

Quorn Mercury

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Show Return a Success



Above

A great crowd pleaser for young and old alike was the Dinkum Dinosaur Show.



Above.

Beautiful blooms to show after winter rains.



Above

A welcome return of Dodgem Cars to the Quorn Show

EVERYTHING FELL INTO PLACE for a successful Show in Quorn. An estimated crowd of over 900 patrons, including community helpers, attended on the day. The weather was perfect too.

The show was opened by Jeff Morgan AM, from the Hawker Panorama. Jeff presented Life memberships of the Quorn Agricultural Show Society to Bronwyn Filsell, Amanda O'Loughlin and Jenny Wooley in recognition of many years of service to the Show.

Entry numbers in the competition events of the show unfortunately, were lower than in previous years. Future numbers are hoped to improve.

Stall holders and amusement providers were happy to come to the Quorn show after the cancellations of shows in surrounding areas.

The rides were most welcome, with young families and youths showing great interest in the Dodgem Cars, the Cha-Cha and a spinning Sports Car. The Jurassic Adventure bouncy castle provided a fun-filled experience for younger children. ■

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Easy Two km Quorn Walks

QUITE A LARGE NUMBER of people walk regularly around Quorn for their exercise. Which is great. But why not drive a short way out to one of our walking trails that's so near by? Go in a group of no less than three, and take some morning or afternoon tea with you, too.

After all, what's the difference between walking 2 km inside Quorn, and walking 2 km out in the country? Well, it has great natural scenery, *and* it's a change from your usual daily walk

The Dutchman's Stern 2 km Walk



Look down at the dam not far from Checkpoint 2. You can see the road back to the farmhouse just past the fence

TOO MANY PEOPLE see that The Dutchman's Stern's walking trail is 10.6 km, shake their heads and say, 'No Way'. But there's never been a rule saying you have to walk *all* of that!

So do no more than walk the one km up from the car park to what's called Checkpoint 2. (It's beside a dirt road from the old farmhouse that takes you south to the Weir on Stony Creek.) Now walk the one km *back* towards the farmhouse along this road, shown here below.



Past the Dam and a gate across the road, you head north towards the farmhouse. The car park is to the road's right

As you get closer to the farmhouse you can see the car park a short way across a paddock. So leave the road and walk over to it. (There is actually an overgrown walking track on the way.)

(On the way to Checkpoint 2, when you reach the 0.6 km pole, go left from the pole about five metres up a brief rise, and you get a spectacular view all the way to the Horseshoe Range, too.)

Now *that's* a 2 km walk, maybe much the same as you walk inside Quorn itself. And it's a fairly flat walk—just a little easy uphill walking now and then. Near Checkpoint 2 are a few fallen trees you can take a rest on, too.

From the Swimming Pool corner it's 8.5 km along the Arden Vale Road and down the sign-posted turn-off into the Stern's car park.

Waukarie Creek—Heysen Hut

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL walk, though the track is stony in places, usually crossing the creek. You drive out to the end of Richman Valley to the car park at Olive Grove. The gate into the Mt Brown Park is locked, but you walk past it, and 400 metres along the road to Checkpoint 2.



An easy destination one km from Olive Grove, down the Waukarie Creek. Turn back at this Heysen Trail Shelter

At this Checkpoint the Mt Brown Trail turns to the left, but *you* continue west down the road, and along the Flinders Ranges Council's Waukarie Creek Trail, which is also the Heysen Trail. The Trail stays by the creek-bed all the way.

There's a water tank at the Shelter, but don't drink from it. Take your own water. There's a seat there, but logs you can sit on too. Watch your head in a couple of places, where low branches cross the Trail. In one place the track splits into two, but they rejoin a little further on.



The trail is easy to follow as you can see to the left here, and has all of three sets of markers on the usual 200 metre poles.

It may be a little confusing to discern in places such as creek crossings, but won't take long to pick up again. Just remember that it sticks to the creek-bed. Don't walk it after good rains. But it's usually dry.

Warren Gorge to The Cascade

DRIVE RIGHT through the Campground until the road reaches a fence and gate. Park here. Then walk between the gate and the tree next to it. A path leads down to a bit of a road. Turn left on to it, and you're now on the Warren Gorge Trail.

Where it starts climbing a little, is a 1.4 km signpost. The path is marked with white jam tin lids nailed to trees, so that from one marker you can always see the next marker just ahead. It goes through pine forest all the way.

At 1.7 km—if you can judge that—walk about 10 metres to the right up a bit of a hill, and you get a wonderful 270° view. We hope to erect a seat at this lookout some day.



Top of Warren Gorge's 'Cascade' (it falls down to the left), at the 2.4 km marker, 27-4-2019. *From left*—Steve & Chrissy Brindle, Helen & Julian Hipwell, Modris & Sandra Ozolins

The path is easy to walk, and scarcely rocky. You follow it to a little before the 2.4 km signpost, where it reaches 'The Cascade'. Here the creek tumbles over low rocky shelves. There are plenty of places to sit on the rocks for morning/

afternoon tea, in shade or sunshine. The 'Cascade' usually runs only after rain.

The Devil's Peak to The Armchair

ONCE AGAIN, TOO many people are put off by the steep climb for the last 300 metres (the full distance is 1.3 km). Yet once again there's no rule that says you must go all the way.

So just walk until it gets a bit steeper, stop somewhere pleasant, and have your morning/afternoon tea. Then walk back to your car.

You get to the start by driving down the Richman Valley Road and taking the signposted turn-off on the right, then the next turn-off on the left. There's a gate to open and shut a little before the car park. It's 10 km altogether to the car park.



The Armchair is the one of the first two massive rocks on your left going up, shown here. Less than a km from the car park

The Armchair is under a km from the car park. But if you walk only a little past it to the one km marker, there's another large rock on the right from which you get a great view north to Quorn. But the trail is already getting steeper before it.

Both the Armchair and that rock require a bit of a scramble if you want to sit on them. So you might prefer to look for a seat closer to ground-level for your morning/afternoon tea.

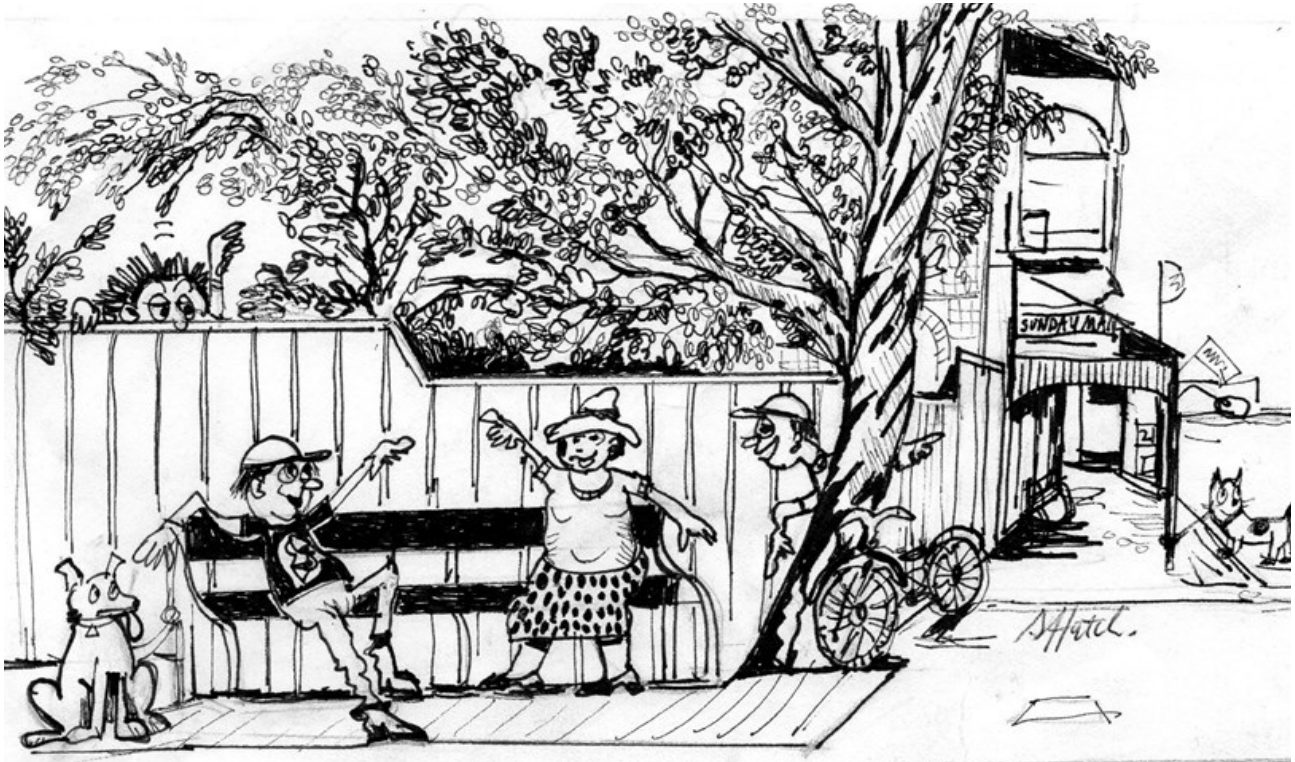


The rock at the one km marker on the Devil's Peak Trail. Sitting on it you get this view towards Quorn to the north

We live in such great walking country—country with such wonderful short walks as these. ■

Chat with a Quornie

David Hunter



I GREW UP in Oodnadatta, the second in a family of five girls and four boys. Mum, Mona, Dad, John, and all of us, lived at the airport, where Dad was in charge of the *strip* .

We all went to the school at Oodnadatta, until year 7. There were two teachers at the school, for years 1-3 and 4-7. There was no high school.

At 12, I left school, and started lessons from the SA Correspondence School in Adelaide.

I found it too hard working by myself. Dad sent me down to the stock camp at *Anna Creek Station* to learn to be a stockman like him.

Anna Creek Station

THERE WERE LOTS of other boys in the stock camp. The Kidman manager, Dick Nunn, fed us and looked after us. He taught us how to do stock work—mustering, branding and droving.

We all learnt to ride horses, as stock work was all done on horseback. I became Head Stockman at 18—the youngest one there'd been on the station.

At *Anna Creek* a 10-12 ft (305-365cm) 'bun cart' pulled by four camels was used as the tucker wagon in the stock camp .

Often we had more dinner times than dinners, because when camels were fresh, they'd knock down trees, break gear or 'shoot through' during the night.

Next morning someone had to track them down and bring them back to the camp.

One camel was called *Moose*. If he got a *hiding*, his little ears would go back, he'd knock you down and 'give it' to you. Once he knocked me flat on the ground between the 'bun cart' shafts. He trampled and kicked me, and then I was run over by the four wheels of the cart.

Sometimes when we had a 'spell', we'd have a Fun Day. We had foot racing, weight lifting anvils and throwing them; saddling up a horse, hitting it with the spurs, and riding it, bucking, till we were thrown off. It was all fun!

Anna Creek and *Stuart Creek* stations were run as one. Dick managed the two places, but lived with his family on *Anna Creek*.

I lived at *Stuart Creek*, where I had plenty to do. We'd work 50-60 hours a week, mustering and branding cattle using two bronco horses. Now we only brand at competitions



Hunter children at Leigh Creek. From left—Mary Louise, Paula, Reg, Chloe

New pastures

I WAS CALLED UP for a year's National Service in 1972, and did my initial training at Puckapunyal, Victoria. It was my first trip away from the station.

My platoon was mostly country boys. We all got on together, as many of them hadn't been to a city before, and we took several trips to Melbourne in my time there.

After the year was up, I went to work on *Sandringham Station*, where *Peewee* (Norman) Clark was manager. It was different from *Anna Creek* as I was working with adults, and in a district where there was plenty of social life.

People from nearby stations and (the nearest town) Bedourie met at social events and gatherings—race meetings, rodeos and horse events. It was a very friendly area.

After a time there, I went back to work on Kidman's *Anna Creek* and *Stuart Creek*, as I missed the 'Oodna' district.

Therese Williams and I had married in Carrieton, and we had a baby girl—Mary Louise. She was followed by Paula and our twins, Chloe and Reg. We stayed at *Anna Creek* and *Stuart Creek* for eight years.

Gradually all the kids went down to boarding school at Caritas College, Pt Augusta.

They'd spend weekends at Carrieton, but come home for the school holidays.

In 1981 we took on the Carrieton Post Office, though we knew nothing about the postal business. We soon worked it out.

A district telephone exchange served the town and farms in the area. So I became a telephonist too.

We lived in Carrieton for seven years. Then the order came that many small country exchanges were to be closed.

I got a job at Leigh Creek mine, and we moved up there. (I worked in the mining industry for 30 of my working years).

For 25 years I was part of the *Mt Barry* Bronco Branding team. Tony Williams and I were on the ground (bull) catching.

I reckon we were catchers for more years than any other team in the competition.

We competed in Mt Isa, Alice Springs, Mt Barry, Oodnadatta, winning the National title in Longreach in 1998, and again, at William Creek Bronco Branding in 2013.



At William Creek, I'm riding Frank (*Bully*) Booth's stockhorse, 2013

After 18 years at Leigh Creek, I went to the APY lands as Superintendent of CDEP. From there I went from station jobs to mine jobs, ending up at *Roper River*.

The country up there, and the cattle management didn't impress me. It was OK to lose 1000 head in *the Wet*. When I left, I went to the Kimberley, driving bulldozers and clearing fencelines.

At one stage I worked on *Moola Bulla*, near Halls Creek. I'd heard that it was a penitentiary a long time ago and that Aboriginal people had been locked up there. In fact, just before I went there, a burial ground had been dug up.

Skeletal remains showed that many people had been shot.

I found it to be very good station country, but only stayed a short time. (As I did everywhere. I reckon I was paid to tour the country.)

Sorting me out

IN 2005, Teresa and I parted. I went to Alice Springs to sort out the depression that I'd been suffering from for some years.

SA Health had been some help, but I found NT more 'switched on'. Psychiatrists and counsellors gave me strategies to overcome my problems and recognise danger signs.

For a few years I'd been backwards and forwards to Quorn, and rented a house for a while. In 2017, I bought my house in North Quorn and settled down..

It's my best time for many years, as Paula is nursing between Port Augusta and here. She stays with me on her days off, or when she's working at Quorn Hospital.

I love my grandchildren, and go to see them play sport whenever I'm home (though I don't see the big ones so often as they're in high school, and tied up with sport).

Mary Louise and her husband, Zaheer, have three children who are all talented at sport.



My eldest grandson, Terelle, playing A-Grade cricket for West Augusta, 2021

Their son, Terelle, 15, is an A-grade cricket and football player for West Augusta. Their identical twins, Bella and Bailey, (One, right-handed, the other left-handed) represent Pt Augusta in netball and basketball competition.

Reg, like his grandfather, Reg Williams, is working in the cattle industry. He lives at Marla Bore and works at *Welbourn Hill*.

Chloe is RICE (Remote and Isolated Children's Exercise) manager in Pt Augusta. Her 10 year old son, Mason, is my best mate, and stays with me some weekends.

Mason plays football for West Augusta, but enjoys it most when I drive the Austral Hotel's horse and cart round Quorn.



David and Mason drive the Austral Hotel's cart pulled by *Frosty*, September 2021

Racing

I'VE ALWAYS LOVED horses, and rode in many bush race meetings. In his day, Dad trained and rode an Oodnadatta Cup winner, *Bay Walk*.

My greatest pleasure was to ride the 1978 Oodnadatta Cup winner, with *Grey Tail*. He was the best in a strong field of competitors, so I felt proud to have both ridden and trained the winner.

My sister, Carol, would have made Dad proud, as she's a leading racehorse trainer in Alice Springs. Her horses have had success at race meetings in Darwin, Adelaide and Melbourne, as well as Alice.



My sister, Carol (2nd left) with her winning horse in Alice Springs, 2021

I was also proud when, in 2020, Paula was recognised in SA Nursing and Midwifery Awards. Her presentation was made at Adelaide Oval in May this year.

I like it here in Quorn. I'm impressed with the good facilities at the Stockhorse Arena, and the events they're putting on.

It will be pretty good to see the 2021 Bronco Branding National Finals here at the Arena on October 30th.

Now that I'm pensioned off—in the *long yard*, I only take on the little jobs of work. That way, I've got time to enjoy community things, and of course, my grandchildren. ■



Colleagues. Angela McLaughlan, Paula Hunter and Alison Hoare, at Adelaide Oval, for SA Nursing and Midwifery Awards, 2021



A restored Didge Ute on display at the Quorn Show

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Freemasons Lodge Quorn No.59

RECENTLY QUORN LODGE No. 59 held an Installation with Dinner to follow. Many Freemasons travelled from other areas, these included the Grand Lodge team who were part of the ceremony. Scott Teague was installed as Master of the Lodge by Right Worshipful Brother Kevin Paynter, the Installing Master, who is also the Secretary of Quorn Lodge No. 59. Scott's father, John, is the outgoing Master, this does not happen very often in Freemasonry.

Brother Daryl Fels was presented with his fifty five year bar during the meeting.

After the meeting the men adjourned to the Town Hall to meet with their wives and friends for a delicious dinner. This was capably provided by the Quorn Hospital Auxiliary who also ran the bar. The Lodge Members wish to thank these ladies for catering for the Dinner.

Interesting Historical Facts

THE MEMBERS OF the Freemason's Lodge of Quorn have been meeting in the same building for one hundred and eleven years. This was built in Quorn in 1880 and know as the Assembly Hall .

The building was used as the Quorn High School from 1908.Quorn Lodge No. 59 started in1910. Therefore from 1910 it was shared by the School and Quorn Lodge members, being a school by day and meeting place at night. In 1920 the Quorn Lodge purchased the building for £395 (\$790). ■



Worshipful Master Scott Teague and Worshipful Brother John Teague



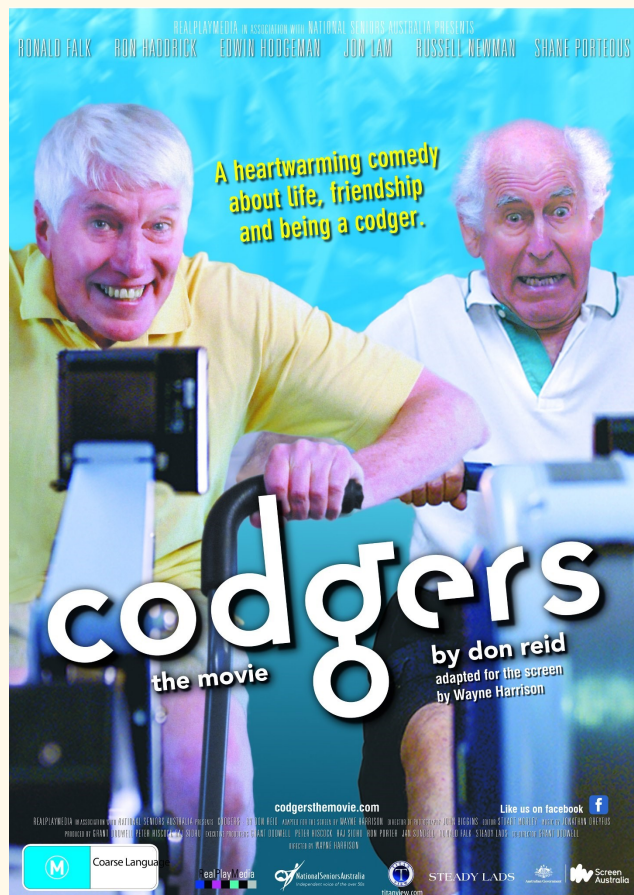
Back Row: 5th from left Right Worshipful Brother Paynter; 6th from left Worshipful Master Teague
Centre Row: Far left Quorn Resident Brother Daniel Lutz. Front row: Brother Fels, centre



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QUORN AUXILIARY NEWS



The Lifter Bed

**Note—Delays because of Covid restrictions, border closures and some technical problems meant that the lifters were only able to be installed a few weeks ago.*

TWO YEARS AGO, after a chance comment by a staff member of Flinders House, a meeting was held with the Quorn Auxiliary, Lions Club representative and Flinders House staff representatives. This was to discuss the possibility of funding for a ceiling lifter in one of the rooms at Flinders House.

A ceiling lifter is a track across the ceiling with a lifter bar. The resident can be easily transferred from bed to chair using a sling attached to the bar.

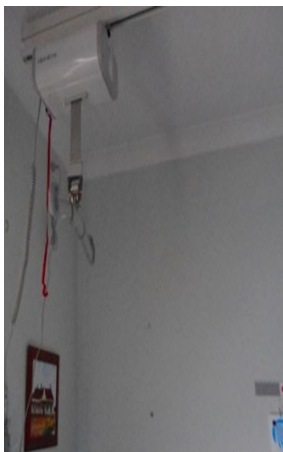
This type of permanent lifter alleviates the need for staff to use mobile lifters which are quite cumbersome and often not very easy to manoeuvre.

It was decided the funding would be made available to install a lifter in two rooms at Flinders House at a cost of \$18,000.

The Lions Club had previously donated \$5000 for the purchase of chairs for the residents' rooms, but, because needs had changed, they were more than happy to have the donation used for the lifters instead.

Money raised by the Quorn Auxiliary paid for the remainder.

Benefits for the residents include a more comfortable and quicker transfer and for staff much greater ease of use. ■



Ceiling Unit



Fitter When Older, Part 3

I WASN'T GOING to do a third part to this series, but a number of people asked me for more. So this is the 'more'—though definitely the last.

There're also warnings I was asked to include. Some people walking along the town's roads, especially early in the mornings, are breaking the rule that you must walk *facing* the oncoming traffic. Others are walking in dark clothing. Both these make you liable to being hit by cars.



Exercise your fingers, hands, arms, and shoulders by stretching an Extender/Resistance Tube

The Usual Reminders

REMEMBER, IF YOU'RE not very fit, and are getting older, **check exercises you plan to do with your Doctor and/or Physiotherapist.**

Remember that getting fit does *not* mean pushing your body to extremes—that will just do you harm. Do it easily. Start gently. Build up your set of exercises slowly and carefully.

Remember, most people give up exercising after only a few days or a couple of weeks. But don't give up, no matter how bored you get. In the end you'll get used to it, and even enjoy it.

Remember, scientists say 6–7 hours a day is the *most* you should spend sitting down.

Remember, the only limit to exercises is your own imagination. Which means there *is* no limit.

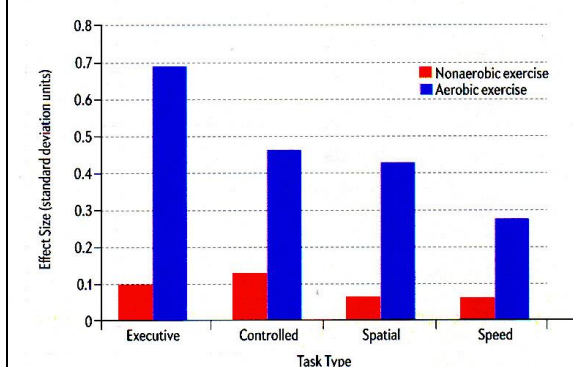
Walking as Exercise

I WANT TO ESPECIALLY discuss walking in this Part 3. You can see why in the table at the top of the next column ('Aerobic Exercise' is walking). Look how vastly the benefit of walking exceeds that of several other kinds of exercising shown.

So a daily walk around town or our surrounding countryside makes a lot of sense. But how far should you go? You may often have heard the figure 10,000 steps mentioned before. However, an article in *New Scientist* for 11-9-2021, titled

The Power of Walking

Older adults who participated in aerobic exercise (walking) outperformed those in programs for stretching and toning (controls) in cognitive task areas: executive (related to planning and multitasking), controlled (effortful processes in response to novel situations), spatial (dealing with spatial information in perception or memory) and speed.

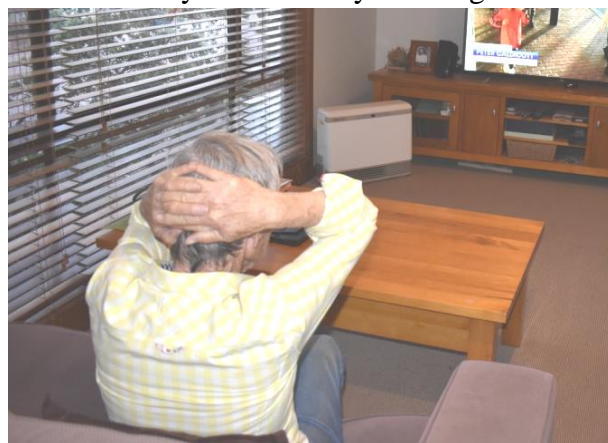


'Living by the Numbers', found it was merely invented to advertise the first-ever pedometer, and not scientifically arrived at! So it's probably enough to say that *whatever* you can do is better than no walking exercise at all.

I reckon two steps to a metre is an average figure, so if you walk for a km that'd be 2000 steps. Therefore 2 km a day might be a good figure to aim at. If you live one km from the centre of town, walking there to shop and then back would probably be great. And if you walk around from shop to shop, even better still.

(I'm a wimp when it comes to being rained on, or if my shopping includes refrigerated foods that'd melt on a hot day—*then* I drive.)

Remember that carrying a couple of bags of shopping home is great for your hands, arms, and shoulders, too. 'Not *my* idea of fun!' you'll maybe say. But...give it a go if the load's not too much for you. I *do* carry four bags at times.



Exercise hands, feet, arms, legs, etc, while watching TV. Hands behind head, head pressed back hard, is great

I walk 4 km (8000 steps) a day if I'm not working on the walking trails in the hills. It's 2 km from my home to the Powell Gardens via the shopping centre, and therefore 2 km back. One to 1½ hours, depending on how fast I walk.

If you're working full time, of course, 4 km is probably not possible. If you live close enough to where you work, maybe you can walk to and from work, including at lunchtime.



Using an exercise ball to stretch the spine. Exercise Balls are very lightweight. They cost around \$60

The Nitty-Gritty of Walking

YOU MAY BE surprised to find that there are now all of six aspects of walking to consider!

① **Socks.** If you wear socks inside shoes, try wearing two pairs, one thick, one thin. If your foot slides slightly inside your shoe while you walk, it'll rub against your skin, and even cause blisters. With two pairs they rub against each other, and the pair against your feet now don't. The thick ones also provide valuable cushioning.

② **Bent-kneed.** You probably have your whole leg straightened when your foot hits the ground. This jolts your entire body, and tires you fast. It takes a lot of practice, but if your knees are bent when your feet hit the ground, you'll walk more smoothly—be less tired, too.

③ **Lifting feet.** As you get older, you don't lift your feet up as high from the ground. So you're far more likely to trip on things. You might feel embarrassed to do it, but try lifting them higher than you usually do. If you can get in the habit, you'll walk with more confidence.

④ **Fast versus slow.** Also surprising. You may be walking at a poor speed. Try walking faster. Vary your pace. Experiment until you find your least tiring speed. All the same, walking fast rather than slow can be better.

⑤ **Stretch out.** Again, surprising. You'll be used to not stretching your legs very far. But try pushing your front foot a little further forward each step, just to find out what it's like. How far forward can you stretch it? Part of each day's

walk ought to be stretched-out. Of course, walking faster and stretching out go well together.

⑥ **Rough versus Smooth.** This is very recent yet not so surprising. Walking on smooth, hard surfaces like asphalt or cement is bad for your feet and legs. On such surfaces, because your feet contact the surface in exactly the same way all the time, only a few foot and leg muscles get exercised. But if you walk over rough—ie uneven—ground, *all* those muscles get used.

Of course, if you don't trust your legs and feet not to trip you up, and if you're old enough to no longer react fast, you might hurt yourself badly. *Then* the cement and asphalt make sense.

That's a lot to think of when walking! But just try some of those from time to time. Probably only one at a time, too. Just remember that walking is one of the most astounding things we Humans *can* do. And wouldn't you rather keep walking as long as you can when you grow old? So yes!—keep on doing your 2, 3, or 4 km a day.

Some Last Thoughts

Modify Exercises. Touching your toes is probably far beyond you now. But you don't *have* to stand up to do it! Sit on the floor, legs stretched in front of you, and you'll find it vastly easier. Remember, you don't have to force it.

Getting up from a Chair. Watch old people do this. They push themselves up by using their hands. *I* refuse to do that. Try not using your hands, therefore not giving in to old age.

How Long since you Ran? Years? Why not try it? Oh *very* gently, of course. *Of course!*

Be Positive. It'd be very easy to rubbish all of this exercise stuff. The world's full of people ready to scoff at you, at ideas it doesn't like. But don't bother with them, don't be embarrassed by trying it all. ■



Pushups off the floor are too hard as you get old. So do them against a wall, as you can see here

*Fling but a stone, the giant dies.
Laugh and be well.* Thomas Gray, 'The Spleen'

— Ray Wood. Photos Modris Ozolins

The Adventure

(ants in my pants)

IT IS EARLY Monday morning and here I was slip slop slapping my way down the rudiments of an Icy Pole stick, one of two in this metal rubbish bin when all of a sudden both Johnathan and myself were blinded by a rush of sun light as someone lifted the lid of the bin above us!

“What’s going on Lucas?” Johnathan yelled from the second pine timber ice cream stick nearby?

“I don’t know,” I started to say but before I could reply fully, a human’s hand dived into the enclosure and plucked both ice cream sticks and us with it. Out of our comfort zones! Next, I know, we were plunged into the foaming mass, a stream of running water the remains of the rain a few hours earlier.

Our day had gone from one extreme to another! From having a beautiful sweet breakfast to now trying to ride this unconventional shaped surfboard or piece of timber down a set of rapids along the kerb on the side of the road. After I’d noticed Johnathan had finally managed to climb back on his floatation device, I looked up only to see the two lads Pete and brother Brian looking down in our direction and yelling and screaming as there was some sort of race taking place when my very own memory bank kicked in!

I had seen these two before in a state of excitement, from the rim of my ant hill home at 12 Hepburn St on the foot path, racing things down the stormwater drain on their way to catch the school bus at the end of the road.

On those occasions though they had used red head matches or half of walnut shell as racing craft. Today to add some exhilaration to both their lives and ours as well, they had decided to use the left-over ice creams sticks from their weekends treats for this morning’s event.

It was all I could do to hold on for my grim life without thinking about these two ruffians chasing us down the roadway! We were tossed and turned, washed with white foam as I soon became a world champion surfer without the trophies, with Johnathan not far behind for the title. Luckily my craft was a sturdy one as we passed through Mrs

Lucas and Johnathan’s Home at 12 Hepburn Street
Broadview South Australia 1957 next to the
circular round galvanised rubbish bin



Thomas’s connecting stormwaters that entered the kerb as we made our way down the edge of the roadway.

With these came well pools, where a number of times we were washed around and around in circles with in the vortex of water before continuing on down the street. Feeling drunk or giddy from the experience it took a lot of effort running back and forth up and down the ice cream stick just to keep the craft upright and a float.

Still not wanting to fall off so far so good. I had never learnt to swim but at least I could tread water if that counted for anything however in the far distance, I noticed the water disappearing down a culvert at the end of the roadway!

In between the shouting and cheers from Pete and Brian following the race from above as they walked down the edge of the kerb I shouted back to Johnathan as he struggled on!

“Hey John! We’ve got to find a way off these contraptions as we heading for a disaster and death “There’s a culvert coming up!”

Now I’ve been in a few holes in my life but going down a hole full of raging water was not one of my first preferences!

Seconds passed when next [Johnathan](#) yelled, “There’s something laying across the kerb in the distance! Let’s jump for it! It our only chance to survive!”

Looking up in between the wash of water I too had noticed a broken branch laying across this raging turret and agreed with Johnathan, it was our only way out.

continued

Since I was in front of Johnathan and the branch was coming closer fast, I yelled back! “I see it! I’ll jump for it and then you! As the adrenalin started to pump through my body ‘Ok,” Came the reply.

So that’s what happened, I jumped, he jumped and I found myself clinging to the branch and Johnathan hanging by his skin of his teeth to my leg! Even with my best mate hanging from my body I managed slowly to climb up onto the bark and drag Johnathan with me!

No way was I going let my best mate be taken by the raging waters! No way! No way!

We both lay there for that endless minute or two trying to catch our breath, watching the two brothers and their racing craft disappear further down the roadside kerb!

“Come on mate!” I said! “Let’s head for home.” And without anything else said we both race up the branch to drier ground where yet another adventure started as we worked the

half mile trek back along foot path home.

It was late afternoon by the time we reached the front gate where the bin still stood and guess who we met there! Yes! The two brothers Pete and Brian coming home from school and guess what they were eating! Yep, an ice cream on a stick, each.

Trying not to be discovered or their mother knowing they both had had treats, they placed the remains of their ice creams and sticks in the bin before going inside!

Well I took one look at Johnathan and he at me! Without even saying a word you know where we were heading! We both didn’t want yet another adventure like today so we thought an early start on those ice cream sticks might do the trick!

Yep! What’s the saying! An early bird catches the worm, but did it matter we were ants! ■

(This story was inspired by my childhood memories of the 1950’s of times going to school with my brother Brian.)

(Story by Peet Dixon, 22nd June 2019)



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

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

Quorn Business Group Executive Committee

President – Kevin Woolford

Secretary – Sharon Hooper

Treasurer – Stuart Hackett

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

Next General Meeting – 6 December 2021

More on Past Advertising



Harley-Davidson Advertisement from the *Astounding Stories* for December 1936



American Radiator Advertisement from the *National Geographic* for April 1936

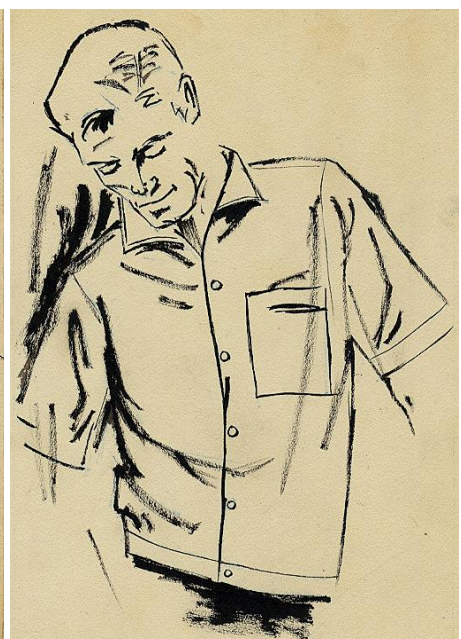
LAST ISSUE'S 'Advertising in the Past' led to queries about examples of sketched adverts from publications of those times. So here are three such adverts by way of an answer



A Marmite Advertisement in Australian magazines in 1952—it was coloured

ADVERTISING in earlier times was often done with sketches made by Commercial Artists such as Sandra Ozolins née Johnstone. In the September *Mercury*, p 29, we showed six of her sketches done for the Adelaide department store, Miller Anderson, in the mid-1960s. Many readers commented on them, and said how wonderful they were.

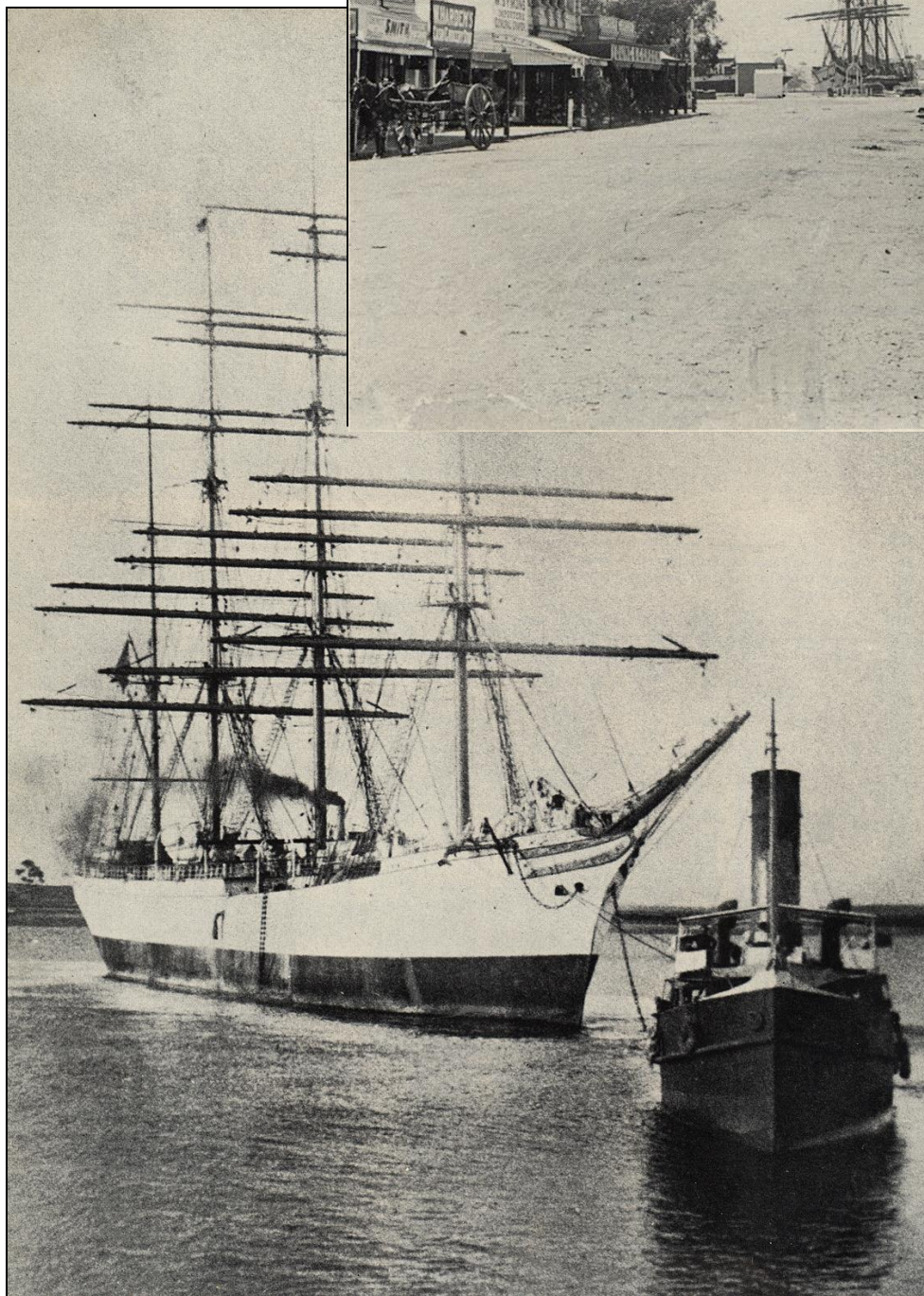
Astounding Stories, and *National Geographic* were 1936 US magazines, and the third above was a coloured one used in 1952 Australian magazines. In those times it was easier, quicker, and cheaper for a big store to have its own in-house artist than to employ outside photographers and designers. Go through old magazines and newspapers, and you will see mixtures of both kinds of advertising used for many years. And we've also added three more of Sandra's advertising sketches below. ■



Pictures — From the Past

THE SAILING SHIPS in the two photos are in the Port Augusta Harbour, though the one in the top picture looks to be actually 'sailing' along Commercial Road, doesn't it!

That both photos were taken around the turn of the 19th into the 20th centuries, ie, c 1900, shows



how the 19th century still hung on technologically back then.

This is despite the steam tug towing the ship to its berth, and the telephone pole in the top photo.

Look at the two horse-drawn vehicles at the side of Commercial Road for another example.

'Windjammer' was a name for a large sailing ship which was especially square-rigged. These ships are four-masted, too.

The smoking funnel in the bottom pic looks like it's from a building behind it, and not on it. ■

The photos are from Reg J. Mayes, *Pictorial History of Port Augusta* (Rigby, Adelaide, 1974), 65-6

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Federal Member for Grey

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Quorn Social Scene



Samantha Standley recently took her grand-daughter Isla Murray to the Bush Food Garden. She was fascinated by the gorgeous everlastings with their showy pink and white blooms



Revisiting the Quorn Races

Pictured at Left: Marie Williams and Andrea Bury (Marie is retiring from judging "Fashions on the Field." after many years and will be missed)

Below

The Ladies winner of "Fashions of the Field"
Victoria Penfold from Adelaide



Congratulations to Lorry and Dale Hilder —
30 years married on 21 September.
A great couple and a beautiful picture.



The Flying Doctor on the ground!



A couple of years ago a 'customer' at the bottle return made a comment to Paul about the cash he was given. "Why not collect small change in a container and ask them to donate it to the Flying Doctor Service rather than filling their wallet." At the show today Paul presented the RFC with a cheque of more than \$500. **So well done all those who "donated".**

Please do not stop, You may need their service one day



Jeff Morgan AM opening the Show



Winning flowers grown and entered by Betty Paynter, a 97 year old 'Quornie', who is a resident in Flinders House



A highly decorated Bird



Blooming Beautiful

At the Quorn Show



Tim Baulderstone nearing completion of his wood sculpture. The wood selected was donated by Ken Fuller and will be placed in the Bush Food Garden



James the Travelling Magician up to his usual tricks.



Blue Red Cock 1st Prize with Mark Paynter

Lyndhurst Siding Hotel

In 1878, a railhead for cattle from the northeast of SA was opened. It was called Lyndhurst Siding.

Cattle had previously been walked down the Strzelecki Track to Farina, but in 1896 they were loaded on the train to southern markets..

The township grew, but was in drought for many years so the dam that supplied the water became empty. When the hotel at Mt Freeling was dismantled, it was rebuilt at Lyndhurst.



It was called *Lyndhurst Siding Hotel*, and solved the problem of lack of water for some townspeople.

In the 1960s, the hotel was owned by George and Chlorene Dunn. George had to go to Adelaide for an operation and recuperation, so he enlisted the help of his cousin, Abb Pierpoint of Quorn (with wife, Coreen below) to look after the business until he returned three months later.



Abb, Coreen and daughters, Joan and Judy, spent the next three months at Lyndhurst. They met locals and characters who called in.



Locals. From left—Dave Miller, Mrs Emily Dunn (formerly Pierpoint), Tommy Agnew

Amongst the regular visitors, was Max Hancock from Quorn. Max visited 16 year old, Joan (Now Mrs Max Hancock) at weekends. In Quorn, Len Roberts complained that his best tennis player was away every weekend of the tennis season.

George's son, Alan was the next owner of the hotel. He was a likeable chap who welcomed patrons, and dreamed up events that would bring Lyndhurst people out, and visitors to the township.



Alan Dunn and Donald (Duckie) Fawcett inspect 'the bridal vehicle?' at a Lyndhurst wedding

Alan had his own wine bottle, with a most eye-catching label copied from a nude 'Chloe-style' painting of himself. (pictured below). Sadly, Alan died in a vehicle accident in the late 1970s. ■

Story courtesy of Joan Hancock



The New Lyndhurst Hotel

IN 1988, the Lyndhurst Hotel burnt down.

Another building (from Moomba) was erected hurriedly, and the managers Del and Rowdy McDonald opened the doors to huge rejoicing.

Lyndhurst Hotel (New hotel opens after fire)

KAELENE MCMILLAN, who had worked at the hotel before the fire, wrote a poem to celebrate the occasion:

Lyndhurst Hotel, so sparkling new
Where, no doubt, we'll down a few
Situated here on top of the old
Still has its atmosphere, I'm told

Chinese banquets to barbecues
We all get together for these dos
Tourist, friend and local too
Don't forget if passing thru
Surprise, surprise! A real hum dinger
Where everyone mingles
from Truckie to ringer
Elastic-side to fancy boots
Cowboy hats and dancing galoots

Moments like this, never forgotten
Come on Folks! Let's start rockin'
In the bar, on the street
Just as long as there's a beat

If in need to rest your heads
Come and try the comfy beds
Awakened by the glowing sun
Your day has just begun

Lyndhurst! A great hotel
Good Luck, Rowdy and Del

Kaelene McMillan, Lyndhurst 1988

Say 'Hello' in Adnyamathanha An Adnyamathanha vocabulary

Nangga nhina *Hello, how are you*
Ngai warndu *I'm good*
Wadlandhai *Good*
Adi nhakaanhina *See you later*
Yarta *land*
mai *food*
Awi *water*
Yunda *money*
Urti *quondong/wild peach*
Uirdlu *kangaroo*
Andu *wallaby*
Wilka *dog*
Wabma *snake*

Warla *stomach*
Minaaka *eyes*
Arlaapi *hand*
Mandaawi *feet*
Nhapatyi *cheeky/naughty*
Ngami *mum*
Vapi *dad*
Nhunga *older brother*
Yaka *older sister*
Bivi *baby*
Ngamarna *uncle*
Mita *friend*

Kaelene McMillan, Quorn

Beltana Railway Station

Beltana Railway Station 1897. SLSA PRG 1610/11/95



FIRST OFF, REMEMBER that it's pronounced 'Beltanna' as in 'pat', not 'Beltarna' as in 'part'.

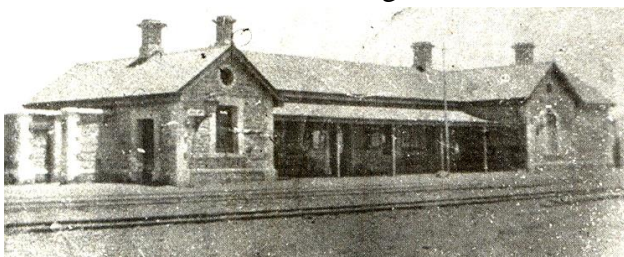
The town of Beltana was surveyed and laid out in 1873. The new Overland Telegraph from Adelaide to Darwin had passed through there in 1871, and a Repeater Station was built there too.

The site was already a hub for sheep, and the search for gold, silver, and copper. Copper was discovered and mined at nearby Sliding Rock (later Cadnia), about 20 km to the east, in 1870. So Beltana was already a thriving town when the railway itself arrived on 2nd July, 1881.



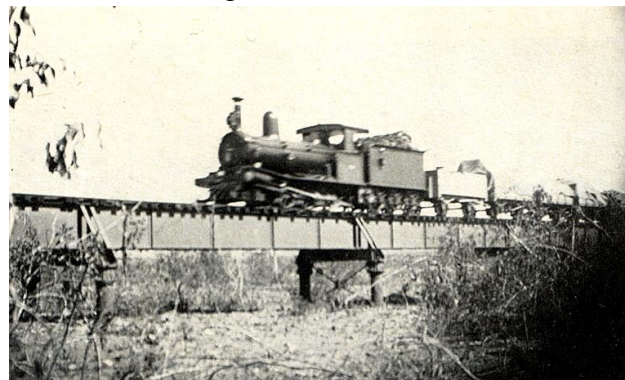
Cutting railway sleepers by the Warrioota Creek. Looks as if the bullock team will haul them along the ground itself

Beltana took part in the 1874 campaign for the Great Northern Railway to be built. This was helped by the large population of 400 people at Sliding Rock campaigning too. And the first sod for it was turned in Pt Augusta in 1878.



The main station building was similar to Hawker's. See September *Mercury*, p 26 top, for Hawker's. A damaged photo here

The town, 128 km north of Hawker, was built between the Warrioota and Sliding Rock Creeks (which led to flooding from time to time). So both of these creeks had to be bridged. In fact, altogether there were 65 iron railway bridges between Port Augusta and Beltana.



Crossing Warrioota Ck Bridge a few years after it was built, at the top speed of ten miles per hour (16 km per hour)

The Warrioota Bridge had seven forty-foot spans, and the Sliding Rock Bridge ten similar spans. Presumably the 'top speed' in the photo above was for safety! The small plant that cut sleepers at Warrioota Creek lasted for 25 years.



Standing on the Warrioota Ck Bridge 1905. SLSA B54698/15

A special train from Pt Augusta arrived at 7 pm, 2nd July, 1881, with 150 guests for the station's launching. Mrs Blood, wife of the OT Station-Manager declared the Railway Station open.

After this, the railway contractors moved their base camp from Hookina to Beltana. So for a while the town's population more than doubled. A cricket match was even played between the railway workers and the town's residents.



The Ghan heading north from Beltana Railway Station

A big railway dam to provide water for the engines was constructed just south of the station. A Station Master and Porters were appointed. And there were fettlers' cottages south and north of Beltana, including the famous 'Beltana Six Mile' fettlers' cottages at Puttapa Gap.



Beltana Railway Station c 1920. SLISA B58254

Unfortunately, no trucking yards were ever built at the station despite constant pleas for them. There were such yards at Nilpena Railway Station 24 km south of Beltana, however.

Beltana was a Changeover Station. One crew worked a train from Quorn to Beltana, and another crew took over from Beltana to Marree.



The town of Beltana, c 1897. SLISA B 47475

And so there was accommodation in Beltana for these changeover crews waiting to take a train back the way they'd come.

The trains turned out to be too expensive for most people to use. First class return Beltana to Port Augusta was £2/14/- (\$5.40), and second class £2/5/- (\$4.50), an enormous sum *then*. You could buy an expensive suit imported from Eng-



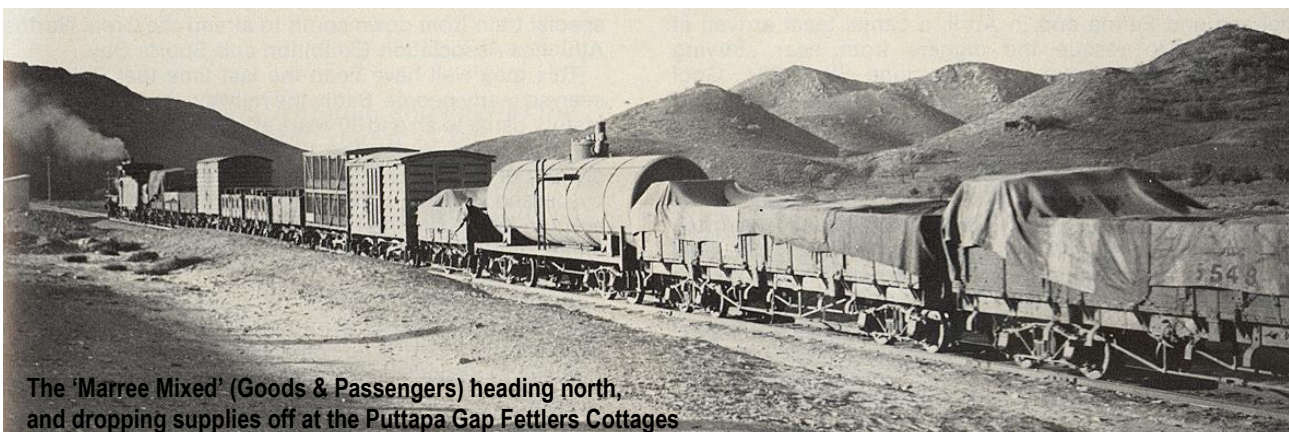
Now no longer a working railway station. Photo Lisa Southon

land for that price! So, like the Overland Telegraph, in a way both were more valuable to the Government and officialdom, than ordinary folk. But the town did profit from all the railway staff living there, and the guests passing through.

The line finally closed in 1958, the new standard gauge line now 8½ km out to the west. It has been said that Beltana boomed when the railway came, and entered a decline when it went. ■

(Non-SLSA photos from Aird & Klaassen, *Beltana*, 1984)

— Lisa Southon, Archivist



The 'Marree Mixed' (Goods & Passengers) heading north, and dropping supplies off at the Puttapa Gap Fettlers Cottages



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Flinders Gin Update

FLINDERS GIN HAVE released their first seasonal product. Butterfly Gin is a gorgeous inky purple and carries the flavour of muntries.

Muntries (*Kunzea pomifera*) are a native berry plant that occurs naturally in our region as a ground-cover. Related to lilly pillies, these delicious little flavour bombs are crispy and sometimes called a native apple, native cranberry or emu apple. Muntries bring fresh apple, cinnamon and berry flavour which is magical when distilled in our gin.

The colour of the gin comes from the Butterfly Pea Flower being steeped in the final product before bottling. This flower is sensitive to acidity and so, when tonic or lemon juice is added in the glass, the colour transforms to a rosy pink.

The release of this product happened in city and country style over the last weekend in September, with a Friday-night Gatsby themed party in the basement bar of Jack and Jill's in Pirie Street.

Entry to the venue was prohibition-era style all the way with a secret back alley marked with our flag, leading guests downstairs. A flapper-dressed waitress met guests with a sneaky cocktail served in a bottle and hidden in a bag. The jazz band played through the night while the well heeled guests swished their way through five-courses and five matched cocktails, all Flinders Gin based of course.

The Flinders Gin team then changed gear, hooking up 'Howard the Van' and settling in for the day at the 101st Quorn Agricultural Show. "We met and talked to so many people throughout the day, making cocktails to add a little bit of fancy to the event. Many people who stopped by, took away a bottle or two of our products and especially our new Butterfly Gin, depleting stock to "sold out". If you missed out, a new batch is underway this week."

"At Flinders Gin we feel strongly about supporting good causes while promoting our region. We've taken the opportunity to support The Queens Gala 2021 with enough Quandong Gin and Butterfly Gin to help that party get started. The Queen's Gala is a Queer Adelaide fundraiser for Beyond Blue that is scheduled for 27th November 2021 and will be serving Flinders Gin to guests as the only gin at the event."



Leah and Alby Trotta at the Flinders Gin Gatsby Party celebrating the release of Butterfly Gin.



Butterfly Gin has joined the family of Flinders Gin products this month as the first of their seasonal releases

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Rob & Andy setting up pole for a power point for the bain marie



Lyall sanding table top set up on old sewing machine base



Another chair refurbished and has lost its wobbles



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ANDY'S CORNER

JUST A FEW NOTES to let members know what is happening around the traps.

The last two rounds of grants have not been successful, but we can still push on and submit plans for a lean to on the side of our work shop so as to create a more comfortable area for some work activities. We should be able construct it ourselves.

The tucker garden area can now be set up as we have the equipment ie garden beds and shade structure.

Good weather now for most things ideal for painting the container.

The electrical appliance testing has been started.

Anyone with appliances that require testing can bring them to the men's shed and we can arrange to have them tested to the AS3760 standard. We can even arrange some repairs if parts are still available for them.

Don't forget memberships are due now.
Covid rules apply.

Andy Smith



Rob setting up chisel rest on wood lathe



Daniel and Ian observing Jeff cutting mitre joints



Terry balancing bank budget

Anyone can drop in for a cuppa and a chat on Thursdays, any time between 8.30am and 2pm

Shed breakfasts at 0900hrs on 14th & 28th October.

Andy does Steak sandwiches for workers lunch

on 7th & 21st October, only \$4.

This is subject to COVID mandates.



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Welcome to the October edition for the Quorn Mercury with the latest news from Pichi Richi Railway

THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER holidays has always been the peak of the tourist season here in the Flinders, and this year has been no exception. Almost all the trains were fully booked before the holidays even started, so we are glad to have some new volunteers learning the ropes.



New volunteers Rod and Pauline, and David and Libby helping with train operations

Scheduled Trains in October

Saturday 2nd Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30
Sunday 3rd Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30
Sunday 3rd Coffee Pot Luncheon Experience – dep Quorn 12:00pm, return 16:00
Monday 4th Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30
Tuesday 5th Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30
Thursday 7th Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30
Saturday 9th Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30
Sunday 10th Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30 AM, return Quorn 13:30
Sunday 17th Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:30am, return Quorn 13:30
Saturday 23rd Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30
Saturday 30th Sundowner – dep Quorn 1730, return Quorn 19:30

OTHER KEY WORKS that our volunteers have been involved in includes:

- A Rolling Stock Mechanical Bogie week led by Dean Foster—works included a bogie exchange on Flinders followed by a trial run and Car 470 underframe fabrication works.
- Fire hydrant upgrade work throughout the Quorn Depot area.
- Culvert 0 works across the Quorn Station yard to improve drainage and reduce flooding in the area, are almost complete, and trains are now running back on the main line



One of the new fire hydrants at the Quorn Depot

We have also obtained funding for two projects as part of the FRC Main Street(s) Facelift Project and will soon be commencing works to the Quorn Station building and the Barracks Buildings.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, we're very pleased to announce that we are finalists in the South Australian Tourism Awards.

If you want to see Pichi Richi Railway win the Voters' Choice Award Experience or Service category, please scan the QR code below and vote for us! Voting closes 9am on the 11th Oct 2021



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

***Quorn Mercury* Revisited**

Quorn Show

20 Years Ago



Quorn Show—the annual Quorn Agricultural Show was held on Sunday 15th September on a fine, clear day. The attendance was average. There were fewer sideshows

than in recent years. In the photo, Patricia Slattery, aged 4½, daughter of Peter & Lee-Ann Slattery, is enjoying the Show, and particularly the merry-go-round. □

The Craft Fair is on this weekend

Saturday — Monday, 9am to 3pm in the Town Hall

Quorn Mercury Revisited

SHOW SHOTS

Ambulance crew: Travis, Jillian and Sue.

Lions Club cooks: Ernie and Rod cooking donuts:

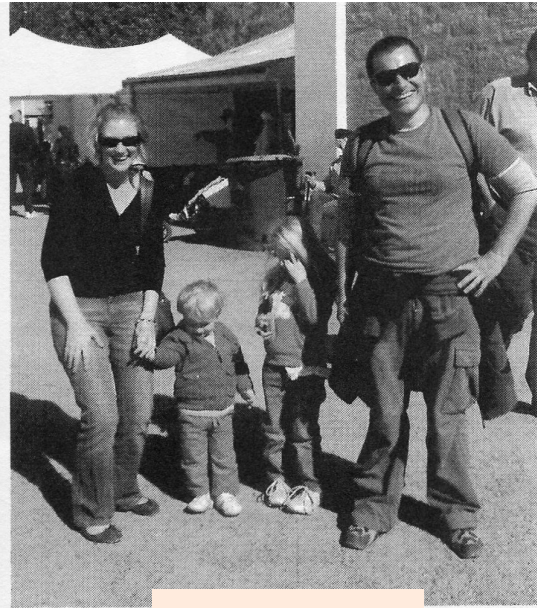
'Ute Muster'- the 'Bruns' girls relaxing in their ute and watching the horse events.

Right: Sonja Mercer, partner Brad and children Madi and Dexter enjoying Show Day:

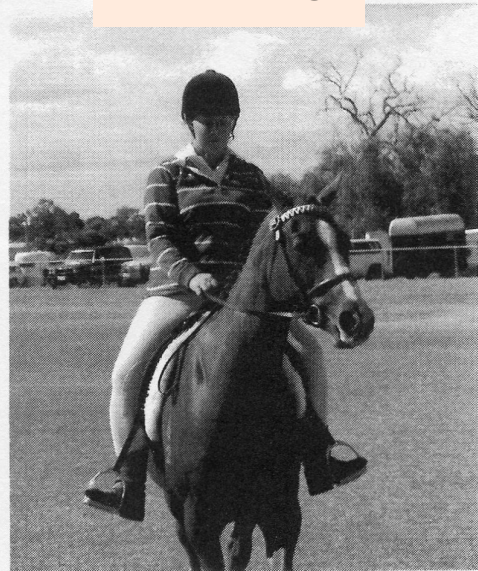
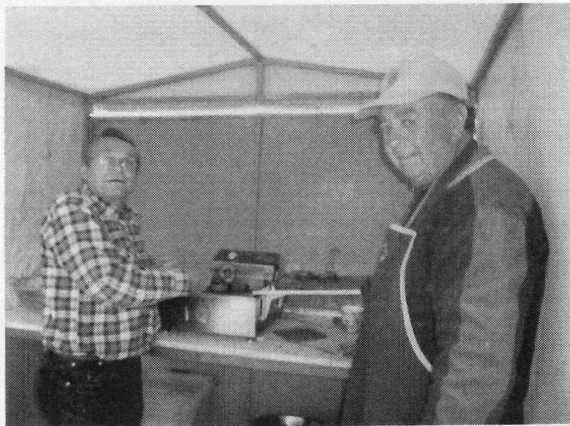
Centre right: Brittany Popp on her horse Phoenix;

Bottom right: Scare Crow exhibit.

The Scarecrow competition was a great attraction.



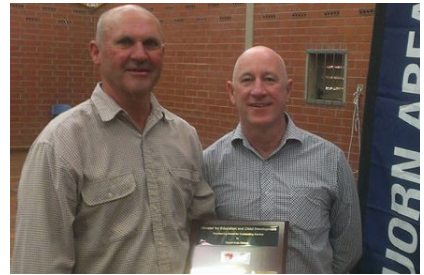
10 Years Ago



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

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

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



My office can help you with

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



Eddie Hughes  **MP**

Member for Giles

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Golf Presentation Night

THE WINDUP OF THE GOLF season was held on Friday September 25th. Before the presentations of Trophies, President Haydn Hancock spoke of the achievements and highlights for the golf Club over the year.

He then invited Rod and Jan Jarvis to come forward to receive life membership of the Quorn Golf Club in recognition and appreciation of decades of their participation and service to the club. Jan and Rob received their award with pride and thanks, reflecting on the pleasure it gave them in their long association and in giving to the club.

Golf Awards 2021

Club Champion - Jeremy Rigden
Club Champion Runner up - Corey Finlay
B Grade Champion - Paul Hancock
B Grade Runner up - Matt Skull
C Grade Champion - Terry Smith
C Grade Runner up - Dean Montgomerie

Monthly Medal Winners

April - Liam Bury
May - Matt Griffiths
June - Joel Finlay
July - Terry Smith
August - Corey Finlay
September - Terry Smith

Other trophies

Presidents Trophy - Joel Finlay
Captain - Matt Griffiths
Secretary - Grant Fuller
Handicappers - Corey Finlay
Treasurer- Mat Britza
Vice Presidents - Jeremy Rigden
Eclectic Winner - Matt Griffiths



Left: Jan and Rod Jarvis receive Life Membership



Left: Andy Smith Robert Britza, Club Champion– Jeremy Rigden



*Left: Patron Andy Smith
B Grade Champion Paul Hancock*



*Left: Haydn Hancock, Andy Smith,
Club Champion Runner–up Corey Finlay, Robert Britza*

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March	5.2mm
April	Nil
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June	36.2mm
July	100.4mm
August	13.0mm
September	6mm
YTD	199.2mm

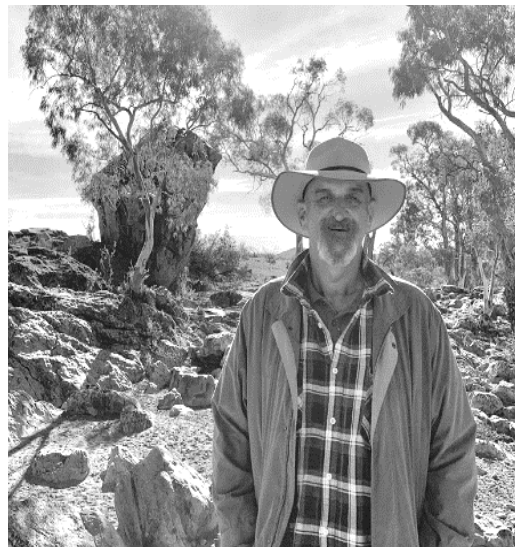
Quorn Business Group

The next General Meeting is 6th December

Stu Hackett

Mercury did not publish the Quorn Business & Service Hours for September this year, but will wait until Covid-19 restrictions return to normal

Celebration of Ian's Life



There will be a small celebration for Ian's life held in the backroom at the **Austral Hotel**, on *Sunday the 17th of October from 11am - 2pm.*
#lovingquorn

Quorn Social Club

Drawn September 4th 2021

1st Prize	Mat Williams
2nd Prize	Quorn Golf club
3rd Prize	Lorraine Walsh



Health
Flinders and Upper North
Local Health Network



Would you like to know what community health services are available to you in Quorn?

Do you know how to arrange for a Community Nurse or other Community services to help you in your home?

Need some information about how you can connect with these services in Quorn?

Come to hear from Community Health staff to answer these questions and more

Tuesday 19th October at 1pm

Quorn Town Hall

Enquiries call 8647 8683 (no need to register)

October 2021

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist
Diabetes Education
Dietitian
Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist
Speech Pathologist
Social Worker

Country Health Connect 8668 7706



October 2021

Anglican Church of St Matthews
3rd Sunday of month 10am
Contact Number
Ph: 047711056 or 8648 6763

Catholic Church
Flinders Ranges Catholic Parish
Parish Priest: Father Harold Camonias
Mass Times:
Weekdays: Tuesday— Fridays 9am Quorn.
Friday 11am Hawker
Saturday Carrieton 4pm
Sunday Quorn 8.30am Hawker 10.30am
Leigh Creek 5pm 1st Sunday of the Month

Flinders Christian Fellowship
Sunday Church 10am
Monday and Thursday lunch 12pm
Tuesday Bible Study 12pm

Uniting Church
Sunday Services 10am

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- Other submissions to Visitor Information Centre, Quorn Railway Station before 4.30 pm 24h Sept
Classified Ads on Visitor Information Centre form provided.

Must be paid for when submitted.

Guidelines for Submissions:

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

Contacts

- **Coming Events**—Jillian Wilson, Visitors Information Centre, 8620 0510
- **News in Brief**—Peter Sandles, 8648 6768 or mercury@frc.sa.gov.au

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- **Annual Subscription**—12 months (11 issues) \$40 including postage
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Quorn~Hawker~Cradock Events October 2021

Regular Events

Quorn

Quorn Book Club

Phone Sam Nester for info
0456 129 870

Women's Fellowship—

3rd Wednesdays
see poster in Laundromat
window or Facebook for details.

Quorn Men's shed breakfasts
9.00am 14 & 28 October

Quorn Play Group

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

Probus

1st Tuesday of the month
10am

Line dancing

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

Quorn Business Group

Meetings are quarterly
See Quorn Out and About for
details

Flinders Flicks

22 October - 7.00pm

Hawker

Community Group—

Tuesday
fortnightly

Development Board—

2nd Monday of the Month

Friendship Group—

3rd Wednesday

Hawker Community Singers -

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

Quilting Group—Friday

Events

Pichi Richi Railway

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

Pichi Richi Explorer – A half day trip from
Quorn to Woolshed Flat and return.
Departing the Quorn Railway Station.
Collect your copy of this year's timetable
from the Flinders Ranges Visitors
Information Centre in the Railway Station.

Quorn Silo Light Show

Free projection every night, projecting
onto the Quorn Silo. Viewing times are on
the website or call and get a brochure
from the visitor centre.

A Brush with Art

4th September to 10th October Flinders
wide art exhibition

Rock the Ranges

Eskimo Joe, Chunky Custard, Andy & the
Rockits, Critical Limit, Acoustic Juice
Saturday 16th October at Quorn Oval
11:30am – 7:30pm
Tickets on sale @ Moshtix

Quiz Night

Sat 23rd at 6:30pm, Hawker Institute

Quorn Product and Craft Market

Homemade goods, fresh local produce,
handmade knits, crafts, cards and more!
24th Oct at the Town Hall 8:30am – 2:30pm

Bronco Branding

Sat 30th Oct, from 8am at the Stockyard
Arena

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*We cannot direct the wind but we can
adjust the sails*

Anonymous

Regular Events

Quorn

Aerobics/Walking Exercise

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

Boot Camp

Tuesday & Fridays 6.30am
Quorn Oval

Yoga

Thursday nights 6.30pm
Uniting Church Hall

Quilting/Sewing/Knitting Group

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

Quorn Bowling Club

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

Pilates

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

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

Austral Inn Hotel

Sunday Night Pizza Night and Wednesday
Night Schnitzel Night

Transcontinental Hotel

Tuesday Night Schnitzel Night

Meditation Classes with Asharnaye

Held every Tuesday at the Catholic Church
Hall on Railway Tce. 6:30 – 7:30pm.
Cost is by donation

Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society

Wednesdays from 9am at the Lions Park
Everyone welcome



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The Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society display included this fully restored tip cart (Circa 1900) with Nipper the horse
Shown above being operated by Chris McDonald



Andrea Tschirner and Hannah Ling at the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board Stand. The winner of the "Guess the number of quandong seeds" was Sonny from QAS



Flinders Ranges Council CEO Eric Brown and friend pondering the number of seeds



The Pioneer Museum 1913 Caterpillar Tractor in the throes of being transported back to the Lions Park. It was first to arrive at the Show Grounds and last to leave. (Above)
Shown at left it is now back home