer-free, until, in May 2018, a car ran over and killed him. This was devastating for our families.

Sandra and her husband, Ron Ireland, live on *Narrina Station*, near Blinman. They have two daughters, Debby and Jillian. Debbie works on the station. Jillian is married with two children, and lives in Waikerie.

When Mum and Dad married, Dad worked in the railways at Quorn. Then he became an electrician at Quorn Powerhouse (now Quorn Lions Clubrooms) with two other staff.

When ETSA took over the town's power supply, Dad stayed on as the electrical linesman for Quorn Council.



Quorn Power House staff, 1951  
From left—Ted Moon, Charlie Whitlock and Lloyd Hall

At the same time, he opened a small electrical shop, opposite Quorn Newsagency, where the Austral Motel units are now.

I completed Years 1-7, at the old Quorn Primary School—now Quorn Kindergarten.

I remember one day, when the Headmaster, Mr Broccate, was standing directly under a big wireless on the wall, when it fell on him. The only other Primary School Headmaster I remember, was Mr Clifton.

I didn't like primary school much, but made good friends with a girl in my class, Shirley Kittel. I spent many weekends staying with Shirley at her home in Fourth Street.

In Year 7, Joy Searle (Lee), Shirley and I, and a few girls from Port Augusta, were picked to play SAPSASA basketball in Adelaide. My billet was with a family who lived in Blackwood.

For five days, I caught the train into the Railway Station. I walked to the basketball courts on Anzac Highway, and home again.

Our team got through to the Grand Final, where our teams were equally strong. But our goalies were off and under pressure. The Upper Murray team proved the better side.

On Saturday afternoons I played basketball for Quorn. There were four junior and four senior teams. I turned 15 half way through the season, so I was in Juniors for another season, while all my friends were put into Seniors. That year, I won the Fairest and Best medal!

I completed secondary schooling at Quorn High School (now Quorn Area School).

I enjoyed High school, because it offered subjects I liked, such as Home Economics, Typing and Art. In my final year's exam for Intermediate Certificate, I passed those three

subjects plus English, but didn't have enough subjects to receive a certificate.

I passed English by the skin of my teeth. I know I owe that to the Headmaster at the time, Mr Watchow. We studied *A Mid-summer Night's Dream*, and as he read the story to us, he acted out the characters. It caught my attention, and English became more interesting.

On Saturday mornings one of us had to sit in the shop. I didn't want to, so Mum went there, while I stayed home and did the washing. I had a hot lunch ready for the family before I went to basketball (by 1pm).

I soon knew how a washing machine worked, which was good, as one of the Intermediate Home Ec exam question was 'How does a washing machine work'? (Most were round tub wringer machines then).

Eventually Dad closed the electrical shop, and bought the shops which are now Quandong Café Apartments, and Carina Turner's Gallery. The Apartments were used as a café. There was a Hardware Store, where Carina's shop is now. Dad cut a hole in a wall and installed a sliding glass door to join the two shops.

Mum and Dad sold the café, but Dad kept the Hardware shop, and put a transportable home between the old State Bank and the shop. Then he finally sold up and retired. I was at high



Lloyd and Thelma Hall cut his 70th birthday cake

school, when I saw the boy who was Head Prefect. I thought 'He's a *good drop*' and asked someone who he was. I was told he was Andrew Smith.

On weekends, the main entertainment was the pictures, shown in the Town Hall by Mr Archie Burden. When he retired, Mr Joe Zanet started them up again, and Andrew assisted in the projection box (taken down long ago).

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There was often a dance. I loved dancing—Pride of Erin, Canadian Barn Dance, Queen's Waltz, Military Two & others. I wish I'd learnt Rock 'n' Roll, but made up my own steps

Later on in life, a friend and I went to Pt Augusta for two Rock 'n' Roll lessons. It was too exhausting—we had to work the next day.

When I left school, I worked as a Secretary for Pat Smith's transport business, trucking cattle and fuel. He had the contract for Marree-Birdsville Mail run, and an Agency for Shell Company of Australia Ltd.

The small office I worked in is still in the old depot in Fifth Street, alongside Jeff and Heather Roberts' back fence.

When Jan (Pat's daughter) married Mel Noden, I was one of her bridesmaids. Bobby Finlay was my partner. That was a long time ago, when I was 14. I don't remember Bob swearing at the time, but I'm sure a degree of that was happening.

On March 14<sup>th</sup> 1970, I married Andrew Smith, who was an Electrical Fitter with the Commonwealth Railways in Pt Augusta. We lived there until Andrew was called up for National Service training.

Then I lived with his parents, Norm and Dorothy, for six months, in a house across from Quorn Hospital. In this time I had our first daughter, Amanda.

When Andrew finished Basic Training, he came home to Quorn, and we flew back to Townsville with him. He was in 2RAR Battalion in Transport Company, based at Lavarack Barracks.

Christmas Eve 1971, Cyclone Althea struck the coast—winds and rain so strong that homes, buildings and shops were destroyed completely. Huge trees were up-rooted, and large branches snapped off like match sticks.

I had no fear of the unknown. Andrew had told me not to leave the flat, so luckily it wasn't damaged. I was busy all day mopping up water, as it pushed through the louvres even though I had shut them.

My brother Robert was in the Navy at the time. His ship was anchored just out of Townsville. It had brought troops home from Vietnam, and he was given some hours leave, to come ashore and visit us.

After we'd been in Townsville for seven months, National Service was abolished, and we travelled back to SA by car. When we arrived in Adelaide, Andrew was discharged and we headed home to Quorn.

Andrew continued working for the railways, and we built a new AV Jennings home on



Radar-Plotter, Robert Hall, RAN

Wolseley Terrace. Then our second baby daughter, Tanya, was born.

When the Commonwealth Railways became Australian National Railways Andrew left to work for Leigh Lewis, Electrical Contractor.

I was busy at home, planting lawn for the girls to play on, making my garden which got bigger and bigger, and keeps me busy now.

After Leigh left Quorn, Andrew started his own Electrical Contracting business, and put two Quorn boys, Cam Carling and Corey Finlay, through their electrical apprenticeships.

Andrew taught electrical at TAFE for five years. He is now retired (*retreaded*), and is still able to solve a challenge.

For 16 years I was a Volunteer Ambulance Officer. I went to Government House to receive a medal (for being there too long!)

I was Quorn Show Society Sec/Treasurer for 13 years. This was a big job, organising most of the Show. (Except Horses in Action, and preparing Memorial Hall for entries.)

I was made a Life Member of the Show Society for my contribution.

Since then, there've been many new Presidents and Committee members, who've done a great job of delegating, and made many improvements to facilities.

For 25 years, I worked as cleaner, kitchen hand, store person, maintenance person



Tanya, Andrew Wanda and Amanda, 2000s

gardener and cook at Quorn Hospital. I learnt much from Aileen Bury and Anne Leslie.

After they left, I did most of the cooking for six years and was the supervisor of Ancillary Staff. We were grateful when a family donated three flacons of sweet sherry. I made wine trifles, and the fruit for steamed puddings was soaked overnight in wine—it all went in!

The hospital was good for me, as I made many friends, and had many good laughs.

Andrew is now a councillor on Flinders Ranges Council, and attends many meetings. I enjoy sewing for other people—mending, and any alterations that I can do. I go to Adelaide from time to time, to attend sewing and drafting lessons from a private instructor.

Most Wednesdays I volunteer at Flinders House for Pamper Day. When required, I run the Community Op Shop. Or I'm in the garden keeping it in order in our harsh climate. Andrew grows veg in above-ground beds.

We go to Adelaide at least once a month, for appointments, and to see the family.

Amanda, our first daughter, joined the Air Force, and had several years in Signals, rising to the rank of Corporal in Darwin. She left, to work in civilian supervisory jobs.

She married Mathew Sheedy. They have two daughters, Ava and Alexandra, and live in Adelaide.

Mandy completed a Business degree and has her own business, *Coaching in Leadership*. She was once nominated for Telstra Businesswoman of the Year. Mathew is SA/Tas Manager of South Pacific Seeds.

Our second daughter, Tanya, works for SAPOL, in Information Services in the city.

She married Leighton Randell, a Hydro Geologist for Santos in Adelaide. They have three children, Olive, Lydia and Ebanessa (*Ebby*), and live in the Adelaide Hills.

I hope that you've enjoyed my chat to you, as much as it's given me the pleasure to tell you of my life. ■



Andrew celebrated his 70th birthday at a chateau near Tanunda, with his family. From left—Mathew and Amanda, Alexandra and Ava Sheedy, Andrew, Lydia and Ebanessa Randell, Wanda, Olive, Tanya and Leighton Randell

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# Young Rural Ambassador

ON FRIDAY 12th July, I was lucky enough as the Northern Agricultural Shows Association winner to attend the Young Rural Ambassador State final. As a State finalist our accommodation and dinner were paid for and we got to spend the day at the Adelaide Show Grounds.

We met the other finalists and had a full day of activities. Some of the activities included public speaking and media training and a mystery tour of the grounds, where we got to see the security room and the beehive honey production on top of the Goyder building.

In the afternoon we had to present in front of a panel of judges and answer interview questions. This was quite a daunting process but a very worthwhile experience.

In the evening it was the Presentation Dinner, which family members and friends could also attend. I had my Mum and Dad and Quorn Show Horses In Action convener Amanda O'Loughlin, there to support me.

At the presentation dinner we had to speak publicly, answering further interview questions in front of the large crowd. Points were allocated to you on community involvement, Agricultural Show involvement, how you conducted yourself at the panel interview, general knowledge, and on your public speaking at the presentation dinner.

We were awarded many gifts on the night and I would like to thank the following sponsors, RM Williams, Show Society Foundation, JLT, Marino Uniforms, Showman's Guild South Australia, Stock Journal, and PIRSA.

I did not win the State Young Rural Ambassador, but I felt like a winner because I gained so much personal growth from the experience. I would like to congratulate Garry Schultz as the 2019 Young Rural Ambassador State winner.

I would encourage any young people to contact the Quorn Show Committee if they are interested in being a Young Rural Ambassador or a Rural Ambassador, to give it a go. The committee are so supportive and welcome new ideas. It has been such a pleasure to be involved with this lovely community group for the last two years.

Chloe Hilder ■

## State Final



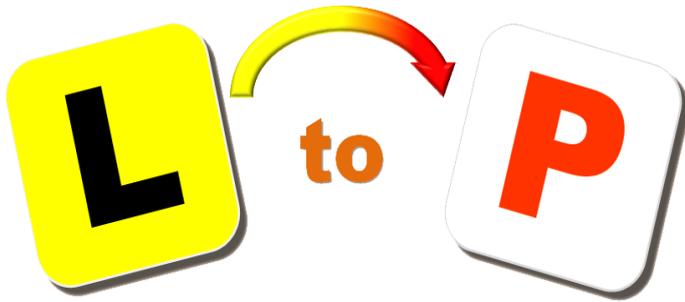
Chloe Hilder  
at Presentation dinner



State finalists for Young Rural Ambassador.  
3rd from Left —Winner of the Young Rural Ambassador  
Garry Schultz



State finalists for  
Young Rural Ambassador



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# 2019 Quorn Cup



EXCITEMENT PLUS WAS the feeling at the Quorn Annual Horse Races held on Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of August 2019! I was lucky enough to join all the racegoers out at the track and enjoy the fun and formalities throughout the day.

A breezy but sunny day with temps in the low 20s I was to find a huge crowd in attendance in an atmosphere that had everyone thinking they were going to be a winner. A full field of six races with local horses and many from away, both favourites and the unknown, took out winning places in each of the races run on the dusty dirt-based track.

The beer shed and food stalls were to find they too, like the horses, were run off their feet, the overall day becoming a fantastic success.

Big crowds found the betting ring alive with punters as did a huge number of entrants in the Fashions of the Field. This made it a demanding challenge for the judges to find a winner in the different categories. Here too there were lucky winners and many a disappointed finalist, all making for an entertaining day.

It was a day to meet up with old friends, relatives and to have a drink, bet, chat or just rub shoulders until next years event.

Race 5, the Quorn Cup, had everyone in the zone up on their feet, yelling and cheering for their own horse to be a winner as the sound of the horses hoofs pounded the last five hundred metres of track to the finish line. As No 2 BAM finally passed the winning post. the noise subsided as lucky punters returned to the bookies to pick up their winnings.

A great day out and a resounding success for the Quorn Jockey Club! Well Done!

Story and Photos by Peter Dixon ■





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**Starring:** *Imelda Staunton, Timothy Spall, Celia Imrie, David Hayman, John Sessions & Joanna Lumley*

**GENRE:** COMEDY, DRAMA, MUSIC, ROMANCE  
**RATING M**



# South Australian Youth Action Panel

On the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of August I was lucky enough to be invited to attend the South Australian Youth Action Panel in Adelaide.

It was organised by the Department of Human Services and was designed to hear the concerns, beliefs and opinions of the youth of SA. Myself along with 50+ other young South Australians converged on Adelaide to discuss, debate and then write a 3-year action plan for the State Government.

It was such a great experience discussing topics such as mental health and wellbeing, climate change, education, work opportunities and regional support and funding with likeminded young people. Being the only participant from the Far North, it was great to be selected to be a part of something that is going to impact the entire state.

We wrote a 20+ page document that highlighted the concerns of youth and gave the government ideas on how we think they can combat these issues.

This Action Plan is being taken to a government taskforce who are going to review it and see

where our concerns can fit into budgeting, implementation and worked into already organised groups.

A lot of concerns were raised for rural/regional support and funding, so fingers crossed we can see some positive things happening from State Government regarding youth in our area.

Lizzie Britza



Lizzie, at right with panel members in Adelaide





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# Quorn Character Anne Freebairn



HERE WE HAVE ANNE from 1995 when she was Quorn Citizen of the Year, and the costume says it all. Anne is still as busy as ever after all these years, and says she really would like a bit more spare time to catch up with old friends.

Anne's family came to Quorn in 1962 when they bought the café which is now the Quandong Café. The café then was a deli, tea shop and garage. She spent her holidays in Quorn whilst a student teacher.

In 1965 she married Robin and taught at Quorn Area School from 1966. Anne retired in 2001 then continued working as a relief teacher until 2010.

Anne is still involved with the school where she helps seniors to learn computer skills. This class is held at the Quorn Library on Friday mornings during school term. She continues to support the Lions Club and can often be seen helping when there is a Lions sausage sizzle to be cooked.

Anne's hobbies are her grandchildren, Mercedes, Holly Amber, Zoe and Jeremy. She says she loves all food except brussels sprouts and her ambition remains as before....

*"To be happy"*



**LOVE YOUR FISHING, CRABBING AND OTHER WATER ACTIVITIES IN SPENCER GULF?**

**EVER THOUGHT WHERE THE WATER COMES FROM? SILLY QUESTION, EH?**

If the Federal Government and Minister for Resources have their way, Australia's first radioactive waste dump could be set up on Wallerberdina Station in the middle of the Hookina Floodplain, less than 100 kilometres north of Port Augusta. Wallerberdina is only targeted because they think the community will agree to accept it, not because it is geologically suitable for nuclear waste disposal.

**OF ALL THE PLACES IN AUSTRALIA THAT MIGHT BE SUITABLE FOR A NUCLEAR WASTE DUMP, WALLERBERDINA WOULD HAVE TO BE ONE OF THE WORST:**

- The Hookina Floodplain is the flow-out area for three major Flinders Ranges watercourses: The Willochra on the south, the Hookina in the middle and the Moralana on the north.
- Collectively, these three creeks have a catchment area of over 8600 square kilometres and all flow into the southern end of Lake Torrens.
- All the Western slopes of the Flinders Ranges, as far north as Copley, also run into Lake Torrens.
- In the mid-1950's, massive floods down the Hookina caused the permanent closure of the historic narrow gauge steam railway to Marree, the original "Ghan".

**PORT AUGUSTA IS NOT ONLY CONNECTED TO THE FLINDERS RANGES BY THE VIEW, LAKE TORRENS OVERFLOWS INTO SPENCER GULF:**

- Water from the culturally significant Hookina Springs is known to run continuously into Spencer Gulf through the underground aquifer.
- When Lake Torrens is full it overflows into Spencer Gulf over Yorkeys Crossing.

**SPENCER GULF IS A UNIQUE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND ECO-SYSTEM:**

There are few marine environments in the whole world like Spencer Gulf. It is so far from Yorkeys Crossing to the open sea that about twice a month the incoming tide meets the outgoing and the water flow stops. This rare natural phenomenon is known as a "dodge tide". There are few places in the world where the sea reaches so far inland, from the Southern Ocean to the Arid Lands.

**THERE IS ONLY ONE FLINDERS RANGE AND ONE SPENCER GULF IN THE WORLD:**

- How many other places in Australia would be far better suited for radioactive waste disposal?

If you don't live in the Flinders Ranges Council District you won't have a vote in the AEC ballot, but you can let the Minister know your opinion:

**Submissions Email;** [radioactivewaste@industry.gov.au](mailto:radioactivewaste@industry.gov.au) **Or letters;** GPO Box 2013, Canberra, ACT, 2601.

**(Don't forget to include your name and contact details,  
and indicate if you want your submission made public or not)**

# Meeting at Bowling Club

## Flinders Local Action Group

ON AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>, about 40 people attended a meeting organised by the FLAG group at the Quorn Bowling Club, to hear the latest developments regarding the National Radioactive Waste Management Facility.

The past month has seen a re-start in activity to do with the waste dump. The main points have been covered elsewhere by Peter Slattery's "Mayor's Message" in the latest Flinders Ranges Council Community Newsletter.

Briefly:

- In July, the Federal Court dismissed the Barngarla Corporation's action against the Kimba Council to be included in the ballot on the waste dump.
- This opened the way for the Minister to request both Kimba and the Flinders Ranges Councils to restart the ballot process, which has been stalled since last year.
- The Minister has visited both regions and conducted closed and open meetings in each.
- Kimba agreed to start the process as soon as practicable, with the ballot to start October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Flinders Ranges Council has agreed to conduct the ballot, but will not start the process until an independent assessment, looking at not only the benefits but also potential risks or threats to Council and the local economy has been conducted and the results known.

FLAG continues to hold many concerns about the whole process. Probably, the most

important one is that the proposed Wallerberdina site is totally unsuitable for radioactive waste disposal. A recent survey of adjoining and neighbouring land holders says they do not want it there.

The Department's first priority has been to secure a willing community to accept it. That's why they are playing Kimba off against the Flinders Ranges. After that, they will make the site fit the land proposed. We believe their priorities are back to front. The first action should be to find the most suitable site for permanent, safe disposal. They even admit that the most toxic material, the intermediate level waste, cannot stay at Wallerberdina.

When it comes to the ballot, the Minister will not elaborate as to what he regards as "broad community support". He will only make that decision after he knows the ballot results and has seen all other submissions. FLAG has asked the Department for more specific details on some key points. They say they cannot give them because each site has different requirements—after they know which site is selected they can address those points.

This is the "Catch 22" situation. People should not be expected to vote until they know the specific details of what they are voting for. The specific details of what they are voting for won't be known until the Minister announces a specific site. He won't do that until he has seen the vote results!

Greg Bannon  
(Spokesperson for FLAG) ■



Dr Andersson speaks at the FLAG meeting

# Ted Rycomeir — Bruce Delany

**WHILE I WAS ON** Eringa the usual suspects—Cooper, Tom Virgo, Wingy Alfie, The Spaniard, and me—had been mustering an area known as ‘The Thompson’. This was about thirty-five miles (56 km) west of the railway line to the Alice.

There was a Bronco yard at The Thompson, not far from a big, almost permanent waterhole. And we spent the day branding, and ear-marking, etc. And we finished about sundown, and then went back to the camp, tired and hungry.

As we were eating our meal (this didn’t take long) a bloke rode up on a bike! (Yeah, I know what you’re thinking—I had the DT’s. But I didn’t drink in those days.) Fair dinkum, he rode up on a bike!

He introduced himself as Ted Rykomeir, but everyone called him Ted Ryko.

It appeared Ted was a Meteor Chaser, and he was convinced that one had impacted somewhere in that area, and he was determined to find it.

It was common knowledge that a meteorite had been sighted falling some time previously, and Ted Ryko had interviewed as many people in that area who had seen it, as he could.

He’d triangulated his findings, and had come up with the area we were now in.

Ted was a fascinating man, whose knowledge and perception were far in advance of anyone I had met up until that time. (Which is not saying much, as I was pretty wet behind my ears.) But he still remains vivid in my memory as a man before his time.

Ted had no money, so he took a job as a fettler in the Railway Camp at Ilbunga Siding. This was about halfway between Oodnadatta and the NT–SA border. It was the closest human habitation to his chosen search area.

He must have been doing it hard on that old pushbike. There were no roads, and most of the country was stony gibber stuff.

Apparently, he followed cattle and horse pads wherever practical.

He carried no swag whatsoever. All he had was water, and a bit (a very small bit) of tucker in a box, and a small shovel, strapped on the bike’s pillion.

One thing we did have was plenty of good beef, and it was a pleasure to see that old bloke (he was in his sixties) tucking into a thick steak.

Evidently, he worked as a fettler through the week, and took off on his bike over the weekends, when he was searching for his elusive meteorite.

Come bedtime, and we were intrigued to see how he slept without a swag, as it was a pretty cold night. *I* know a bit about the trials and tribulations of sleeping cold, as I was the owner of a ‘cigarette’ swag consisting of a camp sheet and one blanket.

The packhorse that carried my swag was in no danger of getting a sore back! *My* solution was to sleep as close to the fire as possible—Aboriginal style. As a consequence, my camp sheet [groundsheet] was full of burn holes—and so was I!

Ted dug a hole with his little shovel, spread a layer of gidgea coals in it, and filled it in again. That was his bed! And evidently, he slept like a baby all night.\*

I didn’t run into Ted again, and I don’t think he ever found his meteorite. But I will always remember him as an erudite gentleman with a wonderful way with words, someone who looked more like a professor than a fettler.

Finding that meteorite would have been the equivalent of finding the proverbial needle in a haystack. But I wish he had found it. He was a lovely old bloke.

\* In fact, this is a common way to sleep on the ground. You must take care to bury the coals deep enough so they don’t burn your groundsheet from under you.

Courtesy *The Western Herald*, Bourke, NSW ■

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The 44-page bumper August *Mercury* was so popular, it sold out much too soon

# 100th Quorn Agricultural Show

## Sunday September 22nd

### From 9:00am - 4.00pm



Formerly known as:  
The Royal Northern  
Agricultural,  
Horticultural and  
Floricultural Society"



New rides for all ages, toffee apples and  
fairy floss—Watch this space !  
Epic Darren motorcycle comedian  
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James' Magic Travelling Show  
Cool 4 Kids Pirate Music Show  
Mr Oopy Bubble Man  
CosPlay Medieval Entertainment  
Old McDonald's Travelling Farm  
Market Stalls, Food Stalls  
Memorabilia Display  
Amy Langdon, Flautist  
Peter Taylor Photography



I DO ALL MY OWN STUNTS!

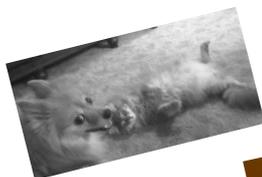


Horses in Action, Entertainment, Poultry, Wool, Plants & Flowers. Dairy  
Produce & Vegetables, Jams & Preserves, Handicrafts & Needlework,  
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Updated and new items for YOU to enter in the Show

See the Cookery + Handicraft changes.

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Find Quorn Agricultural Show on Facebook



Entry details in Show Book - and Facebook link to PDF  
Download & Print entry forms from Facebook PDF link,  
Hand or post to Secretary together with appropriate entry fee/s

FRC Council Chambers open to take entries:

Wednesday September 18 from 10am - 3pm

Thursday Sept 19 from 10 am - 3pm

Friday Sept 20 from 9am - 5pm

The Show will be officially opened at 12:00 noon by  
His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC  
Governor of South Australia

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### Admission:

Adults :	\$10.00
School age Children:	\$ 2.00
Concession	\$ 5.00
Children Under 5	Free

# Top Dutch Solar Racing



STAYING IN QUORN for a month we are privileged to have the Top Dutch Solar Racing Team stay at the Quorn Outdoor Education Centre. They are assembling their car in Port Augusta ready for the solar challenge which will be held in October from Darwin to Adelaide.

We are Top Dutch Solar Racing, a group of enthusiastic students from different educational levels and disciplines. Together with our partners we built a solar car with which we will compete in the Bridgestone World Solar Challenge for the very first time. We believe you can do anything you dream of, as long as you work together. By showing our drive we hope to inspire others to create (or join) unique, innovative learning opportunities, in which students can develop themselves.

The solar challenge is a race through the Australian Outback, in which student teams participate with solar cars they have built themselves. The race is over 3000 km long and takes place on the 13th of October until the 20th of October 2019. The challenge starts in Darwin and finishes in Adelaide.

Green Lightning: Our solar car has been built in less than two years. During those years our engineers have been doing the research, designing, prototyping, testing and optimising, with the support of our helpful partners! With a super efficient electromotor, high-tech solar array with innovative coating, a battery box that we designed ourselves and a feather light carbon body we will take on the solar challenge in Australia.

## Rainfall 2019

January	4.2 mm
February	3.4 mm
March	3.6 mm
April	1.2 mm
May	51.2 mm
June	45.4 mm
July	8.7mm
August	17.0 mm
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>134.8 mm</b>

# Giant Cuttlefish Expedition

Tony & Julia  
Robinson, Janet  
Thomas, Greg  
Bannon, Anne  
Conway &  
Leong Lim



WE HAD HEARD about the giant cuttlefish at Whyalla and had often thought we should go and have a look at them. A few years ago it was said, “They were very scarce, and what had happened to them? Would they return? etc.” Since then numbers have risen again and we know that there are variable seasons.

Some friends from NSW and Adelaide were visiting and wanted to make the cuttlefish part of their itinerary, so we all went together as a group. First thing, a visit to the Whyalla Dive Shop so we could be fitted out in our 7-ply wetsuits. The undersuit was the easy part—this was a soft body suit that is worn under the thick wetsuit. Keeping it in place whilst the outer rubber suit is pulled up was an ordeal, and if it weren’t for the shop attendants we would have been there for hours struggling to pull them on. There were also gloves, booties and a hooded vest to finish it off.

We took our clothes with us in a plastic box so they would be ready for us to put back on once we came out of the water, and our wet wetsuits could be returned. As one of our party had done two previous visits, we knew where to look for the cuttlefish. Now we were all kitted out ready to go

in the water, or nearly... After putting on our masks and then sitting on some rocks to get on the flippers, it was just a matter of getting out far enough into the water to start the snorkeling. This was easier than it sounds as there were large rocks to clamber over, and sea swell, which all added to the challenge. Finally we were out where we could get a good look below and it was well worth all the struggle and effort of getting kitted out. The cuttlefish were amazing. We could see some that appeared to be mating and others that were somewhat hidden as they were attaching their eggs to the rocky crevices. Every year between the months of May and August, thousands of Giant Australian Cuttlefish (*Sepia apama*)



descend on the rocky coastline between Fitzgerald Bay and False Bay near Whyalla. These amazing 'chameleons of the sea' are one of the largest species of cuttlefish found in the world, and can reach up to 60cm in length and can weigh up to 5kg. They are very shortlived however, as they grow, breed and die within a season. ■



Regional Health

# Aged-Residential, Community and Disability Scholarships

## Applications are now open!

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Are you looking to start or change your career?

Can you see yourself supporting older people and/or people living with disability?

Are you interested in working in rural South Australia?

You could apply for a scholarship to cover costs to study Certificate III in Individual Support in Home and Community, Aged Care, and Disability.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply.

Scholarships can be undertaken in Barmera, Ceduna, Mount Barker, Mount Gambier, Wallaroo and Whyalla.

## Applications close 31 October 2019

For more information or to apply visit  
[www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/ruralhealthscholarships](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/ruralhealthscholarships)



Government of South Australia  
SA Health

# Flinders House News

WE HAVE JUST celebrated the Indian Independence day with an Indian themed lunch. Not too many were fans of the coconut water drink but the *kheer* was very popular. The month before was spent making flowers and sewing them together to add to our decorations.

Thank you so much to everyone who loaned us their saris or other decorations. In September we are visiting Brazil with our theme.

Next month we are celebrating Father's Day and getting a visit from a magician and a musician. It is also EMAA week at the beginning of the month. The Easy Moves for Active Aging Program is run both at Flinders House and in the community.

And at the end of the month we'll find out who won the football tipping. ■



Above and below—  
Enjoying lunch



Below—making flowers



Above and below—  
staff dressed in saris





# Quorn Out and About



Rebekah McKenzie, Taitum Hatley, Aiden Hatley



Fashions of the Field



Dustin Hombsch, \_\_, Daniel Kwaterski, \_\_, Jakk Collins, \_\_, \_\_



Geormina Harvie admires her face painting



Tony Carn and John Carn



Connie Cox and Katelan Bury



Bronwyn Filsell, Fiona Voigt and Marg Summerton



A future Racing Enthusiast?



Chris McHugh, Joy Lee, Ian , Angela McHugh, Shirley Carn



Pat Gilbert and Shirley Lock



## Race Day

# Ollie Bischoff 98th Birthday

OLLIE BISCHOFF, formerly of Hawker, and now a Flinders House resident, celebrated her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday with a lunch at Emily's Bistro on 13<sup>th</sup> August.

Two of her four children were present: Jocelyn Searle, of Wilmington and Frank Bischoff of Mackay, Qld. Her sons, Gerald (Adelaide) and Neil, Stirling North were unable to be there.

Ollie and her husband Kevin (dec), had the

Hawker Butcher's shop (later purchased by Bill Altmann of Quorn). Fay Spaeth, the wife of Rodney (dec), who was the last butcher in Wilmington, said that Ollie and she had something in common—they could cut up a sheep.

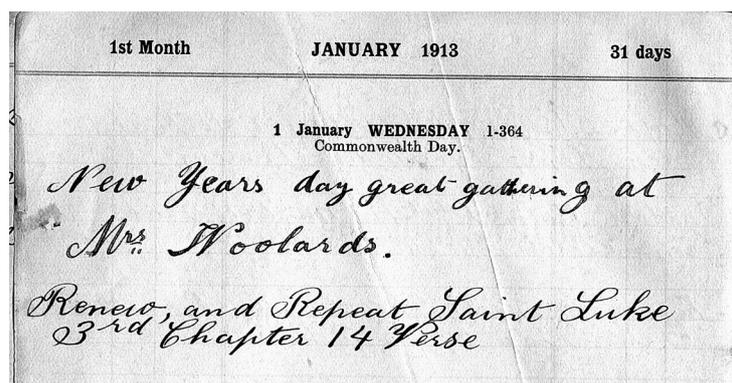
Other family present were Neil's wife, Bev and Jocelyn's husband, Hedley.

Ollie is a fine example of the benefit of meat in the diet. ■



Ollie with daughter Jocelyn and son Frank at Emily's Bistro

## From the diary of Fred (Friedrich) Britza



# Quorn Mercury

Recording Quorn's history while it's being made

## EDITORIAL

### Will the Mercury Survive?

The Quorn Mercury's banner is a tribute to the original town newspaper which was established in 1895 and continued until 1956. The format that we know today started as a monthly town newsletter in 1996 and has developed into this attractive publication. A small team collates the information that is sent in, as well as being on the lookout for anything that could be newsworthy. Without the contributions from the local residents it would be impossible to make an interesting publication and we are very grateful to all contributors.

The Flinders Ranges Council has assisted with the provision of internet and some printing and freight expenses, in addition to the provision of a dedicated "Mercury" room. This room is presently being renovated as part of the Town Hall upgrade and should be ready for use before long. While the renovations have been taking place the Mercury team has been fortunate to have the use of the Council Chambers. We would like to thank Council for this privilege.

There have also been some welcome donations from community organisations as well as private.

Over the last few years it has been a juggling act to cover the costs of printing the Mercury to keep it going as a community paper. ie

- Colour printing is more expensive,
- How many colour pages to print?
- How many pages in each edition?
- How many copies to print each month vs how many copies will be sold?
- Cost of freight,
- If price increases will people still buy?

The simple fact is if the Mercury does not cover its expenses it does not survive. Many newspapers struggle today to remain in print since technology has changed things so much. —ie Social Media.

We have heard: "Oh we don't buy the Mercury, we can see everything on Quorn Out and About" etc.

We know that the Mercury does appeal more to the older folk in town who are not so savvy at using modern technology. Of course people like to use their computers and tablets but also like to have a paper that they can hold, read, enjoy and refer back to.

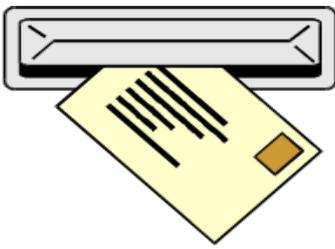
The ideal situation would be that the Mercury appeals to all ages, but how do we accomplish this? It needs the input from the various generations to make it saleable to all.

At the last AGM the Mercury Team decided to leave the cost at \$2 per copy even though this price does not cover our monthly costs. With these considerations it is probably timely to raise the price to \$2.50 so as to keep the bank balance from "petering out" and the Mercury ceasing.

It is hoped to keep the Mercury interesting and attractive to all ages as we know this is a good way for the town to have some record of its history. There are bound copies kept in the Quorn Library and the newly refurbished Quorn Archives, and these can be viewed by the general public.

It is hoped that the Quorn community will be happy to support the continuation of the Quorn Mercury, both by submissions and purchasing on a monthly basis.

*The Mercury Team* ■



# Letters to the Editor

## *To the Editors*

SINCE I CAME to live in Quorn in 1980, I've watched the town decline. At present I've been told that there are sixty empty houses in Quorn. Ie, around 200 people gone. When Dr Tony retires there's a strong chance we won't find another Doctor, and may also lose our biggest employer, our Hospital, too.

You might think that's alarmist talk. But there's a point, a tipping point that a declining town reaches, when the decline suddenly accelerates much faster. It's a point when many businesses find they're no longer viable, and close in large numbers.

We desperately need a big boost to our region fast, to keep us from reaching this point, but how unlikely is that? Yet here we have our Federal Government, no less, eager to offer us such a boost, and to pour money into our region too. But we have people determined to wreck what may be the last chance for our town to thrive again.

The protestors against the Nuclear Waste Management Facility (why do they continue to misname it a 'Dump'—how revealing is that of their attitude?) seem not to care if they destroy what may be this, our last chance.

Their protesting seems based on what can only be called 'fear-mongering', terrifying people about the extraordinarily-remote chance of an enormous disaster. Far more people in Quorn and Hawker will die or be maimed horribly doing nothing else but drive along our roads, than will ever die on account of the Facility. Yet the protestors wouldn't dream of protesting about killer cars.

I wasn't at the recent meeting with the Minister in Hawker. But I've been told that the protesters at it were shouting out to drown what the Minister said.

Four points about this:

It's never been an acceptable argument to shout your opponent down. Haven't the protesters studied the science of argument?

We Australians have always prided ourselves on being a democracy. Democracy means everyone is given the chance to speak, and to be listened to respectfully, even if you don't like what's being said.

We Aussies are famous for our 'Fair go', on giving *everyone* a fair go. In Hawker too?

Country—and especially outback—people have always been known for the courtesy and helpfulness that they offer visitors.

The protestors in Hawker seem to have failed on all of these four counts.

For the sake of the future of Quorn, and to save us from further decline, I hope that the following turns out to be true for us:

Matthew Feinberg at the University of Toronto and his colleagues have found that peaceful protests like sit-ins and marches can amplify a message and draw new supporters, but that extreme or violent tactics backfire, putting people off from supporting their cause.

— 'Do Protests Work?', *New Scientist*,  
22nd June 2019, pp 20–21

A far better thing to do would be to bargain with our Federal Government, eg, to guarantee Quorn a Doctor for when Tony retires. Things like that. Rather than shouting people down.

Ray Wood ■

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Dear Editors,

What a wonderful *Back Roads* episode was screened on ABC TV this week, featuring the Pichi Richi Railway and the Flinders Ranges. If readers missed this episode, featuring Lisa Millar as the presenter, she retraced the steps of her ancestors in the region visiting Quorn, Blinman, Parachilna, Arkaroola and more.

Congratulations to PRR Fireman Phil and Driver John for presenting the railway and the area so professionally and enthusiastically. You really don't want to miss this episode. Mercury readers can still watch it by logging onto the ABC—iView.

<https://iview.abc.net.au/show/back-roads>  
<https://saweekender.com.au/funandfamily/all-aboard-the-pichi-richi-railway>

Kind Regards

Vicki Parker Quorn

To the Editors

**A Green Light**

The time has come to for the vociferous minority to give it a rest. They have been carrying on for so long about the potential dangers of the waste facility and the development it will bring. They quite happily indulge themselves in our modern society and its benefits but get hung up on a non-issue like the safe storage of used materials.

By their own survey only 18% of people in the area oppose the development of the facility. By their own admission they are ugly debaters, not able to concede that others can have an opinion counter to theirs by attempting to shout down opposition at public meetings, by intimidation of those who want progress. Those who want the facility to go ahead are not going to be at public meetings for the vociferous minority to abuse them.

When the vote comes they will say YES.

A developing area will have all the services that are required for a healthy community. Start to cut them back and very quickly we will lose our hospital and doctor. The council will be absorbed into a larger area and we'll become a dormitory to another council. Hawker and Quorn need this development to go ahead or we will fade into oblivion like Gordon and Wilson, townships just up the road a little. from Quorn.

So far all the arguments against have been lost, so let's not waste more time and let's get on with orderly development. M. Ozolins.

Dear Editor,

The *Eccentrics* article by Bruce Delany in the *Quorn Mercury*, August 2019 (on Page 26) mixed up the three Scobie families.

Jim Scobie was the father of Doug; Dave was the father of Ross; and Alex the father of Dick and Monty.

All have since died. Dave, (David Edgar) was my maternal grandfather.

Yours Sincerely  
David Coverdale Quorn

**Corrections and Additions.**

**A Correction:-**

In the *Quorn Mercury* August Issue (Page 36) the photo showing the winners of the *Beyond Blue Trivia Night Quiz* The caption is incorrect. Sam Lock should be Christine Jessup.

**An Addition:-**

Quorn Mercury (May 2017)

*Chat with a Quornie:* Marie Williams.

\*Marie Williams tells of her grandfather Bejah Dervish who' with his camels took part in the Calvert Expedition ,exploring inland WA in 1896.

Her father Abdul Jubbar (Jack) Bejah travelled with Dr Cecil Madigan's expedition in 1936.They were the first Europeans to cross the Simpson Desert.

The article may be found on line at *Quorn Mercury* on the Flinders Ranges Council website: [www.frc.sa.gov.au](http://www.frc.sa.gov.au)

**A Correction:-**

The final line of *Tony's Shed* was accidentally omitted last month. The paragraph should have read: "With retirement looming in the not too distant future, this room will be abuzz with leather-work projects and a dying art on display for all to see." ■

REPRESENTING THE QUORN COMMUNITY



**Rowan Ramsey MP**

Federal Member for Grey

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

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# Library Story time Spotlight

## Book Week (17-23 August)

Thank you to all those who attended Storytime last week to celebrate Book Week, and dressed up for this year's theme '*Reading is my Secret Power*'.



Nancy hosted exciting activities for our wonderful little ones. They had a fun game of 'pass the parcel', where all participants received a book prize



We had fun exercising our imagination and creativity by decorating a shield, arm bands, and made superheroes out of figures! It was wonderful to see all the joy, laughter, and excitement to bring our books to life

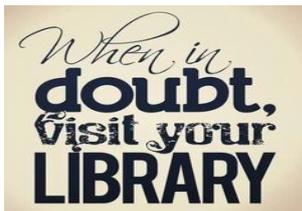
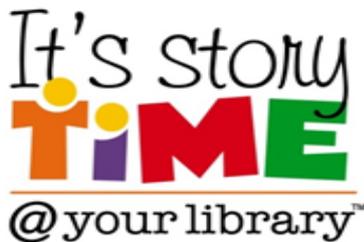


# LIBRARY NEWS



## QUORN BOOK CLUB

25th September 21 Park Terrace at 7pm.  
All Welcome. Enquiries please contact **Sam** on  
**0456 129 870** for further details.



## STORY TIME

Wednesdays 10 AM

Dates: 4th September, 18th September

Enquiries please contact **Nancy** on **86486705**  
or **86486101**; or check on Facebook ('Quorn  
Out and About'). Come along for a story, sing  
-a-long, dance and craft with Nancy!

## JP SERVICE

Each Thursday 2 - 4 pm in the Library for witnessing of documents  
and legal advice of a general nature within a designated private  
room.

## Libraries SA app

Available for your smart phone (App Store and Google Play) - search the  
catalogue, eBooks and audiobooks, digital magazines, online learning, access  
your account and manage your holds and loans.

## Library catalogue

To access the library catalogue (for Quorn and all SA public libraries) from  
home: [www.onecard.network/quorn](http://www.onecard.network/quorn)

## New computers and printers

In order to successfully access the new computing and printing facilities  
please remember to bring your library card with you—as you will require your  
barcode and PIN number.

# New Items in the Library

## ADULT FICTION:

The Seaside Angel by Evie Grace  
Murder at the Fitzwilliam by Jim Eldridge  
A Cowboy's Honor by Vicki Thompson  
A Desperate Hope by Elizabeth Camden  
Outback Rides by Maggie's Run  
White Horses by Rachel Treasure  
Heart of the Cross by Emily Madden  
Lost and Found by Danielle Steel  
After Anna by Lisa Scottoline  
Scrublands by Chris Hammer  
A Lonely Heart by Kay Brellend  
Beach Town by Mary Kay Andrews

## ADULT NON-FICTION:

Little Green Kitchen: Simple Vegetarian Recipes by David Frenkiel  
A Spanner in the works: Australia's first all-girl garage by Loretta Smith

## LARGE PRINT:

The Perfect Game by Leslie Dana Kirby  
A Lady in Need of an Heir by Louise Allen  
The Mighty Krait by Ian Mcphedran  
Deputy Defender by Cindi Myers

## CD:

Ned Kelly by Peter Fitzsimons  
Waltzing Australia by Tim Borthwick

## DVD:

Sweet Country  
The BBQ  
Monash and Me

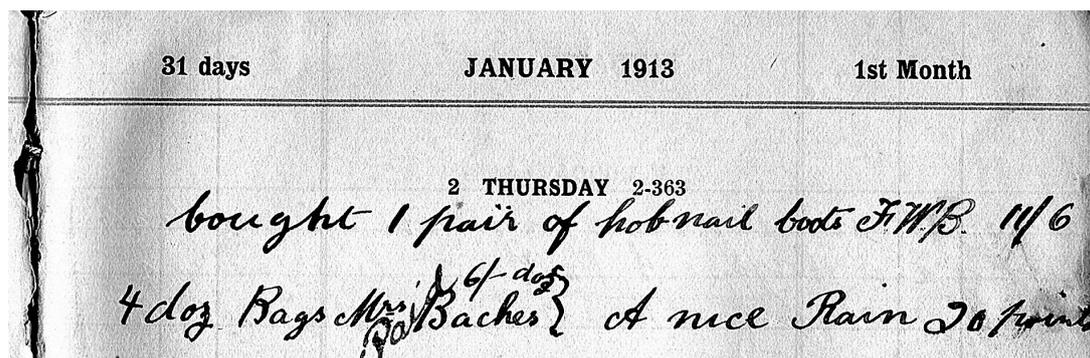
## JUNIOR FICTION:

Secret Guardians by Lian Tanner  
Dragon Daughter by Liz Flanagan  
Help Around the House by Morris Gleitzman  
Twelve Stories of the Villains from Doctor Who by Dave Rudden  
Kensy and Max: Disappearing Act by Jacqueline Harvey  
The Shop at Hoopers Bend by Emily Rodda  
How to Tame a Human Tornado by Paul Tobin  
Fergus and Zeke by Kate Messner

## JUNIOR NON-FICTION:

Australian States and Territories

From the diary of Fred (Friedrich) Britza



# QUORN MEN'S SHED

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**ALL WELCOME**

QUORN MEN'S SHED had a visit by Mel White from the National body of the Australian Men's Sheds Association on the 1st of August.

Over a cuppa Mel went over the benefits of insuring with the AMSA, explaining what the advantages and savings local Men's Shed get from the collective insurance scheme.

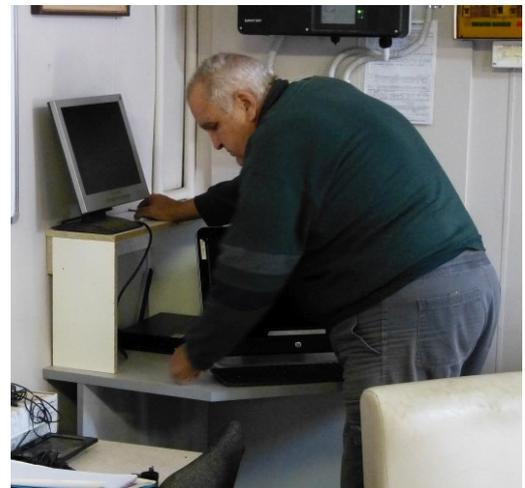
Mel also checked out the workshop setup.

Don't forget the Quorn Show, the Quorn Men's Shed will have a stand and will be conducting their annual raffle.

Dave Wingrove



Jim, Dave, Mel, Woody and Ken



Above left—Jeff and Paul constructing desk top stand

Above—Ken setting up security monitor and recorder

Left—Jeff installing desk top stand



# Dementia doesn't discriminate

## Do you?

### To My Children

by Unknown

When I spill some food on my nice clean dress, or maybe forget to tie my shoe,  
Please be patient and perhaps reminisce, about the many hours I spent with you.  
When I taught you how to eat with care, plus tying laces and your numbers, too,  
Dressing yourself and combing your hair, those were precious hours spent with you.  
So when I forget what I was about to say, just give me a minute - or maybe two.  
It probably wasn't important anyway, and I would much rather listen just to you.  
If I tell the story one more time, and you know the ending through and through,  
Please remember your first nursery rhyme, when I rehearsed it a hundred times with you.  
When my legs are tired and it's hard to stand, or walk the steady pace that I would like to do,  
Please take me carefully by my hand, and guide me now as I once did for you.

alzheimers.net

**Dementia Action Week**  
**16-22 September 2019**

# Pictures — From the Past



# Locomotives of the PRR



## The 'Coffee Pot'

South Australian Railways SMC Class  
Commonwealth Railways NJAB1

**THE ENGINE UNIT** was built by Kitson & Co of Leeds, England in 1905, and the coach was built by the Metropolitan Amalgamated Railway Carriage and Wagon Company of Birmingham. The vehicle was introduced into Australia by the South Australian Railways (SAR) in August 1906, for the Great Northern Division.

Under SAR ownership it was known as 'Steam Motor Coach [SMC] No. 1'. Its regular duty was a weekly trip to Hawker, hauling a four-wheel van to carry parcels and mail. Because of its limited range it was necessary to take on water at Gordon. The vehicle was also available for charter on weekends and was often used for transport by sports and social clubs.

When taken over by the Commonwealth Railways, it was re-classified as NJAB1. It spent its entire working life at the Quorn Depot, from 1906 to 1932.

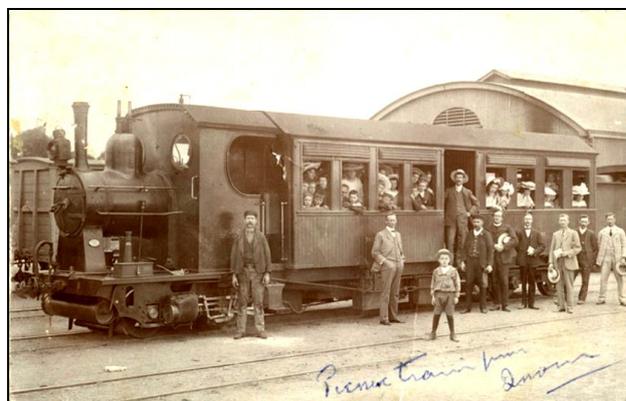
It was nicknamed the 'Coffee Pot' after railwaymen chalked 'Coffee' and 'Cocoa' on two water barrels that had been placed on the running boards at the front on either side as a spare water supply.

In 1960 the Coffee Pot became a static display near the Alice Springs railway station, under the umbrella of the National Trust. In 1975 NJAB1 was returned to Quorn for restoration work by the Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society.

The Coffee Pot returned to service in 1984. It is the only example of its type operating in the world today.

## Technical Specifications

<b>Builders</b>	<i>Engine Unit:</i> Kitson & Co. <i>Carriage Unit:</i> Metropolitan Amalgamated Railway Carriage & Wagon Co.	
<b>Wheel arrange<sup>t</sup></b>	2-2-OWT	
<b>Weight</b>	19 tons 1 cwt	19.4 t
<b>Tractive Effort</b>	2015 lb	8.96 kN
<b>Boiler Pressure</b>	170 psi	1170 kPa
<b>Driving Wheels</b>	2 ft 4½ ins	0.72 m
<b>Cylinders</b>	6½ × 10 ins	165 × 255 mm
<b>Valve Gear</b>	Walschaerts	
<b>Coal Capacity</b>	840 lb	380 kg
<b>Water Capacity</b>	220 gal	1000 litres



Top photo : Trial run in Quorn, 1906.

— SA State Library, B 27771

Bottom photo : Picnic Train, Quorn, 1906.

— SA State Library, B 45335 ■

# PICHI RICHI RAILWAY



WELCOME TO THE SEPTEMBER edition of our Quorn Mercury Newsletter. We will be keeping you up to date with the latest news from the Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society. An apology for not being in print last month—we missed the publication deadline.

## Spring has Sprung

WE HAVE COME to the end of winter 2019 and spring is in the air. Wow, how good the Pichi Richi Pass looks right now! What a contrast from earlier this year.

The October school holidays are just four weeks away and herald our busiest time of the year.

To date we have maintained good passenger numbers but would like to finish the year with some exceptional figures.

Recent media exposure on ‘SA Weekender’ and ‘Back Roads’ was great and is expected to raise awareness of both the region and the Railway. Both programs can be seen on our website.

Hopefully we can all look forward to a bumper 2019 spring tourism season.

## A Members Celebration

THE PICHI RICHI RAILWAY Preservation Society Inc. was formed in August 1973 and this year recognises 46 years of PRRPS operation.

In recognition of the efforts of our volunteers we ran a special member’s train on August 10<sup>th</sup> departing Quorn Station at 3.30pm.

There were a number of highlights planned for the journey to Pt Augusta, but an open wagon for members to travel in was a highlight.

On our return trip the train was waylaid at Summit and John Simpson presented a sound and light show for passengers. One of the Petticoat Junction films was great entertainment so a big thank you to John, who waited many hours on a cold August night for the train to return from Pt Augusta.

Returning to Quorn at 11.45pm Saturday evening we must apologise to the local community for any disturbance incurred by the use of the mandatory whistles through the town at such a late hour.

## Scheduled Trains September

**Sat Sep 7<sup>th</sup>** Afghan Express Ex Pt Augusta  
10.30am

**Sun Sep 15<sup>th</sup>** PRR Explorer—Ex Quorn  
10.30am

**Sat Sep 21<sup>st</sup>** Afghan Express—Ex Pt Augusta  
10.30am

**Sat Sep 28<sup>th</sup>** Afghan Express—Ex Pt Augusta  
10.30am

**Sun Sep 29<sup>th</sup>** PRR Explorer—Ex Quorn  
10.30am

## 2019 SA Tourism Awards

IN 1987 Pichi Richi Railway won the Tourist Attraction category of the SA Tourism Awards. In 1992 we were awarded a Judges Commendation in the Significant Local Attractions category. It was decided now was the time to submit an entry for the 2019 SA Tourism Awards.

With the help, and very able assistance, of local identity Renata Hackett, after many hours of hard work the relevant material has been compiled for judging. An on-site judging occurred on August 25<sup>th</sup> and now we await the results to be announced in November.

An award of this significance would be of immense benefit to the region, the town and the Railway. ■



Foundation members of the Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society. Photographed in 2014 at a function held at the Quorn Railway Station to celebrate 40 years of operation.

A Flinders Tradition since 1974

[pichirichirailway.org.au](http://pichirichirailway.org.au)

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**ROWAN RAMSEY MP**  
Member for Grey



**Media release**

Tuesday, August 8, 2019

## **Stronger Communities Programme Round Five Opens in Grey**

Federal Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey MP said the highly popular Stronger Communities Programme has now opened and will deliver its fifth round of \$150,000 to fund small capital projects in the electorate.

“This is an exciting opportunity for small local groups to work with me to identify potential projects which will contribute to our community’s long-term vibrancy and viability,” Mr Ramsey said.

“I invite incorporated not-for-profit and local government organisations to apply for funding by completing a project proposal. As with the first four rounds I will be establishing a broadly-based community consultation committee who will prioritise the projects to be submitted to ensure this funding delivers the best possible outcomes for our community.”

“Identified applicants will then be invited to lodge a full application to apply for funding of at least \$2,500 and up to a maximum of \$20,000 and must provide matching cash or in-kind funding on at least a dollar for dollar basis.”

“It is important potential applicants contact my office on 8633 1744 to ensure projects meet the eligibility criteria and ask for an expression of interest form which must be returned before 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019.”

Mr Ramsey said the submitted applications would then be assessed against the Programme Guidelines by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science to ensure that approved projects represent value for money.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to read the Stronger Communities Programme guidelines and the Frequently Asked Questions which are available on the Business.gov.au website <https://www.business.gov.au/assistance/stronger-communities-programme>

Media Contact: 0886 331744

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Phone: 1300 301 742 (local call cost)  
Fax: (08) 8633 1749

# Patricia Mann Equestrian Clinic

AT THE END OF July I held my second clinic as part of my Community Studies SACE subject.

Lessons were held over a full day with Equestrian Australia Dressage Coach Patricia Mann. It was very well supported and I would

like to thank the participants who attended, the Stockyard Arena for the hire of their facilities and Patricia for travelling to Quorn to coach.

A third clinic will be held on Friday 20th September and is a 'Show Preparation Clinic'. This clinic is designed to get horses prepared for the Interschool competition being held on Monday 23rd September. If anyone would like to participate in the next clinic they can contact me via email on:

[chloe.hilder328@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:chloe.hilder328@schools.sa.edu.au)

or mobile—0488 498 910

*Chloe Hilder*



Sophie Page from Stirling North on her lovely pony 'Rivington Catnip'



Lara Filsell on her beautiful horse Rusty at the clinic



## Quorn Walkies Group

Meets at the dog park each Sunday for a walk at 10.00am and then dog play after for the social dogs.

Anyone can join us, dog or no dog we don't mind.

Join the group on Facebook and keep up to date.

Enquiries Paula Osborn

# Equestrian Matters

WELL, ANOTHER MONTH has passed and Spring is here. It's been an exciting month for one of Quorn's young riders, Rhys Everett. Rhys not only competed in the State Pony Club Champs but has been chosen to try out for the State Mounted Games team, giving him the opportunity to represent SA on a national level.

Rhys rides a lovely mare, Cricket, leased to him from Jackie Zauch. Jackie has done such a fantastic job with this mare and Rhys is reaping the benefits.

On a different and very sad note Tracey Woodlands had to say her final goodbye to long-time partner Austin Powers. ■



Lisa and Misty, Golden Grove Show 1974

## Rider Profile Lisa Simpson

I WAS BORN into a non-horsey family, October 1965. Mum soon realised that dance lessons weren't going to cut it and my horse obsession wasn't going away. So aged five, I started weekly riding lessons with Margaret Clarke at Lower Hermitage.

Margaret hailed from Canada but soon found her feet here in Adelaide with the help of the great Tom Roberts, who became her friend and mentor.

Margaret moved her riding school to Woodside and I moved onto Templewood School of Equitation, a fancy name for a place of tough love and hard work. Patricia and Michael Kalleske were like most riding instructors of that era, the 1970s, trained in the UK, and were big on good solid basics.

Soon after my first pony, Misty, came along and boy, did he have a few tricks! He was a bolter, he kicked, squashed me and ate my lunch, but he was a brilliant teacher. He was with me for six years. During this time my family had moved to Kersbrook, so no more agisting.

At the age of 12 my first serious horse came along, Warrambo (Floss). She was a four y.o. big Galloway who was way too much horse for me. I spent a lot of time on the ground, dragged, thrown into fences, squashed against stable walls, etc.

But I'm a stubborn person and as I learnt from Misty, I persisted, and eventually we became great partners. We would spend every weekend during show season chasing shows all over the place. Back in those days, to qualify for the Royal, you had to have at least ten firsts in Open classes to even have a hope of getting accepted. It was always an anxious time waiting to see if you had made it each year. Back then too, if you didn't arrive at a show before 6.30am you could hardly find a park, and at the big shows my galloway class was often split into two. I also used to show-jump an ex-race horse, Abraxsas (Sam). He was a brilliant schoolmaster just point and shoot he would clear the Senior A practice jumps easily, to the surprise of a few adult riders who were eyeing him off. In fact an adult rider offered to buy him, but once he saw that he was getting on a bit he lost interest.

By this stage I had left Templewood and had been having weekly lessons from Charles Harrison. Then I had a lucky break — Sarah Sivewright (Houstoun) came out to Australia for a summer and I had as many lessons as my parents could afford, sometimes two a week or more. She took me to another level with my riding, being from the UK. With a strong background in dressage and teaching she was unlike anything we had here at the time. Her mum was the great Molly Sivewright, author of the *Thinking Riding* books and founder of the Talland Riding School in Gloucestershire.

During this time Mum and I decided to start breeding Welsh ponies, and that is a whole story on its own. I'll have to end this here as I could go on and on. Since then I have had quite a few horses, bred Welsh ponies, and although I never had the opportunity to ride at that level again through work and life pressures, I have continued to ride for pleasure, and am hoping to have a go at endurance riding in the near future. Horses are beyond a mere hobby for me. My life revolves around them, and I'll be riding for as long as I'm physically able.

Ta Ta for now

Lisa Simpson ■

# Quorn Bowling Club News

THE QUORN BOWLING Club conducted another successful Men's Fours Tournament on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August to coincide with the annual Quorn race meeting the following day. Last year we had 20 teams playing but this year we increased teams to 28, the maximum that can play. That is 112 players were in town for the day and approximately 30 stayed for the races. The idea of this tournament prior to the races was to keep bowlers in Quorn for the Cup and we have achieved our goal.



The day would not have been possible without our sponsors. We are grateful for their continuing support. Our major sponsor was again Emanuele Bros North East Isuzu who had a 4 x 4 Isuzu D-MAX ute and a MUS 4 x 4 LST SUV on display, with representatives Shelley Minney from Port Augusta and John Smith from Head Office at the Club all day talking to prospective buyers. These vehicles created a lot of interest, so if any of you Quornies are in the market for a new Ute or an SUV, call in to see Shelley at their showrooms on Footner Road Port Augusta opposite the jail. Mention that you are from Quorn and Shelley will look after you.

The Quorn Jockey Club has been very supportive of this day and we have been able to entice quite a few bowlers to stay for the races the following day and repay the Jockey Clubs support. For all your plumbing needs contact Andrew Bury at Bury Plumbing and any odd jobs you want done see Kev "the small jobs bloke".



Lou Walker (Pres) & Winners: Port Neill/Tumby Bay Team John Rau, Kym Shepherd, Trevor Smith & Dene Kimber

We had large representation of 27 clubs playing on the day and they came from Warooka, Moonta Bay, Maitland, Gawler, Salisbury, Nuriootpa, Brinkworth, Watervale, Burra, Port Broughton, Pt Pirie, Pt Germein, Pt Augusta, ETSA Pt Augusta, Jamestown, Laura, Melrose, Booleroo Centre, Wilmington, Orroroo, Hawker, Whyalla Town, Whyalla Golf, Pt Neill, Tumby Bay, Rosewater and Quorn. We did have a veteran bowler tell us that in all of his time playing tournaments, this was the most clubs he had ever seen playing in one tournament. We must be doing something right.

The winners for the day were Trevor Smith, Kym Shepherd, John Rau and Dene Kimber from Port Neill/Tumby Bay. Runners up were a Port Augusta team of John Lawson, Kym Power, Robert Bowman and Peter Trewartha. Third place was a team from Booleroo Centre/Whyalla Golf, Mal Ackland, Rod Prosser, Brenton Badenoch and Kym Ackland. There was a draw for the unplaced teams and the lucky winners were the Hawker team of Wing Anesbury, Brian Rowe, Arthur Edwards and Jack Shute.



Lou Walker & Runners Up: Pt Augusta Team John Lawson, Peter Trewartha, Kym Power. Absent: Robert Bowman

The day would not have been possible without the wonderful support of our Ladies led by Barb Flower, who provided morning and afternoon teas and a great lunch. Thanks also to Ted Paynter for organising the exceptional array of prizes in the monster raffle, and to Lou Walker and David Hughes for keeping the refreshments up to the players. The Greenkeepers also did a great job to present the green in a perfect condition.



### NEW MEMBERS

WE WOULD CERTAINLY like to increase our membership, so if there are any bowlers out there who have moved to Quorn and would like a game, make yourself known to anyone at the Club. They will look after you and organise for you to become a member.

Any one, Ladies or Men who would like to learn how to play the game are most welcome to come for a game on Jackpot Tuesdays at 1pm or the Ladies play on Wednesdays at 9am starting on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September. ■



Lou & Thirds: Booleroo Centre/Whyalla Golf Team Rod Prosser, Mel Ackland, Brenton Badenoch and Kym Ackland

### OPENING DAY

WE WILL BE holding our Opening Day for the 2019/20 season on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September. There will be a sausage sizzle at 1pm followed by a game of bowls and afternoon tea will follow. It is a good day for members to get together in preparation for the coming season. New bowlers are most welcome.

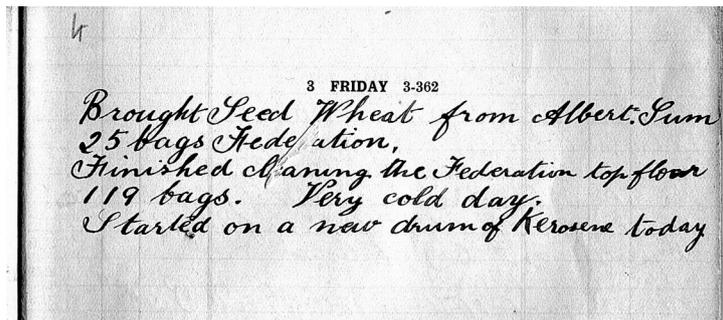
### SATURDAY PENNANTS

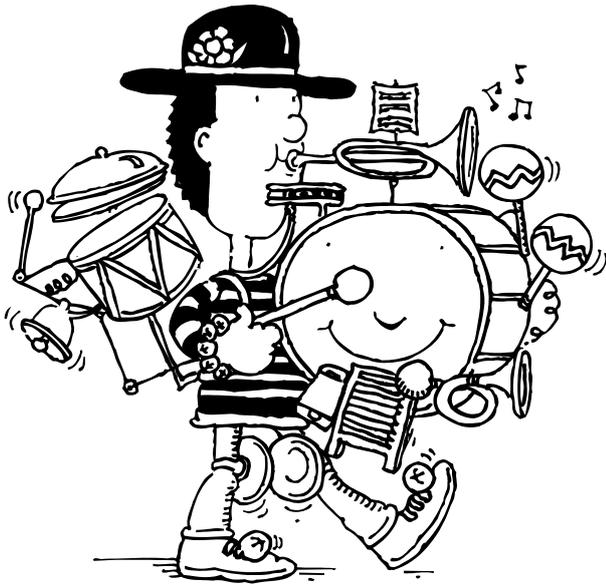
THIS SEASON IS an earlier start than in previous seasons, and will commence on 21<sup>st</sup> of September, with 1<sup>st</sup> Division playing at home and 2<sup>nd</sup> Division playing at Wilmington.



Lou & the Lucky Draw Winners: Hawker team Jack Shute, Arthur Edwards, Brian Rowe. Absent: Wing Anesbury

## From the diary of Fred (Friedrich) Britza





# Business & Service Phone Numbers

THE *MERCURY* has been asked for a while by several of the Businesses and Services listed opposite if phone numbers could also be published with their times open. They're listed separately here since there's too little room on the same page. Some we were unable to get. Let us know your phone number if you wish it to be added to the list. (Sept 2019)

*Austral Hotel* — 8648 6017  
*Australia Post* — 8648 6170  
*Brett Brokate Gardens* — 8648 6179  
*Carina Turner Gallery* — 0427 486 355  
*Carling Fuels* — 8648 6207  
*Corey Finlay Electrical* — 0488 119 993  
*Criterion Hotel* — 8695 0444  
*Crossroads Pharmacy* — 8648 6049  
*Emily's Bistro* — 8648 6940  
*Flinders Ranges Council Office* — 8620 0500  
*Flinders Ranges Council Works Depot* — 8620 0500  
*Great Northern Lodge* — 8648 6940  
*IGA Supermarket* — 8648 6081  
*Junction Art Gallery* — 8648 6470  
*Kaesler Plumbing* — 0428 486 544  
*Kanyaka Surgery Office* — 8648 6338  
*Kev the Small Jobs Bloke* — 0429 011 212

*LKM Hair Designers* — 8648 6595  
*Police Station* — 8648 6060  
*Q Books* — 0414 558 555  
*Quandong Café* — 8648 6155  
*Quorn Area School Administration* — 8648 6101  
*Quorn Autoport* — 8648 6093  
*Quorn Caravan Park* — 8648 6206  
*Quorn Meat Store* — 8648 6868  
*Quorn Newsagency* — 8648 6042  
*Quorn Pharmacy* — 8648 6887  
*Quorn Rural Traders* — 8648 6022  
*Quorn School Community Library* — 8648 6705  
*Saltbush Delcafé* — 8648 6199  
*Teas on the Terrace* — 0428 499 696  
*Transcontinental Hotel* — 8648 6076  
*Visitors Centre* — 8620 0510

**Listing your Business Phone No. here is free ■**



The Australian Army invaded Quorn Area School in August 1984 as you can see here. But as you can also see, the students were able to capture their vehicles. Here they are climbing in and out of a tank of some kind, and examining its contents. Notice the 'Learner Driver' plate? You must wonder how the Police would stop them for speeding! ■



# Quorn Business & Service Hours

## Refrigerator Door Material

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. (Correct from start of September 2019)

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

*Australia Post* — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm.

*Brett Brokate Gardens* — 7 days 9am–5pm.

*Carina Turner Gallery* — 7 days 10.30am–2.30pm by appointment.

*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 midday–whenever.

*Crossroads Pharmacy* — Mon, Wed–Fri 10am–5pm, Sat 10am–1pm; deliveries from Pt Augusta 2pm Mon, Wed–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 9am–5pm.

*Great Northern Lodge* — 8am–till late.

*IGA Supermarket* — Mon–Fri 8am–6.30pm, Sat–Sun 9am–3pm, 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).

*Kaesler Plumbing* — available 24/7.

*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 Archive* — 1st, 3rd Sat 11.30am–2.30pm.

*Quorn Area School Administration* — Mon–Fri 7.45am–3.45pm.

*Quorn Autoport* — Mon–Fri 8am–5.30pm; w/ends 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, Thur–Fri 1pm–5.30pm. Wed 9.30am–5.30pm, Sat 10am–midday.

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

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

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

*Visitors Centre* — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm, Sat–Sun 9am–4pm.

*Washhouse* — 24/7.

**Listing your business on this page is free. ■**

## Health Calendar

Requests for Allied Health 1300 760 177

**September 2019**

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist  
Diabetes Education  
Dietitian  
Physiotherapist  
Occupational Therapist  
Speech Pathologist  
Social Worker

**Bookings**                      **8642 3201**



## September

### Anglican Church of St Matthews

Three services a year:

- St Matthew'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 Harold Camonias

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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1. Handwritten materials, major advert roughs, and pictures for scanning to Visitor Information Centre Quorn Railway Station 4.30pm Wednesday 25th September.
2. Submitted articles/items are preferred as an email attachment using Word or Publisher
3. Classified Adverts on the form provided, at the Visitor Information Centre. *Must* be paid for when submitted. 4.30pm Friday 27th September 2019.
4. Photocopy-ready materials: Visitor Information Centre, Quorn. 4.30pm Friday 27th September 2019.
5. Publication — Friday morning October 4th 2019.

### **Guidelines for Photocopy-ready materials:**

- white A4 paper with 2cm margins all round; minimum 11-point type.
- if less than half a page, please use full page width still within 2cm margins.

**Conditions**—no material will be published that is not accompanied by the writer's name and either address or 'phone number, but not *on* the work.

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**Classifieds:** \$1 per line or part-line on the form provided at the Visitor Information Centre, Quorn.

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# Quorn~Hawker~Cradock Events September 2019

## Regular Events

### Quorn

#### Quorn Produce and Craft Market

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September

#### 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

Breakfast 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> from 8.00am

#### Flinders Flicks

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
Tickets at Emily's Bistro

#### Storytime at the Library

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

#### Spit Roast

Emily's Bistro - Every Sunday

#### JP Services

Every Thursday at the Quorn Library 2-4pm.

### Hawker

#### Community Group

Tuesday fortnightly

#### Development Board

3rd Monday of the Month

#### Friendship Group

3rd Wednesday

#### Sing Australia Hawker

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

#### Quilting Group

Friday fortnightly

## Events

**Quorn Show** – 22nd September 9am to 4pm Quorn Community Oval Show 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

**2019 Quorn Area Interschool's & HRCV Gymkhana** - Monday 23rd 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](mailto:chloe.hilder328@schools.sa.edu.au)

**Flinders Ranges: A Brush with Art** - 7<sup>th</sup> September to 7<sup>th</sup> October Jonas and Jaja Art Gallery showcases "Art Back" (19-29<sup>th</sup> September) an exhibit of Local Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Artists

**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  
**Pick up your timetable at the VIC Quorn or visit**  
[www.pichirichirailway.org.au](http://www.pichirichirailway.org.au)

#### **Quote of the Month**

*To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all. - Oscar Wilde*

## Regular Events

### Quorn

#### **Aerobics/Walking Exercise**

Monday and Thursday  
Anglican Church Hall 6pm. Cost \$2.

#### **Asharnaye – Let's Groove**

Wednesday night 6.30pm at the School Gym.  
Cost \$15 per session or \$50 for 4. *Groove is a simple & fun dance experience that conditions the body & nurtures the mind, body & soul*

#### **Boot Camp**

Tuesday 6am & Fridays 6.15am  
School/community Gym. Cost \$2

#### **Line Dancing**

Tuesday nights, 7pm, Town Hall. Cost \$6.

#### **Yoga**

Thursday nights 6.30pm  
Uniting Church Hall

#### **Probus**

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

#### **Quilting/Sewing/Knitting Group**

Fridays at the Austral Hotel.  
Everyone welcome

#### **Quorn Bowling Club**

Interested in playing social bowls?  
Tuesday 1.00pm for 1.30pm start.  
Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

#### **Suzanne's Dancers**

Quorn Tuesday at Quorn Parish Hall for children

#### **Pool Competitions**

Every Tuesday at the Criterion Hotel

#### **Darts Competition**

Every Tuesday at the Austral Inn Hotel

#### **Carols Practice – for Carols after the Pageant**

Tuesday 4:30pm at Church on the Corner

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**\$10**

General Admission  
(Junior kids plain white shirts available on the day for \$4)

**\$18**

General Admission  
+ Event Shirt

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# 2019 RANGES COLOUR RUN

GATES OPEN AT 9:30AM  
STARTING LINE // REGISTRATIONS @ QUORN AREA SCHOOL OVAL

**REGISTER AT**

[www.rangescolourrun.com](http://www.rangescolourrun.com)

#RANGESCOLOURRUN

## Step 1

### REGISTER ONLINE

Use the link above to register. Once registered you will receive your tickets via email. If you have trouble accessing the website or registering for the event, please contact the school on (08) 86486101.

## Step 2

### CHECK YOUR EMAILS

After registering for the event you will be prompted to check your email. Here you will find payment details to complete the registration process. Please print your tickets and bring along to the event.

## Step 3

### PAYMENT

Please ensure payment prior to the event. If you would prefer not to transfer online, please call into the school to make a direct cash or card payment.

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