

# Quorn Mercury

Recording Quorn's History while it's Being Made

June 2023

Established 1895

Number 28/299

## Heart Warming Event



The Desert Voices and the Heart Choir concert, held at The Emporium, May 18th  
Aunty Kae McMillan at the microphone singing *We are Australian* in Adnamathanha language



Enjoying some soulful blues singing,  
with some audience participation

THE COMMUNITY WAS TREATED to a harmonious evening of singing at *The Emporium*, formerly known as *Emily's Bistro*.

The visiting singers were last in Quorn in 2019 and their return, after restrictions of recent years, was greatly welcomed. They were part of a group known as Backhouse and the Back-roads, on their way to the Northern Territory. The group includes singers from New Zealand, and was joined by Quorn resident Aunty Kae, and the Desert Voices choir from Port Augusta.

Once again the audience enjoyed the beautiful sounds of choral harmonies, enhanced by the acoustics of the Emporium. ■

See pages 16-18 for more photos

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# Chief Officers Unit Citation for Service Award

ON THE 1ST of March 2023 at around 07:30hrs, the Lincoln Gap Composite Crew were just about to complete their long night shift at the Lincoln Gap tyre fire when they were alerted to a 2-car head on collision approx. 1km west of their location on the Lincoln Highway.

The Lincoln Gap Composite Crew quickly made their way to the scene and when arriving only minutes later were confronted with a horrific and extremely traumatic scene. Debris was scattered across the highway, 3 x victims heavily trapped within the 2 x vehicles with 2 of the victims showing limited signs of life.

Without hesitating, The Lincoln Gap Composite Crew triaged the most urgent of victims and quickly got to work on performing CPR, opening victims airways, and providing whatever first aid they could until the ambulance service arrived.

The Lincoln Gap Composite Crew was the only emergency crew on scene for approx. 15-20 minutes. During this time, the victims appeared to remain stable, however, unfortunately, the 2 x drivers were unable to be

stabilised and revived by the ambulance crews once they arrived on scene.

Due to the quick thinking and initiative of The Lincoln Gap Composite Crew, the passenger of one of the vehicles was able to be saved and then later airlifted to hospital.

After the fatigue experienced of working a long night shift on a complex tyre fire, and then being alerted and responding to a serious vehicle accident only 1km away, shows that the dedication and professionalism of the crew to be able to quickly re focus, calmly assess the new situation and manage such a complex scene was above and beyond the expectations of these crews on this day. Both crews placed themselves within this horrific scene in attempt to save these victims lives without any hesitation or thoughts about how this scene might affect themselves.

The Lincoln Gap Composite Crew, and the ambulance service crew, on this day performed above and beyond what is reasonably expected of our volunteers, and they should be commended for their work and dedication to the South Australian Community. ■



Award presented on the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at SAFECOM HQ at Keswick. *From left*—Modris Ozolins, Kane Honner, Aaron Scott and Chief Officer, CFS, Brett Loughlin



## **Interested in being part of the Quorn Business Group?**

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

Members have access to these great benefits:

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

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

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

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

**President – Stu Hackett 0475 410 127**

**or**

**Secretary – Ellenor Day 0403 011 230**

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



# The Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society RV Park Opens!

THE QUORN PIONEER Machinery Society is pleased to announce the opening of the Recreational Vehicle Park on Monday 15th May. Patronage has been good to date with park at capacity on a number of occasions. Located in the Lions Park adjacent to the Museum Pavilion, the proceeds are to enable the society to fund restoration and upkeep of its artefacts.

The society has designed the park to take the best possible care of the park environment, and has begun plantings to ensure that the park is in character with all at the other improvements that are currently taking place in Quorn. ■



## Do you need support with meals as you grow older?

Bungala Food Service are delivering freshly cooked 3-course meals to Quorn every week-day.

Meals are delivered hot for immediate consumption or can be arranged to be delivered cold so that they can be conveniently reheated in the oven or microwave whenever required.

For those on a Commonwealth Home Support Program or a Home Care Package, meals can be subsidised in conjunction with your aged care provider.

Our home style meals are cooked fresh in our Port Augusta kitchen using ingredients that are in season, creating flavours that you can actually taste!

For any enquiries, please contact your aged care provider or

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# Vale Betty Ash & John Ash



Elizabeth Lynne Ash (Whillas) 7/9/1939 - 19/4/2023. Aged 83

Herbert John Ash 20/1/1935 - 8/5/2023. Aged 88

Inseparable in life together now for eternity

AUNTIE BETTY WAS born and grew up in Port Lincoln. She attended college in Western Australia and after graduating she moved to Sydney working for her church. She then moved back to Adelaide in about 1963. It was at this time she met Uncle John. They were married in Port Lincoln in 1966 and she moved to Quorn where she firstly worked for Con Saras in his grocery shop on First Street. When the grocery shop closed she then went to work in the office of QMB run by Pat Smith at the time.

Uncle John was born in the old Quorn Hospital of the corner of First and Fourth Street. As a young child he lived at the rail sidings of Hughes, Parachilna and finally at Willochra. This is where he went to school. He started working at the tender age of 13 after the Willochra school closed. He started in the shearing sheds locally, as well as working for Eric Hilder and his Great Uncle Dave Stokes. He then did National Service in the Army and although hating school he revelled in the Army life. After his discharge from National Service he returned to shearing and working for Bill and Edna Francis and it was about this time he started to buy his farm on the Willochra plains.

It was about this time he met and finally married Auntie Betty. They eventually sold the farm in the 1990s and decided to caravan

Australia, some times solo, other times with friends or family, doing this until Uncle John was in his early 80s and could not set up the caravan properly.

Their latter years, as they progressed into their 80s, became a struggle with health. Auntie Betty was diagnosed with cancer and the onset of dementia, Uncle John's focus was now devoted to looking after his wife of 50 odd years. At the end he was not looking after himself as well as he should, and they both ended up in the Quorn Hospital with a view to moving into Flinders House.

This was not to be, as a few months prior, Auntie Betty's cancer diagnosis was not promising and she passed quietly on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April. This rocked Uncle John severely and on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May just 19 days later he also passed.

I would like to express the family's gratitude to all of the Staff at the Quorn Hospital for their dedication and loving way that they cared for our Uncle and Auntie while they were staying at the Quorn Hospital. Also a big thanks to Kylie Finlay for her loving support and help over the years. Thankyou all from the bottom of our hearts.

■ Ashy

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# Look for that Colour Run

“LOOK FOR THAT COLOUR RUN “is a fundraising event for Mental Health.

Organised by Daniel Turk and a couple of his mates as his support team, it will coincide the with the Pichi Richi Marathon 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

He will start off running from the water tanks on the Whyalla/Port Augusta Road; his intention is to meet up with the Pichi Richi Marathon runners as they start out from the Standpipe Port Augusta. When marathon runners finish at Quorn he will continue his run to Warren Gorge and back making his length ran 100 kilometres for the day.

Daniel has throughout his life suffered from anxiety and depression and found that running is his best medicine along with knowing to say “no I am not okay” reaching out for help and advocates for others to speak up about how they are feeling and their mates/family listen.

He has recently been inspired by his uncle who is in his mid-late fifties when he completed a 100-kilometre run through the Blue Mountains in October last year. Daniel then set himself up to do that distance. If his ageing uncle could do it, he surely could.

Then he saw it as an opportunity to bring the mental health conversations to the forefront and while he was at it, he could help an organisation that focuses on helping fellow sufferers by raising some funds.

Daniel invites anyone to join him in the run especially in the last 40 kilometres when he knows he will be feeling the toll.

Daniel and his support team have set up a Look for That Colour Run Go Fund Me Page, which provides people an opportunity to support him by donating to Mindful Aus.

## Why Mindfull Aus?

The organisation Mindfull Aus resonates with him as they work with blue collar workers, sporting clubs, youth, and the regional and remote communities to “start the conversation”.

Daniel has so far raised \$4000 well on his way to raise the target of \$15000. ■



Look for that Colour Run | HomePage

[lookforthatcolourrun.gofundraise.com.au](https://lookforthatcolourrun.gofundraise.com.au)



### **The Flinders Ranges Council Supplementary Election**

Nominations for The Flinders Ranges Council Supplementary Election opened on Thursday 25 May 2023.

You must be enrolled in the Council area to stand as a candidate.

Becoming a councillor means you will help shape a wide range of policies and decisions that will impact the short and long-term future of your local community.

If you wish to discuss Councillor obligations and time commitment please call the Council office on 8620 500 to make an appointment to see the CEO, Eric Brown.

Further information and nomination forms are available via a link to the Electoral Commission of SA website on the community information page at [www.frc.sa.gov.au](http://www.frc.sa.gov.au)

Nominations close at 12 noon on Thursday 8 June 2023.

If there is more than one nomination received, voting material will be distributed as of Tuesday 27 June 2023 with close of voting (polling) at 5.00pm on Monday 24 July 2023.

## **Volunteers needed**

**Powell Gardens Working Bee**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**10am-12pm**

**BYO hat, sunscreen, garden tools and gloves**

**Sausage sizzle and refreshments available as a thank you**

**SEE YOU THERE ON THE DAY!**





**Proposed Annual Business Plan 2023-2024,  
Long Term Financial Plan 2023-2043, Fees and Charges 2023-2024  
and Rating Policy 2023-2024**

Council's Draft Annual Business Plan 2023-2024, Long Term Financial Plan 2023-2043 (including 2023-2024 Budget), Fees and Charges 2023-2024 and Rating Policy 2023-2024 are available for public comment and may be viewed at the Quorn Council Office, Hawker Motors or on Council's website [www.frc.sa.gov.au](http://www.frc.sa.gov.au)

Council is required, under Section 123(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, to consult with the public on its Annual Business Plan. Council is required, under Section 151 and Section 156 of the Local Government Act 1999, to consult with the public on any changes to rating methodologies. These consultations are being undertaken concurrently.

Ratepayers are encouraged to make a written submission regarding the draft Annual Business Plan 2023-2024, Long Term Financial Plan 2023-2043 (including 2023-2024 Budget), Fees and Charges 2023-2024 and Rating Policy 2023-2024, including any proposed changes to its rating methodology, addressed to the Chief Executive Officer at PO Box 43, Quorn SA 5433 to be received by 5.00 pm Friday 16 June 2023.

Council will set aside one hour at the commencement of its Ordinary Meeting to be held on Tuesday 20 June 2023 for any ratepayers who wish to address Council on the Draft Annual Business Plan 2023-2024, Long Term Financial Plan 2023-2043 (including 2023-2024 Budget), Fees and Charges 2023-2024 and Rating Policy 2023-2024. Those ratepayers who would like to address Council on any of the above draft documents are required to make an appointment by telephoning Council on 8620 0500.

**Eric Brown**

Chief Executive Officer

Date of Notice 25 May 2023



## SCREENING AT THE TOWN HALL

**Fri 16th June**

**6.30pm for 7.30pm start—Est 10.00 pm finish**

**BYO DRINKS & EATS**

And a cushion for your comfort

*OR.....like to dine out on the night?*

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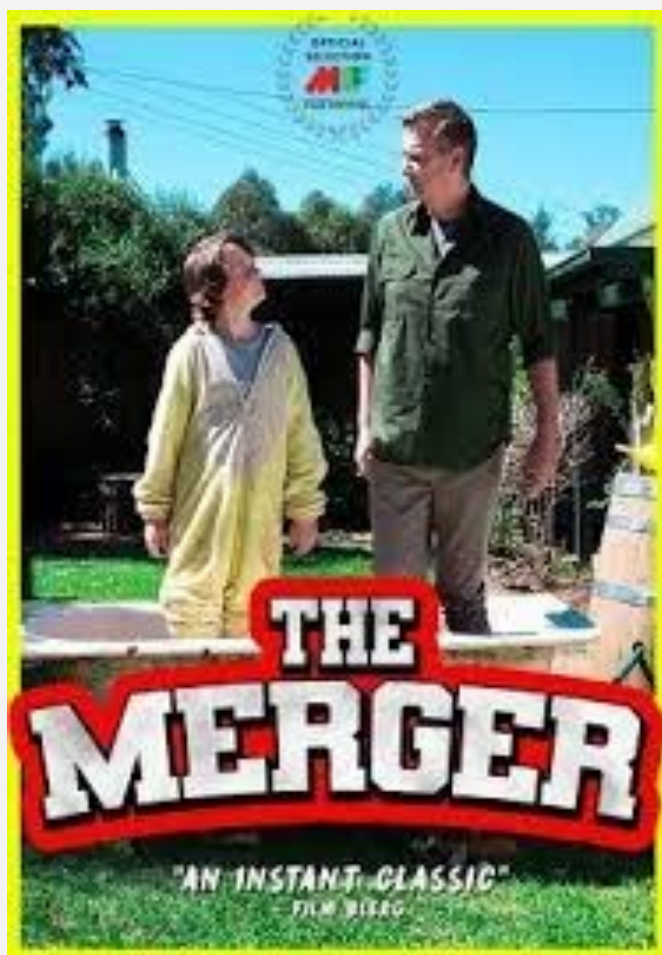
and it will be delivered to the Town Hall at 6.30pm

### **MENU**

HAMBURGER & CHIPS	\$14.50
FISH, CHIPS & SALAD	\$14.50
MOUSSE	\$ 3.50
PRIESTLEY SLICE	\$ 3.50

**Coffee/tea available**

*And remember to leave your donation to  
Flinders Flicks at the door*



### **ABOUT THE MOVIE:**

#### **‘THE MERGER’**

#### **IF THEY CAN PLAY, THEY CAN STAY!**

Bodgy Creek is a struggling town. The drought won't let up, jobs are scarce after the mill was shut down, and the footy team looks like it will have to merge with another club or fold. Living a hermit like existence on the town's fringe, former football star turned 'Town Killer' is coaxed into rescuing the team after stiking up an unlikely friendship with young Neil who is struggling with the recent loss of his father. Teaming up with Neil's mum Angie, who runs a nearby refugee support centre, they unite to recruit the new arrivals to save the team and take the community on a journey of change. But for some, like Neil's grandfather and Club President, Bull and 'star' player Carpet Burn, its more change than they're willing to take.

A winning cast including Damian Callinan, John Howard, Kate Mulvany, Fayssal Bazzi, Rafferty Grierson, Penny Cook, Nick Cody, Zenia Starr, Ben Knight, Stephen Hunter.

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# Pictures from the Past



Work commencing on new cuttings to ease some of the sharper curves in 1888

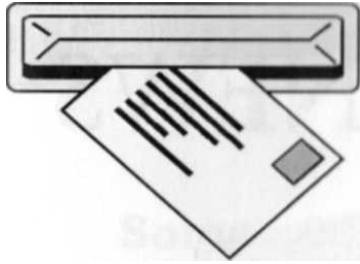
**These photos have been taken from the Commemorative Booklet of The Opening of the Pichi Richi Railway 20th July 1974**



A coal train nearing the Summit in April 1955. The NM locomotive required the help of a T Class at the rear



# Letters to the Editor



## RV Park Fees

We have spent the last 7 days (07-14/05/2023) in your very well presented town of Quorn where we were made very welcome, along with 50 plus motorhomes and other vehicles for the Caravan & Motorhome Club of Australia (CMCA) get together on the Stockyard Arena complex. We, as part of this group had a very enjoyable week in your area.

We visited a new exhibition of the Heritage and Machinery Museum that was very well presented and the new RV park under construction. We were informed that the

proposed new fees for the park were set by a business in Quorn as a condition of use as a trade off at \$17.00 per day to stay at this RV park.

Talking to many who attended the CMCA event they felt that the very hard effort of this group was doomed due to the high day use cost, when you look at ETSA oval/sports club RV park in Pt Augusta @ \$8 a day (we stayed 4 days on route to Quorn with 20 plus vehicles staying each night) and most other sites/locations up to \$10 a day/night.

The Museum could have a full house each night giving a very welcome boost to there coffers if the fees are set at \$8 to \$10 per night instead of having no stayers at all (financial disaster to the museum).

Please can we help this very hard working group out for their dedicated hard work.

Concerned RV user,  
Neville T. CMCA member.



**BREAKING NEWS**

**YOUR AMAZING LIFE**  
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**COMING TO FLINDERS RANGES**

**Your AmaZing Life is coming to Flinders Ranges this June to provide NDIS services to the community:**

-  Arts, crafts and sensory activities for children on NDIS.
-  Customised NDIS funded getaways are also available to some of South Australia's most breathtaking locations!

**22-25 JUNE**  
**Location TBA**

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL** **0449 732 988**



# 80th Birthday Celebration

CONGRATULATIONS TO ANNETTE CAMERON, who celebrated her 80th Birthday at *Martimia*, her home property at Quorn. The name *Martimia* was given to our property by Annette's mother in law approximately fifty years ago, indicating our children Margaret, Timothy, Ian and Annette.

The birthday invitations were sent out well before Christmas 2022 to give the family and friends time to arrange work and travel arrangements. The celebration was held on Saturday 15th April 2023.

To celebrate this wonderful milestone our granddaughter Shayne was the photographer.

All in attendance enjoyed a barbeque lunch. The sausages and hamburgers were purchased from the Quorn meat store with a few homegrown chops, a variety of homemade salads from various family members, and a three generations recipe of Mother's apple pie.

Ian Cameron ■



The Birthday Cake

From left—great grandchild Eleni with Annette Cameron



From left—brother Richard, Annette, sister-in-law Barbera



From left—daughter Margaret, Ian, Annette and son Timothy





Annette Cameron celebrating her 80th Birthday with family

*From left—Shyane, Eleni, Ian Cameron, Caitlyn, Margaret, Annette Cameron, Tim, Angus and Chris*



Probus trip to parts of Yorke Peninsula. 10 people from Quorn and 35 from Port Augusta. They visited many interesting places. *Above left—Uranium glass from Memoree House Kadina. Above right—Pam Hunt inspecting machinery in Minlaton*

# Quorn Out and About



The Mercury Team enjoyed a lovely lunch at the Quandong Café to thank retiring editors Peter and Janet. *From left—Imelda Coverdale, June Blaschek, Peter Sandles, Mary Francis, Minette Gorecki, Janet Thomas*



A good attendance at the choral concert at the Emporium



The Desert Voices and The Heart Choirs sings The Emporium  
Thursday 18th May 2023 Quorn



# QUORN MEN'S SHED

**ALL WELCOME**

## QUORN MEN'S SHED

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THE MEN'S SHED catered for the choir and attendees by cooking a BBQ at the front of the Emporium (Emily's Bistro). Money raised by the event went to the Men's Shed.

Shed breakfast at 0900hrs on 8th & 22nd June. Steak sandwiches for workers lunch, on 1st, 15th & 29th June, only \$4. Cuppa 0900 to 1400.

*Right*—Terry handing over Lucky door Prize, miniature Coffee Pot engine to Anna Beach from Port Augusta



BBQ, tables and food warmer being set up



Lucky Door Prize, a miniature Coffee Pot steam engine



Quorn Men's Shed members, Terry, Jeff, Lyall, Col & Ian cooking BBQ



Guests line up ready for BBQ

# Quorn Show 2023



**Thinking of  
putting a stall  
in the show?  
Contact us.**



**Wool Bale Rolling  
Competition !!!  
Coming to the Show  
2023 –  
3 persons per team  
Mens 130 kg  
Women 100kg  
Watch this space!!**



**Show Day  
Sunday Sept 24th**



THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY position recently became vacant due to Michelle Densley relocating for work commitments. We thank Michelle for her contribution to the 2022 Show and her work so far for the 2023 show. We wish her well in her new location.

After much thought, Bronwyn Filsell has agreed to step in to the Secretary role. Thank you Bronwyn.

The poultry pavilion has had old cages removed and replacement cages have arrived ready to be put together. A working bee was held on Saturday May 26th for this purpose.

Meanwhile Show Day is drawing closer. Have you thought about contributing to the show this year?

For enquiries and offers to help in any way, please see the contact information with the office holder details at the end of this page. ■

## FEES FOR 2023

### Admission:

<b>Adults :</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>School age Children:</b>	<b>\$ 2.00</b>
<b>Concession</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>

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**Membership 2 Adults \$15.00**

**Family Membership**

**2 Adults, 2 Children \$20.00**

**Save money!**

**Purchase a show membership!**

**Contact Jillian at the VIC for details**

**Proceeds from memberships help with  
preparation and planning costs, and in  
securing attractions for the event.**

## Annual Show Attractions

Horses in Action,  
Poultry & Pigeon Pavilion  
Wool/Fleece Judging  
Plants & Flowers. Dairy Produce &  
Vegetables,  
Jam & Preserves,  
Handicrafts & Needlework,  
Cooking,  
Art & Craft, Photography.  
School & Early Childhood Displays

**Next Committee Meeting**

**FRC Council Chambers 700pm**

**Thursday the 8th of June**

## Enquiries to current Office holders:

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# Colebrook Home

IN 1924 MISS ANNE LOCKE of the United Aborigines Mission travelled north from Adelaide to Oodnadatta where she opened the first U.A.M operations in South Australia. In 1925 she was joined by Miss Iris Harris (later Mrs Wade), and in 1926 Miss Ruby Hyde was sent to Oodnadatta to replace Miss Locke. These three women pioneered what was later to become known as Colebrook Home.

By 1926 when Miss Hyde arrived in Oodnadatta, there were five children resident at the mission home. The government policy at the time was for the removal of half-caste children from their traditional cultural and family ties and for the mission to play an active role in assimilating the children into white society.

In time the missionaries felt that housing these children at Oodnadatta was unsatisfactory so the U.A.M. began to search for a house further south. In May 1927 they purchased a small house on the outskirts of Quorn for \$5000. (This was at the corner of Pearce Road and Flower Road near Stony Creek railway bridge). As soon as the house was purchased, Miss Hyde left Oodnadatta with twelve children and travelled south to establish the first official Colebrook Home, named after T.E.Colebrook, the Australian President of the U.A.M.



First Colebrook Home

Miss Hyde was not long at the home before she was joined by Miss Delia Rutter. This marked the beginning of a lifetime commitment by Sisters Hyde and Rutter to Colebrook Home and the many Aboriginal children who came

under their care. The unique and wholeheartedly dedication of these two missionaries ensured that Colebrook was more like a large family than an institution.

Colebrook Home remained at the first house in Quorn for six years by which time conditions had become quite overcrowded and the house riddled with white ants. A new house was urgently needed and, despite efforts to move the house closer to Adelaide, a second home was purchased not far out of Quorn on the Hawker Road. By mid 1933, the sisters and the children had moved to this other home, and thus the second Colebrook Home in Quorn. The home was in this location until Christmas 1943 when the sisters brought the children to Adelaide, initially for a holiday, but then established the third Colebrook Home at Eden Hills.

The third home at Eden Hills was renamed Colebrook Training Home. The Sisters stayed at the home until 1952 when they left and established Stanford St. Parkside, then the Tanderra Girls Home in Torrensville, Adelaide.

Many of those who grew up in the Colebrook Homes look fondly upon the early days, when the Home was located at Quorn. It is this period of its history when a unique and special Colebrook identity was forged, which is commemorated by those who grew up there.

Times were not always easy in the home. Many children felt a great sadness at being separated from their families and culture. In the early days, the sisters had difficulty in securing a safe and reliable water supply. Being a faith mission, the sisters and the children relied on their own limited resources and the generosity of others. Those brought up in the home remember vividly praying for food and other needs. The government provided little support for the Home initially and at times actively hindered its operations.

Despite these difficulties the Home continued. The love and devotion and sheer hard work of Sisters Hyde and Rutter made sure of this. The children were provided with uniforms of maroon and white, which Sister Hyde sewed herself. Every effort was made by the sisters to ensure that the children participated in all aspects of Quorn life. The children went to the local school and to local churches.

The original Quorn 'family' is proud of its tradition. The first Aboriginal nurse in S.A. was



from the home. This encouraged the other girls to train as nurses. The home has also produced school teachers, kindergarten director, social workers, welfare and liaison officers, administrators, actors, Justice of the Peace, missionaries, musicians, artists, tradesmen and international and state sports persons.

Although exempt from the armed forces, seven boys and one girl enlisted during the Second World War. In 1985, a Colebrook Home woman was awarded the honour of 'Australian of The Year'.

After Colebrook closed in 1981, former residents formed the Colebrook Tji Tji Tjuta organisation in order to preserve available records of children who had passed through the home. A memorial park now stands on the former site at Eden Hills. A statue of a grieving mother is a reminder of the many mothers whose children grew up without them.

Those who grew up in Colebrook Home are proud to be Aboriginal and proud to be Colebrooks.

The Colebrook family revolved around the unselfish devotion of two remarkable ladies, Sister R.M.Hyde M.B.E. and Sister D.Rutter M.B.E. Their M.B.E.s were awarded in recognition of their dedication and service. Sister Rutter died in 1973 aged 82 years and Sister died in 1982 aged 90 years. The Colebrook family pay homage to them and to our brothers and sisters who have passed on. ■

Thanks to Val Francis for allowing this article and photos to be published in The Quorn Mercury.  
Photo of first Colebrook Home taken from Colebrook Home information on Google. (this photo also appears in a book written by a Colebrook) ■



Pile of stones is all that is left of first home



Taken at second home



Taken at second home

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# Quorn Mercury Revisited

## QUORN FOOTBALL CLUB WINS GRAND FINAL AT ORROROO



10 Years Ago

This is the team that beat BMW at the Orroroo Football Carnival on Sunday the 2nd June.

From left: Coach Dale French, Mitchell French, Luke Finlay, Jackson Paynter, Josh Rigden, Thomas Finlay, Eric Akker, Luke Rigden, Cameron Finlay, Declan Finlay, Karl Finlay, Lachlan McCallum.

## Centenary Medal Awarded

ON SATURDAY 17th May at Flinders Ranges Council Chambers, Quorn, two awards were received.

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia, Barry Wakelin MHR presented the Centenary Medal to Maxwell Sidney McHugh and Faith Thomas.

Max received his award for 'service to the community', particularly local government as Mayor, The Flinders Ranges Council. Max was accompanied by his wife Pearl.

Faith received her award for service to the Aboriginal community.



20 Years Ago

Faith was accompanied by her son Stuart and his family.

Others present were Tina Wakelin and Maureen McColl.

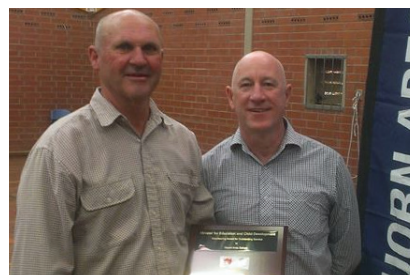
Following the presentations and photo session, a devonshire morning tea was provided by Pearl McHugh and enjoyed by those present.



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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# Recipe

## Potato and Bacon Pancakes

200gm Bacon pieces

1/2 small Onion      500gm Potatoes

1 Egg                      1 Tblsp Plain Flour

Salt & pepper to taste

Chop bacon finer. Peel and grate potatoes and onion. Drain well.

Mix together well with egg and flour.

Drop in dstp into hot oil /fat and fry till golden brown. approx. 2-3 mins.

Betty Eckert



Recipe taken from Quorn Methodist Young Women's Fellowship Recipe folder 1968

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## AFL Slowdown

WELL DONE TO the QAS Integrated Learning class (Joel, Cooper, Timmy and Oli) for organising a super successful community event to raise funds for the Australian Red Cross. They put in a huge effort to pull it all together.

Thanks to the field umpires Matt Griffiths and Matt Skull alongside all the amazing kids that helped boundary and goal umpire and run water.

Massive shout out to the Peart family for cooking and serving the sausage sizzle as well as Yogi Harvie for helping with the soft drinks. Greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to the BMW guernsey team for coming away with the win. 50-34.

Great job by both coaches Dean Mont and Mick Finlay. Lots of laughs were had.

Josh Briggs took out the award for best mark of the day, and Kolt Fraser for the a ripper goal of the day.

Best on ground for each team went to Rob Singleton and Mick Bury.

Special thanks to Derek Lehmann for spending his own time marking the oval to ensure that it was ready for the big game today.

Thanks also to all of the local businesses and the FRC for their support of the event. Let's hope we can make it an annual event moving forward!

Sarah Bury ■





# Landscape Group

## BETTONGS AND BUDDIES

Thanks to the children and families that attended the recent *Bettongs and Buddies* show held by the Port Augusta – Quorn Landscape Group in the Quorn Town Hall on Sunday 7 May. More than 30 children and 25 adults watched the live performance with Rufous the Bettong and his animal friends, as well as having a chance to meet the native animals after the show.

## PROPERTY MANAGEMENT PLANNING PROGRAM

**Applications close 4pm on Monday 5 June.**

Time is running out to apply for the comprehensive four stage PMP program. It helps participants identify their personal motivation and business drivers and work with professionals to develop a financial business management report. All properties involved in the program finish with an Action Plan. Find out more on our website [www.landscapesa.gov.au/saal/projects-and-partners/projects/building-pastoral-sustainability-program](http://www.landscapesa.gov.au/saal/projects-and-partners/projects/building-pastoral-sustainability-program)

## SA ARID LANDS GRAZING WORKSHOP

People with an interest in the pastoral industry can look forward to a new regionalised training program to upskill workers in grazing land management and livestock production.

Designed specifically for the SA Arid Lands pastoral context by Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) EDGE network, the training program will be delivered by Dionne Walsh (Range IQ) and Deb Scammell (Talking Livestock). The day will look at understanding grazing land management, soil fundamentals and livestock production. Learn how to identify land types, native grass recognition and develop strategies to manage land conditions. The training will be held in Quorn in late August. More information will be available soon.

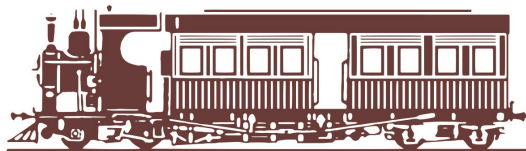


## PORT AUGUSTA-QUORN LANDSCAPE GROUP

The Quorn-based members of the Port Augusta-Quorn Landscape Group are Richie Paynter and Renata Hackett, with Kurt Tschirner also attending as a board member. The group met on Tuesday 30 May in Quorn and discussed its upcoming activities for the new financial year. Some of the events and activities held during 2022-23 included October School Holiday activities held at the Pithi Kawi Bush Tucker Trail Garden, Face-to-face Grant Writing Workshop, Teacher Professional Development with the Marine Discovery Centre and Planting Native Gardens project for local schools and community groups to receive up to \$300 worth of native plants. If you have an issue to raise or would like to attend a meeting, please contact a local member or Community Landscape Officer Brett Devitt on 0409 753 495 or [Brett.Devitt@sa.gov.au](mailto:Brett.Devitt@sa.gov.au)



# PICHI RICHI RAILWAY



CELEBRATING  
**50**  
YEARS  
ESTABLISHED 1973

AFTER BREAKING DOWN last month, W22 returned to service to haul the full Mother's Day train. It was great to see so many passengers enjoying this special day and thanks to the volunteers who made this possible.

Many other things took place in May including a very successful Training weekend on 6/7 May organised by Gavin Clark as well as carriage, rolling stock mechanical and track working bees.

The Society was also awarded the SA Premier's Certificate in recognition of outstanding volunteer service, during National Volunteer Week. ■



Car 470 with its final coat of paint - almost ready to join our services again

## Scheduled Trains in June

**Saturday 3rd** Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

**Saturday 10th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:00am, return Quorn 12:30

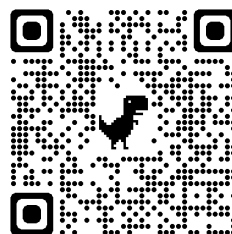
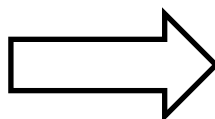
**Sunday 11th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:00am, return Quorn 12:30

**Sunday 11th** Coffee Pot Heritage Rail Experience – dep Quorn 12:00pm, return 16:00

**Monday 12th** Pichi Richi Explorer – dep Quorn 10:00am, return Quorn 12:30

**Saturday 17th** Afghan Express – dep Port Augusta 10:30am, return PA 16:30

**BOOK YOUR  
JOURNEY HERE**



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

## PRR Volunteer 3 Questions Survey Wendy Dowling

How long have you been involved with PRR?

**3 years**

Best thing about volunteering at PRR?

**Promoting history of the trains and being involved**  
Three words to describe PRR  
**Desperate for volunteers**



## 50 Years of PRRPS



The T186 sitting derelict at Peterborough in May 1973, not knowing that it would come back to life in the next couple years. Photo Jeremy Browne

A Flinders Tradition since 1973

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

1800 777 245

# Country Health Connect Quorn Update

June 2023

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

Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network

To Access these services

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

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

## Quorn April 2023 Service Report:

New referrals received	Number of in person services	Number of phone services	Number of telehealth / video conferencing services	Number of “consumer not attended” services
16	163	5	1	0

## Allied Health Professionals June 2023 Visiting Schedule

8th June	14th June	14th June	15th June	22nd & 29th June
Dietetics	Physio OT -TBD <b>Community Consultation</b>	Speech Pathology Diabetes Nurse Educator	Dietician Diabetes Nurse Educator	<b>22nd June</b> Diabetes Nurse Educator <b>29th June</b> Diabetes Nurse Educator Dietician

## Community Care Nurse in the Quorn Community Visiting Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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9am – 3pm

Hours available to provide services as needed. Based from Quorn Medical Practice



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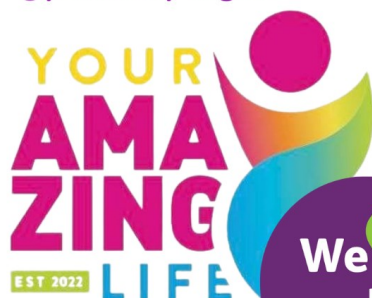


## Classified Adverts

### Rainfall 2023

Jan	23mm
Feb	0mm
March	1mm
April	30mm
May	22.4mm
YTD	76.4mm

@youramayzinglife



**Your AmaYzing  
Life is coming to  
Flinders Ranges  
this June to provide  
NDIS services to  
the community:**

♥ Arts, crafts and sensory  
activities for children on NDIS.

♥ Customised NDIS funded getaways are  
also available to some of South Australia's  
most breathtaking locations!

## 22-25 JUNE

**\*BOOKINGS  
ESSENTIAL**

📞 0449 732 988

## COMING TO FLINDERS RANGES

Also coming is Opal Adamson.\* Psychosocial Recovery Coach, Addiction Recovery Coach, Kids Coach and Life Coach (NDIS available)

\*Trained with the Australian Anti Ice Campaign

Location TBA. Bookings Essential—Phone Kasi 0467 633 935

## June 2023

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist  
Diabetes Education  
Dietitian  
Physiotherapist  
Occupational Therapist  
Speech Pathologist  
Social Worker

Country Health Connect 8668 7706



## June 2023

Anglican Church of St Matthews  
3rd Sunday of month 10am  
Contact Number  
Ph: 0447 711 056 or 0407 640 425

Catholic Church  
Flinders Ranges Catholic Parish  
Parish Priest: Father Mark Whybrow  
Mass Times:

Weekdays: Tuesday—Fridays 9am Quorn.  
Saturday Carrieton 6pm  
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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- Classified Ads on Visitor Information Centre form provided. Must be paid for when submitted.

### Guidelines for Submissions:

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

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- **Coming Events**—Jillian Wilson, Visitors Information Centre, 8620 0510
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# Quorn~Hawker~Gradock Events June 2023

## Regular Events

### Quorn

#### Quorn Book Club

Phone Sam Nester for info  
0456 129 870

#### Women's Fellowship

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

#### Quorn Men's shed Thursdays

#### Quorn Play Group

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

#### Probus

1st Tuesday of the month 10am

#### Line dancing

Tuesday nights, 7pm, Town Hall.  
Cost \$10 (not in school holidays)

#### Quorn Business Group

See Quorn Out and About on  
Facebook for details

**Flinders Flicks** – 16<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm for  
7.30pm start at Town Hall.

**Hawker** for more information go  
to Facebook or Hawker Motors

#### Development Board

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month

#### Friendship Group 3rd Thursday

#### Hawker Community Singers

welcomes everyone to sing Friday  
3.30pm to 5.00pm Uniting Church  
Hall

#### Quilting & Handicraft Group

fortnightly Uniting Church Hall

#### Fellowship 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of

month Uniting Church Hall

#### Exercise Class 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of

month 11am Gym Activity Room

#### Social Bowls Tuesday 7.30pm

names in by 7.15pm

#### Storytime for Under 5's Thursday

9am (school term time) Library

#### Hawker Playgroup Thursday

9.30 am Multi-Purpose Room

Hawker Area School

#### Suzanne's Dancers Thursdays

## Events

### Quorn Produce and Craft Market

Homemade goods, fresh local produce,  
handmade knits, crafts, cards and so  
much more!

at the Town Hall 8:30am – 1:30pm.  
last Sunday of each month

### Quorn Silo Light Show

Free projection every night, projecting  
onto the Quorn Silo. Viewing times are  
on the website and on the sign at the  
Railway Station

### Pichi Richi Railway

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

**Pichi Richi Explorer** – A half day trip  
from Quorn to Woolshed Flat and  
return. Departing at 10.00am from the  
Quorn Railway Station.

### Pichi Richi Marathon

25<sup>th</sup> June Full Marathon Port Augusta  
to Quorn, Half marathon Saltia Creek  
to Quorn, 10.5 km walk or run, 5km  
walk or run junior 1km dash all ending  
with Celebrations at the Community  
Oval Quorn. Road closure will be in  
affect Quorn to Port Augusta closed to  
south bound traffic to 1pm. A speed  
restriction applies to north bound  
traffic.

### Carrieton Trash and Treasure

Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June. Starts at 10am.  
Memorial Hall, Fifth Street. Free Entry

*Check out Facebook and or notice  
boards around town for future events*

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*A place for everything, and everything  
in its place*

*Samuel Smiles 1812-1904*

## Regular Events

### Quorn

#### Exercises

6.30pm Monday nights School gym  
10:30am Wednesdays Moovers and  
Groovers Low impact Town Hall

#### Boot Camp

Tuesdays & Fridays 6.30am Quorn Oval

#### Yoga

Chair Yoga, Tuesday 10am Anglican  
Church hall; Thursday nights 6.30pm  
Uniting Church hall

#### Quilting/Sewing/Knitting Group

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

#### Quorn Bowling Club

Social Bowls Everyone welcome  
Wednesday at 1:00pm

#### Pilates

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

#### Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society

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

#### Step Aerobics

Monday and Thursday 5.30pm  
St Mathews Church Hall \$2

#### Meditation Sessions and Mini Healing

Tuesday nights at 6.30pm at the Quorn  
BYO yoga mat, chairs provided

#### Lion's Club

On the second Wednesday of each month  
at 7pm. New members welcome

#### Transcontinental Hotel

Tuesday Night Schnitzel Night  
Meal Specials Nightly Wednesday and  
Friday nights members draw and Friday  
night meat raffles

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April storm—photos by Damien Butler



*Stormy Weather*

Damien Butler



Winter is coming

Clouds gather 5th May