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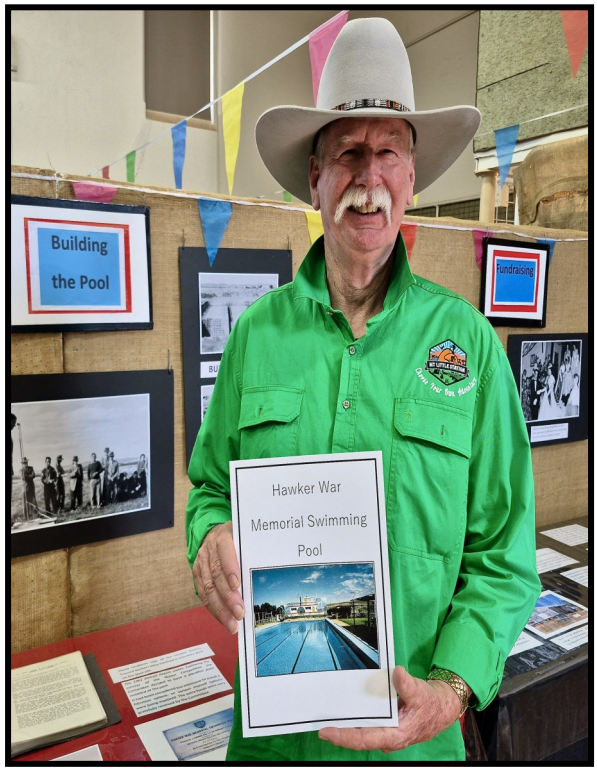
Governor's visit

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And much more





The Governor visiting the Cradock Memorial Garden accompanied by Maurie Burke. (above)

Richard Stevens at the Hawker War Memorial Swimming Pool exhibition.

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to be held at the **Hawker Sports Centre** on

November 8th. from Noon to 5pm.

There will be a FREE BBQ (2 COURSE) lunch

This will be followed by an afternoon with a magician who also does balloon sculptures, music by 3 local artists, and informative people giving out great information, plus.....

There will be a FREE sausage sizzle, donuts, ice creams, tea coffee, soft drinks, caricaturist, (who will sketch you in his own way).

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the 1st load of prizes, including car fridge and bar fridge, welder, whipper snipper, air fryer plus more and many toys of all sizes.

A huge FREE raffle with numbers drawn all afternoon until the tables are clear.



Hawker Community Development Board Inc.

WELCOME NEW HCDB MEMBERS & CONTINUING MEMBERS

Members: Julia Henderson, (Chairperson, Treasurer), Susi Andersson (Vice Chairperson), Catherine Burt (Secretary), Graham Lawrence (Public Officer), Mike Doughty, Chris Wenham, Greg Flint (FRC Rep), John Teague, Janet Teague, Charlie Eager, Steve Youle, Ric Onley, Esther Eager

2025 DROUGHT MUSTER

The 2025 Drought Muster, a community event organised by Campbelltown Rotary Club will be held at Hawker Sports Centre on Saturday Nov.8th 12.00-5.00pm. HCDB will fund a children's face painter and drinks for children at this event. HCDB will also have an opportunity for informal consultation with community members about the priorities people would like to see the Board focussing on in the coming year.

Flinders Ranges Council (FRC) has requested the HCDB collaborate with FRC on a number of projects and initiatives and the Board is seeking feedback from the community regarding the following:

- Blue Burt Park Revitalisation
- Hawker Dam Reimagining
- Artist in Residence Program
- Hawker Institute and Foresters Hall upgrades
- Community Bus

However, the Board and community members have also identified a number of other projects and issues in the district needing attention, including:

- Use of the Recreation Ground shed
- Parking bay for trucks adjacent B83 (The Outback Highway)
- Bitumen road past the Recreation Ground
- Solar lights in public spaces

WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES FOR OUR COMMUNITY?

PLEASE HAVE YOUR SAY AT THE DROUGHT MUSTER, AND/OR SPEAK WITH ONE OF THE HCDB MEMBERS

REMEMBRANCE DAY – NOV. 11TH 2025

Hawker Area School will be organising this commemoration, commencing at 10.45am, at the Hawker War Memorial. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

A Christmas Lights Competition will again be held this year. There will be a charge of $5/ house to enter.

More details to follow.

SWIMMING POOL

The HCDB will again subsidise all swimmers aged 16 and under for the 2025/26 swimming season.

At this stage, no information has been received regarding pool opening, pool attendants or lapping sessions.

HAWKER INSTITUTE

FRC has agreed to the provision of a trolley and sack truck for use at the Institute.

Water damage to the ceiling in the side gallery is awaiting repairs.

NEXT MEETING: WED. 3RD DEC, 7.00PM, SPORTS CENTRE ALL WELCOME

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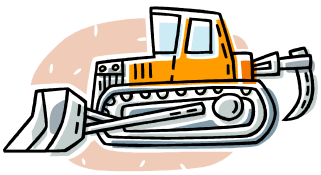
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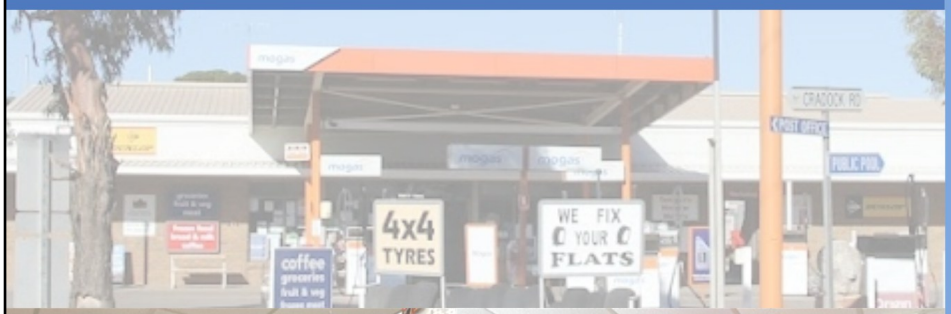
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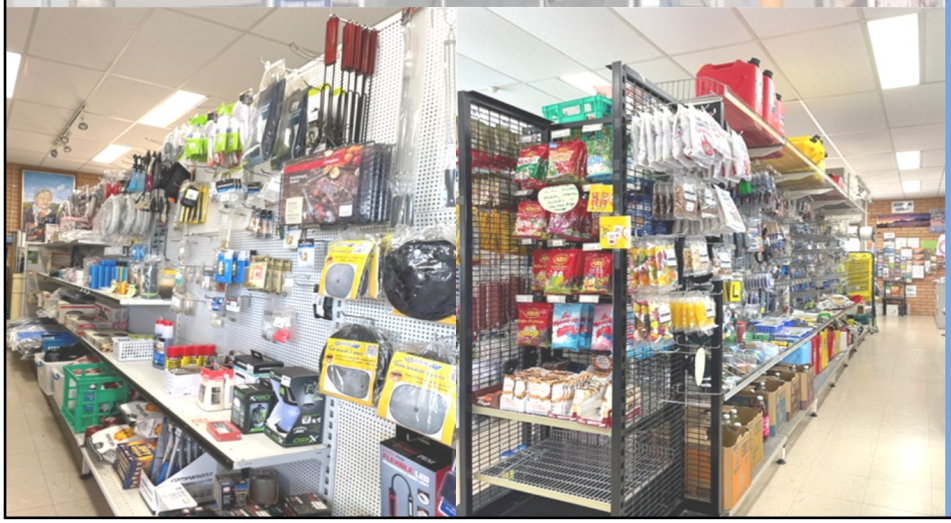
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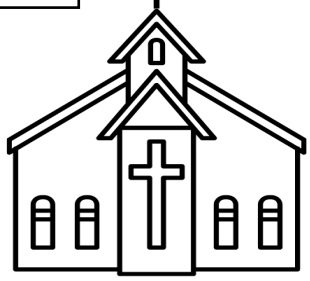
Contact Janice McInnis
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Email: janice.mcinnis@bigpond.com

Next Meeting: Nov. 26th

Meet at the Church at 2.00pm to make figgy puddings

HAWKER CATHOLIC CHURCH
Hawker: Sunday 10:30am

Weekly Services
Quorn Sunday 8:15am
Carrieton Saturday 6:00pm
Please contact the Parish Office
Sacramental Programme Grade 3 and 4 for the Rite of Reconciliation and First Communion;
Grade 6 and 7 for Confirmation
Adult faith talks, Baptism and Christian Marriage preparation
Parish Office: 86486185



101st Birthday at Ticklebelly Wednesday October 22nd 2025



Our Fellowship group met at the church at 8.30am to travel to Ticklebelly Restaurant for lunch.
We arrived just before 12 noon and sat down at our reserved table to ponder our choices.
We chose from a good selection and enjoyed our meal. Just prior to the meal Jenny read a poem entitled "The FMG" from one of Bob Magor's books of poems to tempt the appetite.



Our birthday cake, a delicious apple crumble cake, was heated, cut, served and enjoyed after the usual Happy Birthday was sung. Thank y Mary and Janet, who donated funds to buy the cake on display at Ticklebelly. The day finished with a visit tc Quorn IGA before heading home to Hawker.
Those who came along were Noreen and Jeff, Miriam and Jeff, Janice, Christina, Jane, Mary Janet, Maggie a Jenny.

The Flinders Ranges Council

HAVE YOUR SAY - DISABILITY ACCESS AND INCLUSION PLAN

Council is developing a new Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) to help make our community more accessible, inclusive, and welcoming for everyone.

The Plan will guide how Council improves access to services, facilities, information, and employment, ensuring that people with disability can fully participate in community life.

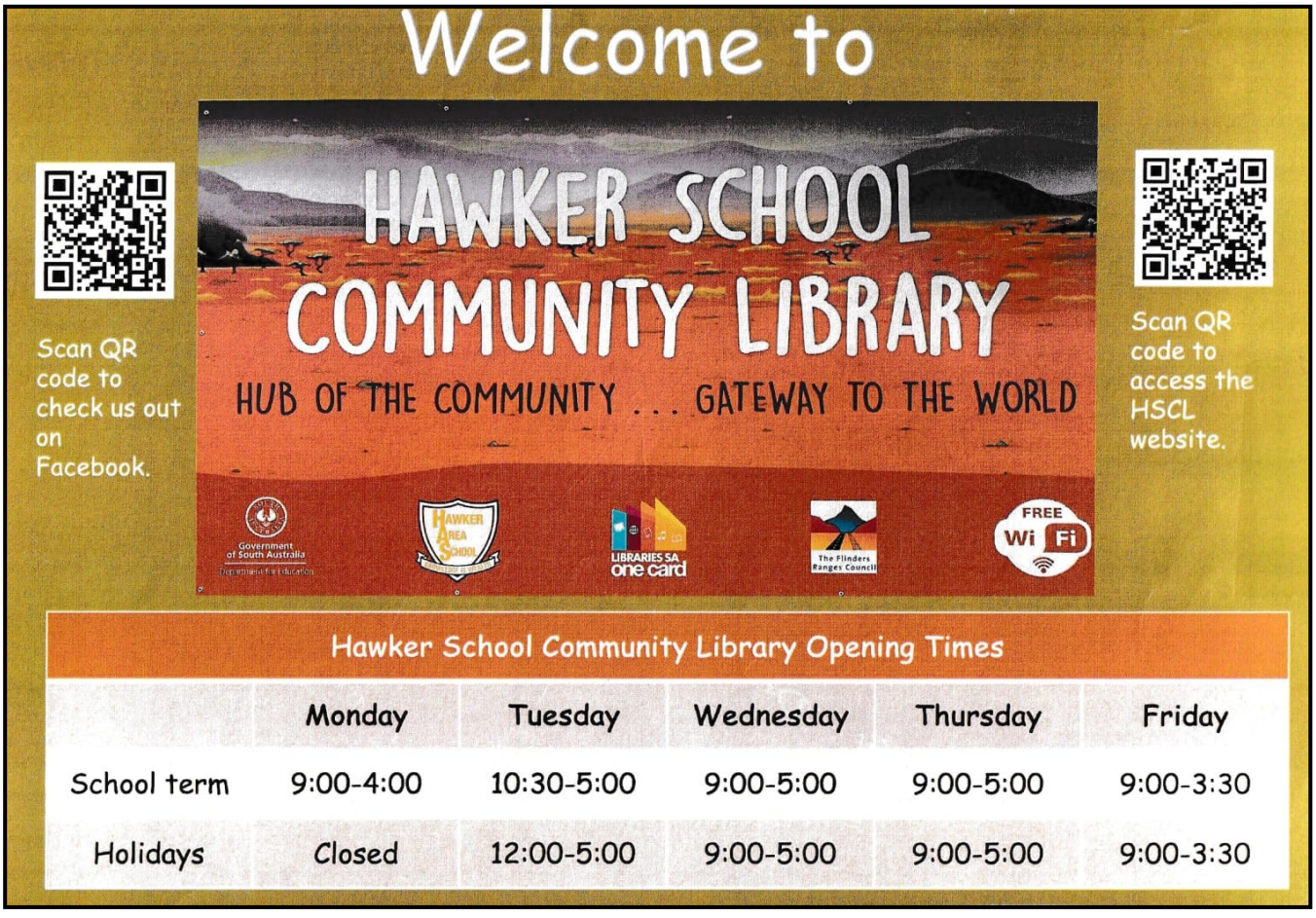
We want to hear from community members, carers, service providers, and local organisations about what's working well and what could be improved. Your feedback will help shape practical actions that make a real difference.

Consultation closes on **Friday 28 November 2024** and can be provided by emailing council@frc.sa.gov.au or call into the main administration office to give verbal feedback.

Electronic copies are available from the FRC website.

Plan available for reading at Hawker Council Agency, Hawker Motors and Council Office in Quorn.

PLEASE NOTE: Consultation closes Friday 28th November 2025.



HAWKER COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE NEWS

2025
NOVEMBER



BAR ROSTER

1ST NOV PETER ZADOW
8TH NOV MIKE DOUGHTY
15TH NOV KELLIE ZADOW
22ND NOV SAUL WEBB
29TH NOV ALEX MORGAN
6TH DEC DAREN O'NEILL
13TH DEC LISA O'NEILL
20TH DEC JOHN SHUTE
27TH DEC CLOSED



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



Sports Centre: 86484115
Bookings: 86484014
Email:sportscentre5434@gmail.om

HUGE THANKS
SCOTTY
for 6 years as
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HAWKER COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE

Membership fees due now $20

Memberships runs from 31st Aug to 1st Sept
You're invited to join; it's a great place to socialise!

You must be a paid member to be involved with
a member club; golf, bowls, tennis & cricket

HCSC committee

President: Brendan McInnes
Vice president: Ben Du Bois
Secretary: Louise Watson
Treasurer: Lisa O'Neill

Charlie Eager
Andrew McInnes
Saul Webb
Mopsy

Kellie Zadow
Emma Allen
Alex Morgan
Scott Teague

Stef Teague
Jo Du Bois
Sonya Fels
Mark McAuley

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Governor’s Visit

On Tuesday afternoon, 14 October, we had a Vice-Regal visit to the Cradock War Memorial and Memorial Garden, by the South Australian Governor, Frances Adamson AC. The Governor was accompanied by her husband Rod Bunten, a 'personal assistant' and a 2 member Police protection team. Also, our Flinders Ranges Mayor, Ken Anderson, was in attendance.

The Governor and her husband were quite impressed, especially after seeing photos of the area prior to purchase and our 'clean-up' before the 100 year anniversary of Gallipoli. The poem by Bob Kearney, Dept. of Veteran Affairs, South Aust. which was recorded on a bronze plaque, our wire mesh Light Horsemen, the artillery piece and the different plaques setting out the District's military past really attracted her attention.

One of our locals was also in attendance and advised the growth of Cradock had attracted him whilst driving through as a 'truckie' and the on-going improvements through the period led to his purchase of a block.

The Governor's visit wasn't a public or community event, but more of a catch up and visit to her area of responsibility. As stated, our Mayor was also in attendance and added his complimentary advice re the Memorial Garden and it's ongoing development.

Maurie Burke
Chair, Cradock Heritage Group



From the *TOWN CRIER* Archives

36 Years Ago - November 1989 (Cover Price 70c)

Wirreanda Cottages: A highly successful public meeting with 43 people attending was held on 18th October to establish a Management Committee for the erection of four cottages. A substantial donation had been received and funding was being sourced.

Sports News: A whistle stop tennis tournament was held on November 11th with 48 senior players and 12 junior players nominated. Senior winners were Peter Spiers and Marlene McAuley. Junior winners were Adrian Edwards and Dennis Edwards.

Miss Australia Quest: Raised a total of $12956.53 for the year from various functions and donations.

Hospital Auxiliary: The Hospital Auxiliary held a very successful Cabaret and Lottery to raise much needed funds for equipment for the hospital. Purchases included a weigh chair, screen door and 2 vacuum cleaners.

20 Years Ago - November 2005 (Cover Price $2.00)

Art Exhibition: Another very successful exhibition was held with a profit of $10,000 being raised for the community.

Weather: The highest maximum for October was 36.5C and the lowest minimum was –0.2C. There was 45.2mm of rain recorded.

Bowls News: 49 players participated in the annual Crows V Port Power Challenge with the final score being Crows 114points to Port Power 100points.

The Men's Handicap singles went to Wayne Strempel, runner up Michael McAuley.

Friday November 4th saw 10 teams compete in the Annual Ladies Open Fours. A team from Hawker made up of J Clarke, J Boettger, B Fels and D Rose were runners up on the day.

From the Archives: November 5th 1912 One ice chest will be placed on the trains running between Quorn and Hergott Springs. Butter left at the sidings prior to the arrival of the train must be covered with wet bags.

10 Years Ago - November 2015 (Cover Price $2.00)

School News: The R-2 class held a sleep over at the school. The evening included games and movies after a BBQ tea. A pancake breakfast was enjoyed by all.

The 3-6 class journeyed to Quorn to attend the Young Environmental Leaders Forum. This is an ongoing project in the region.

The 7-11 Class travelled to Adelaide to participate in the e-mentoring camp. They visited Flinders University and the Ingenuity Expo.

Weather: The only rain recorded during October was 2.6mm on the last day. October maximums broke all records with a maximum of 38.0C recorded on the 15th. Likewise the lowest minimum was 6.0C which was 3.7C above the long term average.

From the Archives: The school has established a School/ Community Nursery with over 400 tomato, 70 lettuce and 700 salt bush seedlings for sale.

Community News

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CONGRATULATIONS to all those who celebrate birthdays in November.



Michael McAuley 90

GET WELL

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



DEATHS

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

Deepest Sympathy to

- Victor and Cynthia Clark and families on the passing of Cynthia's brother, *Wayne Shepherd*
- Jean Kalialaha and Family on the passing of *Apollos Kalialaha*
- Simon and Amanda Hilder and Families on the passing of *Colin Hilder*

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Luke Helmore and Claire McKenry. We wish you all the best for your future happiness!



HAWKER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Held 3rd Thursday of each month

Come as you are, pay for what you order, enjoy a chat and catch up.

For more information and to book your seat

Contact: Social Secretary

David Meekhums (08) 8648 4114

Next Gathering:

Thursday 20th Nov. 12 noon at Cradock Hotel

All Ages Welcome!

FAREWELL

Farewell and best wishes for Tom Crossman on his move to his new home in Port Augusta.

SPECIAL DAYS IN NOVEMBER

1st	All Saints Day
	World Vegan Day
3rd	Sandwich Day
4th	Melbourne Cup
8th	Tongue Twister Day
9th	Inventors' Day
11th	Remembrance Day
13th	World Kindness Day
19th	Men's Day
21st	World TV Day

CONGRATULATIONS

Hawker Craft Mart committee congratulate Fay Alford from Williamstown, the winner of the raffle.



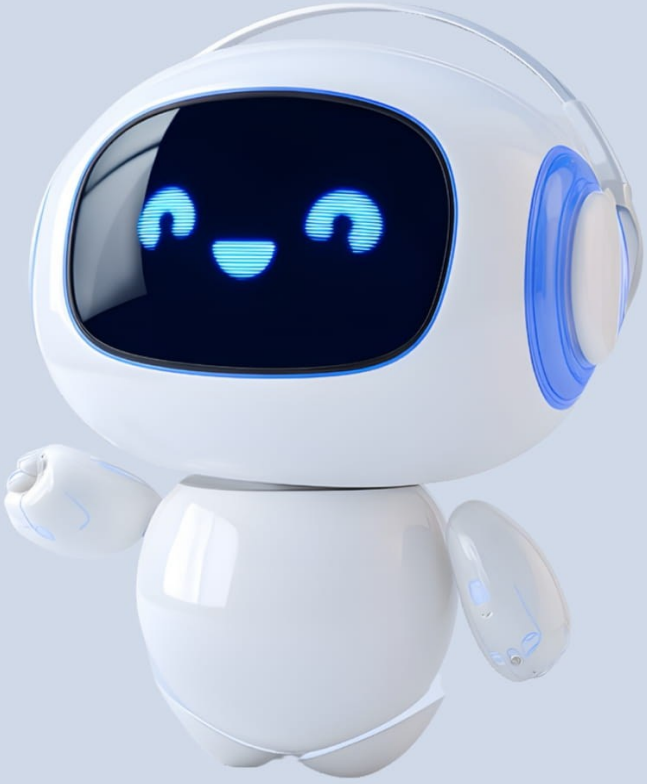
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Monday 10th November

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Wilmington Institute
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Orroroo
5pm - 7pm
Orroroo Council
trybooking.com/DGRCN



Tuesday 11th November

Hawker
10am - 12pm
Hawker Community Sport Centre
trybooking.com/DGRCR

Quorn
1:30pm - 3:30pm
Quorn Community Hall/Sports Complex
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INTERNATIONAL TREATS

ASIAN GLAZED SALMON

2 x 180g salmon fillets

oil spray

MARINADE

1 tsp finely grated fresh ginger

1 garlic clove, crushed

1 tbs soy sauce

2 tbs oyster sauce

2 tbs sweet chilli sauce

TO SERVE

sesame seeds

finely sliced shallots

steamed rice

steamed asian greens

Combine marinade ingredients thoroughly in a shallow bowl. Add salmon and turn to coat. Cover and chill for 30 minutes or up to overnight. Preheat grill on high. Place rack 25cm from the heat source. Place salmon on a baking tray (no oil or paper). Brush lightly with glaze. Grill for 7 minutes. Remove. Spray the surface generously with oil. Grill for another 1-3 minutes until glaze is caramelised and fish is cooked. Internal temperature of the fish is 50C for medium rare or 60C for medium. Serve with rice and steamed asian greens, sprinkled with sesame seeds and sliced shallots.

SUGAR FREE RASPBERRY MUG CAKE

1 tbs coconut oil

2 tbs coconut flour

1 tbs powdered erythritol

½ tsp vanilla extract

½ tsp baking powder

1 egg

5 fresh raspberries

GLAZE

1 tbs powdered erythritol

1-3 tsp heavy cream

Combine the coconut oil and cream cheese in a microwave safe mug or ramekin. Microwave 20 seconds. Stir then stir in other ingredients and gently press raspberries into the batter. Microwave 60-90 seconds. Remove from microwave and allow to cool a little. Mix glaze ingredients in a small bowl and drizzle over cake.

MOROCCAN SPICED CHICKEN STEW

1 tsp ground cumin

½ tsp ground cinnamon

½ tsp ground coriander

¼ tsp cayenne pepper

8 skinless, boneless chicken thighs, trimmed

2 tbs olive oil

1 large onion, vertically sliced (1 cup)

2 tsp minced fresh ginger

1 ½ cups chicken stock

1 ½ cups chopped peeled sweet potato

2 x 400g cans chopped peeled tomatoes

425g can chickpeas

¼ cup sultanas

1 tsp salt

1 tsp lemon zest

1 ½ tbs lemon juice

¼ cup fresh coriander sprigs to serve

Stir together the cumin, cinnamon,coriander and cayenne pepper in a small bowl. Sprinkle the chicken evenly with the mixture. Heat 1 tbs oil in a large non-stick frying pan. Add half the chicken to the pan and cook 5 minutes until brown on 1 side. Turn over and cook the other side 1 minute. Transfer chicken to a 5 litre slow cooker. Repeat with the remaining oil and chicken. Add onion and ginger to the pan and cook, stirring often, until softened. Add stock and cook 1 minute, stirring and scraping the browned bits from the pan. Transfer the onion mixture to the slow cooker. Stir in the sweet potato. Add the tomatoes, chickpeas, sultanas and salt. Cover and cook on low about 5 hours. Remove chicken and cut into bite sized pieces. Return to the pan, add lemon juice and zest and stir well. Ladle into bowls and serve with coriander sprigs.

Government of South Australia

Hawker District Memorial Health Advisory Council

Annual General Meeting

The Hawker District Memorial Health Advisory Council is hosting its Annual General Meeting on:

Wednesday 26 November 2025
7.00 pm

At the Residents' Lounge
Hawker Memorial Hospital
9 Druid Range Drive Hawker SA 5434

You will be able to ask questions and meet with your local Health Advisory Council members, who advocate for new and improved health services on behalf of the community.

To confirm your attendance, please contact Debbie on (08) 8648 4007 by Friday 21 November 2025.

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WIRREANDA COTTAGES COMMITTEE

AGM

Will be held on

Tuesday December 2nd at 7.30pm

In the Hawker Sports Centre

Wirreanda Cottages are independent Living Units established by the community for older community members who wished to continue to live in their own area.

We are seeking more Committee members to help maintain this valuable service.

The committee usually meets twice a year plus some fundraising and minor repair work.

If you have an hour or two to spare occasionally, please join us at our AGM.

FUNDRAISING FOR
HAWKER KIDS CLUB

PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE TO THE TEST

HAWKER QUIZ NIGHT

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FRIDAY,
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SPORTS CENTRE

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SHUTE FAMILY REUNION

On October 4th 2025, about 80 descendants of Samuel and Jane Shute gathered at Fort Largs Eatery and Marketplace, Taperoo. It was no special occasion, just to meet one another and so the younger family members get to see and know one another (other than at a funeral)!!



Fourth generation descendants of Samuel and Jane Shute

John, Bronny, Anne, Brian, Sindy and Helen travelled down from Hawker. It was wonderful to meet family members from all branches of the family tree; some we had never met before, others we knew well. People travelled from far and wide. Queensland was the furthest and family members came from all over South Australia.



Members of the fifth generation of the Shute family

SHUTE FAMILY REUNION



Sixth and seventh generation members of the Shute Family



A display of Shute family photos at the Reunion

HAWKER WAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL HISTORY EXHIBITION

The final History Exhibition for 2025, depicting the story of the former Hawker War Memorial Swimming Pool, opened on Sunday 26th October at the Institute. This exhibition tells of the massive community effort to raise the funds to build and maintain the pool It also tells the stories of some of the patient and committed instructors who worked to teach hundreds of children and older community members to swim. Memories of many of those who learnt to swim and swam and used the pool are also shared.

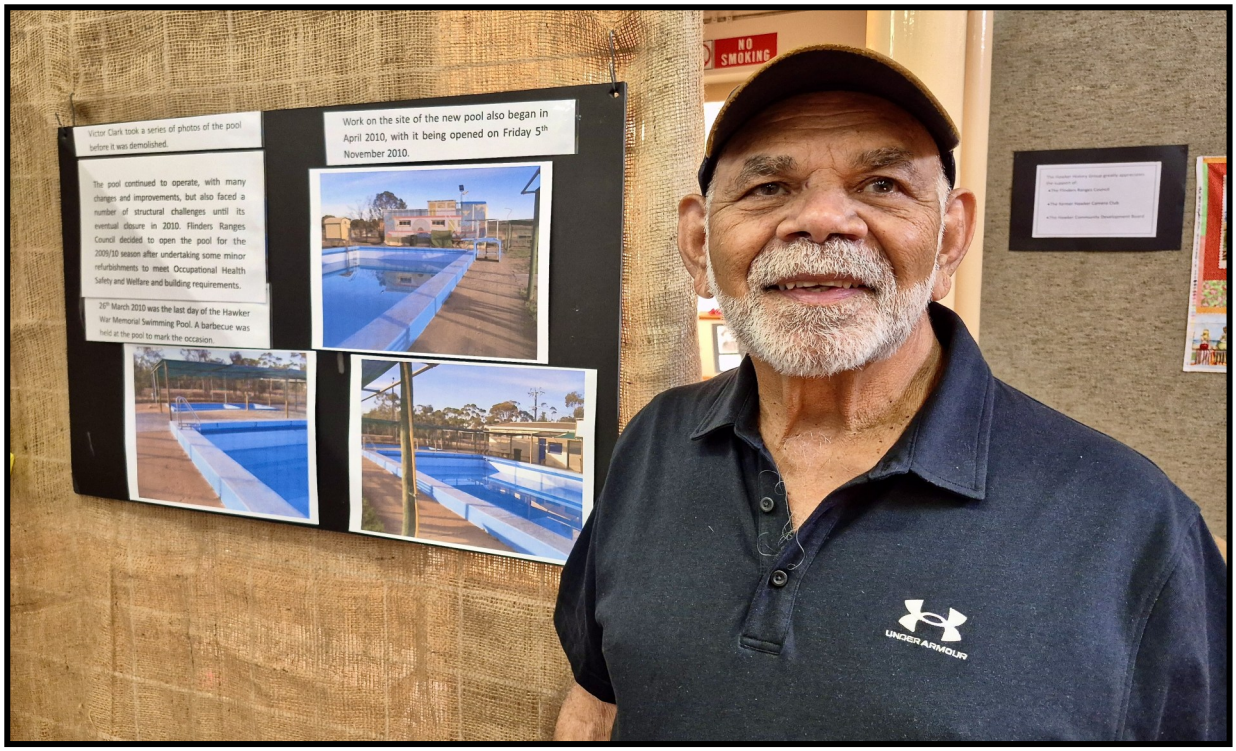


Julie Brown, Hayley Brown and Debra Hombsch (nee van Keulen) in front of part of the display portraying Dirk and Mary van Keulen. Mary and Dirk taught hundreds of Hawker children and adults to swim.



Naomi and Jim Matthews at the Exhibition opening. Three generations of their family were actively involved in the Swimming Pool.

HAWKER WAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL HISTORY EXHIBITION



Victor Clark in front of some of the photos he took of the former swimming pool before it was demolished in 2010.



The History Group Exhibition team of Anne, Maggie, Janice and Cate welcomed Julie Brown, (nee van Keulen) and her wonderful creative skills, knowledge and assistance in putting together another fabulous exhibition. Julie and her sister, Debra provided many photos and much memorabilia relating to their parents', Dirk and Mary's years spent at Hawker Pool.

GOLF REPORT

The Town Crier thanks Daren O'Neill for his regular and informative Golf Reports this year.

Cancer Day Event Launches a Big Month of Golf

The last month of the golf season was one of success for the Golf Club, starting with the Cancer Day Fundraiser and wrapping up with a conclusion to our season, where major club events were decided. Starting off with the Cancer Day numbers out on Saturdays were at a high, with 32 players turning out for the Ambrose event.

Played in good conditions, the Cancer Day had the field and good golf to match, with regulars and social players joining up to have some fun on the day. Winners were decided on the team handicaps in the end. The Team DuBois, led by Ben, with Will, Ollie, Ann, Frank, Helen and Michael scoring 51, but Netting 34.94, taking out the day over Team Webb, led by Saul, with Louise, Kellie, Peter, Ben and Stuart, also scoring 51, but Netting 35.67 for the day. Coming in third with a Nett 37, was Bekky, Noah, Jordan, Kirsty, Katrina and Andrew, with Katrina taking out the Long Putt from the edge of the 9th hole.

The first Saturday in September saw seven players turn out in very windy conditions for the Stableford competition. In spite of the winds, players fought hard to keep their scores up. In the challenging conditions Scott Teague stepped up to win the day with a solid score of 34 points, just below his handicap but probably well above considering the conditions played in. Big time shot play was the order of the day, and Scott worked the ball around the course with his power stroke play. Alby Ireland also turned out and made Scotty work for his points, finishing just one stroke short on 33 points. Other solid contributors were Brendon McInnis, on 30 points and Alex Morgan in fourth place on 28 points, Brendon doubling up to also score the Nearest the Pin, with Scott and Alby taking the Ball prizes.

The club championship finals were part of this month as well. First up, there was the C Grade Final played between Angus McInnis and Andrew McInnis in the week before September 13th. With Angus' good season form continuing, he won the final by a convincing margin, around 6 up with 5 to play. A Par Round was played on the 13th, with seven players turning out. The course continued to be entertaining and interesting, forcing players to earn wins on each hole. The result for the day was a win for Will DuBois, finishing on +1, and also scoring Nearest the Pin on the 6th hole. Ball winners behind Will were Ben DuBois, in second place, just ahead of Angus McInnis in third place.

The A Grade and B Grade Finals were also played on the day, with Ben DuBois playing Alby Ireland and Daren O'Neill up against Mark McAuley. Both finals set to be played best over 27 holes. The competition was tight in both matches. The B Grade saw Mark McAuley take a big lead of four holes up early, with Daren O'Neill chasing back to take a lead early in the second nine. It was close play on every hole with some big highlights, including Mark's putting where on the 9th hole he hit a putt from over forty feet to a few inches from the hole. Come the 18th and holding a one stroke lead, Mark was in almost the same position and needing a good putt. Just to prove the first time around was no fluke, Mark's putt saw the ball drop and Daren miss his putt from just over two metres to lose the hole. It proved to be an important match moment, a lead that McAuley held onto despite the margin narrowing to one hole at the 12th hole as after this he pushed on with some crucial wins to take out the match on the 25th hole, four up with two to play. The match between Ben and Alby was even tighter with both players holding the lead at different stages of the match. Play was tight as Ben played the big drives and Alby relied on his ability to hit the fairway. The match went all the way to the last hole with Ben needing a win to take it further, but Alby held his nerve to sink a two-metre putt to close out the opportunity for Ben, winning on the 27th.

GOLF REPORT (cont.)

Closing day for the season was on September 20th and the good numbers of golfers turning out continued. It has been a great season and just to prove it we had eleven players turn up for the Stableford round, in good weather but the wards weed started to make its presence felt on the fairways. Will DuBois continued his good form over the end of the season to post another handicap breaking score of 37 points, his second winning week in a row and well deserved. On another good day of golf, Adam Gill stroked in 35 points to take out the A Grade and Angus McInnis finished with 32 points to take out the Bs. Other solid scores were out there too, with Alex Morgan scoring 33 points but behind Will's C Grade winning 37, and Ben DuBois behind Adam with 32 points. Good solid scores in the upper 20s followed this. Alex Morgan gained some sense of balance with the result by taking out the Nearest the Pin on the challenging second hole, whilst the ball winners were Will and Adam.

Taking the season into overtime, Daren O'Neill and Alby Ireland then turned out on AFL Grand Final Day to play their own final, the McAuley Handicap Match Play, sponsored by our generous supporters Michael and Marlene McAuley. Turning out for moral support over the nine holes also were Daniel Spick, Harry McAuley, Lachlan Hilder and Angus McInnis. The final proved to be a tight one, with the first two holes shared before trading wins on the third and fourth holes saw the match still level. Daren then scored pars on holes five to seven to take a three-hole lead after the first nine. Alby then struck back to win the tenth, before doing what Alby does with a spectacular chip in on the eleventh for a birdie to make the margin just the one hole. Just as things got tight however, Daren then won the next three holes with par scores, the tight par four third, the par three fourth and the par four fifth to gain a significant lead, shutting Alby out with a half on the next hole to win the final four up with three to play. After a great final the players then adjourned to watch the AFL final and down a few rewarding drinks.

It has been a great season in 2025, with a lot of highlights, including the Hawker Open turnout, representation at the Orroroo Open and Quorn Open and successful Ambrose days. Junior turnouts have been fantastic and the main club competitions played to close and competitive conclusions. This season in particular has been our best season for player turnout in recent years. The groundwork has been laid for another great season in 2026.

Last month's article from the "Murray Pioneer"

It seems that many of our readers were perplexed as to why we printed an article from an early "Murray Pioneer" newspaper.

Well, if you did not recognize Dianne Jaeschke, she is none other than Hawker Resident, Di Keough!

Dianne said she was awarded the Highest Fundraiser for a country entrant in the Miss Australia Quest that year.



Miss Australia entrant Dianne Jaeschke held a major fundraiser at the Cadell Bowling Club, in 1987. Here she pictured with Roly Haese, president of the Cadell Bowling Club, and Gladys Winter, who also assisted in the fundraising event.



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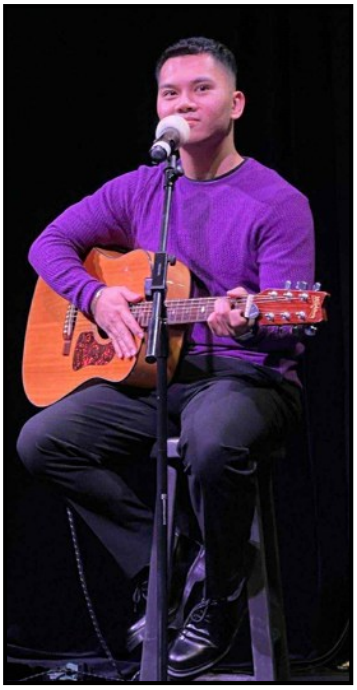
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Hawker Health Service Update
October 2025



Please welcome to Hawker

Meet our new student nurse Philip, who has come to Hawker for his nursing placement.

Whilst in Hawker Philip hopes to learn more clinical skills and gain extra experience in the health industry.

Philip enjoys reading, singing, going to the gym and watching Netflix in his spare time.

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



Our newest team member to the nursing team at the hospital is registered nurse Hayley Brown.

Many locals from our community would know Hayley, as she has returned home to Hawker, having previously worked in the Kimba region.

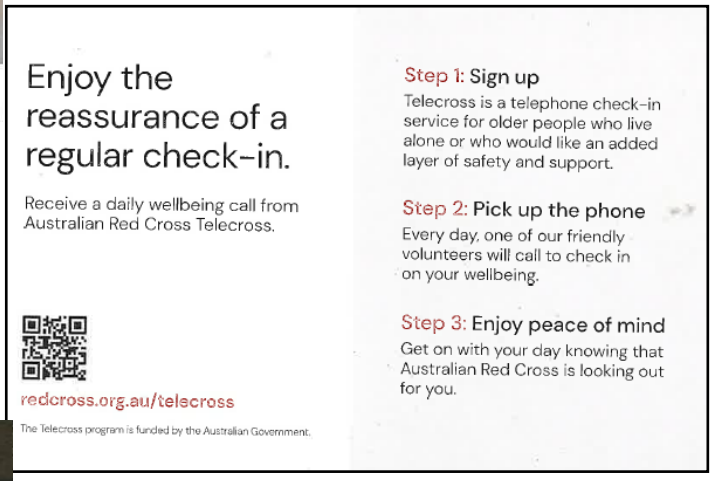
We are excited to welcome Hayley onboard our hospital team.

Supporting older people in the Flinders Region

Australian Red Cross are offering two free services to older patients as they transition home. These volunteer led services are designed with choice and flexibility in mind. They support safety, independence and connection, helping people stay in control of their independence and offering families peace of mind knowing someone is regularly checking in.

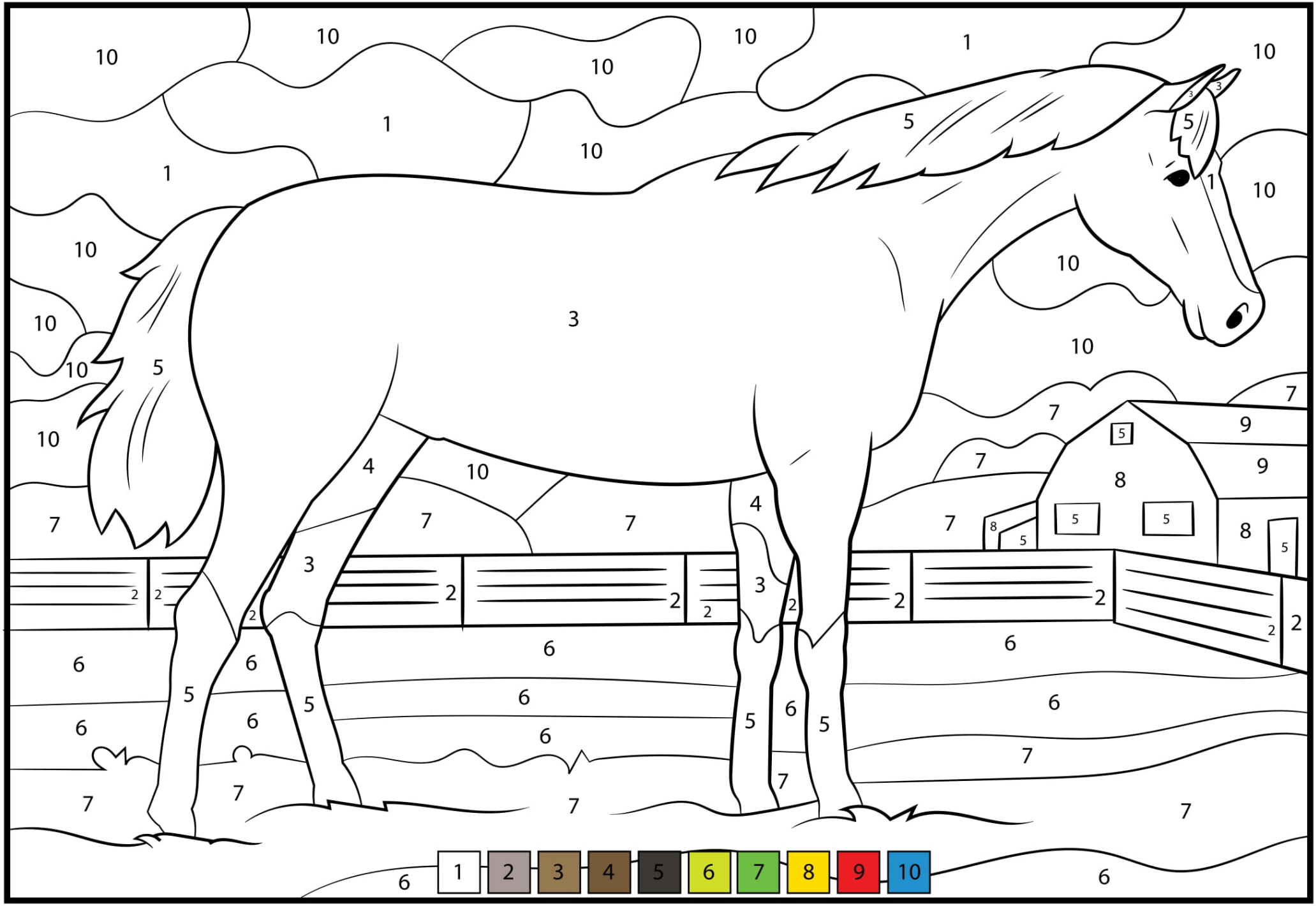
- **Telecross** offers a daily check in call to help people living alone start the day with confidence. If a call goes unanswered, we follow up to ensure they're safe.










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Medical Centre News

Dr Abbot who runs the Skin Cancer Screening Clinic will be in Hawker on Monday and Tuesday the 3rd and 4th November. 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.

On the Road Podiatry, Nevenka will be visiting Hawker on Tuesday the 18th November. Kindly note there is a cost associated with this service. Please contact the Medical Centre if you wish to book an appointment.

Gulf and Ranges Optometrists will be visiting the Hawker Medical Centre on Wednesday the 5th

November. Please call 8642 2766 if you require an appointment.

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 is running early or late. We can only ring twice so it does not affect the next patient booked in.

Next Visit to Hawker is on Tuesday 18th November 2025.

Please call Hawker Medical Centre to make an appointment on 86484172.



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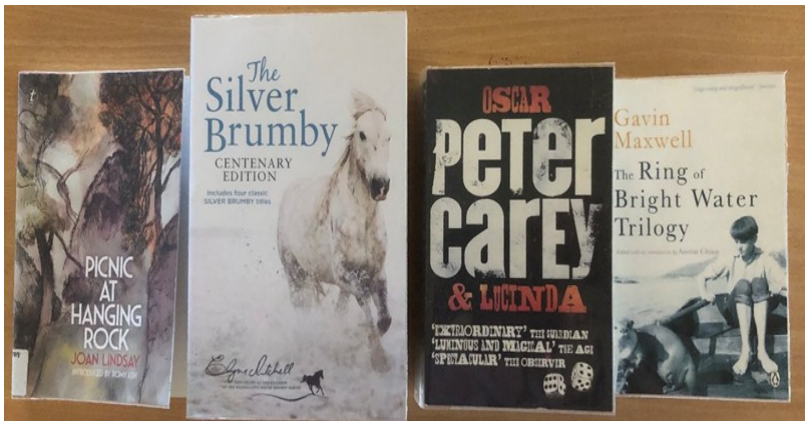
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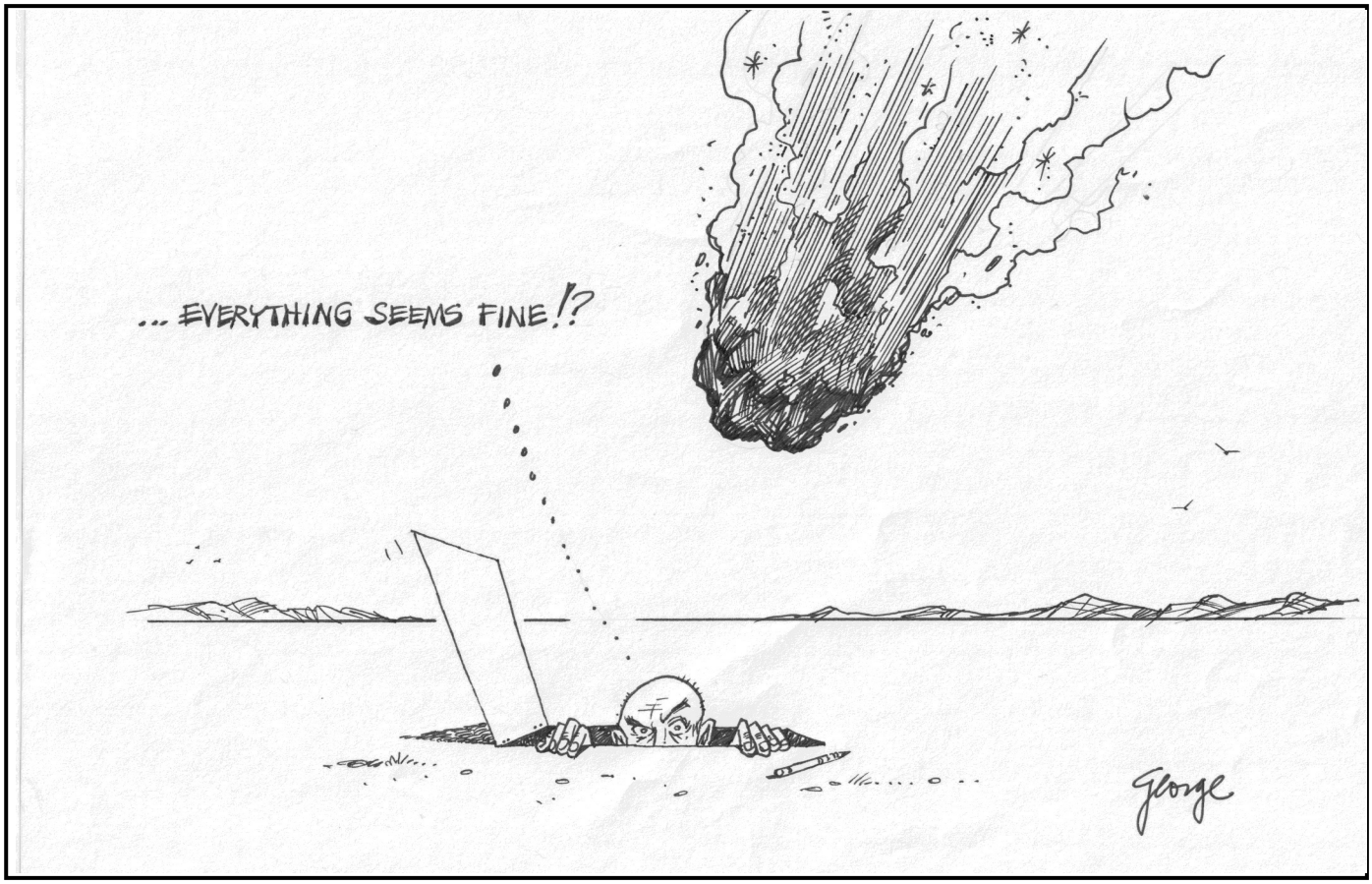
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2025/2026 Northern Areas Cricket Program

1st November	Hawker v Quorn	@ Hawker
1st November	Copley v Blinman	@ Copley
22nd November	Blinman v Hawker	@ Blinman
29th November	Quorn v Blinman	@ Quorn
6th December	Copley v Quorn	@ Copley
13th December	Copley v Hawker	@ Copley
17th January	Quorn v Copley	@ Quorn
17th January	Hawker v Blinman	@ Hawker
7th February	Hawker v Copley	@ Hawker
7th February	Blinman v Quorn	@ Blinman
21st February	Blinman v Copley	@ Blinman
22nd February SUNDAY	Quorn v Hawker	@ Quorn
28th February	CRADOCK MATCH	@ CRADOCK
21st March	Grand Final	



Historical Notes November 1989

from the Advertiser Friday June 8th 1923

Foundation stone laid by Sir John Bice.

The Foundation stone of the Great Northern War Memorial Hospital was laid today June 7th, in the presence of a large gathering, by the Chief secretary (Sir John Bice). On the platform were Dr Morris, (Inspector General of Hospitals), Dr's Gorrie (Port Augusta), Watson (Quorn) , McGlashum (Orroroo), Dawkins and Kiraner, The Hon. SW Morrow and WG Wills, Messrs Butterfield and Harvey (members for the district, Holdsworth (Mayor of Port Augusta) and Thompson (Mayor of Quorn). There was a procession of decorated motor cars, previous to the ceremony.

Mr Manson, the chairman of the District Council, introduced the Minister and congratulated him on his knighthood. He said the institution was first suggested two years ago. The government had assisted in a splendid manner. He presented Sir John with a silver trowel, and the latter declared the stone well and truly laid. The Chief Secretary said much of the credit was due to the committee, and the citizens. He had represented that district for over 30 years. When the proposal to erect the hospital was placed before the Cabinet he strongly advocated it, because he recognised that this portion of the state was going to assist making Australia a prosperous nation. He made a strong appeal to the young people to take up the reins and relieve those who some day must give way. He asked that one day a year should be set aside for raising funds towards the institution.

Owing to commitments amounting to 70,000 pounds for hospitals, the government had to call a halt but they recognised that outposts such as Hawker and Bordertown could not be denied such facilities. Addresses were also delivered by Dr Morris, Messrs Butterfield and Morrow, and the visiting mayors. The building will be 112 feet by 67 feet, and will have six wards, a matron's room, four rooms for staff, an operating theatre, a sterilising room and others, making twenty in all. The cost of the building will be 5,000 pounds and the equipment will bring the total to 7,500 pounds. Cash in hand amounted to 2,400 pounds. The British Red Cross Society has donated 100 pounds towards the electric light instalment, and the Hawker Athletic Club 50 pounds. The secretary is Mr A White. The Architect is Mr McMicheal, and the contractors are Messrs Williams Bros, of Port Pirie.



The Hospital under construction

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Kangaroo Island	TBC	TBC
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Lower South East	1 November 2025	30 April 2026
Mid North	1 November 2025	30 April 2026
Mount Lofty Ranges	TBC	TBC
Murraylands	1 November 2025	30 April 2026
North East Pastoral	1 November 2025	15 April 2026
North West Pastoral	1 November 2025	15 April 2026
Riverland	1 November 2025	30 April 2026
Upper South East	1 November 2025	30 April 2026

Hawker History Group 2025 Exhibition

Hawker War Memorial Swimming Pool

Exhibition open from 31st Oct. to 16th Nov. 2025

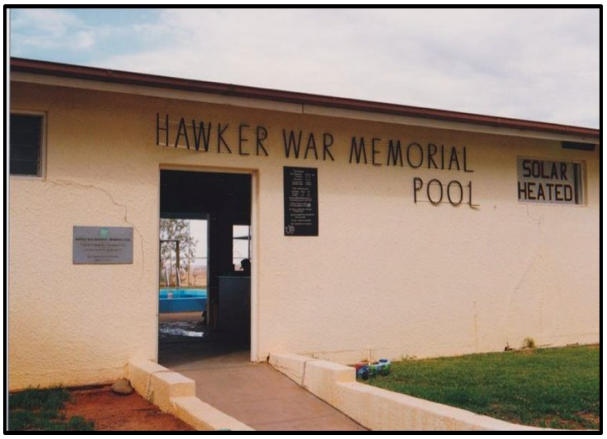
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Open Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays: 10.30-1.30pm (or by appointment)

8th November— Rotary Drought Muster Event: 12.00—5.00pm

11th November—Remembrance Day: Hawker & Cradock ceremonies: 10.45am

29th November—Carols at Sports Centre

8th December—School Presentation Night

The Town Crier Committee is seeking suggestions for future editions. We will be meeting soon. If you wish to contribute in any way, look for notices for this meeting or email

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Community Calendar November 2025

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9	10	11 Remembrance Day	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Podiatrist	19	20 Friendship Group	21	22
23	24	25	26 HAC AGM Fellowship	27	28	29 Christmas Carols

Community Calendar December 2025

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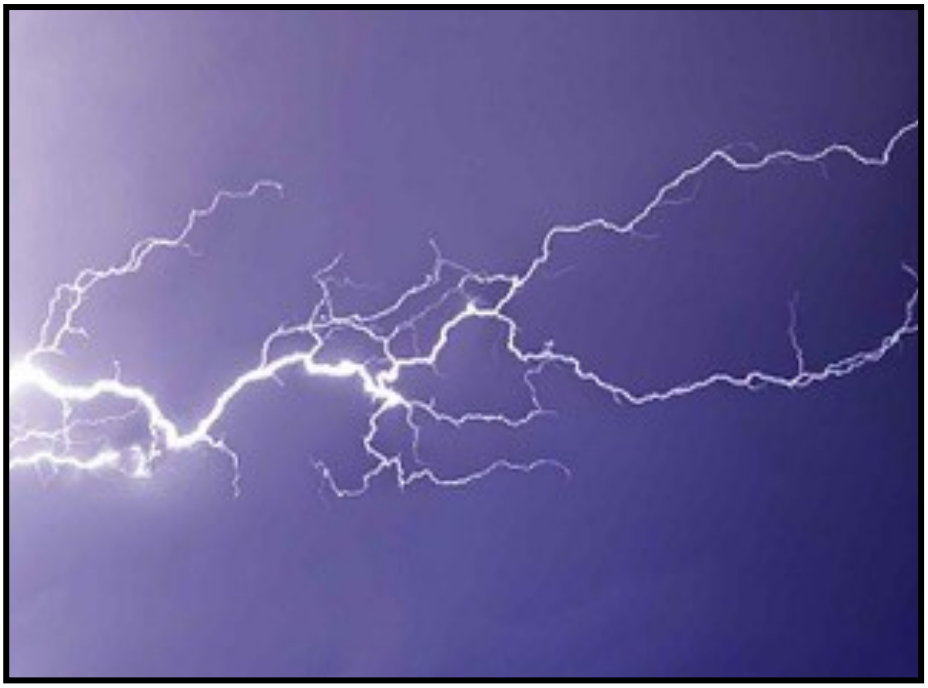
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Weather Watchers

Julie Smith (left), Tuesday 22nd October and Kellie Zadow (below) Sunday 26th October, Hookina Creek, captured some recent weather events.



Over 300 tonnes of carbon separation equipment from Melbourne, Victoria enroute through Hawker heading for Moomba, via the Strzelecki track.

Included three prime movers, several maintenance crew vehicles and three police escort vehicles.

Stopped for workers' pie top-ups at Flinders Food Co.

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