

Quorn Mercury

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Merry Christmas!



A Cool Santa!



The 2024 Quorn Christmas Pageant begins!

HERE WE ARE at the end of the year. The pageant did not disappoint, and Santa stayed cool under his snow white umbrella. The floats were meticulously prepared, and participants had as much fun as the spectators.

The celebrations continued at the town square where food and craft stalls catered for a wide range of interests and tastes.

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Chat with a Quornie

Sean Holden



I AM HUMBLLED TO BE ASKED to write a few lines about my life for Chat with a Quornie for the obvious reason that I wasn't born in Quorn nor have I been here very long but more that I have read the previous editions and it just highlights what amazing people we have in our community with amazing stories.

I wanted to call this A Fortunate Life but AB Facey has already written that story. And whilst I have not been asked to write an autobiography, and wished someone else wrote this instead, I could call this Unreliable Memoirs and apologies to that great Australian Clive James.

I hope the takeaway messages from this self-indulgence is that we all need significant other people in our lives, take chances when they are presented and always try to leave something better than how you found it.

I am a reader and usually have around six books on the go at once. Most are biographies but one chronicles the history of Scotland, which as it turns out is my ancestral home. I was born in Hobart, Tasmania in November 1968 to Maureen Bannister and Roger Holden, she a nurse and he a public servant.

In 1970 we moved to Darwin in the Northern Territory as the newlyweds looked to forge their own life in the frontier town at the top of Australia and the start of Asia.

These were very happy times, and I virtually grew up at the Darwin Sailing Club and the Darwin Trailer Boat Club as my Father had a

tri-maran called "Bacardi".



Me at Howard Springs in 1974

In 1974 my parents separated, Cyclone Tracy blew the family home away and the Tasman Bridge fell down! My brother, Luke and I moved to

Glenorchy in Tasmania and lived in a single parent estate with my father. This was not without its difficulties and for seven years I saw my mother only twice a year. My biological Father is one of my heroes. His job was with the Department of Social Security and he helped migrants re-settle in Australia. I would go to the houses of new families and sit on their couch and teach the kids and parents from my Grade 3 readers once or twice a week after school. I heard all sorts of stories about their homelands and why they, in many cases, fled oppressive regimes, big concepts for an eight year old!

In 1980 my brother and I moved back to Darwin to live with my Mum and Stepfather Phil Langdon who worked for the then Telecom. His job took us to Alice Springs and Nhulunbuy on the Gulf of Carpentaria living in hotels whilst we were in Primary School.

It is fair to say that I have been extremely

lucky to have had parents as great role models who taught me to be passionate in what I believe in to volunteer in the community. My Mother and Stepfather were both St. John Ambulance vollies and I a cadet until 16. In those days I went to "Public Duties" such as the annual Darwin Beer Can Regatta, Mud Crab Tying competition, the Bagot Park Speedway and the Frog Olympics Ice Berger Swim!

After graduating from Dripstone High School in 1986 I spent a gap year in Canberra. I worked for Big W Woden, played cricket for Eastern Suburbs and football for the NSW town of Young the "Cherry Capital of the World."

I spent almost three years with the Australian Army Reserve first with the 4/3 Battalion RNSW Regiment (Werriwa Company ACT) and then the Adelaide University's Regiment. As an infantryman. It was the best thing I could do as an 18-year-old as Basic Training at Ingleburn in NSW was the hardest thing I have ever done – still. I use the achievement of getting through a course that was very physically and mentally demanding as a "reference point" for whenever things got tough, I would say to myself "Is this harder than the Army?" And it never was so I borrowed from Robert Frost "The only way out is through".



On Parade during my time with the Army Reserve

I started playing cricket and Aussie Rules from the age of 12 and am still playing. I am a Life Member of the Flinders University Cricket Club and played Grade Cricket in Adelaide for four clubs and have been for the past five years President of Port Adelaide. I coached and played with the Central-Stirling Cricket Club and

now play with my youngest son, Max (16) for Central Augusta. And I played a season of footy with Max in the reserves for Roopena in Whyalla the season just gone.

My 18-year-old daughter graduated from school this week and will achieve her 200th Parkrun in the next few weeks.

My eldest son, Charlie will complete his light vehicle mechanic apprenticeship early next year and has picked up my love for music as he plays lead guitar and the drums.

My work life includes working for major peak body sporting organisations, local councils, state government departments and I have also been a political adviser.

My previous experience has been in the media, policy advice, economic development, vocational training and workforce solutions, government relations, stakeholder engagement and business development.

My first real job out of Uni, Bachelor of Arts, Flinders University Majoring in Politics and History, was with the South Australian Soccer Federation based at Hindmarsh Stadium. I was Administration and Operations Manager that saw me sent on a Study Tour to Europe in 1994 to glean from FIFA in Zurich, the Italian Football Federation in Rome, the German Football Association in Frankfurt how they administered, developed and coached the game. The results of which were used to restructure the game in SA and was part of the push to establish Adelaide United. I was also part of the organising team for FIFA World Youth Championship in 1993 when four nations, Norway, Saudi Arabia, Mexico and Brazil were based in Adelaide. I was very lucky to spend a few hours with the legendary Pele from Brazil in his role as tournament ambassador.

In 1995 I started at the South Australian Cricket Association as the Grade Cricket Coordinator based at Adelaide Oval. Part of my role was to sit with Sir Donald Bradman every three weeks and assist him answer all his mail and with the signing of cricket bats, books and other cricket paraphernalia. Both he and Pele taught me a great deal about professionalism and humility. Amazing humans both.

I was very fortunate to have been chosen as part of a team from South Australia to go to Denmark for four weeks on a Rotary International Group Study Exchange in 2001. Living with rotary families for a week at a time in Esbjerg, Aarhus, Rinkobing and Struer. An incredible experience doing work experience each week that included working with the FC Midtjylland FC, the Horsens Cricket Club and Team Danmark.

I met my future wife Emily who was one of the team members from Port Augusta that included a Rotarian as team leader and arborist and an accountant.

Upon my return I became a Rotarian and served with my then father-in-law Graham Bull. I thoroughly enjoyed my nine years and was President in 2008. My involvement led to me being the Captain of the South Australian Rotary Cricket team and in a match against India Rotary with a number of former first-class players. This was enough to see me selected as Captain of the Australian Rotary Cricket team that toured

Singapore, England and Scotland in 2013. We lost only to the Singapore U/23 national team and to an England North XI in Staffordshire. We won every other game after that including the Test Matches against Scotland in Forfar where I took only three-for and against England in Bourne, Lincolnshire.

I left my job with the SACA and moved to Port Augusta in 2002.

The turning point in my life was moving to Port Augusta I went from the sport bubble to "real life". I worked for the Office of Recreation and Sport with both the City of Whyalla and the City of Port Augusta as the Active Community Field Officer. Very soon I was working full-time with the Port Augusta Council in the Social Vision Unit. I joined the Rotary Club of Port Augusta, the RSL and played footy and cricket for Centrals. Those first few years I learnt about policy and how every decision the Commonwealth and State governments make affects our lives. For a time, I wrote speeches for Mayor Joy Baluch who taught me about real politics and how being a mayor in local government is treading that fine line between reflecting what your constituents want you to do and leading your constituents on issues they might not understand or think important. Most of all she taught me passion for what she believed in.

The then Editor of the Transcontinental, John Brooks (now a standup comedian and former drummer of The Guantanamo Bay City Rollers) took me to lunch at the Australian Arid Lands Botanical Gardens and asked me to help him cover sport until he could find a journalist to do so. Seven years I contributed writing the review and match summaries of the cricket and football games, a weekly column called "A Hold on Sport", some obituaries and a piece of "Gonzo Journalism" called "The Three". This saw me play for three different clubs, in three competitions over three weeks. For Jamestown-Peterborough V Orroroo, West Whyalla V South Whyalla and Central Augusta V West Augusta in 2007.

I wrote a piece on each game, its players, the history of the club and towns and won the 2007 SANFL Affiliated Leagues Media Awards in the Best Feature Story category.

I did this to highlight the intrinsic link between the wealth of the regional communities and the strength of local footy and that when local economies suffer through for example drought the sporting teams struggle for numbers and ultimately community wellbeing diminishes.

I all I was a Rural Press Editorial Contributor 2005-2011, Southern Cross Television Sports Reporter 2009-2011, Radio 5AU/5CS/Magic FM Sports Contributor 2004-2012, ABC Radio North

& West Sports Contributor 2010-2012 all part-time.

From 2004 to 2006 I worked as a Ministerial Adviser to the Minister for Regional Affairs and Mineral Development, Paul Holloway. During this time SA was experiencing a

prolonged drought and it hit home to me just how tough families were doing. In particular men's mental health and how little it seemed to me there was by way of support.



Former Prime Minister Bob Hawke and me

I realised that the best way I could help farmers, downstream suppliers and anyone really who were disadvantaged was to be where the decisions are made and

where the money was at to help. I was pre-selected by the Labor Party for the State seat of Stuart and ran at the 2010 State Election for Country Labor. I came a creditable second in that race but it gave me the vehicle to highlight the lack of mental health services in our region and secure \$5M for the redevelopment of Central Oval, something that I am very proud of.

In 2013 I completed the "other" hardest thing I have ever done a Master of Business Administration (Technology) from the La Trobe University.

I went on to work in and around the mining oil and gas sector, seconded to the Department for Education for three years, three years with the Australian Industry Group working with over 140 firms, mainly manufacturing, across SA, assisting them access Federal funds to train and upskill their workforce. I then spent another three years with the Local Government Association of South Australia as the Senior Policy Advisor (Economic Development). This experience set me up to further a career in local government.

In November 2019 I was given the chance to

be a CEO for the first time with the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory. LGANT is the peak body and the voice of local government in the Northern Territory, representing 16 municipal and regional councils, 67 local authorities, 66 remote communities with a physical council presence and 614 homelands with over 100 Aboriginal languages and dialects. No sooner had I started, COVID hit in early 2020.

I learnt very quickly what leadership and management actually were. I recall being on a national videoconference with the senior Commonwealth, State and Territory Government decision-makers deciding on how to distribute the scarce immunisations and the coordinator, an ex-Australian Army Colonel, telling us the government should be immunising those at most risk in the larger population centres. This I understood but at the same time was outraged, and launched an impassioned plea that if we do not immunise and quickly into regional and remote first nations communities, we run the risk of losing forever 60,000 year old peoples.

During this time I advocated for, and delivered with the NT Government the Local Government COVID-19 Response Package of \$13.1m for all councils to retain employees and stimulate local economies, assist rate payers and other COVID-19 related activities. This was named Special Community Assistance and Local Employment program (SCALE). The first and only such package in Australia. This meant that Councils got around \$240,000 for each employee to keep the doors open given the Federal Government didn't recognise local government workers for support during COVID.

My love of cricket is perhaps ridiculous and have been very fortunate to have worked in the



At the APL New Delhi

game, played and even coached in India and Denmark, SA and the NT. As a Lord's Taverner I have played against touring sides and whilst at the SACA was a net bowler to touring Test sides.

I was on the Board of the Darren Lehmann Cricket Academy for nine years and visited

India six times, twice on Trade Missions, to establish academies there. I also visited Belgium and the Netherlands to do the same thing in 2015. Sport is a great leveller it is wonderful for uniting people and I am the founder and Event Manager for the Adelaide T12 Cricket Nations Cup. Since 2015 I have run this competition to bring communities together and have 18 teams.

It is an opportunity to represent your country of ancestry, so I Captain SA Scotland and there are teams of people with Dutch, South African, Pakistani, Indian, Sri Lankan, Afghani etc backgrounds playing together. It mixes two of my loves – cricket and multiculturalism.

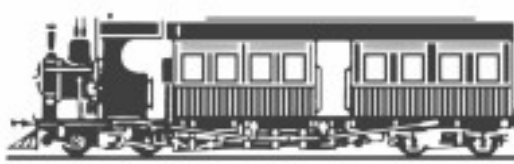
I am almost ten months into my role as CEO of the Flinders Ranges Council and loving it. It is fair to say I have learnt an awful lot very quickly. Primarily my role is to realise the Community Plan and I also want to ensure that our advocacy for major issues such as the Quorn water quality, childcare, housing, tourism and roads funding continue and that these do not fall by the wayside with the key stakeholders. I am a massive fan of the Pichi Richi railway, trains and rolling stock so I will be looking to assist where I can.

We have three amazing and cohesive communities in Quorn, Hawker and Cradock. The Council, the staff and I are working on maintaining the beautiful feel to our towns and enhancing them to bring more tourists to assist business grow, to create jobs and grow.

We have submitted an application under the SA Regional Housing Initiative application to build four houses in Quorn, are developing a Growth Strategy (Capturing the Community Plan and other Plans yet to be developed such as: Tourism Plans for the three localities, Cycle Tourism Plan, First Steet Main Street Streetscape Strategy in Quorn, Quorn Community Oval Master Plan Update, EV Chargers for Quorn (Hawker already has them) a community health and wellbeing hub and community gym to the standard of Hawker's and our first Advocacy, Communications and Media Plan.

I am loving living in Quorn, most Wednesdays I work out of Foresters Hall in Hawker and I get to Cradock from time to time. Having worked with almost 100 Councils, CEOs and Mayors over ten years I can tell you for sure and certain I have inherited a great Council that is sustainable and elected members and staff that are in it for the right reasons. My job is to not only maintain this but improve upon it.

PICHI RICHI RAILWAY



NOVEMBER WAS A busy month for our many volunteers at Pichi Richi Railway even though scheduled train numbers have been modest.

The Sundowner train services started on Saturday 26 October with the last train running on 16 November. One of our members Davo Bryker captured some great action shots of the Sundowner trains.

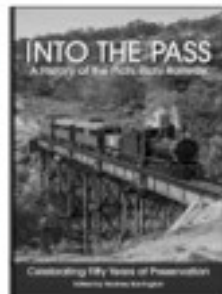
Other activities have included boiler washouts /cleaning, track maintenance and rolling stock mechanical and carriage working bees. There has also been further work on the Goods Shed restoration project.

We will have a member barbecue and AGM over the January long weekend.



All photos by David Bryker

Copies of INTO THE PASS, A History of the Pichi Richi Railway are available at the Flinders Ranges Visitor Information Centre, if anyone is looking for a Christmas present for the train enthusiast in their life!



Considering Volunteering?

Join us in one of many roles Phone Bronwyn, our Volunteer Coordinator on (08) 8641 1527 #3 to discuss a role to suit you and your availability.



Thanks to our drivers Dion, Richard, Rob, Andrew F, Andrew T, Neil, David F, David S, and Kingsley and Firemen Darren, Richard, Jarrod and Simon who have ensured our trains could run throughout the year.

Thanks to our Guards who do a great job keeping everyone safe and informed. This includes Graham, Mark, Kevin, Tarla, Bronwyn and Dave Southon.

Lastly thanks to the volunteers who look after the passengers, such as Clive and Senga and the many who assist them.

The 2025 timetable for Pichi Richi Railway has been released and features a beautiful image by Peter Taylor photos.

Sundowner trains commence in March 2025.

Contact the Flinders Ranges Visitor Information Centre!!

We wish all our keen passengers volunteers a wonderful and a happy and safe Christmas season.

Thankyou for supporting the Pichi Richi Railway.



Timetable
& tickets



2025 timetable: www.pichirichirailway.org.au/train-services/timetable

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Chapman Family History

Part 7b

JAMES HAROLD (JIM) CHAPMAN

Continuing the story of Jim Chapman in the years 1929-1950....

Jim Chapman continued to be involved in Quorn community activities, one of these being the Quorn Dance Club, in which he was a committee member, and where the club held a number of dances during the 1930's with the aim to assist community members distressed by the economic downturn during the depression.

QUORN
Old and New
DANCE CLUB

will hold the First of their Series of
Old and New Dances.
Full Orchestral Music.
Prices - Gents, 1/6; Ladies, 1/-
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S. C. Middleton, Hon. Sec.

Extract Quorn Mercury 4 July 1930

In 1928 there was a Back to Quorn Carnival of activities to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of Quorn.



At the conclusion of the carnival there was surplus of funds and public meetings were held to decide on the future use of these funds. Jim Chapman made a proposal that these funds be used to build a new pavilion at the

Quorn Oval with any funds remaining to be used improving the outside conveniences. This motion, together with others, were presented to community public meetings for consideration.

**BACK TO QUORN
FUNDS.**

A PUBLIC MEETING

Will be held in the QUORN TOWN
HALL on
MONDAY, MARCH 9
at 8 p.m.

When the undermentioned propositions
will be submitted, and will be decided
by an EXHAUSTIVE BALLOT.

The Propositions are as follow : --

3 "That the funds of Back to Quorn
be used in constructing a new pav-
ilion at the oval, and if any surplus funds
after completing same, balance to be
used for improving outside conveniences.
The construction of same to be left in
the hands of the Executive of Back to
Quorn thereby being a standing memorial
to Back to Quorn and a benefit to
Quorn and district."

Extract Quorn Mercury 6 March 1931

Jim's proposal was adopted and the building was erected and opened to the public on 17 May 1935.



Jim extended his sporting activities with the Quorn Bowling Club with success in 1931/32 by winning the B Grade Club Championship.



Quorn Bowling Club Trophy won by Jim Chapman 1931/32
Photo supplied

In 1934 Jim became involved in the pastoral industry firstly leasing, then eventually purchasing a property named Endilloe approximately 1 kilometre from Quorn .



This property was primarily a wheat and sheep farming property but whilst continuing with the wheat and sheep farming Jim also ventured into the cattle industry when he was successful in obtaining the contract with the

local stock firms such as Bennett & Fishers, Dalgety, Elders and Goldsborough Mort & Co. to spell cattle being shipped from the northern areas such as Alice Springs, Finke, Oodnadatta, Marree etc to Adelaide markets. The journey in those days was by steam train taking some two days or more to reach Quorn. The cattle would be off loaded at the Quorn cattle yards, taken to Endilloe and spelled for a few days to allow them to recover, be watered and fed and gain a bit of condition before being reloaded at the Quorn Cattle yards for their onward journey to the Adelaide markets.



Endilloe



Storage cellars on the property where I used to play under the roofing area.
Photo supplied

Both of Jim's sons, Slim and Clem, would assist him with this exercise which became a very substantial job with many hundreds of cattle being shipped to and from the property each week. Examples of the cattle movements through the Quorn stockyards are shown in the following extracts from the Quorn Mercury and which continued until Jim's passing in 1949.

Stock Movements

The principal stock movements over the Commonwealth Railways are:-

Cattle

Week ended July 3

270 Oodnadatta to Dry Creek
300 Alice Springs to Dry Creek
30 Bumbalara to Dry Creek
130 Marree to Dry Creek
570 Parola to Dry Creek.

Stock Movements

The principal stock movements over the Commonwealth Railways are:-

Week ending October 14

Cattle

50 Quorn to Port Augusta
50 Quorn to Dry Creek
250 Alice Springs to Dry Creek
90 Bumbalara to Stirling
100 Warra to Dry Creek
150 Alice Springs to Stirling
100 Alice Springs to Bowmans
250 Coward Springs to Dry Creek
40 Coward Springs to Maridie

Extracts from Quorn Mercury on 1st July 1936

and on the 13th October 1936

Unfortunately Ellen Maud Chapman (nee Townsend) passed away at her home in North Quorn on 10 June 1936.

Obituary

MRS J. H. CHAPMAN

It is with sincere regret we record the death of Mrs Jim H. Chapman, which occurred at her residence, North Quorn, on Wednesday evening at 7.15. She had been seriously ill for many months and her death was not unexpected. Mrs Chapman was the daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Townsend, of Bruce, and was 47 years of age. She had a wide circle of friends, who will miss her sadly, as she had a happy and loving disposition. Much sympathy is expressed for the husband and three children who survive, viz:- Messrs Stan and Clem and Miss Edna Chapman, all of Quorn.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, and was well attended. The Rev. Bro. Anthony officiated at the service.

Extract Quorn Mercury Friday 15 June 1936

Community and Recreation Activities:

Jim actively participated in Quorn community and recreation activities and was elected to many organisations administration such as the Lodge, the Quorn Coursing Club, the Quorn Dance Club, the Quorn Bowling Club, Quorn Athletic Club, Quorn Football Association, Quorn Agriculture and Horticulture Show Society, the Quorn Jockey Club and an elected member of the Kanyaka District Council to name but a few.

Official Civic Record of South Australia

Centenary Year, 1936



Kanyaka District Council Members 1936

Back Row (L to R): M G Williams (District Clerk), H W Wright, J F Reid,

Front Row (L to R): T B Trader, D W Stokes (Chairman), J H Chapman, M L Cobiak

Another major interest for Jim was racehorse breeding and racing with much success over a lengthy period. There are early records that indicate Jim entered horses in the Port Augusta Cup meeting in 1934 with success with a third placing.

Jim was an elected member of the Quorn Jockey Club committee which records indicate that Jim was a member of the Quorn Jockey club from as early as 1937.



THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1947

1,600 People at Quorn Races

SAUNTLESS SURVIVES PROTEST IN MAIN RACE

More than 1,600 people attended the Quorn Jockey Club's winter meeting conducted in ideal weather on Saturday. There were a couple of wet patches on the track from the finishing post to the turn and before the running of the Quorn Handicap the committee decided to employ a sweep to remove the mud. Four motor cars were then driven around the track a number of times to consolidate the surface.

Dountless, who won one of the cups at Port Augusta last year, defeated the outsider Prince Tarnan in the Quorn Handicap, but had to survive a protest by the rider of the second horse.

The jockey on Prince Tarnan alleged that Dountless had crossed over fences at the turn into the straight. The protest was quickly dismissed by the stewards.

The 24th taken, £155, were close to a record. An innovation was the 40 totalisator and the response, over £215, was regarded as more than satisfactory.

Although there were a fair number of scratchings for the day, the racing was keen and interesting in all the events. The odds on favorite, Salamis, tried to lead all the way in the Quorn Handicap, and at one stage was 7 lengths clear of the field, but he was caught by Dountless at the home turn. From that point Salamis weakened badly and finished last.

Lauriston was responsible for an excellent effort in getting up in the last stride to win the novice as he was last early and conceded the leader a good start into the straight. Archive handled the heavy track well in the Flying Handicap. He jumped out smartly and led all the way to score impressively.

POPULAR VICTORY

The victory of Royal Patrol in the Trials was popular, as he is roved and trained by Mr. J. H. Chapman, well known Quorn sportsman. Phigale, also raced by Quorn interests, soon took charge, but Royal Patrol caught him a furlong from home and went on to an easy win.

Lauriston scored a double when he scored well in the Purse after being forced wide at the home turn. A great struggle up the straight by Hot Air and Look was a feature of the Bracelet. The former got up in the last stride to win by half a head.

Up until a month before his passing Jim was still actively involved in Quorn activities by being elected to the committee of the Quorn Agricultural, Horticultural and Floricultural Society in the revival of this event.

QUORN SHOW TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 17

FORMER POPULAR NORTHERN FIXTURE TO BE REVIVED £185 OFFERED IN PRIZES

After a break of a number of years, the Quorn Agricultural, Horticultural and Floricultural Society will stage a show on Saturday, September 17. Entries will close on Tuesday, September 13. The secretary (Mr. M. O. Williams) said this week that with excellent seasonal conditions prevailing in the district, the committee was confident that the show would reach the high standard set in former years.

Prizemoney to the value of £185 has been allocated for the various sections and amongst other attractions will be he's in action, sheep tossing, sheep dog trials exhibition, tilting the ring and trotting.

The following officials have been elected: Patron, Mr. E. N. Twopeny; president, Mr. P. J. Flower; vice-presidents, Messrs. D. W. Stokes, O. McHugh, C. J. Easther, A. R. Stier, J. E. Schnell, T. Freeman, R. C. Eley, A. Thiele, S. Pounsett, W. T. Foster, L. B. Adams and A. S. N. Kidman; general committee, Messrs. L. B. Adams, H. O. Abbott, J. N. White, C. J. Easther, W. T. Foster, J. Pickford, A. B. Wright, Jas. Red, P. W. Hannan, E. French, P. Salmon, L. A. Stewart, C. Stacey, D. W. Stokes, E. N. Twopeny, J. H. McCoil, D. K. Kelly, R. Woolard, J. Michael, O. Eckert, M. Wilken, W. Klaebe, B. J. Hughes, N. Fuss, J. McColive, P. Whitehead, J. E. Schnell, O. McHugh, S. McHugh, J. H. Chapman, J. L. Pope, J. H. Francis, A. Francis.

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PICNIC RACE MEETING AT HAWKER

HANDICAP AND FLYING WON BY SHACKLE BAR

CHIEF SECRETARY AMONGST LARGE CROWD

Amongst the large crowd which attended the picnic race meeting at Hawker on Monday last was the Chief Secretary and Minister of Health (Hon. A. L. McEwen). Ideal weather conditions prevailed and the fixture was most successful. Arrangements were in the capable hands of the Hawker RSL sub-branch.

The Handicap, decided over 2½ furlongs, was won by the Quorn horse, Shackle Bar, which also took the Flying Handicap. Shackle Bar was ridden by the Quorn horseman, W. Edwards, who had a most successful day, taking four firsts and a second from 5 mounts.

The Quorn sportsman, Mr. J. H. Chapman, led in three winners, Laramel (double) and Betham, in the Welter. J. Orchard was seen to advantage on Laramel and Betham. He landed the latter a very clever winner.

A delightful afternoon tea was served on the course and the high tea, provided in the Institute, was also well patronised. The wind-up dance in the evening was well attended.

Mr. J. Chapman Celebrates Birthday

Mr. J. Chapman was widely congratulated on Wednesday of last week when he celebrated his 60th birthday.

Mr. Chapman is one of the oldest and best known residents of Quorn and district and one of the keenest followers of all types of sport. He is particularly interested in coursing and considerable success has come his way, having won numerous big events and bred dogs that have proved successful in other States.

He has also raced horses with some success, having won with Royal Patrol at the last Quorn meeting.

Members of the family gathered at the home of his daughter (Mrs. P. Ganley) to celebrate his birthday.

A family member who was present at Endilloe on the day of Jim's passing noted: Recognised as one of the biggest horse owners in the district the Show Society asked him for support for their show to which he subsequently entered 16 horses for the ring events with 100% success. On the Sunday we were all sitting around on his porch discussing the success of the show when he yawned and started to rise to go for a lie down when he had a heart attack and died - Sunday 18th September 1949.

Quorn Mercury (SA: 1895—1954), Thursday 22 August 1949, page 1

Sudden Passing of Mr. J. H. Chapman

WELLKNOWN AND POPULAR SPORTSMAN

It is with profound regret that we report the death on Sunday morning last of Mr. J. H. Chapman, a popular sportsman and one of the oldest and best known residents of Quorn and district. Mr. Chapman, who had not enjoyed good health for some time, was 62 years of age.

Deceased was actively associated with most of the sporting bodies in Quorn, being the patron of the Football Association for a period and a keen member of the Bowling Club and Quorn Jockey Club.

Some years ago Mr. Chapman bred high class greyhounds which met with considerable success in the other States, but his greatest interest was in horse racing. He owned a number of successful performers including Royal Patrol, Fortia, Betham and Bonny Pennant and besides patronising picnic meetings with his horses, gave freely towards stakes and trophies.

The esteem in which deceased was held by all sections of the community was reflected in the large and representative gathering at the funeral, held at the Quorn cemetery on Monday.

Northern Racing Association Formed

CLUB REPRESENTATIVES MEET AT PORT AUGUSTA

At a meeting of representatives of the Port Augusta, Iron Knob, Quorn, Whyalla racing clubs, held at the Hotel Flinders Port Augusta on Monday evening, it was decided to form an Upper North Racing Association to further the interests of racing generally in this part of the State. Mr. C. L. Sunman was elected president and Mr. G. C. McKenzie, secretary.

Delegates present included Messrs. H. Rieley, P. Ralph, J. Walker (Whyalla); J. C. Fullerton, M. Hutchingson Watley (Iron Knob); J. L. Pope, R. Key, A. Voigt (Quorn); C. L. Sunman, J. W. Fullerton, O. J. Young, S. Pybus, T. Driscoll, H. O. Morris, H. A'bridge, A. A. McLellan and G. C. McKenzie (Port Augusta).

A minute's silence was observed as a mark of respect to the late Mr. J. H. Chapman, of Quorn, who died suddenly on Sunday. Mr. Chapman was one of the best known race horse owners and trainers in the north, and did a tremendous amount of work in the interests of the sport.

In 1950, with the final sale of the land and property, Endilloe ceased to be a primary producing farm.

WELLKNOWN PROPERTY SOLD BY AUCTION

The wellknown farming and grazing property owned by the late Mr. J. H. Chapman, of Quorn, was sold by auction at Quorn on Tuesday of last week. The purchaser of the holding, which realised £4/2/6 an acre, was the wellknown northern grazier, Mr. M. Groves. At present the property is carrying an abundance of feed and has been used for a resting place for thousands of head of cattle travelling from the Northern Territory to Adelaide.

Quorn Mercury (SA: 1895—1954), Thursday 29 June 1950, page 4



James Harold Chapman 1886 - 1949

James Harold Chapman died at Quorn in South Australia on 18 September 1949 and was laid to rest alongside his wife and daughter in the Quorn Cemetery on 19 September 1949.



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1. Section 222 – Quorn, Applications Made by Adjoining Landowners

Applications have been received from adjoining landowners for the use of the land as highlighted in Quorn, for private grazing purposes.

It is proposed under Sections 221 and 222 of the *Local Government Act* 1999 to make an alterat road and permit use for private grazing purposes. These areas are currently identified as road reserve.

The permit would be subject to conditions, for example, but not limited to:

- Boundary fences to be maintained
- Any gates to remain closed but unlocked
- All stock must be secured and not wandering
- All access to properties to allow emergency vehicles to enter and exit must be maintained
- Appropriate insurance must be taken out to indemnify Council
- Vegetation to be maintained to assist with fire prevention
- Not cause any unreasonable disturbance(s) or nuisance(s) to users of the land adjacent.

The application is for an initial five (5) year period and does not involve the erection of any permanent structures.



All neighbouring landholders will be contacted direct.

Council is seeking feedback from the community on the proposal and submissions can be made to:

Mr Sean Holden, Chief Executive Officer,

The Flinders Ranges Council, PO Box 43, Quorn SA 5433, or via email to council@frc.sa.gov.au

Submissions close at 9am on 13 December 2024

2. NEW POLICY – FLAG POLICY

Council recognises that flagpoles are a community asset and that they are to be used for the benefit of the community and not for commercial or political gain.

A draft Flag Policy has been developed to establish guidelines for the flying of flags at Council's flagpole sites and ensure that Council complies with flag protocols as set by the Australian Federal Government and/or the South Australian Government and to guide the community and associations on protocols at other official flagpole sites within the Council area e.g. war memorials.

Council is seeking the community's input into this policy and would like to ensure that we have covered all of our bases in terms of options for flying flags and marking occasions. We are particularly seeking input into anything that the community thinks is "missing" from the policy or something that you would like to see added or amended.

A copy of the draft policy is available from <https://www.frc.sa.gov.au/community/latest-news> or a hard copy is available for reading at the Council Administration Office in Quorn or Teagues Motors in Hawker.

Written submissions or comments can be sent to:

Mr Sean Holden, Chief Executive Officer,

The Flinders Ranges Council

PO Box 43, Quorn SA 5433, or via email to council@frc.sa.gov.au

Submissions close at 5pm on Friday 20 December 2024.

Upper North

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QUORN HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

FORUM

On the 5th November 2024 the Quorn Health Advisory Council in partnership with the Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network and Quorn Probus Club held an 'Ageing Well Forum' at the Quorn Town Hall, approximately 100 people were in attendance. Dr Tony Lian Lloyd was Master of Ceremonies for the morning.

Presentations were given by:

- Care finder
- Services Australia Aged Care Specialists and Financial Officer
- Aged Rights Advocacy Service
- Dementia Australia

Stalls were hosted by the above presenters and:

- FUNLHN Volunteering Program
- Bungala Home Food Services
- Meals on Wheels
- Carers SA
- Country and Outback Health Services
- Quorn Health Advisory Council

As the forum coincided with Melbourne Cup Day the Probus Club organised Sweeps for the race.

Following the Presentations a luncheon was provided, catered for by the Quorn Auxiliary and sponsored by the Flinders Ranges Council Community Grants.

Thank you to all involved in supporting the event.

AGM

Wednesday 20th November the Quorn Health Advisory Council held their Annual General Meeting with approximately 30 people attending. There were no positions vacant on the Council this year so no nominations for office were required.

The CEO of FUNLHN, Director of Nursing of Quorn Health Services and HAC Presiding Member delivered their 2024 report and then Mr Zieco Skeldon CEO of Country and Outback Health gave a presentation of the operations of the organisation.

Patsy Reynolds
Presiding Member, Health Advisory Council



L-R Tony Lian Lloyd , Carmel Daw FUNLHN, Patsy Reynolds, and Forum presenters, Janet, Carolina, Liisa, Clare and Tanya



Attendees enjoying the luncheon provided after the presentations

Thank you

A BIG THANK YOU to the locals who spotted the fire on our farm at Depot Flat on 17 October and promptly got the CFS into action.

Thankyou to the CFS units from nearby areas who attended, local volunteers and council assistance to grade firebreaks.

The fire was cleaned up quickly, just before we were hit by ferocious winds. It could have been so much worse.

Tim and Jenny Wooley



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.

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.

CWA - More than Golden Syrup and a Sheep's Head

THE QUORN AND DISTRICT BRANCH of the South Australian Country Women's Association (CWA) provides an opportunity for women of all ages to socialise, make new friends, learn new skills and get involved in local events.

Interested?

Join us at our next meeting:

Sunday January 19 at 5pm at the old CWA hut on Railway Terrace (near the railway station)

Golden Syrup, a Flask of Rum and a Sheep's Head

When it comes to resourcefulness and thriftiness, you can't beat the ladies of the CWA. A dig into the archives reveals many forgotten gems of wisdom that may help in today's tough financial times.

Need to make a white sauce and you find yourself short on milk? Simply boil up some potatoes and use the water as a substitute for 50% of the milk. If eggs are the problem, you can still bake a cake. Add one tablespoon of golden syrup to half a pint of warm milk – this is equivalent to three eggs and apparently no one will taste the difference. And if you're out of milk, golden syrup and eggs? Easy – dissolve a tablespoon of gelatine in a little cold water, then add enough boiling water to make a cupful. Whip it up with an egg beater and add to the other cake ingredients. This replaces three eggs in the recipe.

Bothered by boils? Finely chop a whole bulb of garlic (excellent antibacterial properties), and add to a flask of rum. Let stand a day or so then take a wineglass every morning, first thing. The size of the flask isn't specified, nor is the size of the wineglass. If the boils persist, you'll probably be past caring.

If turkey is out of the budget this Christmas, Mrs H.R. Thomas of the Tasmanian CWA contributed the following recipe.

Sheep's Head Soup

Ingredients: 1 sheep's head, 1 tablespoon diced turnip, 2 tablespoons diced carrot, 3 tablespoons pearl barley, salt and pepper to taste.

Method: Split and clean head, remove eyes, wash well and place in deep pan with all other ingredients. Cover with cold water. Bring slowly to the boil and simmer for 6 hours. Lift out head carefully and set aside. The soup is now ready for use. Garnish with chopped parsley or finely grated orange rind.

Not only very inexpensive to produce, this dish may ensure that someone else in the family is nominated to host lunch next Christmas.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and relaxing holiday season. The Quorn and Districts Branch of the South Australian CWA is taking a break with a Christmas lunch for members in lieu of our December meeting. If you would like to join us in the new year, our next meeting is on Sunday 19 January 2025 at 5pm.

(Author: Janet Thompson, Secretary, Quorn and Districts Branch)

Happy Anniversary!



Celebrating 60th Wedding Anniversaries recently in Quorn,
Rod and Jan Jarvis and Carlene and Lyall Voigt.



This photo was taken in Perth on the 14th
November the actual day of the anniversary. Rod
and Jan were married in the Quorn Methodist
Church in Quorn on the 14th November 1964.



Elke and Frank Wallis-Taylor 50th Wedding
Anniversary 28th October 2024
Fiji Cruise on the Royal Princess



Great contributors to the fun of the pageant



Congratulations Franc Carling- Winning Gopher

December in



Andrea Tschirner Wowed the crowd completing the pageant course on stilts!!



Flynn Saxton's astounding dance performance

Quorn 2024 Christmas Pageant Prize Winners: First Best Float—Smurfs. Second Best Float—Thomas
Best Gopher Frankie Carling. Best Walker—Adult Andrea Tschirner (stilt walker). Best Walker—Child Boy on Skis



Dorothy Crosby brought the happy enthusiasm to the event.



Clinton and Tarran Ryks-Jones getting into the spirit of Christmas

Quorn 2024



ance had the children's undivided attention.



Brenna Gilbert singing beautifully with electronic accompaniment



Lena Bowden, Margaret Wilson and Sue Smith, Line dancing.

was the Tank Engine. Third Best Float tied result between Under the Sea and Caravan Float.

Skateboard. Best Car T-Model Ford, Green. Best Pushbike Pauline Zanet and partner on scooter

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Pageant Day performers

Choir, singers and children's activities in the town square



THE BUILDING OF THE PLAYFORD POWER STATIONS

Part 3

IT WAS BAD NEWS for Quorn in December of 1950 with the Bill to authorise the construction of the standard gauge (4' 8½") rail line down the western side of the ranges from Leigh Creek to Stirling North. This project cost the Commonwealth Government £5,440,000 (\$334,300,00-00 in today's money) which included the purchase of rolling stock for that section of the railway. It also coincided with a third 30,000 kilowatt turbine, costing £350,000 (\$21,500,00-00 in today's money) being purchased from England by E.T.S.A.

To date all the information has been for Playford 'A' Station now in May of 1951 it was muted that a second Power Station could possibly be built at Port Augusta at the cost of £10,000,000 (\$614,500,000-00 in today's money). On Wednesday May the 16th 1951 it



Footings poured
Photo by George Jamieson

was officially announced a second Power Station was to be built at Port Augusta.

The Opening ceremony for 'A' Station was held on Friday 23rd of July 1954 at 3pm by Sir Robert George, the then Governor of South Australia. In declaring the power station open Sir Robert said "*May it serve the community and bring further prosperity to South Australia.*" The Premier Mr. Playford handed the Governor an Oil Painting of the



PORT AUGUSTA POWER STATION

OFFICIAL OPENING

23rd July, 1954

To be performed by

His Excellency Sir Robert George

SIR ROBERT GEORGE

SCPA, 180, CR, 1954

anticipated completed power station. The painting was by South Australian Artist Clive Stoward.

Both Playford 'A' and 'B' stations were built on reclaimed land that was normally under 4.9m of water. It was estimated at the time that this saved around £400,000-00 (\$25,580,00-00 in today's money).



Power House taken from North Dolphin
Photo by George Jamieson

Playford 'A' power station was the first power station built by the Electricity Trust of South Australia at Port Augusta and was opened in 1954.

It was joined by the Playford 'B' Power Station in 1960, with it's opening on July 20th 1960 and the Northern Power Station then followed in 1985.

The Playford power stations were the first power station in South Australia which did not require the importation of fuel from interstate. The life of 'A' and 'B' stations was expected to be around 30 years.

Playford 'A' was decommissioned in 1985, however the building, which was full of asbestos, remained until all three power stations were demolished in 2018.

The demolition of all three power stations and remediating of the 1068ha site was completed in May 2019.

When both Stations were completed and generating power, South Australia had the most reliable and cheapest power prices in the world. What a slip in stature we probably now have the dearest and most unreliable in the world now.

Now for some photos of the construction, all were taken by my Grandfather George Jamieson: -

Ashy



Coal Tipper



The Finish of 'A' Station



Opening Day



Franke Pile Frame Driver 'B' Station



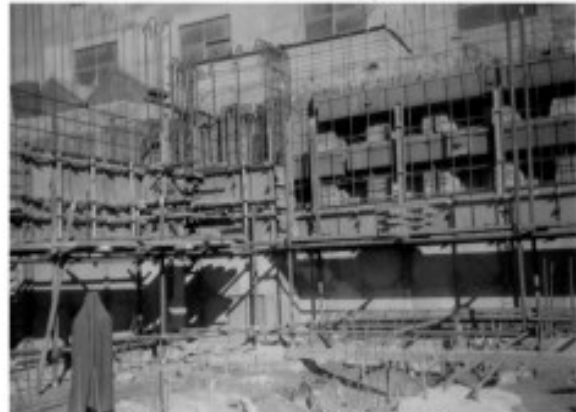
List on Belnor while unloading



'B' Station Footings



Turbine Block being unloaded from the Belnor at the Power House Wharf



First concrete wall of 'B' Station



General View taken from North Dolphin



Inside view of Coffor Dam pump House site



Erecting Steel for 'B' Station

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

Bungala Food Service on 8643 5500



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Federal Member for Grey

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SA Arid Lands Landscape Board News

PORT AUGUSTA-QUORN LANDSCAPE GROUP

The SA Arid Lands Landscape Board (SAAL) supports seven Landscape Groups across the region to ensure it remains connected with community and local landscape issues. The Port Augusta-Quorn Landscape Group Quorn-based members are Richie Paynter, Renata Hackett, and Pauline Zanet. Kurt Tschirner joins the group as the SAAL Board representative. The group meets every two months with the next meeting to be held in Quorn on Friday 6 December.



At the recent group meeting were, from left, Jeff Bowey, Francene O'Connor, Chair Renata Hackett, Richie Paynter, guest Brian Reichelt, and SAAL Board Member Kurt Tschirner.

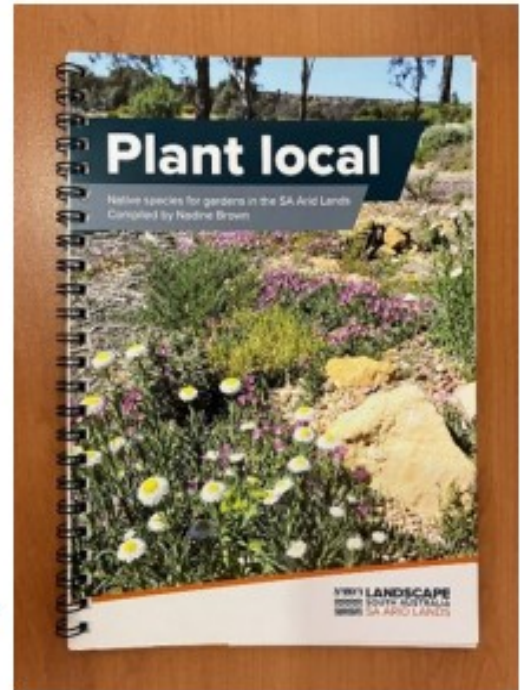
PLANT LOCAL

A new Plant Local guide has been produced in response to the planting and spread of exotic plants around townships and districts. Compiled by Nadine Brown for the Gawler Ranges Landscape Group, the guide highlights introduced plants that have already invaded the region's bushland or have the potential to do so by being garden escapees. It suggests alternative plants to use that are local to South Australia's drier regions and are likely to thrive in the local environment.

Nadine said applying a mindful consideration to planting will entice more native insects, birds and animals into the area. "Incorporating even a few local plants will have environmental benefits," Nadine said.

PASTORAL FIELD DAY

The SA Arid Lands Landscape Board will deliver a Pastoral Field Day at the Port Augusta Racecourse on Thursday 20 March next year. Keep an eye on the board's website at [SA Arid Lands Pastoral Field Day](#) for details as they become available. ■



QUORN MEALS ON WHEELS

Quorn Meals on Wheels has been delivering fresh meals to residents in Quorn for nearly 50 years

Meals are cooked fresh at the Quorn Hospital and delivered 5 days a week

The service is run by volunteers

If you are on a Commonwealth Home Support Program or a Home Care Package, you are able to access Meals on Wheels

Contact your aged care provider or

Kath Altmann on 86486058 for more information



OPENING HOURS

Christmas Hours

Closing 5:30pm 20th December

Re-opening 10am 12noon and
1:00pm-5:30pm

When **normal hours resume:**

Closed :Saturday, Sunday and
Mondays

Tuesday 10am-12noon, 1pm-
5:30pm

Wednesday 9:30-5:30

Thursday/Friday 1pm-5:30pm

Storytime

December 4th

Christmas Storytime

11th December @10am



New Releases:

The Close Up Pip Drysdale

The Ghosts of August Peter Watt

The Golden Thread Tea Cooper

Outback Reunion Rachel Johns

The Masterpiece Belinda Alexander

Down the Rabbit hole Shaeden Berry

The Fallen Woman Fiona McIntosh

The Paris Gown Christine Wells

The Boyfriend Freida McFadden



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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



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Country Health Connect Quorn Update

December 2024

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 October 2024 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
67	286	14	6	5

Allied Health Professionals December 2024 Visiting Schedule

5th December	11th December	12th December	19th December	
Physio TBC	Podiatry	Podiatry Diabetes Nurse Educator	Podiatry	

Community Care Nurse in the Quorn Community Visiting Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9am – 3pm Hours available to provide services as needed. Based on Quorn Medical Practice				



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WANTED

Quorn Men's Shed would like some kitchen chairs for our members and visitors who come for our breakfast.

Quorn Men's Shed roundup

Last Thursday we had our Christmas luncheon with thirty members and invited guests attending. A big thank you must go to Terry and Sue Smith for the cooking and preparation of the dinner. Every person there commented on how great the meal was. Well done you two.

We have had a successful year and our new welding bay shed/lean-to should be up and running by January next year. A big thank you to the Flinders Ranges Council for the grant which enabled this to happen.

On another note on January 8th 7.00pm at the Quorn Mens Shed we will be holding an information night for the ladies of our community.

I have had many approaches from ladies showing interest in learning some basic work skills. Hope to see quite a few people there at the meeting.

The Men's Shed has remained popular with a small increase in attendance this year. New members are more than welcome. We meet each Thursday at 9.00am.

Thank you goes to Carlene & Kathy who decorated the Christmas tree.

Thank you also to Quorn Lions for the loan of kitchen chairs.

We break up on 19 December and return for a breakfast on 9 January 2025.

Ian Carpenter

We have many activities at the Quorn Men's Shed

Woodwork, metalwork, welding, a community garden, computers for 3D printing, A4 laminated posters, reading the Adelaide Advertiser online, lounge area with TV, a pool table, card and crib table, a cooked breakfast every fortnight for male residents of Quorn as well as having a yarn over tea/coffee & biscuits.



Ian with James and Ray enjoying a drink before the Christmas lunch.



30 years
OF SHEDS



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THE SHED
Wireless
HOSTED BY
John Paul Young





Guests enjoying the Christmas lunch.



Terry busy preparing Christmas lunch.



Monty carving meat.
watched by Sue.

Merry Christmas and a Happy 2025



Above, Ian, Bronwyn, Trevor, Kevin, Terry and Alan having fun after the Christmas meal.



Above, Jeff and Barry kickback after having their sweets.



Above from Left, Col, Rob, Dave, Modris
and Ken enjoy Christmas meal.

Shed breakfast at 0900hrs on 12th Dec.
Hamburgers for workers lunch,
on 5th & 19th Dec.
Cuppa 0900 to 1400



FLINDERS HOUSE NEWS

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

Melbourne Cup Day



Pat was the Fashions on the Field Champion in her beautiful Fascinator.

(L-R) Meg, John, James, Ray, Marlene, and Maureen enjoy morning tea at the Lions Park in Port Augusta.

After morning tea we had the choice of shopping or sitting along the east side foreshore soaking in the sunshine. Then it was off to the Augusta Hotel where we had a delicious lunch.

A Day Out

OUR DAY OUT STARTED at Wadlata for coffee then we ventured over to the Yarta Purtli Gallery to view the art exhibition. We had lunch at Barnacle Bills, went for a drive around the westside and then made tracks for home.



L-R on sofa Meg & Ray, (standing behind) James, Marlene, Yvonne and Maureen sitting on walker.



Remembrance Day

On the 11th of November we paused to remember those who fought and made the ultimate sacrifice for us to enjoy the freedoms that we do today.

Melenee conducted the beautiful service where twenty-five residents and staff stopped to attended on a bright and sunny Remembrance Day.

Afterwards there was a tasty BBQ luncheon for all to come back and enjoy.



R) Meg, Ray, James, Alex, Marjorie, Margaret, and Maureen enjoy morning tea at the Memorial in Melrose. The view is quite stunning from up there.



Remembrance Day 2024



International Men's Day

On Tuesday the 19th we celebrated International Men's Day. The important role of men and how they impact our lives. Our local policeman Dutchy was the guest speaker and spoke about the positive role models in his life and how they shaped him into the man he is today. Residents had a chance to ask some questions and we then enjoyed a delicious morning tea while Dutchy mingled with the residents.



Dutchy addresses the gathering on IMD

Raffle Results and Pink Ribbon Totals

1ST – Basket of Goodies. Won by Joan Buffam – Quorn.

2ND – Book of Vouchers. Won by Ric Onley – Hawker.

3RD – Knee Rug. Won by Barb Fels – Quorn.

The total amount raised from the pink ribbon event was \$2788.9

Congratulations to everyone involved and thank you to the businesses who supported the event.



Thanks Tarla

AFTER 12.5 YEARS of shepherding the local newspaper to its monthly delivery Tarla Kramer has hung up her Mercury hat.

Tarla has spent nearly a year doing handover for which the remaining volunteer Mercury committee is grateful. We'll do our best to follow Tarla's generous and diligent example and we wish her restful days to enjoy some more time for her special projects.

Toot, toot!

Quorn Mercury Revisited

Quorn Swimming Pool Update

On Wednesday 26th November, Minister Geoff Brock visited Quorn to announce a \$300,000 grant going towards the new pool.

The refurbishment is nearing completion and it is anticipated that the opening will be on Thursday 11th December, depending on the work being completed, operational and certified.

Opening hours will be:

Monday to Friday 3:30—6:30pm

Saturdays and Sundays 2:30—6:30pm



10 Years Ago

Quorn Mercury

December 2004

Established 1895

Number 9/94



PROPERTY OF QUORN MERCURY

New Building For Quorn Area School

A fire earlier in the year destroyed the Year 11/12 Home Economics building. It is now being replaced by a new steel framed construction.

Chapman's Building Industries have the contract and they are distributing various stages of the building to businesses within the district.

The building is expected to be completed early in the New Year.

20 Years Ago

December 2024

Contact Quorn Hospital 8648 7888 for dates

Podiatrist
Diabetes Education
Dietitian
Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist
Speech Pathologist
Social Worker

Country Health Connect 8668 7706

December 2024

Anglican Church of St Matthews
3rd Sunday of month 10am
Contact Number
Ph: 0447711056 or 0407640425

Catholic Church
Flinders Ranges Catholic Parish
Ph : 86486185

Parish Priest: Father Mark Whybrow

Mass Times:

Quorn Weekday Masses:

Tuesday, Thursday, Fridays 9am
Wednesday Mass and Adoration 4.00pm
Saturday Carrieton 6pm
Sunday Quorn 8.15am
Hawker 10.30am

Confession Times

Carrieton Saturday 5.30pm
Quorn Sunday 8.00am Hawker 10.10am

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

Uniting Church
Sunday Services 10am

****Times for All Christmas Services on
Classified Ads Page****

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Next Issue's (February 7th 2025) Deadlines:

- Submissions preferred as email attachments using Microsoft Word or Publisher
- Other submissions to Visitor Information Centre, Quorn Railway Station before 4.30 pm 24th Jan
Classified Ads on Visitor Information Centre form provided. Must be paid for when submitted.
Mercury day is Tuesday January 28th

Guidelines for Submissions:

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

Contacts

- **Coming Events**—Jillian Wilson, Visitor Information Centre, 8620 0510
- **News in Brief**—mercury@quornmercury.com.au

Charges

- **Annual Subscription**—12 months (11 issues) \$50 including postage
- **Major Adverts**—

	Single	Year
Full Page	\$30	\$275
Half Page	\$15	\$145
Quarter Page	\$10	\$ 80

- **Classified Ads**—\$1 per line or part line, on the form provided at the Visitor Information Centre
- **Bank Details** BSB 105-028
Account No. 063 601 740

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Classified Adverts

Opp Shop Donations 2024

THE QUORN OPP SHOP has donated the following to the community in 2024:

- Men's Shed \$700
- Pichi Richi \$1000
- Nurse's Home 3263
- Quorn Show \$1000
- Quandong Festival \$1300
- Mercury Newspaper \$229
- Apex Postie bike ride \$500
- Netball \$500
- Cancer and Dementia Drive \$500
- Karah Knight \$1000
- TOTAL \$9532

Thank you to the great band of volunteers and the community for their support. Your support is vital to keep the shop being able to support local projects.

The shop will be closed from 21 December 2024 to 22 January 2025.

St Matthews

DECEMBER 2024 CHRISTMAS services

15 December 2024 10.00am

22 December 2024 10.00am

All welcome

Flinders Ranges Catholic Parish

CHRISTMAS SERVICES DECEMBER 2024

Christmas Eve	6pm	Hawker
	9pm	Carrieton
Christmas Day	9:30am	Quorn

Rainfall 2024

Jan	24.6mm
Feb	0.0mm
March	18.2mm
April	2.6mm
May	12.8mm
June	35.0mm
July	56.0mm
August	23.8mm
September	6.4mm
October	15.2mm
November	60.4mm
YTD	251.6mm

LOST

Lost rings in a small box with a band around it between the 6th of October and the 10th of October, reward offered. Also has sentimental value.

Thank you, Margaret. 0432 011 058.

Season's greetings from the Mercury team

Wishing you all a safe and happy
festive season
and best wishes for 2025





Quorn Hawker Cradock Events December 2024

Regular Events

Quorn

Quorn Book Club

tba

Story Time 11th 10am at the Quorn Library

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 (excluding school holidays)

Run-Walk-Push – Saturday

mornings 8am from Quorn Pool car park -2km, 5km All creatures great and small welcome

Chair Yoga

10-11 am Tuesday-St Matthews Hall

Hawker

Yoga with Min Tuesday Mornings -
Hawker Gym

Development Board Meetings- 2nd
Wednesday of the Month

Fellowship –4th Wednesday

Uniting Church Hall

Hawker Community Singers -

Welcomes everyone to sing Friday
3.30pm to 5.00pm Hawker Uniting
Church Hall

Quilting and Handicraft Group -

Alternate Wednesday- Uniting
Church Hall

Friendship Group 3rd Thursday

12pm Venue tba

Mixed Netball - Friday fortnightly

Juniors 5.30pm and Seniors 6.15pm

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 15th December

Quorn Cars & Coffee at Scruffy Fella

Join people who share a passion for gasoline and caffeine. It doesn't matter if you've got 4 wheels or 2, old or new, schmick or a pile of sh*t - all are welcome! Last Sunday of every month, 8:30am, First Street. Will resume in 2025!

Chinese Night

Hawker Community Sports Centre
Saturday 7th from 6.30pm enjoy and evening of Chinese food cooked by Howard Yam

Cradock Cricket Match

Saturday 14th December, 12pm-8pm

Cradock Christmas Pageant

Saturday 21st Dec, 4:30pm

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

Quorn and Hawker Swimming Pools

See Council website or at swimming pool for opening times.

January 2025

Resin art workshop for beginner's
19th at Lions Club booking via
pineapplecreations.art

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't.

Erica Jong

Phone: 08 8620 0510

Email: vic@frc.sa.gov.au

Regular Events

Quorn

Exercises

10:30am Wednesdays Step, Squat and Razzle Low impact Town Hall

Yoga

Tuesday and Thursday nights 6.30pm

Uniting Church Hall

Quilting/Sewing/Knitting Group

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

Quorn Bowling Club

Social Bowls Everyone welcome

Wednesday at 1:00pm

cost \$5 per player and the club has bowls if you don't have your own.

Pilates

Wednesdays at 9am and 7pm at the Quorn Town Hall

Quorn Pioneer Machinery Society

Wednesdays from 9am at the Lions Park
Everyone welcome

Step Aerobics

Monday and Thursday 5.30pm

St Mathews Church Hall \$2

Lion's Club

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

Email: aefreebairn@hotmail.com

Transcontinental Hotel

Schnitzel, Pasta & Seafood Night

Meal Specials Nightly

Wednesday and Friday nights members draw. Friday night meat raffles

Austral Hotel

Thursdays Schnitzel Nights with meal specials nightly Friday nights Happy Hour 5-7pm

Local History Group – Quorn Court House

3rd and 17th 11am to 2pm



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