

Quorn Mercury

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WATER BOMBERS SUPPORTED on-ground fire fighters to extinguish a fire at Dutchmans Stern on March 4th.

Meanwhile on Sunday March 10th Brill Rail Car services ran from Quorn to Woolshed Flat to commemorate the last publicly scheduled passenger service from Peterborough to Quorn, 50 years ago. Photos below record the home-coming of the 1pm service and show tourists lingering to reflect with each other, before returning to the present. ■



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ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE



THURSDAY 25 April 2019

QUORN 10.45am



HAWKER 8.00am

CRADOCK – 6.30am

DAWN SERVICE

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Show Success

THE NORTHERN AGRICULTURAL Shows Association (NASA) held its annual presentation dinner in Clare on Saturday 31st March. The 2019 Young Rural Ambassador presentations were held at this event, and the winners announced.

Entrants were Sophie Reynolds—Jamestown, Sasha Selleck—Gawler, Garry Schultz—Eudunda, Chloe Hilder—Quorn and Taylah Smith—Clare.

Entrants introduced themselves to the audience, spoke of their interests and involvement with their show, and about what they hoped to achieve through participation in the young Rural Ambassador programme. All had submitted their resumes and been interviewed by a panel of judges. They all demonstrated interest and enthusiasm for country life and networking with other young people to support and continue country shows.

Congratulations to Chloe Hilder, joint winner with Garry Schultz, and Runner Up Sasha Selleck.

Chloe also received the trophy as NASA 2018 Junior Aggregate Winner in the Horses in Action section. ■



Chloe with proud parents Dale and Lorraine Hilder—Chloe holding her NASA Aggregate trophy and Young Rural Ambassador Award



From left: Joint winners Chloe Hilder and Garry Schultz, Runner Up Sasha Selleck and entrant Sophie Reynolds. Photograph courtesy of Clive Palmer Photography Jamestown



Congratulations to Lorie Paynter, 2018 Junior Aggregate Winner in the Poultry section in the Northern Agricultural Shows Association



At the Royal Adelaide Autumn Horse Show: Amanda O'Loughlin leading Bob competed in the Cleveland Bay classes, finishing 2nd as Best Presented Cleveland Bay, and 2nd Led Cleveland Bay Gelding

Chat with a Quornie

Marg Smith



I GREW UP in Adelaide, the second of three girls, active in my local Methodist church—at Sunday School, Christian Endeavour, netball, tennis, camps. I became a Brownie at eight, then a Guide and Ranger.

My mum lived on a farm at Minnipa, but moved to Adelaide to finish high school. She met Dad, married, and made her home there.

We were lucky to have holidays with Grandma and Grandpa Cook. My Cook ancestor was a boot maker, a settler of Whyte Yarcowie, in the 1870's.

Dad grew up in Mile End. The Dewar's were Scots, who settled in Adelaide in 1876.

After Christmas each year, Mum and Dad took our caravan to Fort Glanville Caravan Park, to spend the summer with friends. The menfolk went to work from there.

When Dad took his annual holidays, we went touring, mostly round the southern states. To keep us from fighting in the back seat of the Vanguard, Mum set us up with knitting projects. It often became a race, and resulted in us making some great jumpers.

As I grew older I made it my goal to try as many *gentle arts* as possible—crochet, tatting, tapestry, quilting, embroidery, lace making and dress making. But later, stained glass windows.

Dad was president of the Cornish Carol Choir. I enjoyed going to the concerts, and gained a love of singing from him.

I joined the *Endeavourers*, a youth choir that sang and performed musicals. We toured Tasmania, ACT and rural areas. At 14, I was born again and dedicated my life to God.

Years later, I asked my mother why they supported me in all I wanted to do. It seemed like my sisters weren't involved. She said, 'because you always knew what you wanted'.

I attended Underdale High School till 1970. Then worked as a courier in the X-ray Dept, Royal Adelaide Hospital, until I began RN training the day before my 17th birthday.

In those days, nurses had to live in—the hospital *owned* its nurses. Special requests for



Marg's family. From left—Dianne, Helen (Mum) Marg, Angus (Dad), Heather, in 1973

time off were hard to come by. There was no carpark, because, according to Matron, nurses didn't earn enough to own a car.

I finished training in October 1974. (Including the day before my eighteenth). I was undecided about my future. Mum and Dad thought I'd go to the Queen Victoria in Adelaide to do Midwifery, but I met a girl at youth camp, who'd trained at the Royal Women's Hospital, Melbourne, and knew that was where I was meant to go.

My family was shocked at first, but supportive of my move. I started *Mid* in Melbourne, in December 1974.

After two years (a year training and a year on staff), armed with my Midwifery Certificate, I applied for a posting with the Australian Inland Mission (Now Frontier Services). I was sent to Warburton WA.

I was one of four nurses at the 13-bed hospital. There was no doctor, but we provided medical clinics, primary health care and emergency care. I learnt to appreciate the culture of the Ngaanatjarra people.

Few of the residents lived in actual houses. Several women worked in the hospital. We were isolated, so were restricted to daylight RFDS flights from Kalgoorlie. Really sick patients had to wait till daybreak.

Six months later, I contracted hepatitis, and was flown back to Kalgoorlie Hospital, before returning to Adelaide to recuperate.

For the next eight months of 1977, I travelled around Australia with my parents, worked at Keith hospital, and flew to England where I travelled for several months.

I enjoyed my time there. It was a great time for me to reflect on what had transpired, and where my life was going.

I decided to come home to gain a Diploma of Ministry at Tabor Bible College. I was one of the first graduates in Dec 1979. Classes were at night, so could I work as a nurse for the Royal District Nursing Society (RDNS).

After graduation, I remained on staff at Tabor for two years, setting up and managing their library.

There was an opening at my church for a leader support role for teenage girls, in the youth program. This involved many activities, camps and singing groups.

I had learnt the piano as a young girl. Lessons were tedious, so I gave it away. But I had a desire to play, and played by ear quite skillfully but without finesse.

My interest in music and singing was reawakened. I was motivated to take formal

singing lessons, from a teacher who covered eight years of the theory syllabus in one.

The youth oversight wanted our youth group to perform a musical, *New Covenant*. I produced and directed it, and followed with *The Glory of Christmas*. They were a great success. Representatives of two churches approached me to be their Musical Director.

Port Augusta Crossroads Christian Centre (CRC) appealed, so I became their Musical Director for ten years.

It was 1981. I was 28, single, no prospects. I decided to follow God's leading and see where we would end. Lee Reid told me that Quorn Hospital was looking for a midwife.

I took the job, moved to Quorn, and became involved with the Quorn church women. I formed, and conducted a Quorn Choir, which was great fun. We performed at every opportunity. Our Christmas Carols by Candlelight continued for over 20 years.

I always wished to marry. In a population of 1500, finding a passionate believer wouldn't be easy, but it's amazing how God works.

Through the church, I met and formed a friendship with the man I married in January 1983. We had a two and a half day courtship, and nine week engagement. Quentin Smith was that most amazing man.

Reflecting later, it was staggering the number of times our paths had crossed.



Marg and Quentin on their wedding day at CNC, Adelaide in 1983

One meeting was ten years before, when a friend and I went to Wilpena for a weekend. We waited for Quentin, the owner of Quorn Fuel outlet (now Carling's) to open.

Then, in about 1979, we met at Tabor for a performance of *The Glory of Christmas*.

When I was young, I'd read a newspaper article about a Diprotodon skeleton, found by Quentin at Pernatty Lagoon. He donated it to the SA Museum.

(Chat with Marg Smith Continued)

I continued working full time, as Registered Nurse/midwife, followed by Aged Care Manager of Flinders House for 10 years.

Quentin and I were blessed with two sons, Angus and Hamish. Our extended families were miles away, so June Roberts entered our lives. The boys loved their surrogate grandmother. And we were very happy.

Quentin enjoyed being part of the boys' lives, sharing wonderful experiences—bush walking, fossicking, track work and camping adventures. He went to swimming carnivals,



Marg, painted by Nikyla Smith

camp and school sports days.

We were a team, with Quentin head of our home. But, I told him, I was the neck. And the head can't operate without the neck.

He believed God had miraculously saved him, when, at nine on a dairy at Wollongong, he had Brucellosis and TB; as a 17 year old builder, with severe spinal injuries, he was told he'd never walk again; at 40 he tore ligaments in his arm that healed instantly.

At 14, he was diagnosed with the little known condition of dyslexia: his eyes saw beyond what we see.

Before going to Quorn, Quentin worked in Whyalla, building the BHP Steel Rolling Mills. Days off, he spent on nature and geology, prospecting and discovering the wonders of creation.

He'd bought the First and Sixth Street corner shop in 1969. He restored it and opened Quorn Museum, the Crystal Cave and tourist information centre.

Down the cellar was his wonderful collection of rocks, minerals and fossils.

It's now considered one of the largest individual collections of minerals in Australia. In 2017, our family donated it to Jeff Morgan's Gallery, Hawker, where it's on permanent display.

In 1973, Quentin placed *Save our heritage* signs along the railway line, to gather support for preserving the Pichi Richi Railway.

Tourism hadn't really started, when Quentin came to Quorn. His ideas for local and outback tours were laughed at, and tourists were dismissed as *rubbernecks*.

Tourist knowledge of Quentin's Local Attractions and Flinders Ranges half day, and day tours spread by word of mouth. People loved Quentin's enthusiasm, quirkiness and storytelling. His life story was told in *The Advertiser*, *The Chicago Tribune*, 4WD magazines; and in Simon Townsend's TV series, *Wonderworld*.

He won the Flinders Ranges tourism award—*Best Individual Effort*

When we married, Quentin's Tour business, *Intrepid Tours*, was in its infancy. I did the office management and catering. He pioneered Dutchmen Stern tracks on private property—4WD tours on unique tracks .

This became the Dutchman Conservation Park. Volunteers from OARS, Prisoners, church youth groups maintained 4WD tracks.

Quentin was scoutmaster; a long term member of Quorn CFS and SES; Town Hall picture show projectionist, actor and poetry reader in the Drama club.

In 1987, we took an engineer's plans, and forged our way through Regency Park Department of Transport's red tape, for permission to build the *Big Bus* of Quentin's dreams—25 seats with two braking systems.



Quentin with his newly commissioned Intrepid Tours bus, in 1987

Having the bus, opened doors to seven-ten day tours to Nilpena, Bunyeroo Gorge, Mt Lyndhurst, Erudina and Wertaloonna's Red Gorge. That called for on-road catering.

Yvonne Hoseason-Smith became my right hand. We took SA Museum's Waterhouse Club on the annual Fossil Search Field Trip; Senior Citizens groups; and, the Smithsonian Institute (US) Geological Survey, to collect rock specimens for a DNA register, from Mt Lyndhurst to Ayers Rock,

Yvonne and I went ahead, set up camp and cooked a meal in shearers' kitchens. The group arrived, washed, ate, slept. We cleaned up. On 'days off' we baked.

It was exhausting, but we met wonderful people from all over the world, and shared God's amazing country with them.

Quentin's down-to-earth Christianity made the tour with the *Explorer's Club* for mentally challenged youth, one of our best.

In 1995, we met regularly with a group of unchurched Christians in Hawker and Quorn. Numbers grew, and we started Flinders Christian Fellowship in Quorn. Quentin and I were leaders. I was ordained Pastor in 2001.

We ceased tours because of GST, health concerns and the poor economy.

Before our marriage, Quentin had begun renovating the old bakery house in Sixth Street. It took over 27 years to complete.

It was the first stone house in Quorn (c.1876). Mrs Sara Mahnke, had a Coffee Palace there in 1903. Lunch and dinner were in the two front rooms; the front verandah diner was for bullockies and workmen.

Some of the eight rooms were for boarders. It was also popular for honeymooners, who were travelling on the next day's train.

Quentin's attention to detail was amazing. He rejuvenated dry timber; salvaging doors and timber pieces. He removed the ovens, baking chamber, bag/store room, and stables.

He finished the house with a bathroom and verandah. The old bakery became a two bedroom flat (that I completed after his death).

In November 2003, Quentin was diagnosed with terminal cancer. He had a very short time to live, but (Praise God), with prayer and treatment regained much of his health.

Angus and Hamish helped cared for him at home, But, he fell in 2009, and cancer flared up again. He went home to glory in May 2010. He *lived* fully.

In 2005 I joined SES to boost numbers. I stepped up to be Unit Manager. With Training Officers' help, I recruited and trained 18 new members—many female. In my 10 years as Manager, I applied for and gained building extensions, and upgraded vehicles.

Since I retired from the Hospital in 2015, I have been full time pastor at the *Church on the Corner* (Flinders Christian Fellowship).

Our non-denominational church runs a Bible Discussion group, and bi-weekly lunches for people who are often alone, and look forward to the companionship.

I'm three quarters of the way through a two year course—*Continuing Education for Ministers*, from the Gold Coast Bible College; And, Chairperson of *Quorn Churches Together*—an umbrella group supporting and financing Schools Chaplaincy.

As I was born loved by my family and by God, I believe I can afford to love others. To love is to serve. ■



Cartoonist Mick Joffe pictured Marg's busy-ness in 1987



From left—Margaret, Hamish, Quentin and Angus, Quorn 2003



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The Philippines with Father Jimmy

Richard and Leah Khoe

THE PHILIPPINES wasn't on our wish list for a holiday destination. That is, until Richard got to know Fr Jimmy, who joined the Kairos* team last year.

Jimmy had once mentioned that he would be quite happy to show people around the Philippines. Richard jumped at the chance to be guided by a local, and immediately put our names down.

We got together to discuss the itinerary. Jimmy told us what places and activities he had in mind, and we were awestruck when we saw his photos.



Leah and Richard on left with European visitors

No cycling / hiking holiday but snorkelling, kayaking, beach walks and SUP (stand-up paddle boarding). Such fun!

The Philippines consists of over 7,000 islands with a population of 105 million. Before colonisation the main trading partners were Indonesia and China.

It was a Spanish colony from the 16th century till 1898. It was handed over to the US for almost 50 years as a result of the Spanish - American war.

During WWII the Philippines was under Japanese occupation for two years. It became an independent republic in 1946.

We thought that with our bit of Spanish, Malay (Indonesian), a few words of Chinese and English, we would be able to understand a bit of the language. But we and certainly couldn't pick

up enough words of Tagalog to understand what they were saying. English is the second language, but not everyone speaks English.

85% of the people are Roman Catholic, the religion introduced by the Spanish almost 500 years ago. The anniversary will be celebrated in 2021. The Filipinos are very good at parties, so no doubt this will be something big.

The highlights of the trip are hard to pick, there were so many.



Handing out pens and pencils, at a public school in Jimmy's home town (that you all collected) was a joy. You should have seen the kids excited faces!

Someone in Hawker had made lovely dresses to be handed to the poorest girls later. Thank you all for your support and contributions.

Immersion in Filipino culture

What a privilege to have Jimmy and his friends helping us interact with, and learn from the beautiful, hospitable and helpful Filipinos. Guides and friends/family were happy to answer any questions and share knowledge of the country and culture.

We found that many Filipinos were immensely proud, and keen to show and talk about their beautiful country. Public areas and beaches were well-kept, swept daily and cleared of rubbish.

Littering—which was well-policed, attracted fines. It was great to see and hear people's pride

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and willingness to keep the stunning natural wonders as pristine as they are.

In Manila, we were invited to stay with a wonderful Filipino couple Jimmy knew. So we could experience what it was like to live with the locals.

We had many inspiring conversations with this wise couple, who gave us lots of information and showed us around. They also introduced us to new, interesting foods we hadn't tried yet.

The absolute highlight was the privilege of being invited to Jimmy's sister's beach wedding, which was a wonderful and special experience.



Fr Jimmy's sister and Wedding Party

Food

I wish we had a Filipino restaurant in Quorn. The food is just so yummy! T

There is lots of seafood, but also soy, chicken, pork. Spices are beautiful and (surprisingly) not hot. Rice and noodles are staples. Soups with whole teeth, eyes, the lot...

Fish and young jackfruit were slightly sour, which was refreshing. American influences filtered through in banana pancakes for breakfast in among the rice dishes. Mango, coconut milk, and bananas were in season and just beautiful.

Religion

Religion plays a huge part in Filipino culture. The majority of people are Catholic, with a smaller percentage of Protestants and Muslims.

Mass is at six every morning, and a large number of people attend to start their day.

Jimmy's friends took us to a beautiful church in Batangas, which was an open wooden and bamboo structure with a reed roof.

On a Sunday, they would have eight packed masses. Country churches had multiple masses on Sunday.

Taxis, tricycles and buses had *Jesus is my Friend* or *God is love* written on them. Wouldn't it be something to see it plastered on the Premier Stateliner! Houses have many religious statues, paintings and Christian texts. God is the centre of their life.



Nature

Stunning, just magnificent nature. The water is crystal clear. Beaches have powdery, soft, white sand. There are funny-shaped, sharp-edged rock formations, beautiful lagoons and lakes and a world-renowned underwater river.

There are volcanoes—one, with multiple craters, in the middle of a lake. Some are still active (Taal).

There are many colourful fish, birds, snakes. We spotted a good old lace monitor, exactly the same-looking as ours. The main islands we visited were Panay, Boracay and Palawan.

Activities

Temperatures of 23-24 (night); and 30-32 during the day with a higher humidity. We didn't bushwalk or climb mountains (Always leave something to come back for!).

But we did a few boat trips, walked along beaches, snorkelled amongst stunning corals and fish, kayaked and paddle boarded.



Jimmy is thinking of another trip to the Philippines in two or three years and hopes to include a charity project.

If this has whet your appetite, let him know that you are interested in immersing yourself in Filipino culture. It is a great opportunity and we are indebted to Jimmy, his family and friends for this wonderful experience. ■

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PRISON MINISTRY AUSTRALIA

***Kairos** is an ecumenical Christian, prison ministry, which transforms lives and gives hope to those inside and their families.

A good number now support Kairos themselves. It is an amazing ministry to be involved in and we need men for this year's short course. The first team formation is 13th April at the Lutheran Church at Port Augusta, and is a great way to get an idea of what Kairos is all about and meet some of this year's team.

For more information, please talk to Jimmy, Richard or Leah. ■

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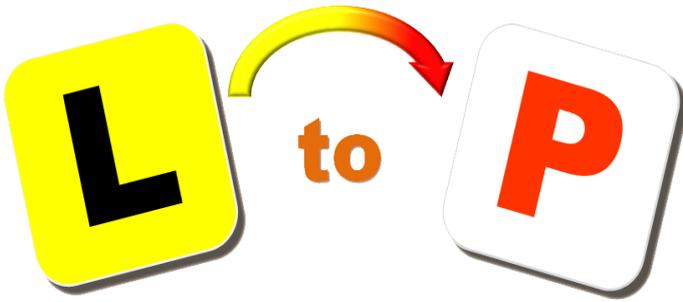


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Flinders House News

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Do you mostly wear Flats?

Does the sole of your shoe bend at the ball of your foot, not the arch?

Does the sole have a bit of bounce?

Does the sole have some grip?

Does the heel have a rounded edge?

If you answered *no* to any of these, you may be at increased risk of falling.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

WE HAD MANY laughs at lunch and all wore our Leprechaun Names, donned hats and glasses, and chuckled over Irish jokes while we tucked into Guinness Pies.

We are still looking for volunteers! Just one hour every week or fortnight could make all the difference to somebody here.

Whether it be in the garden, playing bowls, reading to, or having a cuppa with the residents.

Every little thing makes a difference!



Heather, Maureen and Porky



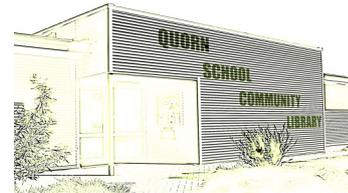
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Over 100 and chocolate is still the best medicine



Pamper Day

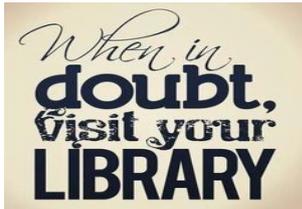
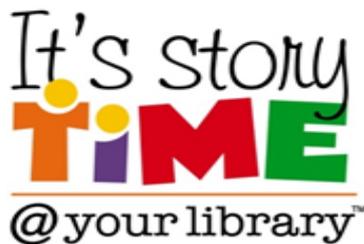


QUORN BOOK CLUB

Next meeting 25th April, Anzac Day.
Please meet 1:30pm at 21 Park Terrace.
Book is Commonwealth by Ann Patchett

All Welcome

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STORY TIME

It is great to see so many new faces at Storytime. Our next Storytime will be April 10th for Easter. Please check Quorn Out and About for any updates.

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2019 library arrivals to be published in next month's Mercury



**Storytime theme:
OWLS**



Pictures — From the Past



MOST SMALL COUNTRY towns used to have a local Band. They were an important part of weekly life. Dances occurred regularly, and of course the Band would perform at them. Street marches were common, and would march to the music of the Band. And since a small country town almost always had a theatre company that staged live plays and musicals, the Band would be needed for any drama requiring music. The Band might even provide background music to early silent movies. (Sound didn't arrive for films until 1927 with the Al Jolson film, *The Jazz Singer*.) And many small towns had a rotunda, in which the Band would perform once a week, often on Sunday afternoons.

The above photo is of the 'Quorn Orchestra', remarkably, and you wonder if there were at that time *both* a Quorn Orchestra *and* a Quorn Town Band. All of the five photos courtesy Val Francis.



The Quorn Band c 1955. *From left, back*—A. Robertson, D. Robinson, R. Robinson, F. Semmens, J. Perry, H. Smith, S. Chapman, R. Sulig. *From left, centre*—M. Kirkham, A. Bray, S. Grocke, Bonner De Vries, Ben De Vries, J. Loragy, R. Werfel, I. Howard, B. Fry. *From left, front*—C. Brewster, J. Broadstock, L. McCartney (Drum Major), L. Williams (Conductor), J. Jones, E. Neuman, A. Brooks. The only one of these five photos in which every Band member is named.



The above photo is of the Quorn Band around 1920



The Quorn Band looking to be marching in the street, and pausing for a photo. Undated



Combined Quorn, Pt Augusta & Whyalla Bands, c 1951, brought together for the film, *Kangaroo* ■

Progressive Quorn HOTEL AUSTRAL

DURING THE PAST MONTH or so the Hotel Austral, which is owned by Mr. J. Casey and occupied by him for about four years, but recently taken over by Mr. J. Keane, has been undergoing extensive alterations.

The old building, which is situated in Railway Terrace, is scarcely recognisable, in the fine substantial structure that now takes shape. The work is nearing completion, and during last week our representative, at the invitation of Mr. Casey, was afforded an opportunity of inspecting the building.

Mr. T. Thornton, the architect and supervisor of the work, accompanied the pressman and explained the methods and procedure of the work. Mr. Thornton in addition to being responsible for the plans of the building, undertook the work of purchasing materials and personally supervising the contract. All the work has been done on the premises by day labour and, the reinforced concrete bricks of which the outer walls are composed, were made on the job, and also the fibrous plaster sheets of which the ceilings are composed.

The whole of the additions to the building have the outer walls of reinforced concrete bricks, and the walls are also built cavity style to eliminate dampness and facilitate ventilation. The partitions are built of brick and plastered to the floors there being no wooden skirtings.

These additions comprise fourteen rooms upstairs, which includes separate ladies and gent's lavatories and bath rooms, with hot and cold water systems installed. All the rooms which open out upon the balconies are provided with French casement doors of latest designs, and all these doors and windows throughout are provided

with wire screens. The fireplaces in the rooms are of the latest designs and the stair head space is utilised for the broom cupboard and linen cupboards, etc. A room is also to be used as an up-to-date commercial parlour, and throughout the building, conduits are installed in the event of electric light being installed at any time.

Now we come to the balconies. These extended along two sides of the building, that facing Railway Terrace being 68 ft. in length, and facing Sixth Street 63ft. The width of the balconies is 10ft, the front of which is to be covered with Malthoid.

The building throughout is laced together with $\frac{5}{8}$ th steel rods running through the heads of all openings, which are built to one level, and massive reinforced concrete girders carrying the division walls above.

Upstairs the central portion of the building is lit by dormer windows. Upon the ground floor numerous alterations have been made to the arrangement of the building. A large up-to-date second class dining room has been installed and the first class dining room is also in course of erection. The kitchen is situated between these rooms with up-to date methods of serving for each room, and also the kitchen itself is fitted with the latest conveniences and methods of drainage etc.

Various alterations are yet to be made to the other rooms and bar of the first storey of the building, and the whole upon completion, should prove a most up-to-date and imposing Hotel.

The new furnishings throughout being both up-to-date and expensive, reflect much credit to Mr. Keane, and the travelling public will be assured of every possible comfort and excellent cuisine. ■

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The Hotel Austral prior to alterations.



Keane's Hotel Austral, Quorn after alterations in late 1922

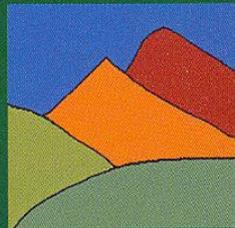
Article from *Quorn Mercury*, Friday 2 June 1922 p.3 supplied by John Mannion

We are looking to gather information regarding the history of the trucking transport in Quorn post war.

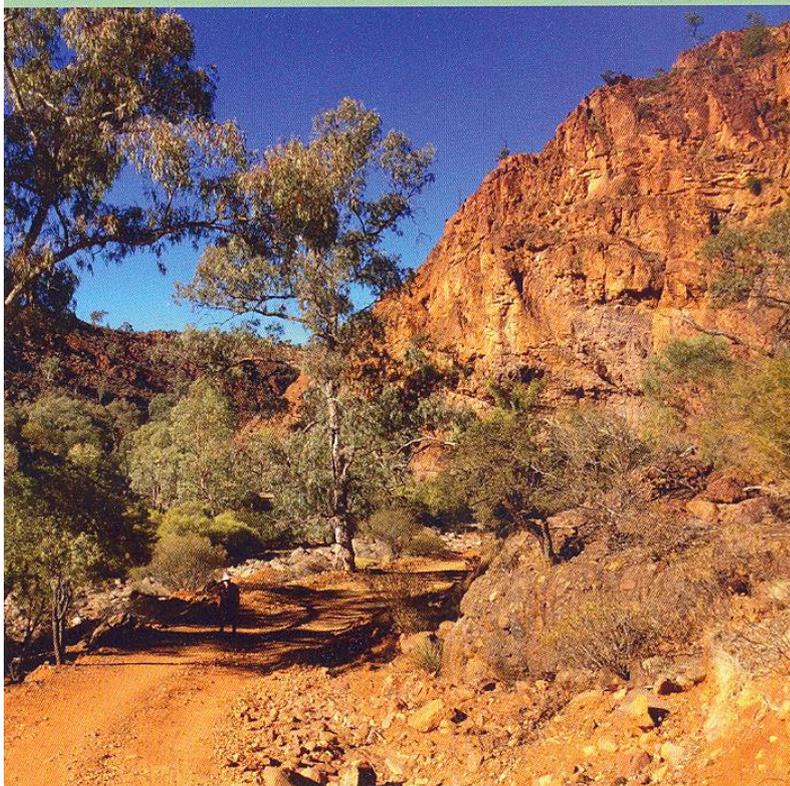
If you have any information you would like to share please contact Jacinta Hannigan email djjah1@bigpond.com 0427148432 or Peter Jarvis email peter.jarvis@live.com.au

New Walking Trails Leaflet

Sixteen -



Flinders Ranges Walks



Near Stubbs Waterhole on Barranna Walk

- > near Quorn
- > in Ikara-Flinders Ranges National Park
- > in Vulkathunha-Gammon Ranges National Park
- > around Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary

THIS NEW LEAFLET has just been published by the Walking Trails Support Group (WTSG). It covers the sixteen walking trails that this group has developed and maintained during the last twenty years.

The sixteen trails are from Mt Brown south of Quorn, to Terrapinna Tors close to the northern end of the Flinders Ranges.

You can get this leaflet from the Quorn Visitors Information Centre, and from the Leaflet Distribution Boxes at the start of the Mt Brown and The Dutchman's Stern Trails.

It has a map showing the location of all these trails, and also a brief description of each one, as here:

1 - Mount Brown



Mount Brown Conservation Park

13 km circuit, 1 km spur to historic summit; tower with long views. Some shorter options

2 - Dutchman's Stern



Dutchman's Stern Conservation Park

10 km circuit with views and shorter options; changing views

Of course, there are separate leaflets for each of these trails. You can get some of them from the Quorn VIC.

The longest is 16 km, the shortest 7 km. The average is 10 km, and eight of them are less than 10 km.

The trails are all very clearly marked, and cleared, and easy to follow. They are all maintained with annual WTSG work sessions.

There *are* a great many other walking trails in the Flinders, of course. Remember that there are as many as thirty trails alone, all within an easy drive from Quorn.

What a great way to get close to the heart of the Flinders Ranges! ■

Quorn Out and About



From left—Calan, Dominic and Wayde Finlay
Welcome to Quorn baby Dominic Corey!

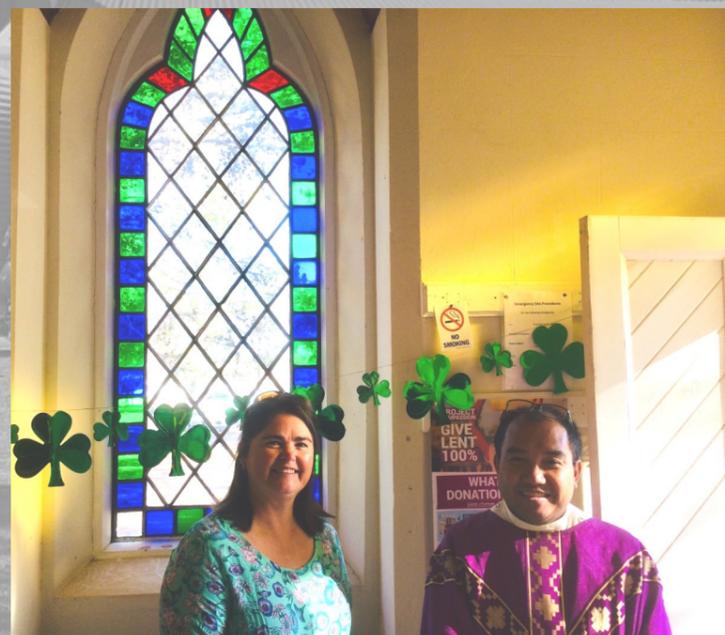


Shared on the Blinman History Group Facebook Page
from 1963. Who remembers when the first letters of
Pichi Richi Pass were removed from the road sign?



Savannah and Jaxson Brown celebrated their 7th and 6th Birthday at the Transcontinental Hotel

From left—Dacie, Evelyn, Caleb, Cameron, Ella, Lilly, Olivia, Savannah, Lily, Jaxson, Ashleigh and Haley



From Left —Naomi Maloney and Fr Jimmy Pantin
on St Patrick's Day



Beer o'clock between the Motorkhana and the Gymkhana at the Stockyard Arena
after a dusty afternoon

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- Friday: 1.00pm - 5.30pm
- Saturday: 10.00am - 12noon
- Sunday & Monday: Closed

Please note the permanent change to the QSCL opening times. These changes came into effect on Tuesday 12th March. We thank you for your understanding and look forward to your continued patronage.

Quorn Area School News

STUDENTS HAVE RETURNED to school enthused to be once again back in the routine of learning and discovering. We are continuing on our Visible Learning journey and are encouraging students and their families to join us.

2018 SACE Results

100% completion rate
27.3% of learners gained an ATAR over 90%
100% of learners who applied to university have secured places

We congratulate all of our 2018 graduates on their achievements and wish them well on the next stage of their journey.

2019 Swimming Carnival

Kanyaka 1194 defeated Yarrah 1096

The annual swimming carnival was fiercely competitive between the two teams. We welcomed Hawker Area School again to add to the number of students participating.

Junior Primary students enjoyed events both in and out of the pool on a perfect day for everyone. A gallery of photos is available to view on our website.

After the success of our carnival, 26 students were selected to represent QAS at the annual MNSEC (interschool) carnival on Tuesday 19th February. QAS won this event in 2018 but finished 3rd this year. Aiden Hatelby-Bell was awarded Champion Male Swimmer of the night, Jayde Finlay finished in 2nd place as the Champion Female Swimmer.

SAASTA Program

Two Year 11 students commenced their 2019 SAASTA (South Australian Aboriginal Sports Training Academy) program for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander South Australians. It offers a range of highly engaging learning and personal development opportunities.

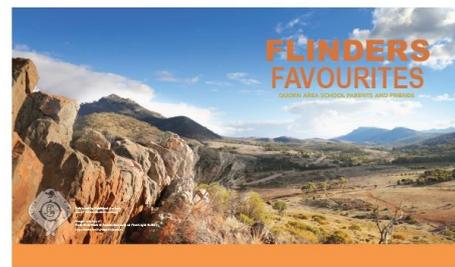
SAASTA builds on the education offered in schools, giving students opportunities for personal growth and cultural experience.

Happy Haven OSHC

An OSHC service has reopened at QAS to assist working families in the community. Please see our website to book your places throughout the year.

QAS Cookbook

Our long-awaited *Flinders Favourites* cookbook is now available for purchase at the school, Quandong Café, Visitor Information Centre and The Transcontinental Hotel.



QUORN AREA SCHOOL COOKBOOK

We hope you enjoy the beautiful recipes included in this cookbook, and that wonderful memories of QAS remain with you always when you share these meals with your friends and family for years to come.

\$30.00

\$30.00 each for the first 2 books. \$25.00 each thereafter.
Discounted books are only available if purchased in one transaction.

(CASH SALES ONLY UNTIL SCHOOL COMMENCES 2019).

2019 Governing Council

On Wednesday 6th March, the 2018 Annual Report to the School Community was presented at our Governing Council AGM.

This report allows us to celebrate the successes of the previous year and set an agenda for the year ahead that secures quality learning outcomes for all students. The report has also been uploaded onto our website. We welcome feedback on the journey the school is undertaking.

We would like to thank members of our community who have volunteered to serve on our Governing Council in 2019.

We thank Mark Tuckwell for his commitment to the Governing Council over the last six years.

National Day against Bullying and Violence

QAS participated in some excellent activities on Friday 15th March in support of BULLYING NO WAY! Activities were carefully organised and facilitated by some of our hardworking Prefects.

The day included a whole school assembly where Prefects introduced our guest speaker Sonja Tilbrook (Child Wellbeing Practitioner – Northern Country), who gave an informative presentation about what bullying really is.

After school, the Quorn Churches Together chaplaincy subcommittee held a very successful Retro Play Date, with games and a barbecue. ■



Friday 15 March 2019
www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

National Day
of Action
against
Bullying and Violence



Kylie Finlay
Quorn 5433

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ABN: 33425604569



Quorn Produce and Craft Market
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Oodna Races

— Bruce Delany

OODNADATTA RACES never had the cult following that Birdsville has, but they still put on a pretty good meeting. Nearly every property within 150 miles (240 km) or so participated, contributing horses and jockeys. Some came up from the south, others down from the north.

The Horses

SOME VERY GOOD horses started, and every race was hotly contested. The owner of Granite Downs—I think it was Ernie Giles—had an ambition to breed a piebald racehorse, and I believe he finally achieved this with an Oodnadatta Cup winner named ‘Gift’.

We had a pretty good horse on Macumba called ‘The Wizard’, who won the cup twice. He was a most unlikely-looking racehorse, who looked to have a bit of camel in him, and always seemed to be asleep.

He had a disconcerting habit of sleeping standing up with his hind legs crossed—but appearances can be deceiving.

My pride and joy was a horse called ‘Timaru’. I thought he was unbeatable, but when we ran track gallops, The Wizard’ nuted him every time. A case of letting my heart rule my head!

The Meeting

THE MEETING usually went for four days. First day, Races; Second day, Gymkhana; Third Day, Cup Day; and Fourth Day, Sports & Recovery.

The ‘Stockman’s Flutter’ was greeted with unbridled enthusiasm by black and white alike, and several heats were run as all and sundry wanted to compete.

I didn’t see any Darby Munro’s* amongst them, especially the Aboriginal riders, who all had the time of their lives, though they swapped style for enthusiasm.

I’ve seen them galloping down the straight cooeing like banshees,* and hitting their horses with their hats—their arms and legs flapping like demented water-beetles.

Sports Day

SPORTS DAY was a melange of various events, consisting of the hop, step & jump, arm-wrestling, bull-fighting, the tug-of-war—and plain old fisticuffs as well.

Lots of old hostilities were settled on Sports Day, but out in the open, one-on-one, and probably with a hand-shake and a drink together afterwards, irrespective of the result.

And not a knife in sight except the castrating knife in a pouch on the belt, along with the watch pouch.

It was a different culture back then. Perhaps that’s why they’re referred to so often as ‘The Good Old Days’.

Bull Fighting

BULL FIGHTING consisted of the two combatants head-butting one another until one quit. I think you had to have a fair drop of ‘Lunatic Soup’ inside you to take on this form of entertainment.

Some of these blokes got right into the part, shaking their heads from side to side, drooling saliva, and snorting, while pawing the dust up over their backs.

I think a drop of ‘West End’ helped. If you weren’t crazy before you drank it, you certainly were after. Come to think of it, you would have to be crazy to drink ‘West End’ at any time!

The Art of Mimicry

IF YOU ASKED the Aboriginal blokes about the Oodnadatta Races, their eyes would light up.

They had the art of mimicry down pat, and for months after the Races they would entertain you with their version of any of the events that had taken place.

Someone getting thrown from a horse; a drunk staggering around; some amorous ringer trying to entice the Cook down the creek for a cuddle; the owner of a winning horse congratulating the jockey; etc, etc.

You didn’t have to ask who they were taking off. Their mimicry was perfect.

Courtesy *The Western Herald*, Bourke, NSW

* Darby Munro (1913–66), famous vigorous-riding Australian jockey (right, on ‘Rogilla’ at Flemington).

* Banshee: female ghost, who shrieks and wails under the window of a house where someone is about to die. ■



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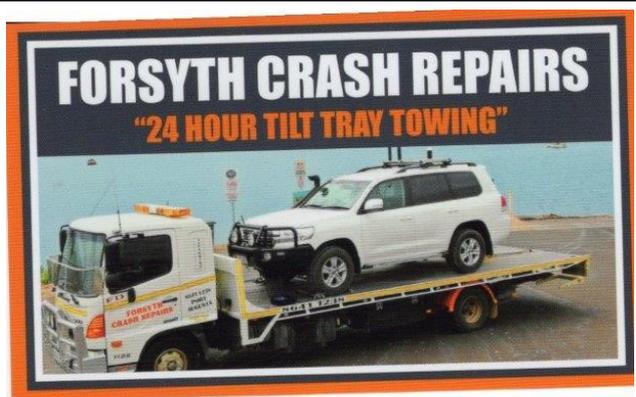
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Show Volunteers



From left: Amanda and Chloe Hilder at the Inter-schools Gymkhana in September 2018. Amanda strongly supported the event, and was a judge on the day.

STAR CLUB FLINDERS Ranges Facebook page recently recognised Amanda O'Loughlin for her contribution as a volunteer. They published the following profile information:

“For more than 18 years, Amanda O'Loughlin has been putting her hand up to help on a range of committees within the Quorn community. This includes her involvement with the Quorn Amateur Swim Club where her son is a member, and also as the Horses in Action Convenor for the Quorn Agricultural Show for eight years.

Amanda's passion is horse riding, which makes volunteering in this arena something she just makes time for. Delegating and working together eases the load of volunteering and by sharing tasks with others ensures that volunteering doesn't become a burden but something you want to do.

Clubs can't exist without volunteers. Volunteering gives Amanda a sense of purpose in helping clubs to function and run not only on competition days but every other day of the year. It also gives her the opportunity to share the knowledge she has gathered over years of competing and working within sports with other volunteers and athletes.

Amanda feels a sense of pride when children see people willing to give up their own time to assist them in pursuing their own sporting dreams – it is a rewarding feeling to see everyone working together.

Amanda encourages everyone to put their hand up to volunteer ‘Don't think you have nothing to offer – no matter how big or small your input is, every little bit of volunteer time makes a difference’.”

Quorn Agricultural Show Committee is grateful for Amanda's support of the Quorn Show.

Perhaps you would like to contribute to the 100th Show being held this year.

This is our opportunity to make this historic event memorable.

If you have any memorabilia from years gone by, including photos, letters, books that we can use or display at the 2019 show then please send them, or information to:

quornshow100@gmail.com.

If you wish to contact the show committee the office holders for 2019 are:

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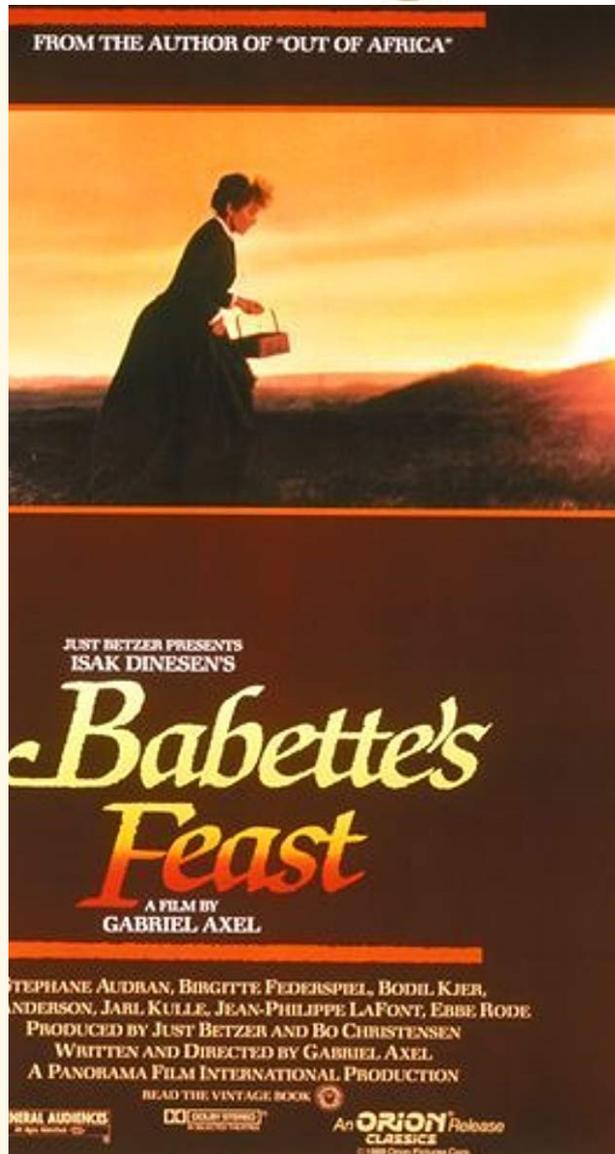
100th Show



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ABOUT THE MOVIE:

Babette's Feast a 1987 Danish **drama film** directed by **Gabriel Axel**. The film's screenplay was written by Axel based on the story by **Isak Dinesen** (Karen Blixen). *Babette's Feast* was the first Danish cinema film of a Blixen story. It was also the first Danish film to win the **Oscar** for **Best Foreign Language Film**. The film premiered in the **Un Certain Regard** section of the **1987 Cannes Film Festival**.

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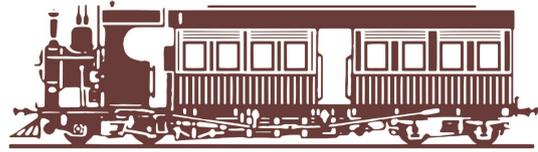
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NEXT MONTH:

May 24th—TBA

PICHI RICHI RAILWAY



WELCOME TO THE APRIL edition of our Quorn Mercury Newsletter. Keeping you up to date with the latest news from the Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society.

April – Start of the Steam Season

2019 STEAM SEASON starts in earnest at Easter and a busy weekend is planned. School holidays commence mid April and a total of thirteen scheduled trips will run plus two special hire trips.

Sun April 7th Explorer – Diesel hauled
Sat April 13th Afghan – Diesel ex Pt Augusta then steam from Quorn to Pt Augusta
Sun April 14th Explorer
Tues April 16th Explorer
Thurs April 18th Explorer
Easter Sat 20th Afghan
Easter Sun 21st Explorer
Easter Sun 21st Coffee Pot Luncheon
Easter Mon 22nd Explorer
Tues April 23rd Explorer
Anzac Day Thurs 25th Explorer (dep 2.30)
Sat April 27th Afghan
Sun April 28th Explorer – Diesel hauled
All services can be booked at the Quorn Visitor Information Centre or online.

W934 Returns to Service

IT HAS BEEN five years since the locomotive W934 was last used to haul Explorer trains.

Since then the wheels have been ‘retired’ which has entailed removal of the wheel sets for transport to Adelaide for machining. The steel tyres were sourced from South Africa and fitted by heating and shrinking onto the wheels. After machining the profile, they were returned to Quorn for refitting under the locomotive. The task was onerous and time consuming for several dedicated volunteers.

Following steam testing and certification the locomotive has made several satisfactory movements within the Depot and will now be returned to service on the Explorer trains early in the steam season.

Keep a lookout for this engine back on track!



W934 back in steam during boiler accreditation on the March long weekend

ABC ‘Back Roads’ Filming

ON MONDAY 25th March the film crew of the popular ‘Back Roads’ series arrived in town.

They were busy shooting footage in and around Quorn and interviewed local identities.

On Tuesday morning NM25, looking resplendent with a fresh coat of paint, steamed from the Depot into the Quorn Railway Station.

The Presenter from ABC, Lisa Millar, was on board the train, to introduce the story about the Flinders Ranges.



ABC Presenter Lisa Millar interviews Fireman Phil Mellors at Quorn Station

Unique *Training* tour

IN JULY 2018 I was contacted by Margaret Nathan of Nathan Travel in Berlin, Germany and asked to put together a special tour for her client—Bernd Schulz, who loves trains.

As Bernd spoke little English, this was going to be a bit of a challenge. So I enlisted the help of Daniel Day-Lutz (a local German born bloke) to help translate my running commentary.

As it turned out this worked very well, I had to remember to make short sentences so Daniel could translate, and then wait to see if Bernd had any questions, before talking.

As part of the tour I wanted to include a PRR Railway Workshop Tour. Jillian Wilson and Dion Chandler helped organise it. It was facilitated by Kingsley Marr.

Bernd's story was very interesting. He had lived in East Germany all his life, and is a house painter by trade. He has amassed over 300 books on trains, and can see trains in the yards from his home.

After the Berlin Wall came down, he continued to work and save for his trip of a life time—a six week trip to Australia.

On his itinerary was a to do Scenic Rainforest Railway and Sky trail trip in Cairns. Then on to Darwin, where he caught the *Ghan* down to Alice Springs.

After touring Uluru, he flew to Adelaide and toured the National Railway Museum in Port Adelaide, and Glenelg Tram ride.

From there he caught a Rex flight to Port Augusta to see the history of the 'Old Ghan' and the Pichi Richi Railway.

He travelled to Melbourne to ride the *Puffing Billy*. And down to Davenport for a trip on the West Coast Wilderness Railway.

We collected Bernd from Port Augusta Airport on 14th February 2019, and took him to Port Augusta Railway Station to see the two railway line gauges, and explain the history of all three SA gauges.

The original Port Augusta Railway Station was a few streets over. We took photos there before heading out of town to Quorn and following the line into Pichi Richi Pass.

We had a brief stop at Saltia, where I showed him photos of the original buildings, and explained the construction of the line north to Alice Springs, from 1878 to 1929.

At the Woolshed Flat railway siding we stopped briefly, to show how they turn the

locomotives around, and to talk about the infrastructure still in use today.

As we made our way up to Quorn, we had another brief stop to look at and photograph the retaining walls. We arrived at Quorn Railway Station around 12 noon.

Bernd wasn't fussed about having lunch, so after a walk through the VIC and Museum, we met Kingsley at the railway workshops.

We looked at the restoration work to maintain and refurbish the locomotives and rolling stock.



Bernd Schulz, Norman Bee and Daniel Day-Lutz at Pichi Richi Workshops 2019

Bernd heard what students from Quorn and Hawker Area Schools have been working on at the Railway Workshops.

For 18 years, they have gained accreditation for Certificate I in Building and Construction, working under guidance of skilled tradesman on restoration and building projects

It's the only Trade Training Centre of its type in SA and is valuable for school students and the PRR society members.

Kingsley gave Bernd a 'Catchpoint' magazine containing photos of some of the Old Ghan locos.

Continued

We went into the sheds to see the repainted NM25 locomotive and to learn about how loco wheels are *retired*—very interesting!

Kingsley gave us an overview of the W Class, and other locomotives, and the various Diesel units. He told us their history, and then took us to the carriage shed to learn of the finished restoration work and work in progress to maintain and bring newly restored carriages back on line (pun intended!)



This was the highlight of Bernd's tour. He couldn't believe he could climb on to the carriages and into the *Barwell Bull*, something not possible back home.

Bernd was very impressed with his workshop tour based on his generous donation to Kingsley for the PRR.

A special thanks to Kingsley Marr for such an informative and interesting tour. I have

personally done three workshop tours and I'm still learning new things every time.

We made our way back to Port Augusta mid afternoon. I gave Bernd one of our Pindan Tours Old Ghan Railway history 60-page Tour booklets to add to his collection.

Daniel had partially translated some of our rail history tour notes into German prior to our tour. Bernd was able to better understand what he'd seen travelling on the train between Port Augusta to Quorn.

Special thanks to Daniel for translating all the verbal and some written information. Also to Kingsley Marr for his wealth of knowledge and patience on our workshop tour.

Norman Bee

Pindan Tours and 4WD Training - Quorn ■

Watch this Space

Quorn SA Country Music Muster

**Five Year Anniversary
May 16—19th**

Peterborough and Flinders Ranges Councils to receive \$1m under the Drought Communities Programme

Federal Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey said he is pleased two additional councils have been made eligible for \$1m under the Drought Communities Program.

“Minister Bridget McKenzie announced on Friday that Peterborough District Council and Flinders Ranges Council have been added to the 13 councils in Grey already eligible under the program,” he said. “I have been strongly advocating for additional local government areas to be included in the funding package.

“This funding has been made available for councils to alleviate the damage caused by drought conditions and develop programs to stimulate the local economy and help local businesses to keep open their doors and retain employees until the rains return.

“A number of councils have already had projects granted which will stimulate the local economy, keep jobs in the area and create opportunities for tourism.

“I encourage Peterborough and Flinders Ranges councils to put forward some good quality projects which will help their communities which are feeling the pinch of a severe drought.”

Mr Ramsey said he requested Minister McKenzie to continue re-assessing the program monthly after the initial announcement as more data became available and councils which had previously not met the criteria have now been included.

Dirt Flies

THE STOCKYARD ARENA Association ran a one day Gymkhana–Motorkhana at the Arena on 16th March, for a perfect Saturday twilight meeting. Events however started at 2 pm.

The roll-up of competitors was pleasing for the organisation’s first event for the year. The camp grounds were almost filled with competitors’ vehicles, and parking had to overflow down Oval Road.



Pee-wees at the start line ready for action

Motor bike events were the first ones up for competition. Bikes of all sizes were represented, from little Pee-wees up to larger 400cc Rockets.

Junior classes were well represented and competition was intense, albeit on the slow side. The dirt at the arena proved to be a challenge for some. It was a great learning experience for them. Not too many spills were seen, but lots of legwork was needed to keep the bikes upright.

As the events progressed to the larger bikes, so too the speed and thrills increased.

The teenage riders and bigger bikes saw speeds increase dramatically, with the fastest bikes not necessarily the winners.

Bike control was important, and just the right amount of power meant a clean run.

The rooster-tails of dirt sent red dust over all who were present. Luckily the spectators on the mound were spared the worst of the dust, as a slight breeze was blowing from behind them. However, Dr Tony’s silver moustache was turned red by the dust.



The larger class of bikes proved popular



Between 50 and 60 bikes were present for competition

Though bike events proved popular, there were also good numbers of horses for the late afternoon and evening eventing under lights. ■



The Barrel Race always proves popular with the riders

Quorn Bowling Club

Presentation Night

ON THE 23rd March 2019, the Quorn Bowling Club hosted their Presentation Night for the season 2018/19. It was another great night and fun had by all.

The winners for this season are as follows:

Ladies

Singles Winner: Mary Collis
 Runner Up: Barb Flower
 Pairs Winner: Jane Paynter/Sue Kelly
 Runner Up: Kath Altmann/Sue Smith
 Wed Shield Winner: Mary Collis
 Point System 2nd: Barb Flower
 3rd: Carmel Reid

101' Singles

Winner: Ted Paynter
 Runner Up: Jane Paynter

Men

Singles Winner: Mat Britza
 Runner Up: Grant Lever
 Pairs Winner: Grant Lever/Mel Noden
 Runner Up: Peter Crisp/Nigel Crisp
 Fours Winner: Brian Hartin,
 Mat Britza,
 Chris Hicks
 Nigel Crisp
 Runner Up: Phil Shillabeer,
 Lou Walker,
 Geoff Roberts
 David Coverdale

Mixed Pairs

Winner: Kath Altmann/Grant Lever
 Runner Up: Jane Paynter/Lou Walker



Mary Collis Ladies Singles
Winner



Jane Paynter and Sue Kelly
Ladies Pairs Winners



Mel Noden/ Grant Lever Mens Pairs
Winners

As another season comes to a close, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped during the season. Especially our sponsors Emanuelle Bros, Quorn Jockey Club, Carling Fuel Distributors, Quality Livestock, Landmark, Austral Hotel, KEV 'the small jobs man', Bury Plumbing, Quorn Pharmacy and West End Brewery. It's because of these sponsors, that the Club can continue to survive and thrive.

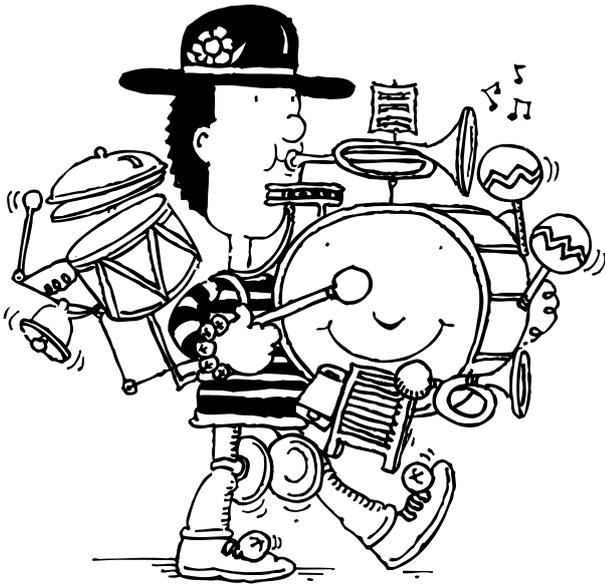
The ladies, as usual, provided a wonderful feast for the night, as they have done all season. We would also like to acknowledge this and thank them for all their hard work and dedication.

Don't forget, AGM is on Wednesday 10th April 2019 at 7.30pm at the Club.

Social Bowls starts Tuesday 23rd April at 1pm and all are welcome to come and have a game.

Beginners are most welcome to come and learn the game.

Enjoy the off season and we will do it all again next year.



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. (April 2019)

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Flinders Ranges Council Office — 8620 0500
Flinders Ranges Council Works Depot — 8620 0500
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Saltbush Delcaf — 8648 6199
Teas on the Terrace — 0428 499 696
Transcontinental Hotel — 8648 6076
Visitors Centre — 8620 0510



Snow in the Northern Flinders Ranges, in the Gammon Ranges, on the summit of The Elephant's North Tusk, where a pluviometer is installed. The party in the photo have hiked in via SAMBot Waterhole to get it working again, and were snowed on while fixing it, extraordinarily!



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. (This list is as at the start of April 2019)

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

Australia Post — Mon–Fri 9am–5pm.

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

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

Corey Finlay Electrical — 24/7 (flexible).

Craft Shop — 7 days 10am–3pm.

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

Crossroads Pharmacy — Mon, Wed–Fri 9am–5.30pm, Sat 9am–midday; 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 8am–4.30pm.

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 8am–4pm.

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–9.30pm.

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. ■

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Classified Adverts

Quorn Social Lottery club

March 2019 Draw

1st Greg Osborne
 2nd Mark Finlay
 3rd Rita Britza

If anyone wishes to purchase a ticket, when available, please contact Hollie Hancock or Jan Jarvis

THANK YOU

Shirley Wollaston

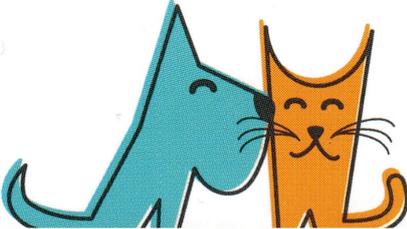
Shirley's family would like to thank everyone who offered expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers on the passing of their mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

To Drs Tony and Vik, hospital staff and kitchen staff at the Quorn Hospital and Flinders House thank you for all the kindness and love you showed Shirley whilst she was in your care.

Many thanks to all those who attended Shirley's funeral, to Marg Smith for conducting the service and to Geoff Lyson for assistance and support in the church. Thanks also to anyone who assisted in any way to prepare the church for the funeral.

Finally, thanks to Emily's Bistro staff for providing a wonderful afternoon tea for family and friends after the funeral.

Shirley would have loved it!



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Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Quorn

Easter Services

Holy Thursday 7pm
 Good Friday 11am Hawker
 3pm Quorn
 6pm Carrieton

Easter Vigil

Saturday 7pm Quorn
 Sunday 8.30am Carrieton
 10.30am Hawker
 5 pm Leigh Creek

Anglican Church of St Matthews

Easter Service Sunday April 21st 10.30am
 Fellowship and Morning Tea After Service
 All Welcome.

Rainfall 2019

January	4.2 mm
February	3.4 mm
March	3.6 mm
Year to Date	11.2 mm

Health Calendar

Requests for Allied Health 1300 760 177

April 2019

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist
Diabetes Education
Dietitian
Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist
Speech Pathologist
Social Worker

Bookings **8642 3201**



April

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 Jimmy Pantin
Sunday Mass 8.30am
Weekday Mass (W-S) 9.00am

Flinders Christian Fellowship
Sunday Service Weekly 10.00am
Lunch Mon & Thurs 12pm
Bible study Tues 12:30pm

Uniting Church
Sunday Service Weekly 11.00am

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4. Photocopy-ready materials: Visitor Information Centre, Quorn. 4.30pm Friday 26th April 2019
5. Publication — Friday morning 3rd May 2019

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- 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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Eighth p.	\$ 5	\$ 50	\$ 5

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

Contacts:

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Quorn~Hawker~Cradock Events April 2019

Regular Events

Quorn

Quorn Produce and Craft market Easter long weekend Sat, Sun and Monday

Quorn Book Club
Wednesday 25th. Meet 1.30pm 21 Park Tce. More info 0456 129 870.

Women's Fellowship—
3rd Wednesday of the month see the poster in the laundromat window or Facebook for details

Quorn Men's shed
Breakfast 11th & 25th

Storytime at the Library 10am April 10th.

Spit Roast
at Emily's Bistro every Sunday

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

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 Visitor

Centre in Quorn or visit

www.pichirichirailway.org.au

Anzac Services

- ✚ Cradock 6.30am Dawn - Cnr RM Williams Way & Second Street
- ✚ Hawker 8am - Cnr Wilpena Road & Chace View Terrace
- ✚ Quorn 10.45am - Railway Terrace

Flinders Flicks

Friday 26th 6.30pm for 7.30pm screening of *Babette's Feast* at The Great Northern Lodge.

Pre-purchase tickets from Emily's Bistro.

May Events

Sunday 12th, Musical Mother's Day train with live country music in all carriages. Live music at the Trans Hotel lunch.

16th - 19th 2019 Quorn Country Music Muster. Featuring live Music all weekend at the Quorn Racecourse

Thursday 16th May meals available at the bowling club from 5pm

Friday 17th Walk ups at racecourse from 4.00pm, gold coin donation, meals available

Saturday 18th Main show, 10am to 10pm, entry \$10 per person, meals available all day. No BYO alcohol, bar available. PRR Platform Live Country Music.

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

Friday's at the Austral Hotel.
Everyone welcome

Quorn Bowling Club

Interested in playing a game of social bowls? Starts Tuesday after Easter 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 ages kindy to 10+

Quote of the Month

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.



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Departing Melbourne Dock for Devonport, Tasmania

Boat Theme

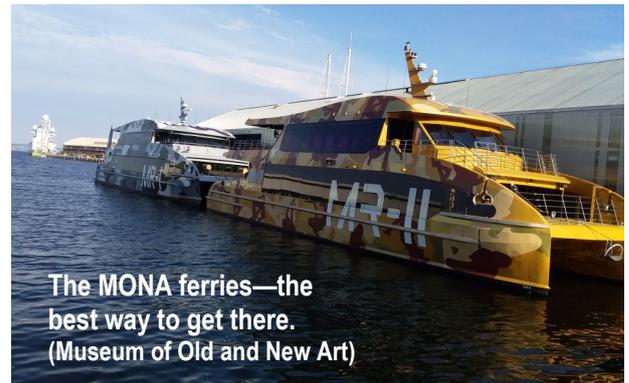
Janet Thomas and Greg Bannon escaped most of Quorn's February and March heat with a holiday in Tasmania. They joined Sue and Bob Tulloch who are regular visitors to Tasmania, with a day at the Wooden Boat Festival in Hobart. This is a biennial festival and attracts boats from many parts of Australia and worldwide.



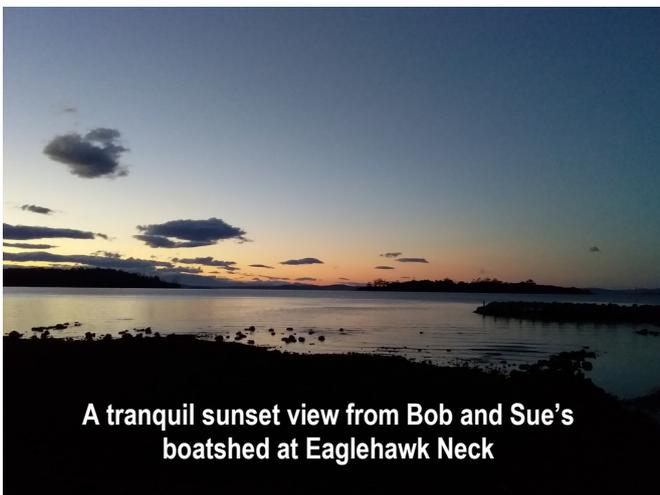
Wooden boats moored at Constitution Docks, Hobart



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A tranquil sunset view from Bob and Sue's boatshed at Eaglehawk Neck

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