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Thankyou to Don & Mary Bray for providing such a great service to our community for many years and for your support and guidance. I wish Don and Mary all the very best in their well deserved retirement, and I look forward to continuing the same excellent service within our community.

Are you ready for Christmas in Tailem Bend?

Christmas is UP IN THE AIR especially for the Coorong community with the annual parade having been cancelled.

The Tailem Bend Parade Committee members have spent months discussing contingency plans to ensure the festive feel is maintained within the town and surrounding districts.

In Tailem Bend alone there are several competitions commencing November 28th and being judged on the 12th of December. These competitions can still go ahead regardless of Covid-19 restrictions and will certainly lift the spirits of many.

So, we are hoping you go ahead with lighting up your homes and staging your favourite Christmas character in your front yards. There are three prizes for both categories \$150, \$100 & \$50 Visa debit cards that you can use as you wish. A wonderful addition to your Christmas budget simply by bringing joy to others. The parade committee does have a contingency plan to replace the cancelled parade.

We would encourage you though, despite any restrictions, to picnic in your driveway on the 12th December at 6pm.

Many of us are at home alone and should we still be in lockdown, we can at least reach out (*not physically*) to our neighbours with festive cheer! Decorate a table, put out your comfy chair turn up the carols and enjoy the company albeit at least in the neighbour's yard.

To the children of the Coorong Community, we have it on good authority that our favourite jolly "old man in red" is tech savvy and has a special message for you all being delivered on the 20th November at 6pm. You can find this message at:

<https://www.facebook.com/TailemBendChristmasParade>

Now don't forget to get your letter to him. Even though you wont get to sit on his lap this year to tell him what your wish is for Christmas the elves have told me he still wants to hear from you.

I know that your local post office will make sure the letters are delivered to the North Pole!



ABOVE: Icons made by Freepik from www.flaticon.com

If you're going to picnic with your family on the 12th December here's a little shining light craft project you can do whilst you are home from school.

Step 1 - Ask an adult to cut the top from a 2-litre plastic milk container. (*make sure it's clean and dry*)

Step 2 - Carefully cut out the shape from above.

(*be careful because scissors are sharp*)

Step 3 - Tape the silhouette into the milk container.

Step 4 - Trace and colour in the picture with a black permanent marker and perhaps decorate with Christmas stickers.

Now you have your very own candle holder for your Christmas picnic. Why not use a battery-operated candle? That way it doesn't go out!

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The Changing Face of Taillem Bend #103

Carolyn Goodall

In 1987 Carolyn Goodall was a Year 12 student at the Coomandook area school and presented a fascinating project named: Working with Older People. Her Auntie Joyce Medlow made this publication available to share with my readers. *(With permission from Carolyn)* It really captures a charming connection between Grand Daughter and Grandma, and remember we are going back to 1987. Over to Carolyn.

My Grandma was born on July 10th 1910 in Adelaide, the 5th in a family of 12, 8 girls and 4 boys that included a set of twins, a boy and a girl. They lived on the farm where Mr. and Mrs. Leak live now at Yumali, at the time it was called Lynwood Estate.

The family lived and worked on a 3,000 acre farm with cows, sheep and horses, everyone worked from dawn to dark on the land, even the young children. The ones who went to work as hard as they could early in the morning and after school.

Grandma learnt to milk a cow when she was 4 and a half years old, she would get up with the others and would milk just as many cows as the rest of the family, usually the cows were quiet and they didn't need bales to milk them.

After the milking was done it had to be separated twice a day morning and night. A lot of the milk was fed to the calves and the pigs. The cream was sent away by train to Taillem Bend 3 days a week.

For the first few years the cream, mail etc. had to be taken to the Coomandook station as there wasn't a station at Yumali. To go to Coomandook it was nine miles and usually someone would ride a horse in and take the things with them. If there was no transport available they would walk to Coomandook, and it would have been a very long way. Later on the cream and mail went from Yumali station which was a lot closer.



ABOVE: Joyce family photo showing mum, dad the youngest member Joyce with brothers Don, Barry and Rex.

Everyone helped with the washing, they would use homemade soap and clean the clothes on wash boards. There was no electricity then and to iron clothes they used a few different types of irons, the box iron was an early type, it was an iron with an empty shell and a plate on the bottom and a handle on the top. A fire was always going in the house and so a few coals from the fire and put in the iron. Then the iron would be moved back and forth in the air to make the coals light up.

They also had kerosene irons and ones that run on an engine.



ABOVE: Harvesting a crop at Lynwood Kiki, 1928.



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Schooling

Grandma was 10 and a half when she first went to school and 15 and a half when she left. Families who lived on farms only sent their children to school for a short time. The first school house was on someone's property, then the school was at Yumali and it was called the Roby School. The first two grades Grandma did in one and a half years because she started in the middle of the year.

There were over 30 kids in the whole school and that was from year 1- 7, and the same teacher taught all the different ages in the one room.

Grandma and her brothers and sisters had to walk four and a half miles to school and back each day and they had to milk cows, separate the milk and feed the calves before and after school. It would have been hard to manage when so very young.

The teacher had to walk one and a half miles to and from school every day carrying all the students books.

It was just as hard for the teacher as it was for the children. In winter they had to walk to school in the rain and dry their clothes there. In the summer it was much the same in the heat. There was no school buses to drop them off at home, no doubt it would keep the kids and the teacher fit.

Farming

All cultivating, harvesting and hay cutting was done with horses and simple machinery, each year they cut hay and built a haystack. To harvest the wheat crop they had a harvester which had 6 horses in front, then behind that they had a 5ft stripper with 8 horses, and behind that were 2 8ft strippers which had 5 horses each, that added up to 19 horses in all with four drivers just to harvest a wheat crop. Of course lots of horses were needed on the farm for many jobs, so colts had to be broken in now and then to keep up the numbers.

Activities and Outings

The family didn't go to many places because it was not always possible, so the children would make their own fun. Every year they would go to the Sunday school picnic, it was a big event of the year and everyone young and old would come from miles around. Some of the picnics were held at Mr. Ballard's place and Mr. Legallez's place called "Flowery Plains". Other times were held at the KiOne Ki old ruins.



ABOVE: Brush Shed Lynwood, 1934.

Children as well as adults enjoyed lots of fun competing in running races, sack races and much more, the lunches were wrapped in paper with lots of sandwiches for everyone, it really was an enjoyable time. Grandma's family travelled to and from the picnics in a wagon with 6 horses. Also someone would bring a horse and dray with a tank of water for people to use.

In 1923 when Grandma was 13 years old the family went to Adelaide, it was Grandmas first time and it would have taken almost a day to get there by horse and cart. They went to the Adelaide Show, it wasn't all that big then but there were show bags and lots of free things to sample. For some holidays they would go down on the river on a homemade boat built by an Uncle on the Port River and transferred to Murray Bridge via the river and then on to Wellington. One time Grandma was driving the boat and steered it into willows, it took a long time to untangle the propeller from the willow roots.

My Grandpa came to Ki Ki from Adelaide in 1925 and lived out on a farm, they met and got married in 1936 in the Taillem Bend Church and spent their honeymoon in Victor Harbour. First born was Donald, then came Rex (*Carolyn's Dad*) and Barry and then the youngest Joyce.

Carolyn went on to say how she thought she knew a lot about her Grandma but didn't really know anything compared to what she gained spending so much time with her doing this project.

Well done Carolyn and Joyce Medlow.

**Thank you to all who have been part of my articles.
See you in the new year with much more.**

In the meantime.

"Never forget who was with you from the start"



Stop bushfires starting this season

HARVESTING BUSHFIRE PREVENTION

Harvesting during dangerous conditions can quickly start a fire. You can help keep everyone safe by following a few simple rules:

- Ensure you have a shovel or a rake and portable water sprayer at hand.
- Have a fully operational farm fire-fighting unit with at least 250 litres of water in the paddock being harvested.
- Check all machinery is in good working order and free of crop residue.
- Make sure all engine exhausts are in good condition and prevented from coming into contact with flammable material.
- Have immediate access to a UHF CB radio or mobile phone.
- Have a four metre clearance around the crop you will be harvesting.
- Have a four metre clearance around and above stationary engines used to auger grain and a person remains present during the operation.
- When the Grassland Fire Danger Index exceeds 35, suspend all harvesting activities.

More tips on safe harvesting practices are available on the Grain Producers SA website grainproducerssa.com.au.

Visit the CFS website www.cfs.sa.gov.au to access the Grain Harvesting Code of Practice.

Visit the Bureau of Meteorology website www.bom.gov.au for the Grassland Fire Danger Index in your region.

Visit the South Australia Police website for more bushfire prevention fact sheets, our 'Harvesting bushfire prevention' poster and to watch the 'Safe harvesting' video www.police.sa.gov.au

POWER TOOL BUSHFIRE PREVENTION

The use of angle grinders, welders and other cutting tools can quickly start a bushfire. You can help keep everyone safe by following a few simple rules:

- If a Total Fire Ban Day has been declared in your district, you must not use a cutting tool in the open, so check the CFS website to establish which district you are in and whether a Total Fire Ban applies.
- If no Total Fire Ban Day has been declared, please ensure:
 1. The space immediately around and above the tool is clear of all flammable material to a distance of at least Four metres.
 2. That you have water or an appropriate extinguisher and a shovel or rake at hand.
 3. That the cutting tool is not left unattended while it is turned on.

Visit the CFS website for full details of what you can and cannot do during the Fire Danger Season www.cfs.sa.gov.au

Visit the South Australia Police website for more bushfire prevention fact sheets, our 'Power tools bushfire prevention' poster and to watch the 'Safe use of power tools' video www.police.sa.gov.au



CAMPFIRE BUSHFIRE PREVENTION

Campfires can quickly get out of control and start a bushfire. You can help keep everyone safe by following a few simple rules:

- Check with your council to see what fuel you can burn, as some councils only allow the burning of charcoal.
- No fires, including barbecues and campfires, are permitted in forest reserves between November 30 and April 30 each year or on Total Fire Ban Days. Gas barbecues may be permitted under certain conditions. For enquiries, contact the relevant Forestry Reserve office.
- Strict regulations apply in National Parks and Wildlife Reserves. For further information, contact the relevant Park Office. No fires are permitted on Total Fire Ban Days in these locations.
- Before you light a campfire, check the Fire Danger Rating and for Total Fire Bans on the CFS website www.cfs.sa.gov.au.
- If a Total Fire Ban Day has been declared in your district you must not have a campfire, bonfire or light a fire for warmth or comfort.
- If no Total Fire Ban Day has been declared, please ensure:
 1. The fire is contained in a 30 cm deep trench and is no more than one square metre in size.
 2. The space immediately around and above the fire is clear of all flammable material to a distance of at least four metres.
 3. A responsible person is in attendance at all times with water or an appropriate extinguisher on hand.
 4. The fire is completely out before you leave it.
- Above ground fires such as chimineas, fire drums, braziers are only permitted with the appropriate permits.

Visit the CFS website for full details of what you can and cannot do during the Fire Danger Season www.cfs.sa.gov.au.

Visit the South Australia Police website for more bushfire prevention fact sheets, our 'Campfire bushfire prevention' poster and to watch the 'Safe campfires' video www.police.sa.gov.au



Dear Traveller

South Australia Police (SAPOL) and the South Australian Country Fire Service (SA CFS) want you to be safe during your holidays, particularly during the fire danger season (FDS) which generally runs from November till April.

Bushfires can quickly impact on your holiday travel route or location.

During the bushfire season, restrictions are applied to having campfires and BBQs and these are escalated whenever a total fire ban day is declared.

We encourage you to visit the CFS website www.cfs.sa.gov.au where you will find a range of useful resources including:

- A list of activities that you can and cannot do during the fire danger season and how a total fire ban day declaration impacts on these.
- What items to pack in your emergency kit (including a battery or wind up radio).
- Where your nearest bushfire safer places and bushfire last resort refuges are located.

Whilst on your holiday, it is advisable to:

- Check the CFS website daily for updates on local fire danger ratings and total fire ban day declarations.
- Consider modifying your plans on high risk bushfire days, visit locations in low bushfire risk areas.
- Keep family and friends updated with your current whereabouts and intended travel plans.

In the event of a bushfire occurring near you:

- Visit the CFS website www.cfs.gov.au for bushfire warnings and important information.
- Tune into your local ABC radio, FIFEaa radio, sky news television and ABC news 24 for regular updates.
- Contact the bushfire information hotline on 1800 362 361 (TTY 133 677).
- Visit the SA police website www.police.sa.gov.au for state wide traffic and incident updates.

You can also obtain a copy of the CFS bushfire traveller safety and outback bushfire safety brochures by contacting the CFS community engagement team on (08) 82129858.

During your travels report any suspicious, negligent and/or reckless behaviour this fire danger season to SAPOL on 131 444 or in an emergency call triple zero – 000.

Safe travels!

Reminiscence Past

The name of Tailem Bend Horse Trainer, Reg Croucher, stands very high in the late 1950.

During his 25 years of racing Reg produced his favourite race horse, Galway King to win at the Tailem Bend Racecourse, at the lucrative odds of 100/1. Galway King went on to win in the city (*Morphetville*), giving young jockey, John Stocker, his first success as ride.

Wonder Mac, no doubt best horse Reg ever trained. Racing being a racing affair in Croucher household. Son, John riding many winners for his father, whilst wife Kathy carried out chores as strapper. Reg worked night shift at a nearby flour mill, thus giving him more time training. Reg was also secretary, Trainers Association for sometime.

Reg sadly passed away 1984.

**Gone but not forgotten
RIP**



ABOVE: Reg Croucher showing off the best horse he has trained Wonder Mac.

Submitted by Bob Little



*Club meeting - Tue Dec 15 & Jan 19, Taillem Bend Footbal Clubrooms 7pm
 *Coffee & Cars - Sun Dec 6, Murray Bridge Coles Car Park 8-10 am

Barry Pobke



"As I get older, my ambition's are greater that my available time".

- 1945 MB Jeep - picked up in Bendigo was an unfinish project.
- 1955 Daimler Ferret - picked up locally needed some work . On club reg with Rolls Royce engine, Wilson preselect gearbox.
- 1963 International Scout 80 - picked up Tanunda needs work, half a v8.
- 1964 International Scout 80 - picked up two in Vic.

- 1964 International Scout 80 - picked up two in Brinkley.
- 1970 C1300 4WD International - picked up in Qld. Perkins 6-354.
- 1971 D1310 4WD International Ambulance - picked up in WA. Fitted with IH 304 V8 with Allison auto.
- 1966 AB130 4WD International - picked up locally 6-240 petrol.
- 1964 AB120 4WD International - picked up in Tintinara. 6-240 engine.
- 1970 C1100 2WD International - picked up in Littlehampton. Perkins 4-236.
- 1973 D1410 4WD International - picked up in Taylorville. 6-240 petrol.
- 1978 D1310 2WD International - picked up in Mildura. 345V8.
- 1985 610A 4WD International - picked up in Tintinara. 345V8.
- 1985 1830A 4WD International - picked up in Tintinara. Perkins 6-354 turbo.

"None of the vehicles in my collection have nicknames names, but I think the wife has a few for them - I did my apprenticeship at an International Dealer, so I like to work on things I know a bit about."

Submitted & image by Glenn Power



Christmas Word Find - Hint look in all directions!

W	X	Y	H	Q	Y	Y	F	N	V
O	W	Q	G	Q	J	W	Y	U	K
P	C	W	I	N	W	G	L	F	B
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V	S	E	L	G	X	I	M	S	M
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- Santa
- Stocking
- Reindeer
- Candy
- Presents
- Family
- Fun
- Festive
- Elves
- Sleigh

Coorong District Council

YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR VISION, YOUR PLAN – HAVE YOUR SAY

Residents of the Coorong District Council are being encouraged to get actively involved in shaping the long-term vision for the district by taking part in the development of Council's Community Vision Plan 2021 - 2025.

Council's Community Vision Plan will replace the Strategic Management Plan developed in 2015 and will set a direction that reflects the community's long-term visions, values, aspirations and priorities for the region.

"The Community Vision Plan considers all community input so that we can work together to help shape the future of the Coorong District Council", says Mayor Paul Simmons.

Community engagement is a critical process that will assist Council in setting the framework for local planning, development and implementation of a range of functions, activities and projects; we strongly encourage all of our community to get involved.

The Community Vision Plan belongs to the community – it's your community, your vision and your plan, and now is the time to have your say.

Coorong District Council is now inviting the community to contribute to the development of the Plan by attending a community workshop, completing an online submission form, or submitting suggestions by mail or in person.

Submissions and feedback are invited until Thursday, 24 December 2020.

For more information please contact Coorong District Council's Chief Executive Officer, Bridget Mather, on 1300 785 277 or email council@coorong.sa.gov.au.

Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone involved in helping out with the Krueger Road fires. Please know that we are all so grateful for all of your hard work in bringing the fires under control.



Submitted by The Lienert Family
(on behalf of all land holders who suffered loss and damage)



Tailem Bend RSL Sub-Branch

*Who's WHO at the RSL
Tailem Bend?*

John has called Tailem Bend home for 60 years and has been a member of the Tailem Bend RSL for 35 years.

He has held positions such as Vice President and Public Officer and has been a committee member for most of that time. He is a constant support with maintenance and operations. In 1972 John was called up for National Service, completing army military training at Puckapunyal in central Victoria. He then served in the Royal Australian Engineers as a sapper. After service John joined the railways where he worked for 44 years, mainly as a freight and passenger train driver. John is married with two children and has 2 grandchildren. John continues to enjoy the great company and social aspect of the RSL in his retirement.

Next month : Glynis Taylor – Secretary.



ABOVE: Long-time member John Bagg.

NEWS: the RSL Tailem Bend is open every Friday for meals with a full bar service from 6pm, and the **SPECIAL** for the month of December will be **CHRISTMAS DINNER** (*turkey, pud with the works*).

CLOSURE NOTICE: The RSL will be closed from Saturday 19th December (*our volunteers have earned a much-needed break*), re-opening on Friday 22nd January 2021.

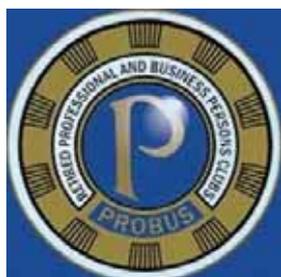
GARAGE SALE: Saturday 5th **DECEMBER** from 10am until around 2pm. We're raising funds so we can bring the outdoor toilets indoors so, we are having our last garage sale of 2020 with plenty of pre-loved items and bargains, plus some local artworks and Christmas gifts. Support us so we can support you. It's been a year to remember for all of the wrong reasons, and let's hope 2021 is the best year ever for everyone.

The President, committee, and all the volunteers would like to wish you all a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS, and we hope to see you on 22nd January.

Submitted by Glynis Taylor



ABOVE: John Bagg, 1972.



Probus Report

PROBUS CLUB REPORT DECEMBER 2020 - Report 16th November 2020

We again we gathered in the RSL Clubrooms while social distancing. 21 members and 3 guests enjoyed Anzac biscuits with their morning cuppa, fitted in with Remembrance Day just behind us and the subject of our guest speaker, "My Trip To Vietnam" by Charli Medlow. Charli's presentation was very well received by all in attendance, hopefully we will have a break down on this in the next Topics.

Unfortunately at present, secretary Robert is having some health issues and is having a much needed holiday in hospital! **Get well soon Robert!!!** Regrettably our Probus Club has accepted Robert's resignation as Secretary. **"CANCELLED"** Due to COVID-19 Our Christmas celebrations which was to be held on 7th December has been cancelled, there will be no further meetings until February 2021. Hopefully we will be able to Celebrate them?

Wishing you all a Safe Healthy Christmas and a much needed Happy New Year!

Submitted by Joyce Medlow

Why Christmas?

What do you know about the first Christmas ?

Perhaps that Joseph, and a very pregnant Mary, arrive at a small town called Bethlehem. The inn is full so they have to sleep with the animals in the stable. Mary's baby is born and she lays him in the animal's manger.

The baby is named Jesus Christ.

Then what ? Something about angels, shepherds and wise men? You can read the story of this first Christmas in the Bible's New Testament. In Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

Why is the birth of this baby being celebrated over 2,000 years after his birth?

This baby, Jesus Christ, grew up and brought the Good News of God's love, Grace and Salvation. We are human. We can never be perfect. We sin. We tell 'fibs'. We drive a little faster than the speed limit. We ignore laws enacted for our good. We get jealous, angry, envious, adulterous and 'downright criminal'.

This baby, Jesus Christ, is God's Son. He is perfect in his obedience to his Father; obedience which led him to die on a cross, descend into Hell and rise again after three days.

This baby, Jesus Christ, paid the price of our sins with his death. Satan has no claim on us who have faith in Christ; who repent, who are baptised, and who believe that God has forgiven all our sins, and by His Grace we can have eternal life with Him in Heaven.

Our thanks for this gift is obedience to God's laws, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind. Love your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10 verse 27)

Yes, CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON. Christmas is the celebration of his birth and our salvation.

"FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONE AND ONLY SON, THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM SHALL NOT PERISH BUT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE." (John 3 v 16).

May God Bless you this Christmas and all the days to follow.

Services:

Dec 20th, T.B. 9am, B 11am, Kar 6pm.

Dec 24th, T.B. 5-30pm, B 7-30pm -

Dec 25th, K 8am, T.B. 9am, B. 10am (restrictions allowing)

Submitted by Doreen Lutz on behalf of the Lutheran congregations Tailem Bend, Karoonda and Buccleuch served by Pastor Tony Traeger.

Email: tony.traeger@lca.org.au

DECEMBER COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS DISPLAY

WYNARKA 2020

UNDER CARPORT 24 RAILWAY TERRACE



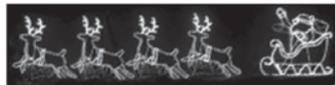
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Thursday 10th, Friday 11th, Saturday 12th, Sunday 13th,
Thursday 17th, Friday 18th, Saturday 19th, Sunday 20th,
Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd.*

8.30pm until 10.00pm

**Christmas Eve Thursday 24th 8.30pm until midnight
CHRISTMAS DAY Friday 25th until 10pm**

Proceeds from Lucky Dips will be donated towards Wynarka Christmas Tree and back into the community. Thanks to AJ's Homestore Cypress Toe Murray Bridge for their contribution towards items for the lucky dips. Winner of 2019 Karoonda Residence Christmas Light Display



Lions Club Tailem Bend

Unfortunately Christmas won't be the same this year due to Covid 19.

Hopefully we will be having a social evening amongst ourselves on the 19th Dec, we will draw the raffle then and call the winners. This could be changed, as I write this it is our 1st day of lockdown.

There will not be a cake run with Santa this year. We hope to be able to sell raffle tickets outside Foodland as usual up till 19th. If you would like to purchase tickets, cakes or puddings call one of our members and we can deliver to your gate correct money would be needed.

Large cakes \$17.00 small cakes and puddings \$13.00 raffle tickets \$2.00 each.

We are now selling peppermint honey as well as our normal for \$7.50 a pot, so if you would like help with something call one of our members Reuben Gurny 85724730 Marg and Ian Eckerman 85723850 Marion Martin 85724785 Raelene and Dwayne Thomas 85723367 0419723367 Joyce and Doug Holmes 85324372 0401239630.

Submitted by Marion Martin

Community Library - New Book List



It's time to order your Christmas reading!!!



Tailem Bend Community Library

New Books December 2020

Large Print

WARNER Dave- *River of Salt-Crime*

Adult Fiction

ACKERMAN

BUTLER D.J.- *The Cunning Man: Mystery*

NUNN Judy- *Beneath the Southern Cross-Australian Historical*

MARSH Nicola-*Second Chance Lane- Drama, Romance*

BELL Kay- *The American Governess- Adventure, Outback*

SHOCKLEE Michelle- *Under the Tulip Tree- Family Saga, Slaves*

MORRISROE Patricia- *The Woman in the Moonlight- Historical*

JAMES Peter- *I Follow You- Crime*

FERET-FLEURY Christine- *The Girl Who Reads on the Metro- General reading*

MAGRO Mandy- *Walking the Line- Rural Australian*

BETTENAY Linda- *The Apple Core Wars- War, Survival*

GEORGE Nina- *The Book Of Dreams- Families*

GARDAM Jane- *The Hollow Land- Friendship*

UPFIELD Arthur- *Bony and the Kelly Gang- Australian Mystery*

GRADY Robyn- *Sons of Australia- The Hunters- Rural Family Saga*

SCOULLAR Jennifer- *Wasp Season- Drama*

McINERNEY Monica- *The Godmothers- Australian Family Saga*

ALAGIAH George- *The Burning Land- South Africa, Thriller*

HEIN Catheryn- *Eddie and the Show Queen- Romance*

WALLACE Sandi- *Tell Me Why- Suspense-Book 1*

WALLACE Sandi- *Dead Again-Suspense- Book 2*

WALLACE Sandi- *Into the Fog-Suspense – Book 3*

DIAMOND Katerina- *The Heatwave- Thriller*

BRITTON Fern- *Daughters of Cornwall- Families*

STEL Danielle- *Daddys Girls- Sisters*

Audio Books

DAVIS Barbara- *Last of The Moon Girls-Family Saga*

HARDT Helen- *Daughters of the Prairie-Family Saga*

PALMER Teresa- *Ride Like Girl- Melbourne Cup*

JOHANSEN Anna- *Death on the Beach-Mystery*

BOOK REVIEW

The Godmothers

Monica McInerney

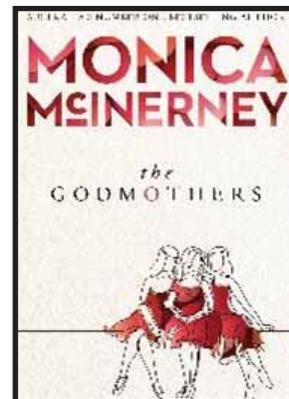
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We Thank you for your continued support.
Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe New Year!

Submitted by Angie Tomkinson

Tailem Bend Community Library

School Holiday Times and Christmas Closure

School Holidays will commence on 11th December 2020

School will resume on 27th January 2021

Holiday times will apply

OPEN - Monday Wednesday & Friday
8:30am- 12:30pm, 1:30pm – 4:30pm

CLOSED - Tuesdays & Thursdays and all Public Holidays

The Library will be **CLOSED** over Christmas from 18th Dec to January 6th 2021

Reminder!!

Please order your Christmas reading by 4th December

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Thursday 31/12/20
New Years Eve 7am-7pm

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27/12/20

Friday 1/1/21
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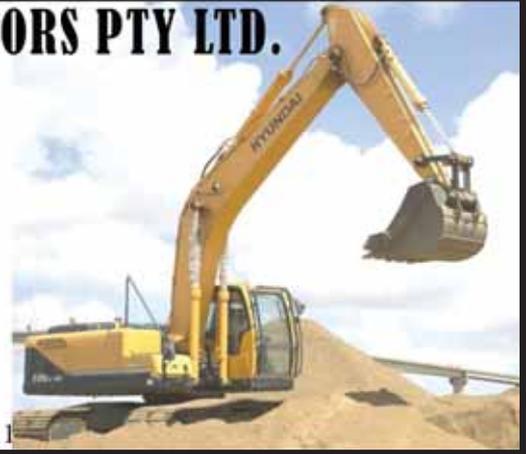
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Pangarinda Botanic Garden

Over the past month *Melaleucas* have taken over as they add their colours to the garden.

Melaleuca pentagona is one that adds the wow factor with its foliage hidden under a cover of pink to purplish globular flowers.

Melaleuca fulgens a small compact to a straggly shrub, with large lateral spikes of flowers varying from scarlet, pink to apricot. There is also a cream *Melaleuca fulgens* subsp. *corrugata* not seen in cultivation, found growing in the ranges on the SA, NT, WA Border.

Melaleuca fulgens is tolerant to most soils, dry conditions and frosts once established.

Our Rainbow Bee Eaters started their nest building not long after arriving from their migration south from Papua New Guinea. Seeing nests being dug close to where pairs had nests in past years. Both birds help dig, their up to one metre long narrow tunnel with a wider nest chamber at the end. As these colourful birds fly in and out of their tunnel they act like a piston, pumping in fresh air and stale air out.

These active little birds require a huge diet of bees, wasp, and insects hence their returning yearly to Pangarinda with its continuous flowering vegetation.

It was devastating to volunteers to see a number of the nests had been dug out by foxes, as the female usually stops in the nest once built at night. Other years we have seen the odd ones dug out. Foxes start at the tunnel entrance then dig the area where the young would be.

Have read where weld mesh has been placed over the nest area to prevent the foxes digging. We have placed a piece over a nest to trial, hopefully it works.



ABOVE: *Melaleuca fulgens*.



ABOVE: Rainbow Bee Eater. Photo by Marko Horvat on Unsplash.

Submitted by Kaye Bartlett

Remembrance Day

This year Remembrance Day 2020 was called Home Front Celebrations. In commemoration to the end of World War 2 and highlighted the celebrations that took place on the home front as the announcement was made. This year has been so different.

It was great to see the Taillem Bend Primary School involved in the Remembrance Day Service.

According to the Australian government's Cultural and Recreation portal, Remembrance Day, which was originally called Armistice Day, commemorated the end of the hostilities for the Great War (World War 1), the signing of the armistice, which occurred on November 11, 1918 – 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.

Manny Australians stop what they are doing at exactly 11am in their local times on November 11 each year to dedicate a minute of silence for those who died in war, especially soldiers from as far back as World War 1. Those who join in this act of remembrance include teachers, students, politicians, and workers of public and private sector enterprises.



ABOVE: Photo taken by Adriaan Haan at Taillem Bend's Remembrance Day 2020.

Submitted by Adriaan Haan



Let's talk about ... Your COMMUNITY, Your VISION, Your PLAN

Residents of the Coorong District Council are being encouraged to get actively involved in shaping the long-term vision for the district by taking part in the development of Council's **Community Vision Plan 2021 - 2025**.

Council's **Community Vision Plan** will replace the Strategic Management Plan developed in 2015 and will set a direction that reflects the community's long-term visions, values, aspirations and priorities for the region.



Workshop Dates

- **Meningie**
Monday 30 Nov
Meningie Bowling Club @ 6.30pm
- **Narrung / Raukkan**
Tuesday 1 Dec
Narrung Hall @ 6.30pm
- **Peake / Sherlock**
Wednesday 2 Dec
Peake Community Hall @ 6.30pm
- **Tintinara**
Thursday 3 Dec
Tintinara Memorial Hall @ 6.30pm
- **Coonalpyn & Surrounds**
Monday 7 Dec
Coonalpyn Hotel @ 6.30pm
- **Tailem Bend / Wellington East**
Thursday 10 Dec
Tailem Bend Football Club @ 6.30pm

Your are invited to participate by:

- Attending a workshop
- Completing an online submission form at www.coorong.sa.gov.au/yourplan
- Providing feedback:
 - In person at one of Council's Customer Service Centres
 - By email
council@coorong.sa.gov.au
 - By post
PO Box 399,
Tailem Bend, SA 5260
 - By phone
1300 785 277

Due to COVID-19 social distancing requirements and capped capacity numbers. Please register your interest in attending a workshop by contacting the Community Development Team on **1300 785 277**



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95-101 Railway Terrace, Tailem Bend

Meningie Office
49 Princess Highway, Meningie

Tintinara Office
37 Becker Terrace, Tintinara

council@coorong.sa.gov.au
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Rotary Club of Tailem Bend

ROTARY RAMBLINGS – December 2020 www.tailembendrotaryclub.com

Foodbank Murray Bridge

The Foodbank Hub in Murray Bridge continues to gain momentum with the store now being open 5 days/week – Mon-Friday. Customer numbers continue to climb with new people accessing the service every day. If you would like to be involved, please visit their website www.foodbanksa.org.au. For information about becoming a volunteer or being involved in any of their other projects.

International Project

Hands on Project facilitators Sally Charlton & Sara Fensak were recently awarded a Rotary Australia World Community Service Award, in part for "Contributing to the alleviation of human suffering, protection of life & the promotion of health". Congratulations to all involved in this fabulous project.

District Governor

Our District Governor, Dean Jones & his wife Lyn recently spent some time with members outlining their year ahead and the projects they had a specific interest in. David encouraged all members to sign up for the District Conference to be held in Adelaide in April. Lyn's project centred on Mental Health and the work Rotary is doing in this area.

Membership

We are pleased to welcome Phil Roberts as a member of our Club. Phil is a teacher at Coomandook school and has a passion for horses & family.

Submitted by Leeann Jones



ABOVE: Sally and Sara receiving their award from District Governor David Jone.



ABOVE: Member Helen Redden presenting AED to representative of East Murray Council.

Our Local Community



ABOVE: Heidie Elliott of Monteith celebrating The Hall in Wellington First Birthday! Image by Glenn Power.



ABOVE: Raelene Varga in the Festive Spirit. It's going to be a very very Merry Christmas! Submitted by Heinz Varga.



ABOVE: Photo taken by Adriaan Haan at NAIDOC week in Tailem Bend.



ABOVE: Spent the day (lock down time) with grandson Ned catching carp on the Murray at Tailem Bend.



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A big thankyou to everyone for their ongoing support throughout the year.

Enjoy the holiday break.

We look forward to seeing you all again in 2021 !

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TBCC welcomes Lauren to the team.

As Business Support Officer, you are more than likely to hear from, or see Lauren taking on various tasks and providing administrative support to all roles here at TBCC.

Lauren would like to hear from community members who are interested in social support classes, projects or activities. If you have any ideas or you would like to learn new skills or crafts, please get in touch and lets see what we can organise. Contact Lauren on 08 8572 3513 or email cssp@tbcc.org.au.



Up coming training for 2021

We are currently gauging interest for a range of training courses in early 2021. We are looking at organising boat licence, first aid and fire warden training courses here at TBCC. To register

your interest contact Lauren on 08 8572 3513 or email cssp@tbcc.org.au.

Call for Tutors



Do you have a creative flair or the passion and drive to share and teach others your skills?

We would love to welcome you to the Community Centre to become one of our tutors. Tutors can be voluntary or hourly paid contractors, please get in contact with us, on 08 8572 3513 to discuss any future opportunities.



Resin Art classes

Have you attended any of the beginners resin art classes held throughout 2020? Do you want to improve and develop your existing skills? Then register your interest

for either the advanced or intermediate resin art class by calling TBCC (date and fees to be announced).

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Community for Children

What an unusual year in the C4C space! Starting out Term 1 as normal, it wasn't long before all face to face delivery was ceased due to COVID-19. Although this meant not venturing out into the community and schools, it did mean thinking outside of the box to continue our engagement with families.

During Term 2, we used the social media world to our full potential, posting weekly PCMG sessions, bed time stories and information about our programs via videos. The feedback was positive from families and some are still going back now and re-watching the videos. We delivered "activity" bags to our PCMG families and ran a Boredom Buster giveaway for school aged children.

Our C4C funding was extended for another 12 months until June 2021 and face to face delivery returned in Term 3 which pleased our families immensely and our popularity grew within our PCMG space, adding a session at Meningie and working towards a second session at Murray Bridge starting in Term 4.

Term 4 also rewarded us with extra funding to extend our service delivery to Karoonda Area School.



TBCC welcomes Gayle to the team.

We recently welcomed Gayle to our team as C4C Co-facilitator. Gayle comes with an extensive 20 years' background of working with children in childcare and kindergarten settings. Gayle

is currently completing training in all C4C evidenced based programs.

2020 has had both positives and negatives and we thank you all for continuing to support our C4C programs. Wishing you all a very COVID safe Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and looking forward to a busy 2021 !



To the coolest kids we know, we wish you all a Merry Christmas, from the C4C Team!





Commonwealth Home Support Program

Denise has recently emailed 323 consumer assessment forms, with the remaining 1000+ forms to be sent early 2021 via Australia Post. Please follow the instructions in the letter to complete the form and return it to TBCC as soon as practical via email chsp@tbcc.org.au, drop it into TBCC or use reply paid envelope.



We are planning many more CHSP trips, classes and information sessions. Fingers crossed that we will be travelling on the bus somewhere cool with you all very soon. 'We aren't lion about how much we miss these trips so first cub off the ranks is'

Upcoming events for 2021

Hopefully Our Goldies lunches will return in 2021 (COVID permitting), with our first lunch scheduled for Friday 12th February.

We have missed seeing everyone so much but have maintained contact via telephone calls.

If you would like a copy of the 2021 Our Goldies calendar, they are available at TBCC, or call us and we can mail a copy to you.



We are also taking registrations of interest for Hobby Picture Framing in 2021.

This could be a weekly class or a once off workshop, let us know which you would prefer. Date and price will be advised once registrations are consolidated.



Murray Mallee Community Passenger Network

2020 has been a rollercoaster of a year, and we have all learned to bounce through it! Since starting this role in January, I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know our wonderful volunteer drivers—they are a very special bunch of humans in our extended community. In the year to mid-November, they have volunteered 1,819 hours of their time, and driven a whopping 79,008kms!!!

So as a massive thank you, we are hosting a Christmas lunch for our drivers on Monday 7th December. Matt Hogan from Smartway Driving School will also deliver a brief refresher session to our volunteer drivers.

We have received an updated Memorandum of Understanding from Country Health, allowing us to house our own vehicle at Lameroo Hospital, to meet the significant demand in that region.

And a reminder of the MMCPN Medical Bus Christmas closure dates for 2020/2021 (below). Community Passenger Network vehicles will still be available during this time for essential travel.

From the Volunteer Drivers and myself, we wish you a lovely Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.



Please help us share what's happening at TBCC

Community Garden FAQs

Words by Miranda



Who is allowed to pick fruit and veg?

The community garden is grown by the community for the community, with a focus on edibles. Everyone is welcome to pick produce from the garden and to contribute and take from the Grow Free stand.

But won't I be depriving someone else who really needs it?

If there is plenty, within reason, help yourselves. It is better for food to be taken quickly than to sit and rot!

How will I know if I'm taking too much?

It is about respect. Take only what you need. Leave some for others and enough to keep the plant healthy. Pick gently.

If picked continually, plants will keep producing for a long time. If not, they will go to seed and stop.

Can I plant something in the garden?

Yes. Please label it and respect the needs of other plants already there. Pop sticks and a pencil are provided so we all know what is growing.

How else can I help?

You could:

- contribute to the stand when you can
- do a bit of weeding
- put some money in the coin slot, or
- join the garden club.

Take what you need – give what you can!

Sunflowers follow the sun, but did you know when it's gray they face each other to share their energy.

Anything is possible here at TBCC....

With the Christmas Parade being cancelled in Taillem Bend, what better way to get the town into the festive spirit than with a display.. keep your eyes peeled.

We've got a little project coming soon....

Speaking of exciting projects we're planning another community initiative which involves sand.... a ball.... and a net...



TBCC will be closed from Friday 11th December through to Monday 18th January 2021.

The **MMCPN Medical Bus** last day of operation for 2020 will be Friday 18th December, resuming service on Monday 18th January 2021. The **Community Passenger Network** will still be operating during this period for essential travel - contact TBCC on 8572 3513 and press 2 if prompted for appointment bookings.

From all of us here at TBCC we wish you all a lovely Christmas, and a safe New Year. We look forward to working with you all in 2021.



Classes for 2021

Classes will commence in Term 1 2021 from Wednesday 27th of January 2021. Check out our website; www.tbcc.org.au for the class timetable.

STAFF

CEO:	Tammy Shepherd Monday - Friday
CHSP Officer:	Denise McLoughlin Monday - Friday
C4C Officer:	Chelsea Coombe Monday - Friday
C4C Program Facilitator:	Gayle Juergens Monday - Thursday
MMCPN CO:	Sam Hicks Monday - Friday
Finance Officer:	Christine Hartmann Tuesday, Thursday
Business Support Officer:	Lauren Andriske Monday-Friday

2020/21 Board of Management

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What's ON? -

SATURDAYS

- JERVOIS DANCE; Every 5th Saturday at the Jervois Hall, 8pm till late. Phone: Russell Nuske on 8572 3568, or Wayne Cheeseman on 0431 119 416.
- MURRAYLANDS BALLROOM DANCE GROUP: The Murraylands Dance will be held in the town hall every third Saturday from 8pm to midnight. Entrance, \$10 - There will be several door prizes. Please bring your own supper. Tea and coffee provided. Contact Nick on 0456 208 355

SUNDAYS

- TAILEM BEND BOWLING CLUB; Sunday Lunches: 12.30pm. Last Sunday of the month. 2 Course meal, Tea/Coffee - \$12 per person, with Door Prize. All Welcome. Please Book by phoning Thelma: 8572 4469
- ROWING CLUB; Due to the Corona Virus, the Rowing Club has been cancelled until further notice. Phone: Anna: 0400 880 578.

MONDAYS

- NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SA; Due to the Corona Virus, neighborhood watch meetings at Tailem Bend have been cancelled until further notice.
- PROBUS CLUB; NEXT MEETING 19TH OCTOBER AT THE RSL CLUBROOMS Contact: Secretary, Robert Shurville 8572 3868 / Email: robertess@bigpond.com
- ROTARY CLUB OF TAILEM BEND; Due to the Corona Virus, meetings at the Riverside Hotel have been cancelled until further notice. Contact Sue Piggott: 0439 723 998.
- TAILEM BEND CHRISTMAS PARADE MEETING; Is every 3rd Monday of the month at the Tailem Bend Community Centreat 6pm. Contact Maxine Kiddie: 0439 387 750

TUESDAYS

- SOCIAL TENNIS; Every Tuesday 9.30am- 12.30pm. \$2.00. All welcome. Phone Anne Howell: 8572 4023.
- JERVOIS BRANCH CWA; Meet 1st Tuesday of each month at the Jervois Hall @ 10.30am. Contact Gloria Afford: 8572 6070.
- TAILEM BEND LIONS CLUB; LIONS meetings 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Contact Doug Holmes 8532 4372 or Ian Eckermann 8572 3850.
- TAILEM BEND AUTO CLUB; Please contact the Tailem Bend Auto Club Facebook page for more details.

WEDNESDAYS

- TAILEM BEND ST JOHN CADETS; Due to the Corona Virus, the ST John Cadets have been cancelled until further notice. Phone: Lyn: 0448 551 007, during school terms.
- COOMANDOOK BRANCH CWA; Meet every first Wednesday of the Month at the Coomandook Hall from 1pm, if not otherwise advised. For more details contact Anika Loechel 0438 256 629 or call State Office on 08 8332 4166 or www.sacwa.org.au
- TAILEM BEND PROGRESS ASSOCIATION; Meets 2nd Wednesday every month @ 6pm at the Tailem Bend Community Centre. Contact Maxine Kiddie: 0439 387 750

THURSDAYS

- RIVERBEND LADIES INDOOR BOWLS; Due to the Corona Virus, the Riverbend Ladies Indoor Bowls have been cancelled until further notice. Contact R. Ellis: 8572 3252 or L. Jaensch: 8572 4064.
- PARENT CHILD MOTHER GOOSE/OUR TIME; Thursday morning throughout Term 4, starting Thursday 22nd of October, 9.30am : 10.45am at the Tailem Bend Primary School Gym. Contact the TB Community Centre, Phone: 8572 3513.
- ST LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CARD GROUP; St. Luke's Anglican Church Card Group is still ongoing after the Covid-19 virus is over for social groups to attend. For more information, contact Evonne Whibley: 0405 970 804
- FRIENDS OF THE HOSPITAL; Due to the Corona Virus, Friends of the Hospital at the Tailem Bend Hospital has been cancelled until further notice. Details: Gwenda Zadow 8572 3057.
- ULYSSES LOWER MURRAY MOTORCYCLE CLUB; A club for motorbike riders for over 40 years. If you enjoy riding moterbikes and a social gathering with other moterbike enthusiasts, this is the club for you. It's a great social group - lots of fun. We have rides on Sundays and Thursdays. Come and join in the fun. For more information call Terry on 0401 320 665

FRIDAYS

- OUR GOLDIES LUNCHEON; Due to the Corona Virus, Our Goldies Luncheon has been cancelled until further notice. Phone: 8572 3531 for more details.
- TAILEM BEND RSL SUB BRANCH; Open for meals every Friday from 6pm, to book phone 0466 313 315 or 0422 774 019 Or you can send a message through FB: @TailemBendRSL -

Thought for the Month

Hands

Take a while to look at your hands. What do you see?
Do you see elegant, nimble hands; hands with smooth skin and well-shaped nails? Or do you see strong hands with rough skin, callouses; life-filled hands?

Think of what those hands can do:

They can help feed, dress, clean you and others.

They can create, dismantle, repair, renovate.

They can clap encouragement, pat comfort, offer security, sign language and emotions.

They can write your thoughts, point directions, carry loads, give help, wipe away tears, give and receive gifts, wave 'hello' and 'goodbye'.

They can be folded in prayer.

Be proud of your hands. Look after them and do not let them be instruments of crime and war.

Use them to offer God's Love.

Remember that Christ's hands were used to heal the sick and feed the hungry, then nailed to a cross to pay for the sins of all who believe in him.

(If your hands are stilled a smile will do amazing things).



ABOVE: Photo by Kelly Sikkema on Unsplash.

Submitted by Doreen Lutz

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AFTER THE YUMALI FIRE

Here is a bit of what most of us were dealing with.

The looks on people's faces was a look of disbelief, the fire's intensity and ferocity was insane with the fuel load and wind conditions.

The danger was huge. Concentration and to stay alert was very difficult at times when you had no visual, you then had no direction, great communication with driver is the key. You felt a bit of achievement when extinguishing the flank of a front then come back the other side but only to look up and see a wall yellow/red glow coming at you, you then look back at what you did only to see a wall of fire coming down what you just extinguished. The feel of helplessness as you evacuate.

Trying to stay confident you go to the next paddock which is a hay cut paddock, 6 inch stubble, ya confidence lifts, embers from scrub lift with the wind and start many spot fire's, before you know it, the fire is all around you, just a glimpse of hope to defeat this area of fire. You then run out of water, as you go to refill and take a quick look back as it crosses the road. The sad shiver of a distressing feeling knowing the farmers and their assets are in the path of the fire.

The devastated look on farmers as they give directions, can't talk and are shaking, is hard as you reassured them. Hearing of the injured over the radio was gut wrenching and knowing him makes it somewhat difficult to stay focused. These guys are the legends in my eyes.

A great effort by all, great community of people with big hearts. People come from a long way to help, I thank them.

To all that have lost from the fire, our thoughts are with you. Stay strong, stay positive, give us a call if I can help.

A day that won't be forgotten. *Written by Shane Liebich*



ABOVE: A large turtle (*dinner plate size*) that arrived on Robert Hughes of Tailem Bend's lawn near the river for breeding.

BE ON ALERT AS TURTLES START TO NEST

There is high threat as river Murray turtles continue to nest in the Murraylands. Residents should be on alert for short-necked turtles and eastern long-necked turtles, which are at high risk to foxes digging up their nests, as well as being hit by cars while looking for nesting sites.

My Shoes

*Before I jump into my bed
Before I dim the light
I put my shoes together
So they can talk at night.*

*I'm sure they'd not be happy
If I threw one here one there
So I put my shoes together
For they're a happy pair.*

Author unknown

*Christmas – that magic blanket that wraps itself about us,
that something so intangible that it's like a fragrance.*

It may weave a spell of nostalgia.

*Christmas may be a day of feasting, or of prayer,
but always it will be a day of remembrance,*

*A day in which we think of everything,
we have ever loved.*

Augusta E. Rundel

Submitted by Jeanette Kozikowski

CAN YOU NAME OUR SOUTH AUSTRALIAN TOWNS?

9. Cost of an item: - - - - - 10. Reddish Colour: - - - - -

Answers For Last Month!

7. Jim's Village = Jamestown

8. Famous Rabbit - Rabbit's hole = Peterborough



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Jokes of the Month

Who delivers presents to baby sharks at Christmas?
Santa Jaws!

.....

What do you call an elf who sings?
A wrapper!

.....

What does Mrs. Claus say to Santa when there are clouds in the sky?
It looks like rain, deer.

.....

Why does Santa have 3 gardens?
So he can ho-ho-ho.

.....

Quotes of the Month

Sharing this holiday season is the greatest gift of all. May this holiday season be filled with laughter, joy and peace to warm your heart.
We are all experiencing this journey called life. May we accept our own personal journey with self love and fill our hearts with Peace and Joy.

Wishing you all a Merry, Merry Christmas and a very Happy, Bright, Safe, Healthy New Year.
Submitted by Margaret Jaensch

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We are all faced with a series of great opportunities brilliantly disguised as impossible situations.
Submitted by Lyn Goddard

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Incident date	Incident type	Location	Details
15/10/2020	Fuel drive off	PRINCES HWY, TALEM BEND	Crime occurrence - Petrol drive off @Coles Express Tailem Bend for \$72.74
16/11/2020	Fuel drive off	PRINCES HWY, TALEM BEND	Fuel drive off from Coles Express Tailem Bend
23/10/2020	Property damage	RAILWAY TCE, TALEM BEND	Smashed window to hardware store - nil entry gained.
17/10/2020	Serious criminal trespass	PARKLANDS TCE, TALEM BEND	Serious Criminal Trespass to storage building attached to the TALEM BEND Golf Club. Attempts made to gain entry from there into the clubrooms. Nil stolen. \$100.00 damage to door.
19/10/2020	Theft/receiving	BOLTON PL, TALEM BEND	Theft of Jayco caravan – not attached to a vehicle at the time.
20/10/2020	Theft/receiving	MANNING ST, TALEM BEND	RP/Victim was at home when she had an argument with her husband. He has then left taking her Black HOLDEN UTE against her wishes. She has asked him to return it by text but he has refused and does not care if she reports it stolen.
08/11/2020	Theft/receiving	PRINCES HWY, TALEM BEND	Juvenile male has walked into the bottle shop of the Riverside Hotel, TALEM BEND, picked up a case of JAMISON and Cola valued at \$100 and ran from the store in front of multiple witnesses. Male arrested

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Be safe over the Christmas period. Secure your property if you are going away. Promote good road safety with children when they are walking or riding around – remember helmets!

ROAD SAFETY TIP

Don't drink/drug drive - No speeding - No distractions - Wear your seatbelt - No dangerous driving



It's a bit hectic in the lead up to the "Silly Season" so here is to beating stress on the road and to a great Christmas for us all.

Patience in busy traffic. People are whizzing here, there and everywhere. It's probably unrealistic to hope that we all have free flowing traffic all of the time. Even if we live in rural areas and do a lot of shopping online, we're still going to have to go out somewhere sometime, and we're going to be crawling along behind a queue. Or caught in those last-minute road works as the crews try to get all the jobs wrapped up before they get time off over Christmas. It's going to be inevitable, so this is where you need to know how to chill a bit and be patient.

If we were all more patient in the car and realised that everyone else is in the same situation, there'd be less on-road rudeness.

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Santa Characters on Display in Wellington

The original Santa tradition display was started in 2017 by Bob and Josie Radford. (WPA Committee members)

He displayed the very first life like Santa character on their fence on Jervois Road. Several other Wellington residents then took the initiative and created their own Santa characters as well, displaying them either at the front or rear of their properties in various poses.

Since then and especially in 2019, there were some 25 various Santa characters "on show". The Wellington residents are extremely proud of this inaugural community initiative and look forward to the tradition continuing.

The displays are a much talked about tourism attraction in the region and many tourists make the effort to drive to Wellington during the festive season and take fantastic photos of our Santa characters.



ABOVE: Santa characters on display at Wellington during the months of November and December each year.

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