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🛓 Tailem Bend Christmas Parade Cabaret 🔬

For the sixth consecutive year the Tailem Bend Progress Association Christmas Parade Committee have once again been able to entertain the community and surrounds by holding a now very popular fundraising cabaret.

This year was no exception. On Saturday 6th November the decorations in the town hall were amazing and reminiscent to those attending of their teenage years and the good old Rock and Roll era. Local band Arkive played music to suit the theme of the 50's and early 60's.

Rock and Roll dance group the Rat Pack entertained with fabulous Jive moves with a whole lot of shaking going on around the dance floor. Some attending made the effort to dress for the occasion and looked amazing in their rock'n'roll attire.

All ages put on their dancing shoes and took to the dance floor to swing the night away, with our youngest jive bunnies being seven and twelve years of age.



<u>ABOVE:</u> True to the 50's and to RockNRoll a old school Holden.



<u>ABOVE:</u> Left to right: Margaret Jaensch, Annette Burt, Bob Hunter, Maxine Kiddie, Sandy Przibilla, Trish Bloomfield.

Our very own, Bobby Hunter, we will claim him as ours, being a local boy working and playing sport way back in the sixties and seventies was unbelievably brilliant with his rendition of Rock'n Robin, Great Balls of Fire, Blue Suede Shoes, Good Golly Miss Molly, Long Tall Sally, Ready Teddy, Goodbye Astrid and a Whole lot of Shakin from the Rock'n'Roll era. This young vibrant seventy eight old man certainly knows how to entertain a crowd.

A huge thank you to all who attended and those who supported our cabaret with vouchers, donations and prizes for our raffle, we could not continue without your valued support. Also many thanks to the dedicated few who helped to put this show on the road and make this night a huge success.

Submitted by Margaret Jaensch - Cover Photo: The Dance group the Rat Pack. They did a demo of Rockn Roll for us!



# The Changing Face of Tailem Bend #114

Peter Squires always has a story to tell, and him being a passionate Tailem Bend person they are all very interesting. He has lived an exciting life and was very obliging to share it with us.

My name is Peter George Squires, born in 1939 in the Park Tce. Hospital that was on the left hand corner of Glen Osmond road and Greenhill road heading into Adelaide.

I went to school at Rose Park till grade four. On holidays Don Moyse and myself would come up to my Grandparents farm, where now Old Tailem Town is. We had Rocket a draught horse and also Mickey a Shetland, we rode everywhere and we would spend hours walking around the swamp making rafts and looking for duck nests. We came home covered in leeches that had no effects on us.

When Grandma ordered Papa to get fish for tea he would take us out on the river and in about an hour we would always have a 20 litre bucket half filled with fish. All sorts of fish,Callop, Brim, catfish, congollies, tench and cod.

As he rowed across the swamp we could see four to five feet down to the bottom of the river and see the occasional fish pass by at night. After dinner he would take us out to the park around the house and rake up a heap of leaves and have a fire. There he would tell us stories about the Northern Territory where he worked in the Overland Telegraph in 1895. He was one of the people in Mrs Gun's book We of the Never Never.

Life was exciting back in Adelaide. In the war years when the search lights used to light up the clouds at night, and the sirens would regularly go off and we would play in the air raid shelters in Anzac Avenue and walk around the streets with gas masks on, I can remember a cracker going off and burning the side of my face while standing on Bee Hive Corner on Victory Day. Dad got drunk and Mum and me were howling, that was the end of the war.





<u>ABOVE:</u> Brice Jaensch, Peter Squires & Peter long with Squire's first car.

In 1946 my parents separated and I came to live with my Grandparents where Old Tailem Town is today. My cousin Jenny Jaensch and myself rode our bikes to Tailem Bend each day. Most times it would take an hour and we wouldn't see a car pass by on frosty mornings. We had rags wrapped around our hands to stop any chill blains, we would see the old steam train go by and see the men shovelling coal into the fire, and we would be thinking that would be the best job ever.

Around halfway to Tailem the fettlers had a camp with white tents with floorboards and wood stoves in them. On rainy cold days that is as far as we got as they would feed us on bread and sausages then home by 2pm and always in trouble.

I played a flute in the school band dressed in a red uniform, Saturday nights I would have sleep overs and go to Bromley's pictures in the town hall, admission was sixpence (5c) a pillow to sit on was a penny extra. On the way home we crowed and had all roosters in the town crowing to each other.

The police used to get around on a motorbike and side car, the biggest offence was riding a bike with no lights on.



# The Changing Face of Tailem Bend #114

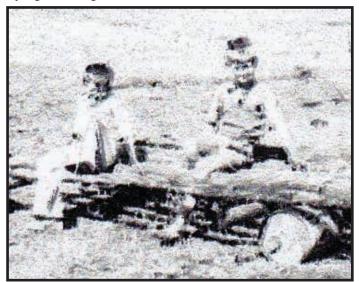
Shearing time at Westbrook we had to drive up to 2,000 sheep to Tailem Bend from Elwomple which took most of the day. Brice Jaensch would give Don Moyes and me a milk shake from Mrs. Deerings Café for our pay. Then when high school came around, Jenny and I would walk across the highway to the Westbrook pines, where the work train would pull up and we would climb aboard and journey to Murray Bridge. On arrival walk a mile from the station to the high school, the train left at 5pm to return home.

At the time Stan Hill held the record in his 1946 Chev. 70 miles an hour, there wasn't a lot of cars in Tailem Bend so that was a feature. On weekends Peter Rawlinson and myself cut wood for the Butter Factory, and after a month's work Merv Lokan had enough for a load, and we got two pounds a ton (*Probably about 4 dollars*). Merv called us lightning as we never hit in the same place twice with the axe.

My first job was weighing up at Eudunda Farmers now Foodland. Ted Douglas was the boss in 1953, Bill Pill managed men's wears and Bill Bristow was on the grocery counter. *(Later on drove the delivery truck)* Bruce Packer was in hardware as well as men's wear. My weekly job was mopping the floor with lighting kerosene. I think my job was weighing up salt, sugar, flour, bacon etc. My wages were two pound five shillings a week.

# I ended up buying the old scales I used and they are in Old Tailem Town's general store.

After 6 months I went to work with my Father who had a panel beating business in Waymouth St. in Adelaide. In the back corner of the workshop stood a 1920 Fiat Tourer, which had a rear end hit and I spent six months trying to straighten its chassis.



<u>ABOVE:</u> Peter Squire & Don Moyes.



ABOVE: Peter & Jenny after lifting lid on a beehive.

The day I was 16 years old I had my drivers license by 10.30am. On the way back to Rose Park with only one wheel back brake, I rear ended a 1951 Vauxhall at Gawler Place crossing in Pirie St. The other driver let me off when he saw me trembling in my boots. I now had my freedom, Tailem Bend was a four hours drive away, and I would drive there when there was enough money for fuel.

Saturday night I took the Fiat to a dance at Burnside, I asked this girl if I could drive her home, she said yes and I found out she lived all the way up to Summertown, all the way with a slipping clutch. We finally made it only to find out her name was Janine Squires, my cousin, that was the end of that.

The old Fiat lasted me 6 months now it would be worth a fortune. I sold it to the Lienert boys for ten pounds and bought a 1937 Ariel motor bike off of Don Moyes, I could now get to Tailem in 2 hours.

After all that I had an Austin 7, after finishing at Gilbert Motors I came back to where I belong, Tailem Bend.

It was nice having a chat with Peter, but that was only the tip of the iceberg, much more in the New Year. In the meantime many thanks to Doris for her presentation of the Photo's, to Jo our brilliant Editor and all the people I interviewed who made it possible to be part of Tailem Topics.

#### Just a thought:

Maturity is the ability to do a job whether you are supervised or not. To carry money without spending it. (*Davey*) And to bear an injustice without wanting to get even.

A long-running series submitted by Peter Connolly.

# **New Owners for Rivers Edge Caravan Park**

Submitted by Glenn Power.

With an eye to the future, Cath and Evan Byles of Tailem Bend have purchased Rivers Edge Caravan Park, on the Princes Highway in Tailem Bend.

Hearing about The Bend Motorsport Park in 2015, Cath and Evan began to invest in Tailem Bend with their first Airbnb, followed by another branch of SA Motorcycles.

"We fell in love with the town and the community, everyone made us feel so welcome," Cath said. "Now our whole family is enthusiastic about Tailem Bend. Some live here, some have businesses here and we all socialise here, when we get the chance."

*"I remember seeing the Rivers Edge Caravan Park for sale years ago and jokingly said to Evan, that we should buy it,"* she said. *"He replied that we were far too busy!"* 

Easter 2021 and the Byles family were looking for somewhere locally to tether their houseboat. Evan dropped into Rivers Edge Caravan Park to see if they had any suitable moorings, and one thing led to another. On November 8, 2021, the Caravan Park joined the family's expanding Tailem Bend property portfolio.

Cath commented, "We see so much potential in Tailem Bend and we're here for the long haul - there's lots of history in the district and there's so many amazing, devoted locals running the various community organisations."



<u>ABOVE:</u> Cath and Evan Byles of Tailem Bend. The new owners of the Rivers Edge Caravan Park.

"We're excited about the future and we're looking forward to making Rivers Edge Caravan Park a place where travellers can stay for a few days or even weeks, enjoying what the region has to offer," she says.

Cath and Evan have a lot to do to complete their vision, but they're looking forward to the challenges of the next twelve months. Their dream is to help develop Tailem Bend into a tourist destination for tour groups, with packages showcasing all the fascinating Coorong attractions, just down the road.



ABOVE: Drone view of the Rivers Edge Caravan Park.

# **Remembrance Day 2021**

Submitted by Timothy Minahan.

This year's Remembrance Day ceremony was one of the best-attended ceremonies in recent years. It was great to see a cross-section of people from all walks of life along with the students of Tailem Bend Primary School.

This year's theme was one of Sacrifice. The soldier is asked to sacrifice their physical health and put their life on the line to preserve our freedom. The family is asked to sacrifice as the soldier is always someone's mother, father, brother, sister, daughter and son. The soldier who returns is never the same as the person who left. Our mayor, Mr Paul Simmons shared this year about the impact that war has on the country regions. In World War One, a third of the men of the Cooke Plain community served. This effect was significant to Cooke Plain and the impact on rural communities is often underappreciated.

These last twelve months have seen two of our oldest returned service members pass away. We honour the contributions of Pvt John Robert DILLON and Sgt Henry Edward Freeth. Pvt Dillon served in the Papua New Guinea campaigns of World War Two. Sgt Henry Freeth served in the toughest conflicts of the Korean War. We thank you both for your service.

The Tailem Bend Sub-branch of the RSL would like to thank everyone who attended and participated in this years Remembrance Day service. Lest we forget.



# ¥ Mischief & Mayhem – This Month's Recipe ¥

The Tailem Bend Christmas Parade Committee, feature article by Jeanette Kozikowski.

**December is here so this month we are sharing four quick and easy treats for Christmas. Gwenda Zadow's** Fruit Cake recipe, can also be made up as a slice. Gwenda leads the Friends of the Hospital catering team and this recipe is often used and is very popular.

### **FRUIT CAKE / SLICE** SUITABLE FOR DIABETICS

#### Ingredients/Method

- 1 kg of mixed fruit
- 2 cups of orange juice
- ½ teaspoon of vanilla
- Soak above ingredients over night
- Next day add
  - o 2 cups of self-raising flour
  - o 1 teaspoon of ginger
  - o 1 teaspoon of cinnamon
  - o1 teaspoon of mixed spice

• For cake, bake in a moderate oven for approx. one hour using a 22cm square cake tin.

• For slice, bake in moderate oven for approx. 30 minutes, using a 30 x 25cm slice tray. container.

**Maxine Kiddie's** Peanut Butter Bonbons are delicious. Maxine is well known around town. She was the lady behind the counter in our Post Office, always happy and ready to help in any way. Maxine is also the Chairperson of Tailem Bend's Progress Association, which organises the Christmas Parade, the Cabaret, oversees the Tailem Topics, fundraising and various other community endeavours.

### PEANUT BUTTER BONBONS

#### Ingredients

- 1 cup Peanut Butter
- 1/4 cup of Butter
- 21/4 cups icing sugar
- 11/2 cups rice bubbles, I prefer Kellogg's
- 250gms of Chocolate melts, try dark, milk and white...

• I melt a small amount of Copha in with the chocolate to make it thinner

### Method

- Melt peanut butter and butter in a saucepan.
- In a large bowl combine the icing sugar and rice bubbles.
- Pour the liquid over the dry ingredients and mix well.
- Roll into balls and chill until firm.
- Melt the chocolate gently and coat the balls.



**Kath Hansen's** 'No Bowl Chocolate Slice' is an easy recipe which is made in the slice tin. It may also be prepared as a gluten free recipe.

### **NO BOWL - CHOCOLATE BIT SLICE**

#### Ingredients

- 90 grams of butter, melted
- 125 grams sweet biscuits crushed, gluten free biscuits can be used
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups of chocolate bits
- 1 cup of shredded or desiccated coconut
- 400 gm tin of condensed milk
- 1 cup of chopped nuts, walnuts or almonds

#### Method

• Line a 26 cm x 16cm slice tin with paper

• Pour butter into prepared pan and sprinkle evenly with biscuit crumbs, choc bits and coconut and then pour over the condensed milk.

- Sprinkle with chopped nuts
- Bake in a moderate oven for 30 minutes
- Cool in the pan before cutting, then store in refrigerator

### **MY MARS BAR SLICE**

#### Ingredients

- 3 Mars Bars
- 90 grams of butter chopped
- 3 cups of rice bubbles
- 200 grams baking milk chocolate

#### Method

Grease slice tray

• Combine mars bars and butter in a saucepan and stir constantly over a low heat until mixture is smooth. Do not boil.

• Stir in rice bubbles and press mixture evenly into greased tray.

• Melt chocolate in microwave on low setting, stirring every 20-30 seconds.

• Cool chocolate and spread evenly over the slice refrigerate until topping set.

This is our last recipe page for the year and I would like to thank everyone who has shared a recipe. A 2022 calendar featuring the recipes will be compiled before the end of the year and the ladies who participated will receive a complimentary copy. Orders will also be taken and if you would like one please forward an email to tailemtopics@gmail.com. The price will be decided soon and then advertise on Facebook and on the Tailem Topics pin-board outside of Elders.

#### Merry Christmas and best wishes for good health and happiness in 2022.



### FATHER CHRISTMAS is coming to our Christmas Parade on Dec 11th at 6pm!

We are **TAKING IT TO THE STREETS** again this year, so how about a street party, dress up, music, decorations or get a group of people together, put the chairs out and watch, have a picnic in a park.

**NORTH POLE** - we have Father Christmas chatting from his workshop in the North Pole. Live streaming! Check out Tailem Bend Christmas Parade Facebook page for the link. *www.facebook.com/TailemBendChristmasParade* 

**FLOATS** - Decorate the motor bike or yourself, a hay sculptures on a trailer, decorate a trailer or ute. You are only limited by your imagination!!! Once again, we can't have walkers or people on the backs of vehicles.

**BEST LIGHT DISPLAY** - It will be judged over several nights and winners announced on the Parade night. You don't need a yard full of lights, it can be simple and classic.

**FLOAT FORMS AND MAPS -** Will be available in the Tailem Topics, at the Tailem Bend Post Office, or email *tpchristmasparade@gmail.com*.

**ELVES** - The Mischievous Elves and Grinch will be visiting Coomandook, Jervois and Tailem Bend schools to collect children's letters to Santa. There will also be a Santa letterbox at the Tailem Bend Post Office. The Elves will deliver all the letters to the North Pole!



### WONDERLAND is back!

Open over 3 days and bookings are online. If a photo is required, the cost is \$10 and direct debit is available. **Get in quick.** The link is www.trybooking.com





<u>ABOVE:</u> Santa displays in Wellington during the months of November and December each year. The displays are a much talked about tourist attraction in the region and many people drive through Wellington over the next few months to take great photos of these Santa characters and (hopefully) pop into the Welly Hotel for either a drink or lunch. Submitted by Shay Medlen on behalf of the Wellington Progress Association.

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CHRISTMAS	PARADE



TAKE IT TO THE STREETS
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# PARADE ENTRY FORM 2021

Saturday 11th December

NAME OF GROUP /CLUB OR INDIVIDUAL PERSON:

Contact Person:	Phone/ Mobile:
Postal address:	
Email:	

<u>All</u> vehicles to be registered (street legal) If anyone needs to have a special permit for the day Please contact Maxine Kiddie

Displays only on utes and trailers NO People

### And NO walkers

# **ENTRY CATEGORIES**

PLEASE INDICATE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES TO DESCRIBE YOUR ENTRY

FLOATS:	CAR 🗆	TRACTOR 🗆	MOTOR BIKE	TRAILER

REGISTRATION:\_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU HAVE LOUD MUSIC 🗆 ARE YOU A BUSINESS? 🗆

BUSINESS NAME:

COMMUNITY GROUP: \_\_\_\_\_

THIS INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR HOW & WHERE WE PUT YOU IN THE PARADE

## Entry policies relating to public safety.

A) No alcohol to be consumed on floats while in the Parade.

**B)** Participants must comply with all instructions given to during the event by Parade Marshals; the course is one way only please follow directions.

C) In the interest of safety, Wrapped lollies only.

NOTE: Please be at the starting position by 5.30 pm latest, Parklands Terrace.

Please report to a marshal upon arrival to obtain your confirmation ticket, Float number and starting position for a 6.00 pm start.

Please co-operate and respect all volunteer Parade Marshal's.

I/We agree to comply with all policies relating to public safety as directed, and to comply with all instructions given to me/us during the event by Pageant Marshals.

FULL NAME: ..... SIGN: ..... DATE: ....

### PLEASE EMAIL OR FORWARD BACK TO

e-mail: tbchristmasparade@gmail.com PO Box 278, Tailem Bend SA 5260 TB Christmas Parade Committee Maxine: 0439 387 750 (Co-Ordinator) Sandy Przibilla: 0419856744 (Secretary)



# Lions Club Tailem Bend



Report by Margaret Eckermann.

It has been a very busy time during the last few weeks. The Den sale was again very successful, and a clearing sale was held on Thursday evening

28th October. It was an online auction held on behalf of Bruce and Judy Harris. Hours of work went into the preparation of the goods for sale. Over 200 lots had to be photographed and numbered before the event and afterwards more hours for the purchasers to come and collect their items.

A tree at the den had died and thanks to Brenton Qualmann and council workers the tree was cut down and members cut the wood into small lengths. The wood is now for sale. See Ian Eckermann for further details.

The Christmas Raffle is well on its way. Tickets are available from LionsClub Members, or will be sold along with cakes, puddings and honey in front of Foodlandon severaldays in December. The raffle will be drawn the night of the pageant and winners will be notified on the night.

If anyone has a project in mind that will benefit our town, our club would like to hear from you. We may be able to assist. Money raised are spent helping many organisations. One that comes to mind is the Seeing Eye Dogs.

We were very fortunate to have as our guest speaker Neil Cundy, wife Wendy and Seeing Eye Dog, Gorgie recently. Neil explained his eyesight gradually deteriorated over some years, until he became totally dependent on a dog. One of Lions major projects is supporting the training of the Seeing Eye Dogs.



<u>ABOVE:</u> Guide Dogs SANT, public speaker Neil Cundy & "Georgia", with Lion Joyce Holmes.

We are now busily engaged in the preparation of an on-line clearing sale at Murray Bridge, on behalf of Mr & Mrs Brenton Lewis, who have sold their property "Sweet Water Lodge".

Many thanks to our marvellous community for their generous support during 2021. Wishing everyone a happy and safe festive season and a bright New Year.



# Rotary Club of Tailem Bend

ROTARY RAMBLINGS – December 2021 – www.tailembendrotaryclub.com

Report by Leeann Jones.

**Membership** - If you are interested in providing community service or just want fun & fellowship opportunities, you are welcome at any time. For more information, contact any current member, our website www.tailembendrotaryclub.com or our Facebook page.

**Music Hall** - After overcoming many obstacles, Music Hall 2021 went ahead. Congratulations to Overall Director, Sandy and a small but very talented cast and crew. Although numbers attending were down, all who attended enjoyed the show and highly recommended it. Well done everyone!

**Foodbank -** Foodbank Hub, Murray Bridge continues to cater for a growing number of customers throughout our region, the next closest hub is in Adelaide. As we draw closer to Christmas and covid continues to have an impact on our community, the need for food security will grow. All donations, small or large, are greatly appreciated. You can drop off food, produce from your garden or make donations – call Bronwyn 0413 803 845.

**Roll Racing -** This community event continues to be a regular fundraiser for our Club. Sometimes, our members are unable to fill the roster and we ask for help from other organisations. If you/your club would like to help out, please call Ashley Clothier 0488 128 169. Your club may be able to have a share of the fee involved.

### We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New year.



# Newsletter DEC/JAN 2022

#### Programs are Supported by:

- Department of Health
- Department of Human Services
- ac.care's Communities for Children Murraylands programme funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services
- Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT)
- The Coorong District Council (CDC)



TBCC will be closed from Friday 26th November through to Monday 17th January 2022.





From all of us here at TBCC we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year! We look forward to working with you all in 2022.

141 Railway Terrace, Tailem Bend SA 5260 Phone: 8572 3513 Web: www.tbcc.org.au www.murraymalleecpn.org.au



#### MURRAY MALLEE COMMUNITY PASSENGER NETWORK SMALTI MOSAICS WORKSHOP (MMCPN)

The MMCPN Medical Bus last day of operation for 2021 will be Friday 17th December, resuming service on Monday 17th January 2022. The Community Passenger Network will still be operating during this period, subject to driver availability. Contact TBCC on 8572 3513 and press 2 if prompted for appointment bookings.

The Department of Health now requires all our CPN volunteer drivers to be vaccinated for Covid. As of 1<sup>st</sup> November, all our drivers been double have vaccinated. Our priority is the safety and wellbeing of our



consumers and volunteers, and we continue to ensure Covid Safe protocols such as mask wearing and social distancing are followed. We thank everyone for their understanding and cooperation with this.

We are always keen to welcome new drivers so we can continue to provide services for our community. If you are considering a driving role, then please call Sam for an informal chat about what is involved in the accreditation process. We guide you through every step and cover the cost of assessments.

If you are in need of help with medical transport but are unsure of how to go about it, or if you are eligible, then the solution is just a phone call away. Call Sam on 8572 3513.

#### . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . COMMONWEALTH HOME SUPPORT PROGRAME (CHSP)

On Friday 19th November 2021, 33 consumers from all over the Murraylands attended our second social group outing for the year. The group departed TBCC at 10am to spend a glorious day in Langhorne Creek, starting the day by visiting the Fleurieu Chocolate Company.

Handmade chocolates, locally made South Australian wines and a variety of South Australian skincare products were tested and enjoyed. Next, everyone was off to a beautiful two course meal at the Oasis Garden Restaurant, whilst admiring the view of the lush tropical garden.



#### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2022

Our first luncheon for Our Goldies is scheduled for Friday 25th February. We have 8 luncheons a year, please follow the CHSP calendar to keep up to date. If you would like a copy of the CHSP calendar, they are available at TBCC, or call us, and we can mail a copy to you.

We are in full swing with organising bus trips, information sessions and events for 2022. Details will be announced in due course.

We have two gualified instructors who will be running two Smalti Mosaics workshops, in March 2022. Prices start from \$130.00, this includes base board to mosaic on and adhesive, (does not include Smalti, this will need to be purchased on the day of the workshop). To book into this workshop or to register your interest, please call Denise on 8572 3513 .

#### . . 🗕 . . COMMUNITIES FOR CHILDREN (C4C)

Can you believe this is it? The last month of the year, crazy right?

2021 was a positive year in the C4C space. We returned to full face to face delivery (with some minor changes) and after an up and down year in 2020 - it was great to be able to connect with families and children within our community again. Gayle has settled into her role as co-facilitator and is taking on new challenges all the time.

Our funding was extended for another 12 months until June 2022 and we were rewarded with extra funding to extend our service delivery to the Mid-Murray region. Once again our programs have received great feedback from families and continue to grow and attract new families all the time.

There were many highs to this year but a few big highlights included our "Hay Hay" display where we were able to engage the local kindy and school, Beach Volleyball and our Mother's Day Resin Art workshop.



Thank you to all of our families for their continued support over all of our programs and we look forward to another big year in 2022 and bringing the C4C space to life!

We hope you all have the best time celebrating the festive season, enjoy the holidays and are able to relax a little!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all - Chelsea and Gayle.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

TBCC is going to trial having JP's on site for people to drop in or make an appointment.

Helen Bowering 0447 227 533 Third Tuesday of each month 5.30 - 7pm Feb 15 March 15 April 12 (2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of month due to Easter)

#### Leonie Hutson 0419 823 457

First Friday of each Month 2-4pm Feb 4

March 4 April 1

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A massive thank you to Pauline Merritt and Louise Stopp who contributed funds towards replacing and fixing the damaged sheep, from the Green Sheep Project.

From all of us here at TBCC we wish you all a lovely Christmas, and a safe New Year.



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2022 1	erm 1 Timet	able: 31st J	anuary - 14	April
_	Computer/Phone	and the second	MMCPN	CHSP Trips
Monday —Friday 9am — 4:30pm	Need help with accessing the internet, PC, tablet, phone or iPad? Call TBCC to make a free one-on-one appointment	Communities for Children (C4C) is facilitated by AC-Care and funded by the Australian Government	Need medical transport? or social outings, call us to discuss options	Keep an eye out for announcements on our Social media and emails.
141 Railway Terrace,	Want to help us?	C4C Activities		MMCPN
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Bus Hire	Tutors Wanted	Got a class in mind?	Community Garden	Grow Free
For details about the community bus hire visit our website https://www.tbcc.org.au/ for-hire/tbcc-bus/	We're looking for more tutors to run classes. If you know someone willing to share their skills please email info@tbcc.org.au	Give us a call and we will register an expression of interest. Once 5 people register we can arrange the class EASY!!	Help yourself to the produce in our wonderful community garden, or register to establish the garden club	Share surplus garden produce in the grow free cart out the side of TBCC
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Neighbourhood Watch	Pilates	Sewing Class	Companyealth Home Support (CHSP)	Computer Class
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Scrap Booking / Card Making	Social Craft Circle	Golden Go Getters	Pilates	Our Goldies
Make your Memories into Art. Stock available for purchase in class or bring your own 10.00am - 2.00pm CHSP \$1.10   Non CHSP \$2.20	Join this friendly group. Work on your own craft and share ideas 1.00pm - 3.00pm CHSP \$1.10   Non CHSP \$2.20	Help me strengthen your muscles in a safe/supported environment Town Hall Function Room 10.30am - 11.30am CHSP \$5.50   Non CHSP \$11	Strengthen and Stretching with Ursula 5.30pm - 6.20pm CHSP \$5.50   Non CHSP \$11   Once off attendance \$16 BOOKINGS REQUIRED	Stay tuned for details on upcoming dates
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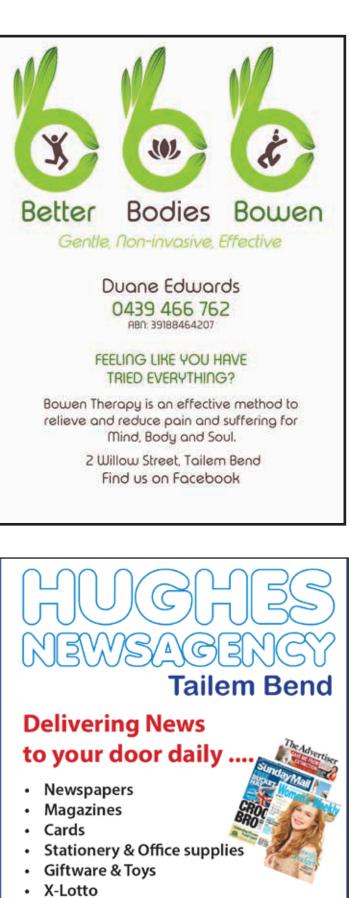
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# Pangarinda's Hidden Treasures

Article by Kaye Bartlett.

In the 29 years I have been involved with Pangarinda Botanic Garden I have never seen the Veldt grass the height it is this year. Not an exceptional wet year, but certainly agreed with plant growth.

In an area we had still to brushcut and weed, there hidden by the weeds Verticordia brownii flowering. Known as the common cauliflower bush, this round-topped bush, was massed with small white flowers, a ball of white, bigger and more spectacular than any we had seen growing in the heath plains of Western Australia. Pangarinda's sandy, poor soils, with no extra water is seeing us grow a number of Australian plants that are not easy to grow.

It is the time of the year when the Melaleucas take their turn to put on a display, sitting in the Information centre could see a ball of pink in an area I could not think what it could be there. On inspection the reason we had not noticed this beautiful Melaleuca was due to it growing in a group of Banksias, one having died, had been removed revealing this Melaleuca looking like a miniature tree massed in balls of pink. Now to find a name.



<u>ABOVE:</u> Kaye Bartlett with Verticordia brownii at the Pangarinda Botanic Garden.

# **TB Primary School Remembrance Day 2021**

Submitted by Angie Tomkinson.

On the 11th of November the Tailem Bend Primary School participated in the Remembrance Day Service at the RSL Memorial in Railway Terrace.

The RSL organised the day with some of the year 4/5 students helping run the ceremony, alongside the members of the Tailem Bend RSL. All students represented our school with pride.

It is a privilege for our school to be involved in the ceremony each year. We thank the Tailem Bend RSL for including us in their ceremony.



<u>ABOVE:</u> Tailem Bend Primary School Remembrance Day.



# Probus Report

PROBUS CLUB REPORT DECEMBER 2021 - Tailem Bend Probus Club report 15th November 2021 Submitted by Joyce Medlow

18 members attended the November meeting held in the R.S.L.Club Rooms. After a brief meeting and morning tea ,Joyce told of her experience last week. After trying on a few articles of clothing,coming out of the dressing room to discover she had been locked in the shop! (*Thank goodness not for long*).

Members were then invited to **"SHARE A MOMENT** " eg. The importance of wearing a Duress Alarm. Checking it's YOUR car before blaming the key? Saying Hello to someone on your morning walk! A joke or two and many more enjoyable moments.

**Next Meeting (Note Date)** Monday 6th December, 12 noon Main Street Hotel RSVP 29th November To Joyce Medlow Acting President



### From the Chamber

During the November Council meeting, Members elected the Deputy Mayor for the final 12 months of this Council term. Congratulations to Cr. Jeff Arthur, who was re-elected to the Deputy Mayor role.

Members were also provided with information on development of a Growth Strategy for the district. Council has committed to researching, considering and planning for the management of current and future predicted growth across the district. This work commenced in November 2021 and will continue into 2022 (and will include community engagement opportunities for Coorong residents).

At a Special Council meeting on 23 November, Council adopted its Annual Report and Financial Statements for the 2020/21 financial year. The final document is now available to view on Council's website.

### **Projects and Works Update**

The tender process for the upgrade of the Wellington East Reserve is still continuing as further options are explored to engage an appropriate contractor. Works are not expected to commence until 2022.

Cleaning of stained headstones in the Tintinara Cemetery affected by previous bore water use is planned for December 2021; a qualified contractor has now been engaged to complete the work.

Coonalpyn Swimming Pool building upgrade works (achieved through the Federal Government's Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Program) are almost complete. The project is on schedule to be finished before the opening of the 2021/22 swimming season, which commences on Monday, 6 December 2021.



Above: Building upgrade works underway at the Coonalpyn & District Soldiers Memorial Swimming Pool.

### **TEMPORARY OFFICE CLOSURES**

Please note that Coorong District Council offices will be closed on:

Friday, 3rd December 2021

(Tintinara closed all day, Meningie from 12pm, & Tailem Bend from 12:30pm)

12pm on Friday, 24th December 2021 to Monday, 3rd January 2022 (inclusive)



### **Community engagement**

Following a gap analysis of Council's footpath network, a draft Footpath Network Expansion Strategy has been developed which sets the criteria, guidance and structure to expand Council's current footpath network in a systematic and financially sustainable approach. Council has endorsed the draft Strategy for community engagement which will be made available on Council's website to view; the community will be invited to make comment on the draft document before the final Strategy is adopted by Council. Visit www.coorong.sa.gov.au to find out more.

### New Tintinara Office Hours

From 29 November 2021 onwards the Tintinara Customer Service Centre will be open to the public on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (weekly) from 11am to 3pm.

Residents can continue to contact Council outside of Tintinara Office open hours by calling 1300 785 277 or emailing council@coorong.sa.gov.au.

### Street Furniture (Parklets)

Council has been successful in receiving funding through the Federal Government's Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program to install four new parklets across the Council district. The new street furniture will increase available public outdoor seating, improve the aesthetic of the district's townships, and encourage visitors and customers to utilise local businesses.

The moveable parklet already installed in the main street of Tailem Bend has been positively received so far, and Council looks forward to building on this success with installation of the four new parklets following completion of the procurement process and targeted consultation with businesses. This is expected to happen in early 2022.



Above: Tailem Bend parklet being enjoyed by customers in front of the Tailem Bend Bakery.

### **Reconciliation Action Plan**

Council has committed to developing a 'Reflect' Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) which will be launched during Reconciliation Week 2022. The RAP is a strategic document that will include practical actions to drive Council's contribution to reconciliation. To celebrate the development of this important document, expressions of interest have been sought to commission an artwork by a local indigenous artist; the piece will be incorporated into the RAP and reflect the histories and cultures of First Nations people, and the landscapes on which we work, live and play.

### **Coonalpyn Pool Opening**

SAVE THE DATE: The Coonalpyn & District Soldiers Memorial Swimming Pool will be open to the public from Monday, 6 December 2021 (from 4pm).

Coorong District Council wishes all residents a safe, happy and enjoyable break this festive season, and a very happy New Year!

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# **Community Library - New Book List**

#### Tailem Bend Community Library New Books December 2021

#### ADULT FICTION

NESBO JO - The Jealousy Man - Suspense ROBOTHAM Mandy - The Girl Behind The Wall: Historical WEAVER Tim – Missing Pieces – Mystery JOHNS Rachael - Outback Secrets - Romance/Secrets MARSH Nicola Marsh - Summer of Serenity - Romance SEATON Annie – Osprey Reef – Australian Mystery HAMMER Chris - Treasure & Dirt - Mystery KENT Hannah – Devotion – Historical ROBERTSON Catherine - Spellbound- Gabriel's Bay Bk3 DETTMAN Joy - Jacaranda Blue - Mystery CARR Robyn - Forbidden Falls - Virgin River Series JEFFRIES Dinah – Daughters of War – Mystery WHITE Christian - Wild Place - Suspense STRINGER Tricia – Birds of a Feather – General Reading HERBERT Karen – The River Mouth – Australian Crime WEARMOUTH Darren - The Stowaway - Thriller LOWE Fiona – Love in the Outback – Australian Rural COBEN Harlan - Play Dead - Crime/Mystery McGINNIS Kerry - Secrets of the Springs - Mystery McGinnis Kerry - The Missing Girl - Australian/Mystery CHILD Lee - Better Off Dead - The Jack Reacher Series

#### **NON-FICTION**

WILLIAM Anthony – Medical Medium Thyroid Healing ATWOOD Megan – Astrology

#### **ADUIO BOOKS**

STAPLES Mary Jane – The Lodges – Mystery WATT Peter – Shadow of the Osprey – Historical NUNN Judy – Kal – Australian Historical

#### LARGE PRINT

KELSALL Leonie – The Wattle Seed Inn – General Saga SPARKS Nicolas – The Wish – General Reading

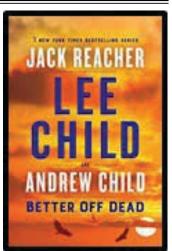
Tailem Bend Community Library School Holiday Times and Christmas Closure School Holidays will commence on 10th December 2021 School will resume on 31st January 2022 Holiday times will apply OPEN - Monday Wednesday & Friday 8:30am- 12:30pm, 1:30pm – 4:30pm CLOSED - Tuesdays & Thursdays and all Public Holidays Reminder!! The Library will be CLOSED for all public holidays se order your Christmas ading by 4" December And over Christmas from 17th Dec to January 5th 2022 DECEMBER 2021 JANUARY 2022 Wednesday Thursday Friday 10<sup>th</sup> urday Tuesday Thursday Friday 11\* 3"N.Y.D OPEN 17<sup>th</sup> P/H OPEN OPEN OPEN CLOSED OPEN CLOSED OPEN 15 13 16 11 OPEN OPEN CLOSED OPEN CLOSED OPEN CLOSED OPEN OPEN CLOSED 22 23<sup>el</sup> CLOSED 24 21\* 22' CLOSED OSED CLOSED OPEN CLOSED OPEN CLOSED OPEN 31 30 1"Januar NEW YEAR 23 20/ CLOSED CLOSED CLOSED OPEN CLOSED CLOSED OPEN Thank you for your continued support. Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a happy & safe New Year Phone: 85723275 or 85723266 Email: library@tailembdps.sa.edu.au Online catalogue: www.libraries.sa.gov.au/coorong

#### Submitted by Angie Tomkinson

### BOOK REVIEW

Better Off Dead CHILD LEE

Jack Reacher goes on an energy-packed tear in this latest adventure by Child & Child. Killing off your protagonist nearly from the get-go is a hell of an attention-getter, even if the reader knows it can't be true.



Ex-military cop Reacher watches Michaela Fenton kill two men as she searches for her twin brother, Michael, and of course Reacher can't not get involved. Michaela feels responsible for Michael's apparent death and says, *"I'd be better off dead,"* a sentiment Reacher discourages.

The criminal she fears most "only breaks cover when someone who was a threat to him is dead," so Reacher stages his own fake murder and is shipped to the morgue. But fans of his fists needn't fret, as he has plenty of occasion to whale the bejesus out of the bad guys. Michael has been caught up in a scheme to build bombs of a curious nature. Maybe they're harmless devices designed to release red, white, and blue smoke in a *"swirling patriotic cloud"* in homage to Old Glory. Or perhaps the agenda is to wreak havoc on Veterans Day, because said smoke could be laced with the deadly VX nerve gas.

So the plot's a bit wacky, but at least it's not trite. Reacher dispenses plenty of knuckle justice and cranium cracking, and wounded vet Michaela gets in some well-placed kicks. The writing is unmemorable, with loads of short, declarative sentences. Incomplete ones, too. You'd think Michaela's titanium boot would be a turn-on for him, but no. Yet all of this—plausible plot or not, Pulitzer-level prose or not—won't mean much to readers just looking for an exciting escape. A fun read for the right niche of thriller readers.



# **Tailem Bend Historians Association Inc.**

Submitted by Angie Tomkinson on behalf of the Tailem Bend Historians.

Historians Bus trip to Jabuk and what's in-between.

During the month of October 2021, the Tailem Bend Historians enjoyed a bus trip, looking for old wells in the area and towns that were at one time a vital part of the community.

We headed off to Jabuk. On the way out of Tailem Bend we passed the old Slaughterhouse, Saleyards, the heritage listed Lime Kiln, the old quarry and where Cycle racing occurred. The Chisholm family were one of the first families in Tailem Bend c1872. They lived along Lime Kiln Rd. We saw the wells at Elwomple, servicing farmers and settlers in bygone years. At Moorlands there is the impressive Shearing shed, the Hall / School, where Mr Piggott's Mum was one of the first teachers, the Post Office, Store, tennis courts, Baptist Church, all things a community needed.



<u>ABOVE:</u> Tailem Bend Historians stopping at Sherlock Machinery Orchestra. Left to Right - Pam & Don Green, Helen Bowering, Joyce Medlow, Bev & Malcolm Piggott, Neville Medlow, Bevan Jaensch, Brenton Qualmann, Elizabeth Nicholls, Vicki Stevens, Marcus Reseigh, Maxine Kiddie, Merv Stevens & Geoff Nicholls.

We paid our respect at the grave of the Unknown Horseman. Did you know Moorlands had a coal mine, and a Camel Farm. a good discussion was had about that. Onto Sherlock, a play at the new musical playground, the old Council Chambers, CFS shed, Baptist Church, the old school then a quick look at one of the 2 cemeteries. We drove through Buccleuch; the Lutheran Church still holds weekly services. These small towns were vital for the farming community, each having a hall, school, and tennis courts. We were welcomed at The Travelling Duck Deli, was our stop for lunch, sitting under the old pepper trees and chatting about our trip. Polly's Well, at Peake, built in 1877, supplied the whole town with water and with a huge trough either side of the well for the stock. The Stationmasters House, built 1912, the Saddlery 1912. Quite a Community with a Bakehouse /Church 1908, a store 1937, then used as a Tavern, school 1929, Butchers Shop 1900s and Post Office 1912. We checked out Hurtles Well and the cemetery.

It was a great day out and we came home intrigued and with great respect for those that lived in the Good Old Days. Thank you to all that contributed to a great day out and those that share their stories. We look forward to the next adventure.

Thank you to the Tailem Bend Community Centre, the bus was a great part of the day. Marcus felt so inspired that he wrote a poem of the day. (Poem on page 26)

# **Imps for Mental Health**

Submitted by Timothy Minahan

Saturday November 6 saw the first gathering of the "Imps for Mental Health".

Michael Holliday has sourced and brought together a number of these cars with the plan that as a group we can strip down and rebuild these imps. The project allows anyone in our community to learn the basics of car maintenance and how to do car restoration. It is open to anyone who wants to be part of the project. When asked about the why this project, Michael Holliday responded that he wanted to provide something that could help with mental health. We started "stripping" down two donor cars with the plan to rebuild a mostly complete Imp.

Awareness of Men's mental health is something as a community that we are becoming more aware of. The challenge of mental health is there are no physical wounds that show someone is suffering. We use to brush off these challenges with phrases like *"It's all in your head"* and while this is very true it is in the sufferers head, this doesn't make the suffering any less real.

Closer to home we often need more than a Movember slogan and more than a casual "**R U OK?**" question. What we have learnt about men is that they need their tribe. Unlike women who often deal with things face to face, men relate shoulder to shoulder. There are bonds formed through shared experiences. Things like being part of a sporting team or club, or being in a military unit, or working together on a common project, build the bonds where men are able to feel safe enough to talk through these often internal issues.

You may never have worked on a car before or are just looking for a project to be part of. Come join us the first Saturday of the month from 10am at Lifepoint Church, 6 Jacob St, Tailem Bend. Our next gathering is Saturday December 4.



ABOVE: Michael Holliday.

# What's Going On In & Around Tailem Bend?

#### MONDAYS

- <u>NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SA;</u> Area 484 will resume on the second Monday of the following months November 8th.
- <u>PROBUS CLUB;</u> The next meeting will be held on 15th of November at 10am at the RSL Contact: President Robert Shurville 8572 3868 / Email: robertess@bigpond.com
- <u>ROTARY CLUB OF TAILEM BEND</u>; Meet every fortnight on Mondays at 6pm at the Riverside Hotel, Princes Hwy Tailem Bend, Contact Sue Piggott: 0439 723 998. Some meetings are held elsewhere so if visiting please phone 0407 609 741 to check location.
- <u>TAILEM BEND PROGRESS ASSOCIATION;</u> Meets first Monday every month @ 6pm at the Tailem Bend Community Centre. Contact Maxine Kiddie: 0439 387 750

#### **TUESDAYS**

- <u>SOCIAL TENNIS;</u> Every Tuesday 9.30am-12.30pm. \$2.00. All welcome. Phone Anne Howell: 8572 4023.
- <u>JERVOIS BRANCH CWA;</u> Meet 1st Tuesday of each month at the Jervois Hall @ 10.30am. Contact Gloria Afford: 8572 6070.
- <u>TAILEM BEND LIONS CLUB</u>; LIONS meetings 2nd Tuesday at the Riverside Hotel and 4th Tuesdays at Lions Den, corner Trevena Rd & Seymour st each month at 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Contact Doug Holmes 8532 4372 or Ian Eckermann 8572 3850.
- <u>TAILEM BEND AUTO CLUB</u>; Tailem Bend Auto Club (*TBAC*) meeting every Third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Tailem Bend Football Club. Please contact the TBAC Facebook page for more information.

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

- <u>COOMANDOOK BRANCH CWA</u>; Meet first Wednesday of the Month at the Coomandook Hall from 1pm, unless otherwise advised. For more details contact Anika Loechel 0438 256 629 or call State Office on 08 8332 4166 or www.sacwa.org. au
- <u>TAILEM BEND CHRISTMAS PARADE MEETING</u>; Is every 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Tailem Bend Community Centreat 6pm. Contact Maxine Kiddie: 0439 387 750

#### THURSDAYS

- RIVERBEND LADIES INDOOR BOWLS; Thursdays until the end of October. Fun games 10.30am. Team games 2pm. Contact R. Ellis: 8572 3252 or L. Jaensch: 8672 4064
- <u>PARENT CHILD MOTHER GOOSE</u>; From 0 -5 years old. Connect through song, rhyme and stories. 9.30am - 10.30pm at the TBCC BOOKING REQUIRED Contact the TB Community Centre, Phone: 8572 3513.
- <u>ST LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CARD GROUP</u>; We are now back at the Church on Thursdays from 1pm to 4pm. All Welcome to come and join us. For more information contact, Evonne Whibley 0405 970 804
- <u>FRIENDS OF THE HOSPITAL</u>: Friend's of the Hospital monthly meeting held on the first Thursday of each month at 2pm at the Tailem Bend Hospital, All welcome! Details: Gwenda Zadow 8572 3057.
- <u>ULYSSES LOWER MURRAY MOTORBIKE</u> <u>CLUB</u>: A club for motobike riders for over 40 years. If you enjoy riding motorbike and a social gathering with other motobike 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

#### <u>FRIDAYS</u>

- <u>OUR GOLDIES LUNCHEON</u>; 8 times a year, follow the CHSP Calendar. Bookings are limited due to social distancing requirements. Phone 08 8572 3513 for more details.
- <u>TAILEM BEND RSL SUB BRANCH</u>; 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 -

#### **SATURDAYS**

- <u>JERVOIS DANCE</u>; Every 5th Saturday at the Jervois Hall, 8pm till late. Phone: Russell Nuske on 8572 3568, or Wayne Cheeseman on 0431 119 416.
- <u>MURRAYLANDS BALLROOM DANCE GROUP</u>: The Murraylands Dance will be held in the Tailem Bend 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

# **Thought for the Month**

Presented by Peter Connolly Catholic Parish PPC Chair

#### Faith is far simpler. It is trusting God.

For months, Annie prayed for a horse for Christmas. She did it each night before she went to bed. Even though the main focus of her prayers was to bless her parents, neighbors, friends, and even the strangers in her town, she slipped in her desire to get the horse. Her parents having only a small apartment for the three of them had no way to afford a horse or renting a place where it could be boarded. But they didn't have the heart to challenge Annie's earnestness and faith that she'd get the horse.

Christmas came. Annie gleefully jumped out of bed and ran into the living room to check out her presents. She found a doll buggy and a new doll under the tree. She put the doll in the buggy and went door to door on her floor in the apartment building, showing everyone what Santa had given her.

Her parents were stunned. Annie said nothing about there being no horse. She was just full of joy to have the new toys.

When she got back from her trip to the neighbors, they talked to her. "Annie, we've always told you that God answers your prayers. But he didn't answer the one about your wanting a horse."

"Oh but God did answer my prayer," Annie said. "He just said 'No."

That's faith.

Written by Jerry Eckerat

## ~ Church Services ~

#### **ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA**

47-49 Station Drive, Tailem Bend Service: EVERY Sunday at 11am. Enquiries: Parish Priest Fr David Price 0408 593 894 Evonne Whibley: 0405 970 804.

#### **REHOBOTH**

Christian Church On the Verandah 181 Railway Terrace Tailem Bend 10:30 every Sunday (everyone welcome) Pastor Gary Paynter: 0428815560 Joanna Paynter: 0428855696

#### **CATHOLIC**

Catholic Church mass times: 1st and 3rd Sundays Mass 10am 2nd 4th and 5th 10am. LWC. Parish Priest Father VIM. A. 0437 000 244 Murray Bridge Asst. Priest Father John Vildzius. 0447 43 8882 Tailem Bend contact 04233 12916. Fridays 10am – 4pm.

### MURRAY BRIDGE UNITING CHURCH

Narooma Boulevard, Murray Bridge Sunday's: 9.30 am Rev Darren Lovell: 0466 411 784 Church Office: 8532 5150

### **MURRAY BRIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

32 Seventh Street, Murray Bridge, 5253 Sunday Service Time - 10am Church Pastor Tom Bosman Church Office: 8532 2883 Mobile: 0417 815 607

#### LIFEPOINT CHURCH

6 Jacob St Every Sunday 10am. Pastors Timothy and Alisha Minahan Phone: 8395 0888 Mobile: 0406 413 680

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN

10 Seymour Street, Tailem Bend Service times as per the Notice Board by the front fence. Contact Tony Traeger 0421 421 102

#### PEAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

1st and 3rd Sunday at Peake - 10am 2nd and 4th Sunday at Sherlock - 10am 5th Sunday TBA Pastor Geoff Lohmeyer Phone: 8574 3134 Mobile: 0429 811 515



# ~ Community Notice Board ~

#### TAILEM BEND COMMUNITY CENTRE

TBCC is going to trial having JP's on site for people to drop in or make an appointment. One will be Friday monthly during business hours the other after hours on a Tuesday monthly.

Here are the dates for term 1 2022 we will revisit next year if the service is not being utilised. Both Leonie and Helen welcome people to contact them to make an appointment for JP services or anyone wanting to pop into TBCC for a coffee and chat they will be available.

#### Please share this information.

Leonie Hutson 0419 823 457 First Friday of each Month 2-4pm Feb 4 - March 4 - April 1

Helen Bowering 0447 227 533 Third Tuesday of each month 5.30 – 7pm Feb 15 - March 15 - April 12 (2nd Friday of month due to Easter)

#### Anu Nginti (Ngarrindjeri, thank you)

Submitted by Tammy Shepherd

#### FRIENDS OF THE HOSPITAL

The year of 2021 has been a busy but rewarding year for the "Friends", with catering our main fundraiser. Covid restrictions caused some cancellations but we look forward to *"smooth sailing"* hopefully, in the future.

Our raffles have been well patronised with the Christmas raffle on display in Foodland. We thank Tailem Bend Foodland and staff for allocating space for the raffles and to the community also for your support.

The building project at the Tailem Bend Aged Care Facility is slowly making progress with the announcement from Mr Wayne Champion, CEO of Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network, that a major project costing approx \$2,000,000 is proposed for this site.

More funding is necessary before this project becomes fruitional, with your donations which have previously been received and secured for this build.

We sincerely thank you. Tailem Bend Aged Care and the community will benefit greatly from this project. We wish everyone a joyous Christmas, a happy New Year and look forward to you continued support in 2022.

#### Keep well and stay safe!

Submitted by Gwenda Zadow

#### TAILEM BEND HISTORIANS ASSOCIATION

#### <u>By Passed</u>

Homes among the Mallee Small towns ignored by the bitumen, With little time to stop and explore To learn the essence of history The uniqueness of the place, The forebearers who opened the land Communities coming together Creating their own culture.

Highway cafes holding on, The Sherlock orchestra playing, Football fields and tennis courts, Manicured cemeteries out of town, Quarries extracting essentials, Town Halls still providing, Silent rails no longer needed Crops struggling out of the sort And the ever-present Mallee.

Wells dug to water the stock, The lonely graves of those who passed German headstones in the scrub, Buildings now deserted Amid sheet limestone and sand, Stories and faces thought forgotten Being resurrected by the curious Before History grows over them.

#### Marcus Reseigh 1/10/21

The Historians are hoping you are enjoying the window displays in the main street. Many thanks to Robert & Tony Hughes, Kerry & Luke at Coorong Realty, for allowing us to utilise your empty shop windows, allowing us to share some history from our town and surrounding districts.

#### Thank you to those who put all this together!

Submitted by Angie Tomkinson on behalf of the Tailem Bend Historians

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# ~ Community Notice Board ~

#### **Quotes of the Month** Jokes of the Month Christmas gives us an opportunity to pause and reflect on Why was the snowman looking through the carrots? the important things around us – Family – Friends – Giving He was picking his nose! and Forgiving. May lovely happy times decorate your Christmas season. May warm special memories brighten What do you get when you cross a snowman with a your New Year. May the wonder of Christmas be with you vampire? Frostbite! forever. Submitted by Margaret Jaensch Knock, knock! Who's there? Justin. Justin who? Love makes us generous! Justin time for Christmas cookies! Submitted by Lyn Goddard What do you call an obnoxious reindeer? If you want to make the world a better place, take a look at Rude-olph. yourself and make a change. Hooo. Michael Jackson BATMAN w #Legobatmatmovie w ...... How does a snowman lose weight? If you have something you would like to share in the He waits for the weather to get warmer! next Tailem Topics, please email it to the Editor at tailemtopics@gmail.com. **TAILEM TOPICS SUBMISSION INFORMATION - 2021 Tailem Topics Submissions:**

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The summer holiday period, and more specifically Christmas time, has long been a busy and high risk time of the year on our roads in Australia.

If you are heading away for the holidays, or plan on you and the family spending Christmas with the grandparents, then chances are, you'll be sharing the road with many other families who are doing the same. The traffic level can be unpredictable at this time, so better to be cautious and allow for extra time, especially if you are travelling on the day or just before Christmas Day. There may be more caravans and travellers towing boats and jet skis on the road, which can cause minor delays and require extra caution from all drivers.

So allow an extra amount of time for your journey, even if you've done it before. Better to arrive safe and calm than rush and put your family or anyone else in danger.

#### **BLUE LIGHT SA**

Unfortunately at this time we are unable to hold any Blue Light Discos due to Covid.

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#### Neighbourhood Watch - Tailem Bend Area 484

2021 Meetings for Tailem Bend Neighbourhood Watch

Area 484 will resume next year. As for Blue Light, it is still watch this space. We are unable to resume until we receive approval from the Blue Light Executive in Adelaide.

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# **The Greatest Gift**

Submitted by Tracey Woidt on behalf of the Lutheran Churches of Tailem Bend, Karoonda and Buccleuch, served by Pastor Tony Traeger.

The pageant has been, the shops sound the melodies of carols, decorations adorn the aisles and Christmas movies start to appear on our screens. The signs are all there, it is nearly Christmas. Do we need some sparkly new decorations for the tree this year? What will we have for Christmas lunch?

Who will we see on Christmas day? What gifts do I need to get? No matter how simple we try to make the day, there is so much to think about. Whether positive or negative, it all costs us in some way. Is it our time, our effort or our money?

At Christmas, as Christians gather to hear the account of the birth of Jesus, they come together not for the glitz and glamour of the season. They gather to hear of the gift they have received from God the Father. The gift of His Son Jesus, sent to earth as a baby to live as one of us while still being God. In the quietness and stillness, they hear of a miraculous birth planned from the beginning of creation. A plan to save people from their sin so they may live with Jesus in heaven forever. A free gift for each and every one of us. It cost us nothing, but it cost God everything.

That is one gift that can never be matched. A gift of love freely given by the grace of the heavenly Father. Purchased by the blood Jesus shed on the cross. Alive and growing by the goodness of the Holy Spirit. And it is yours. Free. It started with a baby in a manger. Humble beginnings for the greatest gift the world has ever known. A gift for you.



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