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The Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA) project at Hawker Area School is now complete. (pictured under construction)

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Hawker Health Service Update June 2025



Please Welcome to Hawker

Meet Sia, our newest team member to the service staff at the hospital. She has recently relocated to Hawker from Canberra.

Sia is excited to explore the region and is looking forward to meeting and making new friendships whilst in Hawker.

She enjoys reading, painting and going for hikes/walks.

Please give her a wave if you see her out and about.

National Reconciliation Week Lunch



Hawker residents along with Hawker staff along with Ros (Board chair of FUNLHN), Angela (Executive Director of Nursing) and Lisa (Director of Governance & Performance) enjoyed a shared lunch for National Reconciliation Week (NRW) on Monday the 2nd of June in the residents lounge.

The theme for Reconciliation Week 2025 is Bridging Now to Next, which reflects the ongoing connection between past, present and future.

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Dementia Training Australia

Improving the health and wellbeing of people living with dementia and the staff who support them.



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Dementia Care Training for Volunteers

This course is designed to provide easily accessible dementia care education for Volunteers who are supporting people living with dementia or experiencing memory and thinking problems.

Suitable for people working in:
Residential Aged Care, Acute Care and Respite Care

Course Overview

Course Details

Learn with DTA

Online Course

Tier 2

Introductory

Completion time

4 hrs

Course duration

1 week

Certificate of completion

Cost

Free for Australian workers

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Course Overview

About this Course

This course is designed to provide easily accessible dementia care education for Volunteers who are supporting people living with dementia or experiencing memory and thinking problems. It aims to equip you as a Volunteer with the knowledge and confidence to support you in your role and recognises the significant contribution and importance of Volunteers, especially in aged care facilities. Whilst the content refers to residential aged care, the principles and role of the Volunteers apply to all care settings.

Dementia Australia training courses are designed for easy access to dementia care education for anyone who is interested in dementia care, may know somebody who has dementia or come across a person with dementia.

The course aims to provide you with support, knowledge and confidence regardless of your occupation. This course is also free of charge.

Please visit the dementia training Australia website or give them a call on 1300 229 092 if you have any queries regarding training information for this course.

The following pages have some useful and informative information regarding dementia. Including a podcast "Hold the moment" and Dementia diagnosis pathways.



Hold the Moment



A podcast full of real stories about life
after a dementia diagnosis



Hold the Moment, a podcast from Dementia Australia, is full of real stories told by people who really understand dementia.

In Season One, hear from people living with dementia about how they manage issues such as telling others about a diagnosis and getting their affairs in order.

In Season Two, hear from people who shine a light on the realities of caring for a loved one with dementia: the rewards, the challenges and everything in between.

**Whatever your experience with dementia,
you're not alone.**

You'll be guided by hosts Jim Rogers, who lives with younger onset dementia, and journalist Hamish Macdonald, whose father lived with dementia with Lewy bodies and Parkinson's.



**Follow and listen
to Hold the
Moment here**

Dementia Australia acknowledges and appreciates the support of the Australian Government for this initiative.

Dementia Diagnosis Pathways

Understanding the various pathways to dementia diagnosis is essential for navigating the healthcare system effectively. Dementia Training Australia offers resources to help make the path clearer.

Step 1 – Watch for Warning Signs

Warning Signs

- Forgetting things or recent events
- Losing or misplacing things
- Getting lost when walking or driving
- Being confused, even in familiar places
- Losing track of time
- Difficulties solving problems or making decisions
- Problems following conversations or trouble finding words
- Difficulties performing familiar tasks
- Misjudging distances to objects visually

Whilst recognising warning signs like forgetfulness or getting lost can be worrying, it's crucial to seek help from a GP at the onset of any noticed changes.

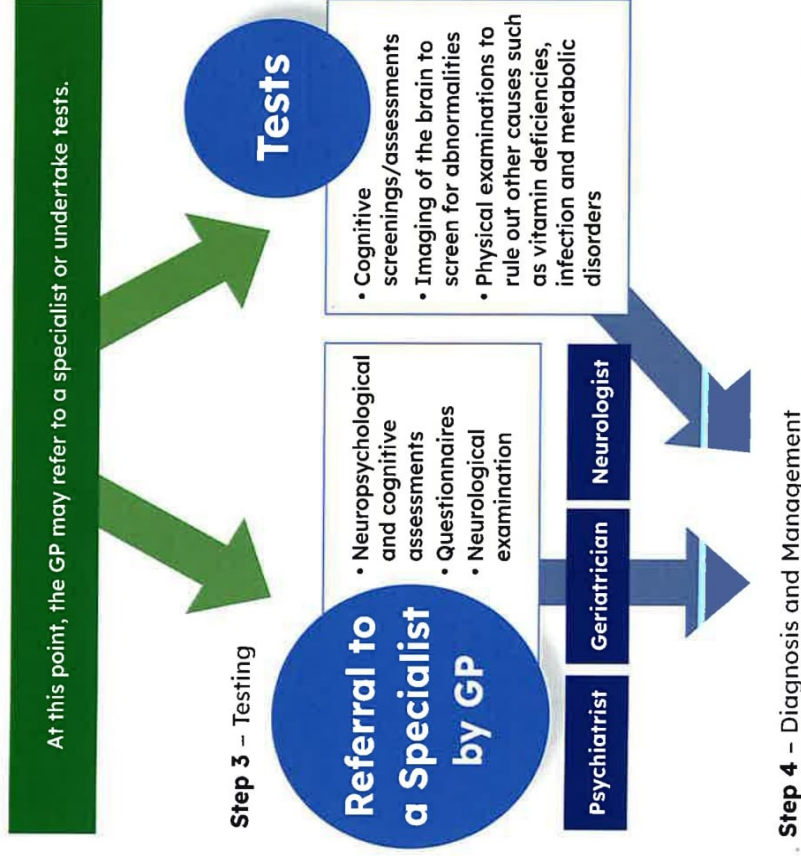
Step 2 – GP Visit

Appointment with a GP to discuss changes in thinking and memory

It can be part of a routine health screening appointment or during a consultation specifically to discuss concerns about memory.



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Receiving a Diagnosis

A diagnosis can be made by a GP or a specialist. If dementia is not present, but memory and thinking are still impacted, doctors can diagnose patients with mild cognitive impairment (MCI).

Management Options

Once a diagnosis of dementia has been made, a GP or specialist can assist with planning and implementing a management plan to assist with maintaining quality of life, independence and safety.



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For more information about training, give us a call on **1300 229 092** or visit **dta.com.au**

Medical Centre News

Monday the 25th of August Private Podiatrist Nevenka will be consulting, kindly note there is a cost associated with this service. Please contact the Medical Centre if you require an appointment.

Dr Abbot who runs the Skin Cancer Screening Clinic will be in Hawker on Monday the 18th of August, if you would like a skin check done, give us a call and we can arrange an appointment for you as required. This service is free of charge.

COVID vaccinations will be available again soon, please call the clinic and advise if you need one and we will place you on our wait list. Once we have received the vaccine doses the clinic will contact you to book you a time and date.

Flu vaccinations are currently available for those eligible. Please note those who are eligible are:

- children 6 months to 5 years
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 6 months and older
- Pregnant people
- People aged 65 and older
- People 6 months of age or older with underlying chronic medical conditions.

People who are not eligible, will need to get a script from the doctor, please make an appointment for a script and for when you have filled it.

Please remember to make an appointment with our Practice Nurse for your free health check's.

- Nurse Penny is here every second Thursday, please contact the clinic for dates and appointment times available or if you have any queries regarding these health checks.

The following people are entitled for this service:

- Over 75 years of age
- Aged between 35-39 years of age
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders (715 health check—get a free t-shirt)

Phone consults with the Doctor, are still available with the criteria that you see the Doctor in person every six months. Please ensure you have your phone ready before the scheduled time, in case the Doctor may be running early or late. We can only ring twice so it does not affect the next patient booked in.

Keep warm and take care.



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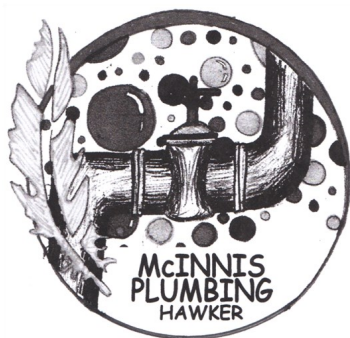
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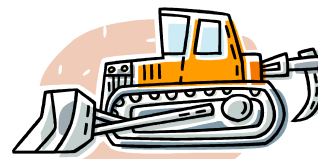
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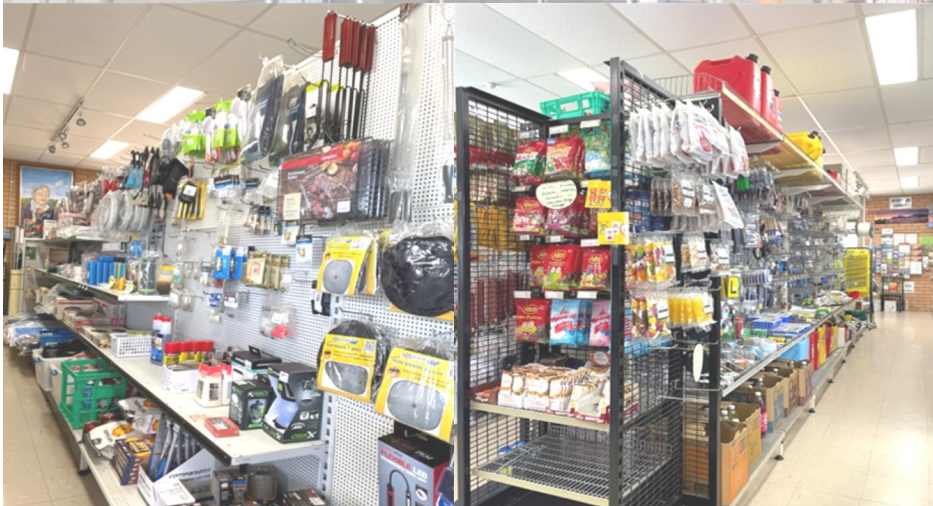
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WHAT HAS THE HAWKER HOSPITAL AUXILIARY BEEN UP TO THIS YEAR?

Come along to our next meeting and AGM and you will certainly find out!!

WHEN: Monday, 4th August at 1.30pm.

WHERE: in the Residents' Lounge Room at HMH.

We would love to see some more of our community there, who are interested in our hospital news and how we can help with our volunteering.

The Executive Officer / Director of Nursing will be giving an insight into what has been developing for the hospital – you are welcome to come along and share some afternoon tea with present members, a few residents or staff!

An Irishman's Philosophy

There are only two things to worry about-

Either you are well, or you are sick.

If you are well, then there's nothing to worry about.

But if you are sick, there are two things to worry about-

Either you will get well, or you will die.

If you get well, there is nothing to worry about

If you die, there are only two things to worry about-

Either you will go to heaven or hell.

If you go to heaven, there's nothing to worry about.

But if you go to hell, you'll be so busy shaking hands with friends,

You won't have time to worry. So, why worry.

HAWKER'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Friday morning June 6th saw boxes of muffins being sold at Hawker Motors for our Biggest Morning Tea. People also enjoyed a coffee or tea with their muffins which most people took away as the morning was a bit brisk to sit outside. Also having the muffins in take away boxes makes it easier to sell to the visitors who come through early for the long weekend. Thanks to Janice McInnis who sits outside to sell the goods.

Also, for a few weeks we had the sales of second-hand books go towards the Cancer Council. This has now reverted to raising funds for the RFDS. We are grateful to all the people who bring in books to sell.

Thank you to everyone who cooked, bought and gave donations to make the morning a success. The Cancer Council benefitted by

\$1,816.50

Hawker Sports Centre receive grants to improve facilities

The Hawker Bowling club thanks the Flinders Ranges Council for making community grants available to local clubs.



We were successful in our application for the purchase of pavers to be installed around the bowling green and the southern entrance into the club. When completed, the paving will add to the aesthetics and safety for community members who use the facility, resulting in a high standard of infrastructure for many generations to enjoy.



The HCSC in conjunction with the bowling club were also successful in receiving a grant through the Active Club Program, Regional Drought Relief Round. A tank was purchased to replace the leaking one which waters the bowling green and surrounding trees.



HAWKER CRAFT AND QUILTS

The annual Craft Mart and Quilt Show will be held from Saturday 20th September to Monday October 6th
Opening hours will be from 9am to 5pm daily

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

All articles will be accepted. No limit per person.

We reserve the right **NOT** to display articles of an unacceptable standard.

ARTICLES MUST BE **TOTALLY** HOME MADE AND OF NEW MATERIALS

Commission of 20% will be charged on all sales. (However, if you can help with selling at the Mart only 10% will be charged. –At least 2 sessions)

Articles must be individually priced and numbered by the owner when the goods are handed to the conveners. Contributors will be given a number that must be put on each article (for identification) followed by the number of the article. (for example your number/article number).

A descriptive list of articles and prices must be submitted **ON LINED PAPER** by the owner when the goods are handed to the conveners.

eg	1. Tee Shirt	\$5.00
	2. Tee Shirt	\$2.50
	3. Cake	\$4.50

6. Articles not numbered correctly will not necessarily be accepted.

7. No Perishable goods will be accepted.

Home Craft items – cakes, biscuits, jams etc – are admissible if they will keep longer than 1 day.
Cakes, Biscuits etc should be sealed in plastic and dated with the date on which they are submitted.

All foodstuffs **must** be labeled with details as required by the **Food Act 1985**. (A sample label is shown)

(Contributors number) 7/1

Citrus Marmalade

Ingredients – citrus fruit, sugar, water

Made 7/7/2025

All articles must be in the hands of the conveners by 12 noon on Friday 19th September unless otherwise arranged.

Unsold goods can be collected at the close of the Craft Mart (12 noon Monday 6th October).

Goods may be collected any day before the close of the Craft Mart provided arrangements are made prior to time of collection.

Monies owed will be forwarded by 31st October 2025

Communications to be addressed to – Hawker Craft Mart,

C/o Box 27

Hawker 5434

Phone enquiries to 0429199334

Freemasons meet at Port Broughton.

On Saturday the 12th of April the Freemasons from Quorn Lodge, Seaclyff Lodge and Port Broughton Lodge met at Port Broughton Lodge on West Terrace, Port Broughton to hold a re-twinning ceremony of Quorn Lodge No.59 and Seaclyff Lodge No.202.

The last ceremony of twinning was held on Saturday 22nd October 2016. Approximately 30 people including members of the Quorn, Seaclyff and Port Broughton Lodges together with family and friends attended.

The twinning ceremony of one hour duration not only promotes the high principles to which Freemasons aspire but cements the desire to visit, aid and socialise with one another.

Members of the city Lodge would endeavour to provide hospital visitations, assistance with transportation or accommodation if needed in case of the country member or his family being hospitalised in Adelaide. Members of the country Lodge could help a city member or his family who fall ill or who might be involved in a serious accident in the country area.

Right: Port Broughton Lodge building.



Right: A young man trying out one of the Chairs.

Left: Afternoon refreshments after the meeting.



Left: Mosaic pavement in the Lodge.

Right: Family and friends attending the meeting.



Wirreanda Cottages Fundraising Dinner

The theme will be Weddings

July 12th 2025



Please join us on July 12th

From 6pm

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There will be a display of wedding memorabilia
and interesting stories.

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HAWKER RACES 2025

The Hawker Races easily gains the banner as the largest event on the district's annual calendar. This year a very mild sunny day greeted the keen contingent of over 850 race goers to the 2025 Hawker Race meeting held on Saturday 31st May. The dry weather leading up to the event meant much extra work for the race committee and helpers in preparing the track, grounds and surrounding area to mitigate dust. Their hard work paid off, with a calm day helping considerably. Many race enthusiasts had chosen to camp adjacent the course, with some moving in days in advance to select a prime spot!

Horses and trainers had travelled from across the state, with all races having pleasing fields of entrants. Local races were keenly followed by the punters, with long queues forming at the bookies' stands at times. The Port Augusta Toyota Hawker Cup boasted a large field and was won by Doctor Robert, a brown gelding, trained by Murray Bridge trainer Garret Lynch and ridden by Sairyn Fawke.

Fashions of the Field were as hotly contested as the horse racing, with each category featuring a number of smartly attired entrants. Judges were faced with a very challenging task in selecting winners on the day.

The committee wish to thank the numerous generous sponsors, both from the local district and further afield, many of whom have supported Hawker Races for a number of years. Without their support this event would not be the resounding success it continues to be. Special thanks also to Flinders Ranges Council Mayor, Ken Anderson, for stepping up and driving the shuttle bus. As always, this service was very well patronised by race-goers.

The day concluded with a delicious meal, ably catered for by Flinders Food Co. The many race-goers who chose to remain for the meal and the evening's entertainment were not disappointed.



HAWKER UNITING CHURCH
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Fellowship

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Phone: 0429199334

Email: janice.mcinnis@bigpond.com

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All Welcome

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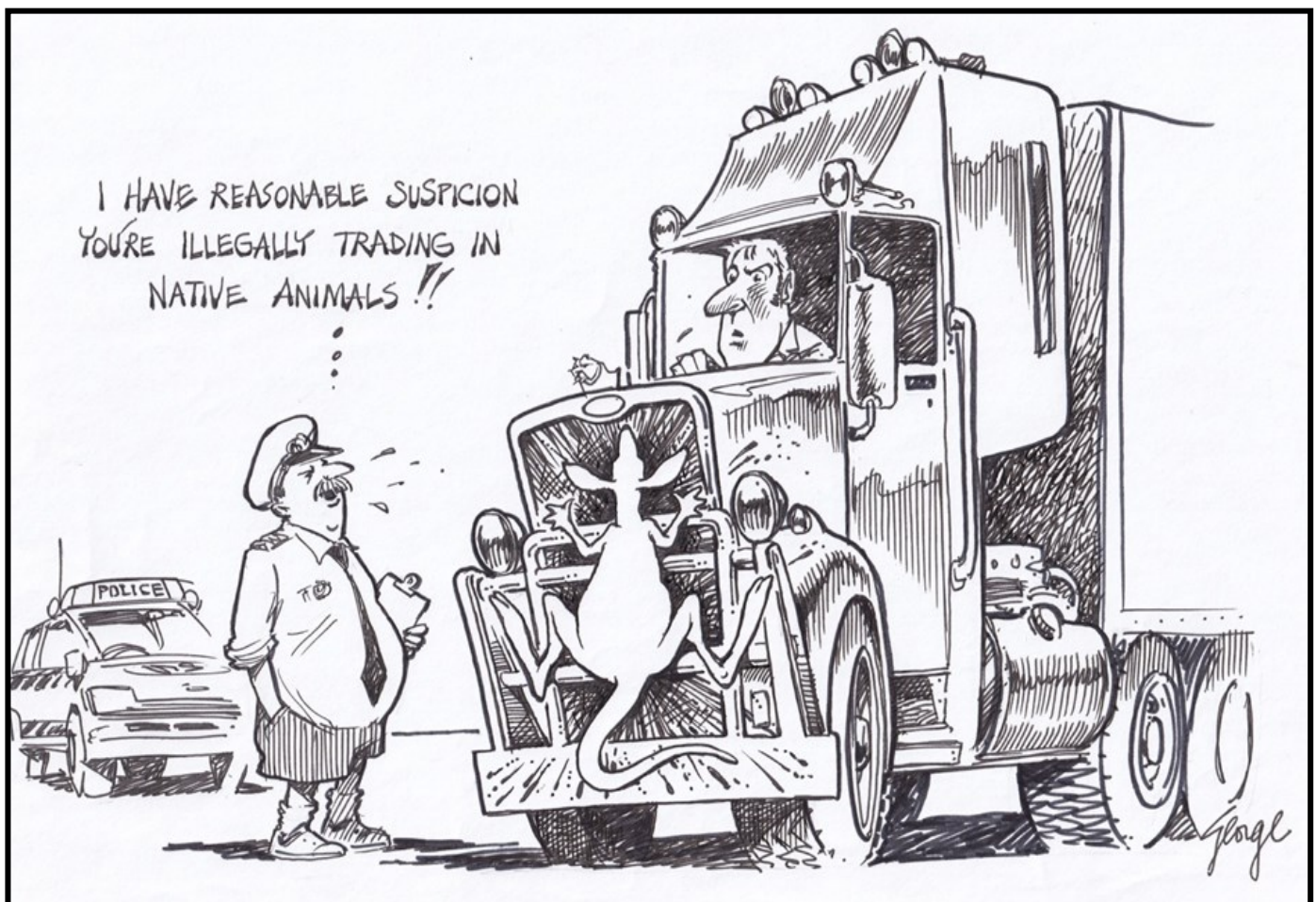
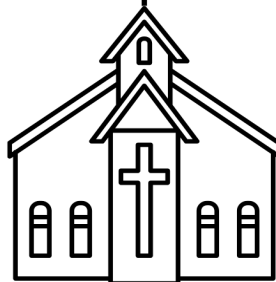
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Golf News

June 2025

JUNE 7TH Great Field for the Dyker Memorial Ambrose

Saturday's playing of the Dyker Memorial Ambrose in honour of Ken and Dot Dyker pulled in the best field of this year so far when 23 players turned out to enjoy themselves. It was a big day on the calendar and showed through with players of a wide variety of ages and backgrounds gracing the course with their presence.

Over the 14 holes the five teams played some good golf for some spectacular looking scores as their handicaps paid dividends on their Net Scores. The youngest team of the day, in Angus McInnis, Will DuBois, Harry McAuley and Lachie Hilder played their way around the course finishing with 76 off the stick for a Net score of 58.25, also having Angus win the Nearest the Pin on the second hole.



Runners up for the Dyker Golf Day were a team comprising Ronnie, Alby, Liam, Terry and Phil.

Ruthie Dyker, Ben DuBois, Kim, Troy and Gezza Burt enjoyed the day and came up with a score of 67; the big hits off the tee by Gezza and Ben helping the cause. In the end their handicap of 11.4 resulted in a Net score of 55.6.



The winning team of Chris, Robbie, Kathy and Nick showing off the winning team's shield.

The good scores continued with another team of mostly Hawker locals in Chris Wenham, Simon Hilder, Mark McAuley, Damien and Robert fighting off a team handicap of 13.2 to score a 66, Net 52.8.

Alby Ireland entered with a team consisting of Ronnie, Phil, Terry and Liam, stroking around for a 70 off the stick, for a Net 52.758.

You wouldn't think scores could get much lower than that, but anything is possible. The team of Chris McAuley, Robbie, Kathy and Nick blitzed the field with Chris playing some great golf; the team score of 68 off the stick resulting in a Net 52.5 to make them the winners on the day.

A great day was had by all as players settled in for a relaxing evening, enjoying a delicious three course meal prepared and served by the Dyker family. An amazing dinner and a credit to Ruthie and all the Dykers for organising the event in memory of Ken Dyker, a dedicated Hawker golfer.

Golf News June 2025 (cont.)

JUNE 15TH Great Weather Greeted the players for the Second Qualifying Round

In a big day of golf, we had ten players (in addition to two on Saturday) turn out for the second round of the club championships on Hawker golf course. It was a fun day with some great rounds of golf to complement the building momentum of the season.

Players teed off in calm conditions with Barry Reynolds visiting again and Stuart Shute joining as a member at Hawker. Alby Ireland also turned out after a recent injury, but managed to put it to the back of his mind and swing himself to an 80, Nett 70, with his back nine improving on his first, shooting 38 off the stick, including a five on the 10th and a four on the 342 metre 14th hole. This was enough to take out the A grade, in front of Stuart on 79, Nett 76 and Ben DuBois on 84, Nett 75.

The B Grade proved to be a close contest as well, with Chris McAuley and Daren O'Neill playing good rounds; McAuley finishing on 84, Nett 68 and O'Neill on 86 Nett 69, Saul Webb also contributing to the story in the grade with a 97, Nett 72, which included the Nearest the Pin on the fourth hole. In the C Grade Andrew McInnis shot a 98, Nett 70, which included a couple of chip-ins and near a couple more 'bang the flag' shots which added to the entertainment of the day.

It was a fun day of golf for all who attended, and has had an interesting impact on our developing scoreboard for the Club Championships this year.

Working Hard Day! Saturday 21st June

A field of six players turned out for the Stableford event. With sunny conditions and a gusting wind players worked hard for their scores, with errant tee shots being punished. Both Mark McAuley and Angus McInnis found this out on the first hole with both players pulling their opening tee shots left of the dreaded boundary marker. Good shots were especially valuable as the day went on, McAuley hitting some really solid tee shots up the third, fifth and tenth holes that put him in good positions. McInnis recovered from his opening hole challenges to play well over the rest of the day, scoring 14 points after this on the first nine holes and 17 on the second nine for a total of 31 points.

Alby Ireland also faced his challenges, having to make up for poor holes and grind his way back with successful holes, to finish on 32 points. Similarly, Scott Teague had a very solid day, apart from two set-backs where he scored an 8 and a 9 for zero payback on the Stableford points. McAuley persevered throughout the round after the first hole, overcoming set-backs with solid pars and a great birdie on the sixteenth hole (7th) where he hit his second shot onto the top half of the scrape and rolled in his putt.

At the end of the day the birdie really counted, with McAuley scoring 33 points, finishing one in front of Ireland on 32 points. It was a challenging day, and the Nearest the Pin which was on the sixth hole exemplified this when no one was good enough to land their tee shots. McAuley took the prize for first place and Ireland took away ball prize.

HAWKER COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE NEWS

JULY 2025

BAR ROSTER

5TH JULY MOPSY DANIEL

6TH JULY (SUN) MARK MCAULEY

12TH JULY DAREN ONEILL

19TH JULY LISA ONEILL

26TH JULY ALEX MORGAN

2ND AUGUST ANDREW MCINNIS

9TH AUG MIKE DOUGHTY

16TH AUG MIKE DOUGHTY

17TH AUG (SUN) SEAN ONEILL

23RD AUG SCOTT TEAGUE

30TH AUG MIKE DOUGHTY

6TH SEPT BEN DUBOIS

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED NETBALL EVERY FORTNIGHT

GOLF PROGRAMME

JULY

12TH ELDERS DAY 4 PERSON AMBROSE TEA

26TH 4TH ROUND CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND TEA

AUGUST

2ND CRADOCK HOTEL DAY TEA

9TH HAWKER OPEN TEA

23RD CANCER DAY TEA

31ST QUORN OPEN DAY

CLOSING DAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

Sports Centre

AGM

Friday 29th August

7:30pm

Bowls	Peter Zadow
Cricket	Brendon McInnis
Tennis	Daren O'Neill
Golf	Ben DuBois
Netball	Stef Teague

Sports Centre: 86484115

Bookings: 86484014

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THE HAWKER WALKERS

Thursday, May 29th was our meet up day – and we were so glad we changed it in advance from the wild weather Monday!! Merna Mora was the place, and a scrumptious morning tea and chat with Kaye and family members set us on our way... Mary, Julia, Maggie, Jane - with Kaye driving the course!



We walked along Cress Creek...



Walking and talking and taking in the scenes



from the strata banks...



to checking on a sheep and newborn lamb!



When did it last flood? Look at the size of the roots! Even the kangaroos were watching us at the springs – can you see them?





Then it was more photos and back in the car...



for lunch at a well-known spot.



Hey, hey! Then off on an amazing 4WD track... with views as we crossed the Bunbinyunna Range,



and a little climb to Elsie's Lookout... for yet another view of the western wall of Wilpena Pound!



So spectacular - glad we were driven and didn't walk more than that part!! Another great day with our thanks to the Fels family! Next walk has just been but keep the last week of July free for heading Willochra Plain/Wirreanda Creek way with Penny! Remember, tannerja@bigpond.com if you want to join in.

Country Health Connect Hawker Update

July 2025

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

Hawker May 2025 Service Report:

New referrals received	Number of in person services	Number of phone services	Number of telehealth / video conferencing services/Other	Number of “consumer not attended” services
10	50	10		2

Allied Health Professionals July 2025 Visiting Schedule:

29th June				
Physiotherapy Dietitian				



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LUSCIOUS LEGS

SPICED LAMB LEG & MINT CHUTNEY

1 ½ tsp each ground coriander, ground cumin, garam masala, ground ginger, brown sugar, ground paprika
½ tsp each ground cayenne pepper, ground cinnamon, garlic powder, ground turmeric
1 tbs olive oil
1 lamb half leg roast (about 1.8kg)
2 Lebanese cucumbers sliced thinly diagonally
½ red onion sliced
½ cup mint leaves
1 tbs lime juice
flatbreads to serve

YOGHURT SAUCE

500g greek style yoghurt
1 tbs lime juice
1 tbs olive oil
1 small garlic clove, finely grated

MINT CHUTNEY

2 cups mint leaves
1 cup coriander leaves
2 jalapeno chilli, seeded, coarsely chopped
1 garlic clove, crushed
1 tbs lime juice
¼ tsp ground cumin

Preheat oven to 220C. In a small bowl combine the coriander, cumin, garam masala, ginger, sugar, paprika, cayenne, cinnamon, garlic powder and turmeric. Drizzle oil over the lamb and season with salt and pepper. Sprinkle the spice mix evenly over the lamb. Set aside at room temperature while the oven heats. Place the lamb on a wire rack on a baking dish. Roast for 30 minutes until browned. Reduce oven to 150C and cook for 1 ½ hours (until a meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the leg registers 58C for medium rare). Allow to rest for 15 mins. In a small bowl stir the yogurt sauce ingredients thoroughly. Season with black pepper.

To make the mint chutney, in a food processor combine the mint, coriander, chilli, garlic, lime juice, cumin with 2 tbs water and 1 tsp sea salt. Process until the herbs are finely chopped.

In a medium bowl, toss the cucumber, onion, mint and lime juice. Slice the lamb and serve on a platter with flatbreads and mint chutney. Serve with the cucumber mixture and yoghurt sauce.

FENNEL SPICED ROAST LAMB & VEG

1 small red onion, quartered
3 large carrots, cut into 3cm thick batons
1.25kg potatoes, cut into 5cm pieces
2kg leg of lamb
steamed peas and gravy to serve
FENNEL SPICE RUB
¼ cup oil
4 cloves garlic, crushed
3 tsp each ground coriander, cumin, fennel seeds
2 tsp sweet paprika

Preheat oven to 180C. Combine all spice rub ingredients in a small bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Place 1 tbs of spice rub in a large bowl with onions, carrots and potatoes. Toss well to coat. Rub remaining spice rub all over the lamb. Place lamb in an oiled extra large roasting pan. Bake for 30 minutes. Remove pan from the oven and place vegetables around the lamb, turning to coat in pan juices. Return pan to the oven and cook for a further hour. Remove from oven and transfer lamb to a serving platter. Cover loosely with foil and allow to rest for 15 minutes. Return vegetables to the oven to cook for a further 15 minutes until golden brown and tender. Serve sliced lamb with vegetables, peas and gravy.

CRISPY CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS

12 chicken drumsticks
2 tbs olive oil
SEASONING
3 tsp each onion powder, garlic powder
5 tsp smoked paprika
2 tsp black pepper
1 ½ tsp coarse salt
4 ½ tsp plain flour
3 tsp baking powder

Preheat oven to 200C. Line a tray with foil and place a rack on the tray. Mix the seasoning in a small bowl. Coat drumsticks in oil then coat thoroughly with spice mix. Shake off any extra and place on rack. Spray with cooking oil and bake 30 mins. Rotating tray after 15 mins. Increase oven to 220C and cook 15 mins more.

HAWKER HISTORY EXHIBITION

Railways of the Hawker Region



Photo: Reg Huddleston, last station master at Hawker Railway Station

ALL WELCOME

Opens Sunday August 3rd at 2.00pm.

Afternoon Tea: please bring a plate or \$5.00 donation

Exhibition Open each week: Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10.30 -1.30pm

(Or by appointment) August 8th – September 7th

Contact: Catherine Burt

hawkerhistorygroup@myyahoo.com

Hawker History Group is seeking the following (on loan!):

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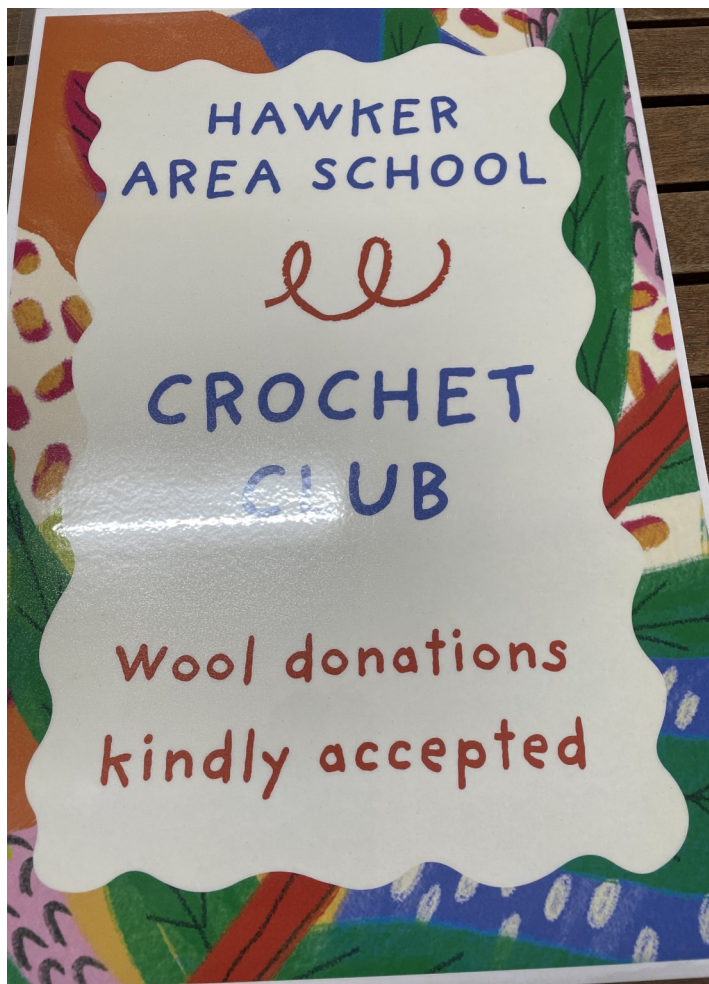
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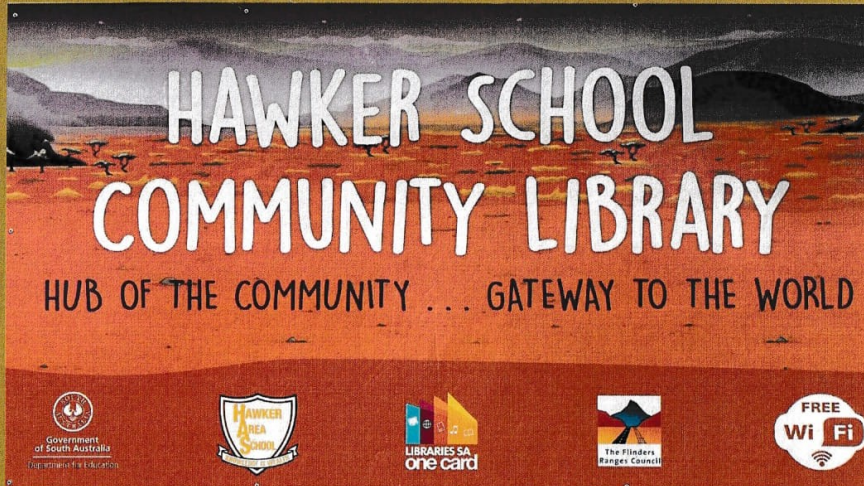
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Hawker Community Development Board (HCDB) Inc. July 2025 Report

HCDB Members

Julia Henderson (Chair, Treasurer), Susi Andersson (Deputy Chair), Cate Burt (Secretary), Janet Teague, John Teague, Steve Youle, Ric Onley, Greg Flint (FRC rep), Charlie Eager

Accounting program changeover

The Development Board is in the process of changing accounting programs from MYOB to Xero. The changeover has gone well and is expected to be completed by the end of the current financial year. An Election Day Sausage Sizzle raised \$148.30.

Town Crier

A recent joint meeting of Town Crier and Quorn Mercury staff was held in Hawker to consider software to replace Publisher, which is currently being used, but to be phased out by October 2025. It was decided to invest in publishing software called Affinity, which requires a one-off purchase of approx. \$100/licence. The group will jointly seek funding through a FRC Community Grant to fund a total of ten licences: five each for Quorn for use by Mercury staff and five for Hawker Town Crier.

Gym

The Hawker Community Gym is going well with over 40 active members

History Group

The Hawker History Group thanks HCDB for provision of a Square for EFTPOS payments and a modem for WIFI connection which was used free of charge at the recent Rodeos and Riders History Exhibition. A total of 547 people visited the exhibition and 128 books have been sold to date.

Public Officer

Graham Lawrence has agreed to fill the role of Public Officer for HCDB, following the resignation of Ron (Mopsy) Daniel. We thank Mopsy for his many years of service to the HCDB.

Lunch Box Rally: 27th-28th September

This car race event involving around 200 participants, including adults and children will be held entirely at the Sports Centre and Gym so shower and toilet facilities can be utilised at both venues. The Sports Centre will provide an evening meal on Saturday 27th September. A costing has also been done for breakfast and lunch. \$250 has been sent to the Gym for cleaning expenses. If working on cars is needed, Hawker Motors has offered use of their forecourt on Cradock Road. Organisers will provide more precise participant numbers four weeks prior to the event.

Blue Burt Park 2022 Plans

HCDB is reviewing the Blue Burt Park 2022 Plans. If community members would like a copy of these plans, please email secretary@discoverhawkersa.com.au or contact a HCDB member. (see above) Preliminary comments include the need for better signage for Blue Burt Park; with signage facing Elder Terrace. A community decision regarding the proposal to partly or fully fence the Park also needs to be made. It is agreed that the Dump Point be moved to the area adjacent the Dog Park. When further feedback has been received it will be passed on to FRC.



Energy Meeting: 15th May

A meeting re future energy requirements for the region was held at the Sports Centre.

Two options were discussed:

Option 1: keep the line from Port Augusta to Leigh Creek; there are temporary poles at present which have a lifespan of 5 to 15 years; full replacement cost of these poles: \$250 million

Option 2: Put in a battery at the substation and line into Hawker.

FRC to organise meetings for Quorn and Hawker re future power supply.

Nunga Screens Sunday July 13th Hawker Institute

Will be held during daylight hours in the July school holidays.

EFTPOS Square

The HCDB has purchased an EFTPOS Square. Available for use by community organisations for community events. Will need to be booked in advance.

Next HCDB meeting: Wed July 9th, 7.00pm Sports Centre

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Blinman Progress Association Celebrates Susan Pearl's Retirement and Contributions



The Executive Committee of the Blinman Progress Association wishes to acknowledge the contributions of Susan Pearl, who has recently retired from her role as the manager of the Heritage Blinman Mine. Over the years, Susan has been instrumental in establishing and promoting the award-winning underground hard rock mining tour experience, which has become a defining feature of our small community.

Her leadership in conducting engaging tours, coordinating a team of casual staff, and managing all aspects of tour operations, including marketing and training, has left a lasting impact on both the business and its visitors. Under her guidance, the Heritage Blinman Mine has flourished.

Susan has officially retired after more than a decade of dedicated service. Known for her engaging tours through the remarkable underground heritage mine, Susan has also been instrumental in overseeing all administrative aspects of the tour operations, including marketing and training. Susan's spreadsheets and her quest to glean dynamic insights from data have become legendary.

Located in the breathtaking Flinders Ranges, the Heritage Blinman Copper Mine is surrounded by natural wonders such as Wilpena Pound, Brachina Gorge, and Arkaroola. Susan's deep connection to the mine and its history made her an asset to the local community and a beloved storytelling guide among visitors.

Before her tenure at the mine, Susan had a diverse career as a nurse and safety consultant. In 2009, she took a bold step by temporarily retiring from paid work to travel across Australia with her partner, engaging in various exchange programs through the Helpx scheme. This experience allowed her to become savvier with an array of skills, from beekeeping and cow milking to eco-accommodation establishment and artisan food production.

Susan's hands-on approach extends beyond her professional life; she can spring clean homes, organise spaces, cook meals, and tackle home improvement projects such as painting and tiling.

As she embarks on a new chapter of her life, Susan Pearl leaves behind a commitment to continuous growth that will continue. The community and visitors alike will miss her vibrant presence at the Heritage Blinman Mine, but her spirit of exploration will undoubtedly inspire those continuing her legacy to follow.

While her departure brings a sense of loss, the Blinman Progress Association is grateful for her tenure and the positive influence she has fostered within the community.

The Blinman Progress Association extends their best wishes to Susan Pearl. Her contributions to the Heritage Blinman Mine will not be forgotten, and we hope she finds fulfillment and happiness in her retirement.

Imelda Adamson Agars, Heritage Blinman Mine Manager, at the request and on the behalf of the Blinman Progress Association.

16 April 2025

Hawker Motors
13 Wilpena Rd
HAWKER SA 5434

Dear Newsagent/Retailer,

I am writing to confirm the agreement we reached in our phone discussion on 16 April 2025.

Following a detailed review of our newspaper distribution in South Australia, later this year News Corp Australia will cease distribution of the following publications in certain parts of regional South Australia, including where you operate:

The Australian
The Adelaide Advertiser

We recognise the significance of this decision to the local communities that we serve. Our decision reflects the findings of our review, which confirmed that the very high cost to distribute to your region, in the context of how people access their news today, makes its continuation unsustainable.

The final day of supply will be Sunday, 20/7/2025, and your agreements with us or any of our related companies relating to the distribution and/or the retail sale of those publications will terminate on that date.

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To Our Customers.

As you can see by the letter above Newspaper deliveries of the Advertiser, Sunday Mail and Australian will cease as of Sunday 20th July. There has been much discussion about this with complaints going to Politicians and others from readers. Unfortunately this will happen.

Thank you to our regular customers over the years. You can subscribe to the Advertiser online but this does not help people who do not have access to the internet.

We have had no correspondence from The Producer, Transcontinental or Stock Journal so at the moment we believe they will still continue. These papers are not part of the News Corp Australia.

MAGAZINES

We also will no longer be a sub-agent for the Spirit of the Flinders (Quorn Newsagency) from the 30th June 2025. This is a decision from the Newsagent as there will not be a timely way to deliver the magazines from Quorn when the Advertiser is not delivered.

John, Janet and Scott Teague
Hawker Motors

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Community News

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CONGRATULATIONS to all those who celebrate birthdays in July

Jenny Smith 80

Belated June birthday wishes to

Bernie Matthews - 93

GET WELL

Our thoughts and prayers are with all in our community who are not well or have recently had an operation, especially

Christina Bunzeck

DEATHS

Our thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathy are with all community members who have lost a family member or friend recently.

Mannion, Stephen Peter

Our thoughts are with Stephen's wife, Sandra and their children, the Mannion families and friends.

HAWKER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

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David Meekhums

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Next Gathering:

Thursday 17th July

12 noon at Cradock Hotel

A Tale of Two Friends

Two friends had a quarrel one day, and one of them slapped the other. The slapped friend felt the pain, but said nothing and wrote in the sand:

Today my best friend slapped me

They continued walking and found a lake. They decided to swim and suddenly the one who had been slapped got into trouble and started drowning. His best friend saved him. When he regained consciousness, he found a sharp stone and carved on a rock these words:

Today my best friend saved my life

His friend, who has both slapped him and rescued him from drowning, looked at him, surprised. 'After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now you're carving on stone - why?'



Thank you

*Hawker History Group sincerely
thanks all who contributed in so many
ways to a very successful inaugural
Hawker History exhibition.*

*Hawker Rodeos & Riders welcomed
over 547 visitors from across Australia
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We look forward to your ongoing
support for our future ventures.*

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From the *TOWN CRIER* Archives

36 Years Ago - July 1989

(Cover Price 70c)

Weather: Both daytime and night-time temperatures were significantly below average. The coldest day was June 1st with a maximum of only 7.4. The warmest day of 18 wasn't recorded until the last day of the month. Extremely low night temperatures were recorded for 6 consecutive days from June 21st to 28th. The low of -3.7 on June 24th was the lowest on record for June. Rainfall for the month was 43.6mm.

Sports news: An enjoyable netball game was held between Hawker and Carrieton. The junior B team saw Hawker go down to Carrieton 6:5. The junior A team saw Hawker win 45:4 while the Senior team managed a draw 33:33. The weather was exceptional considering the past few years it has been raining or incredibly cold.

20 Years Ago - July 2005

(Cover Price \$2.00)

Hawker Cup: Between 700 and 800 people attended the Hawker Racing Club's annual Cup day with "Go Spider" winning the cup for the second time.. The leading trainer was David Halliday and the leading jockey Peter Johnson. Best dressed lady was Gail Anderson of Port Lincoln and best dressed man was Bradley Fels.

Weather: The highest maximum recorded for June was 25.3 with the lowest minimum of 0.9. 43.7mm of rain was recorded.

From the Historical Notes: June 23rd 1950 the first kidney transplant was performed. June 23rd 1944 Columbia records unveiled its new long playing phonograph record which turns at 33 1/3 revolutions per minute. June 1952 South Australia passed legislation authorising the development of Roxby Downs copper – uranium deposits.. June 1980 Australia's first test tube baby was born. 1863 the first gas lights came on in Adelaide. June 2nd 1930 In the USA Richard Drew obtained a patent for an adhesive tape known as cello-tape.

10 Years Ago - July 2015

(Cover Price \$2.00)

Film Night: A well attended film night was held at the Hawker Institute with the showing of Paddington followed by The Light Horseman.

Quiz Night: 90 trivia fans helped to make the 25th consecutive Sports Club Quiz Night a resounding success. Twelve teams grappled with the challenging questions with the ultimate winner being the "Latecomers" a team made up of the Reynolds family and friends. The event was celebrated with the cutting of the birthday cake by Tony Smith who was Chairman in 1991.

Biggest Morning Tea: \$2113.70 was raised for the Cancer Council at the biggest morning tea held at Hawker Motors. Visitors and locals enjoyed the pleasant weather, eating, drinking and socialising.

Weather: Both daytime and night-time temperatures were right on the long term averages. Several frosts were recorded during the last week of June. A most unusual rain event occurred in the middle of the month when 45 mm fell over five days. The highest maximum for the month was 21.2, the lowest minimum was 0.0 and a total of 50.4mm of rain fell. .

HAS Principals Report

Completion of the COLA Project

We are delighted to announce the successful completion of the Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA) project. Finished last Friday, the construction was completed on time and largely within the budget supplied through our Schools Upgrade Fund Grant with a likelihood of little or no contingencies in our expenditure. The crew's departure between recess and lunch allowed our students to immediately enjoy the new facility. Additionally, the recent rain has already started flowing into our new rainwater tank, providing a sustainable resource in future for the school.



Cue Learning Visit Pupil Free Day

On May 12th and 13th, we welcomed Sharon and Phil Callen from Cue Learning. The focus of our Pupil Free Day on May 12th was on enhancing writing skills through the introduction of a new assessment tool, the Writing Traits Rubric, designed by Sharon Callen for year levels F-10. This tool, aligned with the Australian Curriculum, is more time-efficient than our previous LEAP Levels tool. Staff engaged in mini lessons covering writing traits such as crafting ideas, text forms and features, vocabulary, grammar, and spelling and punctuation. These traits are part of the ACARA writing progressions, and the lessons focused on the writing process: planning,

drafting, revising, editing, and publishing. On the Tuesday Sharon and Phil stayed at Hawker Area School to visit all our classes and offer further insights into teaching literacy.

Student Well-being Survey

Our commitment to student well-being continues with the recent well-being and engagement survey conducted by the department for Year 4 to 12 students. Additionally, we conduct bi-weekly short well-being surveys for all students, asking about their happiness, trusted adults at school, and friendships. This approach helps us track student well-being and identify any concerns, ensuring a supportive environment for all.

Academic Reports

Toward the end of term two we have been preparing academic reports using the EMS developed template. Reports will include written comments for all secondary subjects and primary home group, English, Maths, as well as student goals. Grades will be allocated for all subjects from Years 1 to 12. At the end of the year, all primary subjects will have written comments. Reports will be distributed via EMS, with printed copies available upon request by parents. This can be done by simply making contact with our front office.

Local Delivery Programme

The Far North Partnership's local delivery programme has commenced, involving Coober Pedy Aboriginal School and Hawker Area School in it's first steps this year. Last week, Sharon Lam, Paul Haywood, and Jimmy Morgan visited Coober Pedy for curriculum and learning activities. This semester, students are studying General Maths and English at Stage 1 through a hybrid delivery model, receiving three direct lessons and two online lessons weekly. The impact of this program becomes evident in the fact that normally subjects such as these are only available through Open Access College, so not only do our students get a high level of curriculum delivery but receive the opportunity to make contact and develop friendships with other students in the Far North. We are proud of the progress and achievements this term and look forward to continuing our efforts in providing quality education and support for our students.



Daren O'Neill

Hawker Area School



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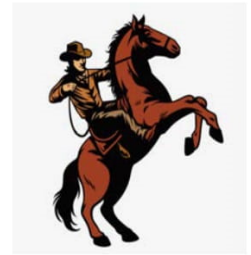
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WILD DOG DREAMING. Photography: Colleen Raven Stargways.

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Also to our the readers who continue to buy the Town Crier monthly or pay annual subscriptions, postal or email, we appreciate your continued support.

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

12th July Wirreanda Tea: 6.00pm Weddings through the Ages

13th July: 1.00– 4.00pm Devonshire Afternoon Tea

13th July: 2.30pm Nunga Screens

History Group Exhibitions:

5th August—7th September—Railways in the Region: *Living on the Line*

20th Sept.—5th Oct.—Hawker War Memorial Swimming Pool

Hawker Craft Mart: 20th September—5th October

Lunch Box Rally: 27th and 28th September

27th Sept.: Uniting Church Garage Sale

Saturday 8th November Rotary Community Day

Community Calendar July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 HCDB meeting	10	11	12 Wirreanda Cottages Tea
13 Devonshire Afternoon Tea Nunga Screens	14	15	16	17 Friendship Group	18	19
20	21	22	23 Fellowship	24	25	26 Golf Tea
27	28	29	30	31		

Community Calendar August 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
31					1	2
3 Railway History Exhibition opens	4 Exercises Auxillary AGM	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Friendship Group	23
24 Golf Cancer Tea	25	26	27	28 Fellowship	29	30



UPCOMING EVENTS

ELDERS GOLF DAY

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