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President's Corner

Welcome to Pene Jeffries, Peter Lomman and Grant Maddern who accepted nominations at the AGM to the CBCA Committee. They will join Cathy, Laurie and myself for the 2016/17 year. Katherine Stanley-Murray will continue as our Council Representative and Pamela Francis attends meeting as a representative of the Milang and Districts Community Association.

A big thank you to Pat Smytherman, Brian Lewis, Pat Hawkins and Barbara Roszkowski for their valuable contributions over the years. A special thank you to Anne Feast who has also retired after being a committee member and Treasurer for many years. It is dedicated people like these who have helped the committee to continue it's work for the benefit of the whole community.

Preparing the submission for the KESAB Sustainable Communities Awards highlighted how beautiful our environment is, how, for a small community, we have many facilities—the hall, tennis court, nursery, playground, boat club, jetty, cafe etc. Alex Hammett from KESAB was impressed with our community and what it has to offer both locals and visitors. We are truly one of SA's best kept secrets.

As we head into a new committee year I urge you to support events and activities organised by the CBCA. We are always open to suggestions and look forward to another successful year.

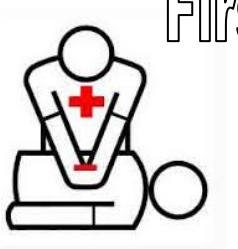
Leonie Henderson

Diary Dates

Oct 15th: Red Cross First Aid Course
Nov 1st: Melbourne Cup Lunch at Sails
Dec 3rd: Clayton Bay Disco at the hall
Dec 24th: Carols at the CBBC

Check your Clayton Bay Calendar, visit Facebook and keep an eye on the notice board at Sails for these and other events.

First Aid Course



Red Cross are running a First Aid Course at the Clayton Bay Community Hall

Saturday 15th October, 2016
Cost: $50 (normally $130)
9am to 5pm
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Contact Leonie on 0407 394 907 to secure you place

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A CFS CAPTAIN RETIRES AND YOUNG BLOOD STEPS UP.

Eighteen years ago in August 1998 Mick Falzon stepped up to the Clayton Bay CFS mark when Henry Jones founder of Clayton CFS assured Mick that he (Henry) and CFS wouldn't come to put out a fire at his place if he didn't join the Clayton CFS. Henry had "invited" Mick to join on numerous occasions and Mick had put it off just too many times. Mick joined…

Over time the Brigade has heard many other amusing stories and exploits from that era - too numerous to mention.

Since that time Mick & Henry (until Henry passed away a couple of year ago) was part of a strong foundation of a dedicated, hardworking, committed team at Clayton CFS. The name Falzon is a well known and well respected name around Clayton, Milang and districts.

On Tuesday 2nd Aug. 2016 at the Clayton CFS AGM, Mick announced his retirement from his position as Captain of Clayton Bay CFS after 12 years. In his speech Mick said "we have an excellent group of young members coming through the Brigade, very keen and enthusiastic members who are mature beyond their years with plenty of common sense which seems to be a rare commodity. I have enjoyed my time as Captain over the past 12 years even though it comes with plenty of highs and lows which are part of the job. I would like to thank you all for your support, loyalty and help within the CFS and also my personal life. Thanks also to my Officers, who have carried out their positions to a high standard." In closing Mick said, " I may be stepping back as Captain but will fully support the newly elected Captain and Officers in their new roles if needed. I am confident for the future of the Brigade and am very proud of our achievements over the past 12 years".

After his retirement speech Mick was elected as **1st Lieutenant** to Micah Doecke from Pt. Sturt as **Captain** of CFS Clayton Bay.

A big **THANK YOU** to Mick for his 12 yrs. of dedication & service to Clayton Bay Brigade and Congratulations to him and Micah and to the other Elected Officers.

Micah Doecke elected on Tuesday night as Captain steps into Mick Falzon's BIG shoes (size 14) knowing he has the support of his colleagues and Mick as his mentor.

Micah was 14yrs old when he joined the CB CFS in October 2009 along with his brother Jeremiah as Clayton Brigade's first ever cadets. Mick himself was an integral mentor and friend as the cadet years progressed to firefighting.

Micah particularly enjoyed the challenge of familiarizing himself with as much firefighting equipment & techniques as possible to be prepared for any situation. Recent years have brought many opportunities to serve the community with involvement in strike teams including at Cherryville, Bangor, Sampson's Flat & Pinery. His time between call outs is filled with various agricultural pursuits including raising Dohne merinos, shearing & revegetation employment. Somewhere in between all those pursuits, Micah has also found time for travelling the world with highlights - being present on the beach at dawn on Anzac Day for the 100 year Commemoration service, and also playing drums at the Basel Tattoo. 'The Doecke brothers are already a great asset to the CFS.'

Other Officer Positions Elected in Clayton Bay CFS on 2nd August 2016

2nd Lt.: – Jeremiah Doecke, **3rd Lt.**: Sam Wassenaar , **4th Lt.:** Hudson Fish

Communication Officer: Geoff Braddock

Training Officer: Geoff Braddock

Cadet Training: Jeremiah Doecke

Equipment Officer: John Bruce, **Assist** : Steve Franz, **Logistics** : Fred Dickson

Admin & Treasurer: Lynne Dickson

Senior Fire Fighters: Vince Falzon, Neil Fuller, Geoff Braddock

Fundraising/Support Team: Tracy Falzon, Jean McCormick, Libby Braddock, Cynthia Furniss, Gloria Jones, Christine Jackson, Julie Jones, Sharon Doecke, Sue Arhns.

Clayton Bay residents can sleep peacefully knowing there is a committed and reliable CFS crew at the ready for any emergency. Support them when you can…

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CBBC

Leading up to the beginning of the 2016/17 sailing season a section of the jetty has recently been replaced at the boat club. It was quite fascinating watching the process of removal of the old and installation of the new section

The October long weekend saw the start of the boating season. On Saturday 1st the

Pursuit /Stern Chaser Race was run in the afternoon. This year saw the return of the COMMODORES DINNER held at Sails.

Sunday 2nd was opening day with the Opening Sail Past where all classes of craft sail by the Commodore's craft and salute him

The opening day BBQ, which is also the 1st Sunday of the month, is always popular with members, friends and visitors enjoying a relaxing catch up after a winter of limited sailing activities.

A tradition of the day is the reciting of the Tom Bentley CBBC poem written by Rob Jones. Tom was one of the very early members of the boat club and was instrumental in instigating the Sunday monthly barbecues. He also had a passion for poetry and hence one was written in his honor.

This is followed by a time trial around the bay where no watches or timing devices are allowed—boats have to complete 2 circuits of the course in as near to the same time for each circuit.

www.**claytonbayboatclub**.org.au

BBQ MEAT & SALAD LUNCH AT THE BOAT CLUB

All members of the local community are welcome at the Boat Club lunch, held on the **1st Sunday** of every month from **12.30pm.**

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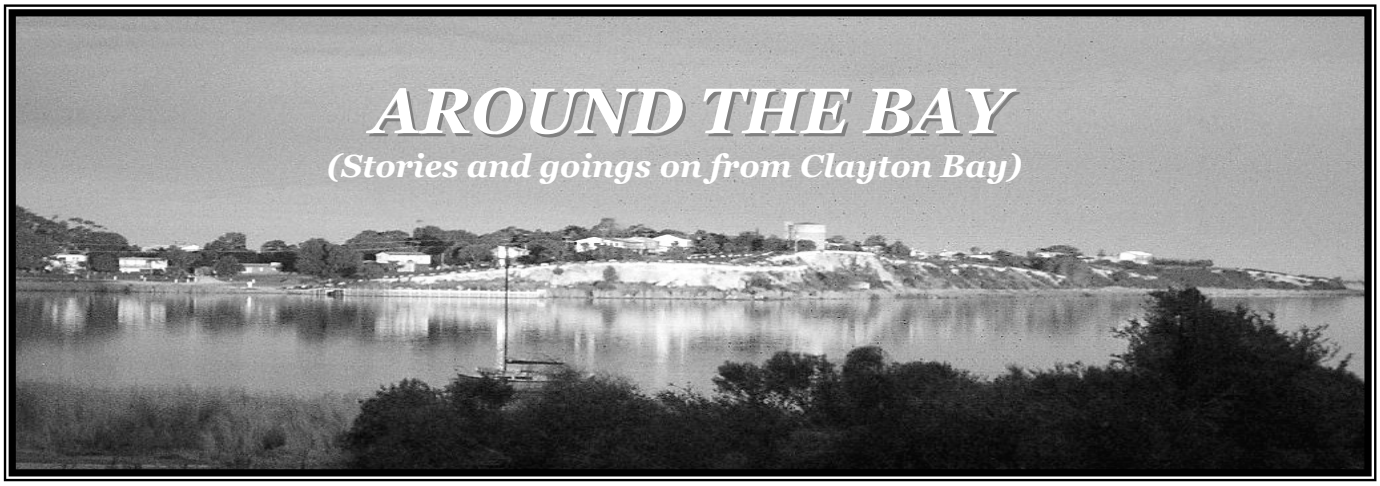

If you have not renewed your membership you can do so now. Contact Leonie at president@claytonbay.org.au for a renewal form.

Members will have received their membership cards with this Chronicle. Your card entitles you to discounts/special offers at local businesses in and around Clayton Bay.

You can keep up to date with events happening around Clayton Bay visit our Facebook page or the Clayton Bay website claytonbay.org.au

There will not be a Clayton Bay Calendar for 2017...but it will be available again in 2018.

SALA, South Australian Living Artists, provides a range of opportunities and initiatives that celebrate and promote South Australian visual artists, locally, nationally and internationally. The annual SALA Festival, is an innovative, community-based State-wide festival. SALAs vision is to create and sustain an environment in which South Australian visual artists are supported, valued and celebrated.

Clayton Bay and Point Sturt were again well represented in the SALA calendar. On Sunday 7th August, Gloria Jones opened Pat Ingleton's display which featured artists from Point Sturt, Milang and Clayton Bay including Claire Cooper, Brian Griffin, Jane Hylton, Rob Hylton, Pat Ingleton, Gary McLachlan, Judith Pederson, Rose Russell.

Mulled wine served in hand made pottery cups raisied money for "Operation Canine" dogs trained for soldiers suffering Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

At Clayton Bay Rob & Jane Hylton and Sam Mulcahy both had their art on display. A SALA closing get together was held at Wynwood Studio.

The Melbourne Cup lunch is on again this year at Sails. Bookings are essential and can be made at Sails. This is a joint fundraiser for the CBCA and the CFS and is great fun for all.

My Adopted Patch

Sitting at my lounge window, on Island View Drive taking in the views, I realized how lucky we are in Clayton Bay to have such beautiful sweeping scenery and lots of fresh clean air. Having a few spare hours each week, the decision was made to roll up the sleeves andpitch-in to help our environment.

Exercise I need, so a little mowing, pull a few weeds and general clean of the area, add a few plants. A friendly chat with the passing walkers, and at the end of the day enjoying the rewards.

The Clayton Bay Nursery people are happy to answer any questions.

I would recommend taking on a patch to anyone with a little time and a love of gardening.

Karyn

Dumping of rubbish—including household items, is illegal and causes a lot of inconvenience to those who have to then dispose of items left around the place.

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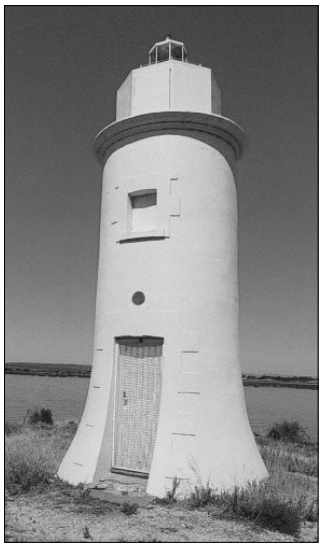
MELBOURNE CUP 2016



The only inland freshwater lighthouse in the Southern Hemisphere – South Australia's Point Malcolm Lighthouse – will be lit for the first time in 85 years next month.

The lighthouse guided paddle steamers through the lower lakes of the River Murray from 1878 to 1931.

Situated at "The Narrows" – a channel linking Lake Alexandrina and Lake Albert – the lighthouse was particularly important for boats travelling between the townships of Meningie and Milang.

Point Malcolm is on the opposite side of The Narrows from the small community of Narrung, which will hold an old fashioned dance in the town's hall on the night to kick off a weekend of celebrations.

A lighthouse globe is being brought across from Sydney for the historic lighting on Friday, October 28, as part of Meningie's 150th anniversary celebrations.

Meningie Progress Association member Andrew Dawes said the ports of Meningie and Milang played important roles in the movement of wool, livestock and dairy products.

"One of the most important roles the lighthouse played was to guide the Royal Mail from Milang to Meningie en route to Melbourne.

The Royal Mail travelled by stage coach from Adelaide to Milang, by paddle steamer for the 53km voyage to Meningie before being returned to a stage coach for the long haul to Melbourne via Kingston, Naracoorte and Mount Gambier.

By the early 20th century, the paddle steamers *Judith*, *Milang* and *Murray* were carrying passengers, goods and mail up to three times a week between Milang, Narrung and Meningie.

The lighthouse sits on top of a steep bank 25 metres above the water level and has a range of 10km. It is under the care of the National Trust and is believed to the only inland lighthouse in the Southern Hemisphere.

The white light atop the 7m-high concrete building initially revolved with a flash every 10 seconds but was altered to a fixed white light in November 1887.

The lighthouse can be accessed from a road near the Narrung Ferry. The keepers' cottages are being restored for private use.

The opening of a bridge for trains and cars across the Murray River at Edward's Crossing – now Murray Bridge – in 1924 and the establishment of a Narrung Ferry service in 1928 led to a reduction in paddle steamer traffic. The Point Malcolm Lighthouse ceased operation in 1931.

An automatic light on a pole has been installed next to the lighthouse, to guide recreational and commercial traffic using the river and lake system.

Dawes said he expected there to be a fair bit of interest from lighthouse enthusiasts but wasn't sure if many would make the trip to Point Malcolm, which is about a two-hour drive from Adelaide, the capital of South Australia.

He said the Coorong District Council and a team of volunteers were playing a crucial role in cleaning up the lighthouse inside and out ahead of the event.

"The *Oscar W* (paddle steamer) is going to come over from Goolwa and that will be tied up to the Narrung jetty the night the lighthouse is lit and the dance is on so there'll be a fair bit happening," he said.

"But we haven't got a clue how many people are going to turn up."

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Meningie's 150th anniversary celebrations will also include a sailing regatta, concert, fishing competition, vintage car display, kite festival and a mail re-enactment.

Although the original light was fuelled by kerosene, non-profit organisation Lighthouses of Australia has sourced a suitable battery-operated Pharos Marine FA-250 Marine Lantern for the occasion.

The lighthouse is expected to be lit from dusk till midnight on October 28.

The Lighthouse will be open to the public on the Friday afternoon and Saturday morning (October 29), and while the *Oscar W* and other boats in the Milang to Meningie Regatta travel through the Narrung Narrows toward Meningie.

It will be re-lit at dusk on Saturday for about two hours.

Lighthouses of Australia archives officer Graeme Davis said the globe would be powered by a car battery on the night because there is no electricity at Point Malcolm.

He said there were many inland lighthouses in the northern hemisphere, mainly around the Great Lakes in North America, but the Point Malcolm beacon was unique in the Southern Hemisphere.

"It's one of those things that will attract a lot of attention and bring up a lot of inquiries from right around the world," Davis said.

This article was first published on The Lead.

IN DAILY **Adelaide's independent news**
Wednesday September 07, 2016
www.indaily.com.au/news2016/09/07/sas-inland-lighthouse-to-shine-again-after-85-years/

The Point Malcolm Lighthouse and keeper's cottage
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1. How do lighthouse keepers communicate?

2. What instrument did lighthouse keepers play?

3. What did the ocean say to the lighthouse?

4. What's the difference between a lighthouse keeper and a jeweler?

5. **Why did the man build his house out of balsa wood?**

Answers
1. Shine Language.
2. The fog horn.
3. Nothing. It just waved.
4. One watches seas, and the other sees watches.
5. He wanted to live in a lighthouse.

CBNEG

The Nursery continues to be a hub for propagation and plant management, a base for on-ground works & equipment and a welcome cuppa and a chat are guaranteed.

CBNEG volunteers have contributed over **4000 hours** over the past 12 months in the nursery and around the foreshore.

FORESHORE WORKS:

With the end of the CLLMM maintenance period in September, Alexandrina Council is now responsible for the weed control around the trail. CBNEG volunteers have done a vast amount of work to remove weeds and encourage native grasses through regular mowing, brush cutting and hand pulling. Mulching around plants (Dunn's Lagoon side) has also reduced the growth of weeds to date, and should greatly reduce the germination of **caltrop** at that site.

Several residents have taken on maintenance of a patch of the trail with planting & weed control through hand pulling & mowing weeds, therefore encouraging native grasses germination and survival. The self-seeding of these grasses – *Poa, Austrodanthonia, Austrostipa, Chloris* and *Enneopogon* is beginning to be evident, with the grasses taking the place of previously weedy areas.

The majority of woody weeds around the trail have been removed by contractors, changing the look of the site at the entrance to the trail dramatically. Volunteers are now targeting Vedlt grass to remove the flowering heads, and will follow up in late spring with an application of herbicide. Small trees have been planted to replace the woody weed Coastal Tea tree and include *Hakea mitchellii* and *Melaleuca lanceolata.*

Much mowing and brush-cutting has been taking place around the trail, allowing the native grasses to grow well.

PROPAGATION:

160 species were propagated at the nursery this year, with approximately 30,000 local provenance plants grown. The majority of the sales were contracted for revegetation at Clayton, Langhorne Creek & Hindmarsh Island, although a good number were sold through planned sale events as well as weekend and mid-week open days at the nursery.

GRANTS:

CBNEG were successful with applications for 2 grants this year ($3679 total) to purchase tools and equipment required for ongoing maintenance of the trail, and health & safety equipment for volunteers.

NEW MEMBERS & VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME:

There is a variety of jobs that are required for management of the nursery and foreshore trail.

These include:

- propagation by seed & cuttings
- seed collection, seed cleaning
- record keeping
- mowing, brush-cutting, hand weeding
- infrastructure maintenance
- infrastructure construction
- weeding pots
- administration

The nursery is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 am – 4 pm, & monthly on Sunday mornings during the planting period.

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These foundation skills courses are funded through the Government of South Australia's WorkReady initiative.

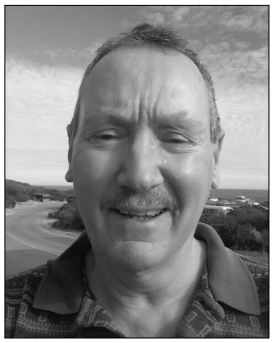
New Committee members

Hi all, I'm Pene Jeffries and I moved to the beautiful Clayton Bay about 6 years ago after living in cities here and overseas for many years.

I always thought I was a city person but discovered that I was really looking for a quiet home with an ever changing rural view and once I'd decided on the move it didn't take long to find Clayton Bay and my home with it's fabulous outlook.

After a bit of to and froing with work I have finally retired and settled very happily into the quiet life with my new dog, Bella. My time here has mostly been spent establishing a native garden out the front with edible plants out the back, but I have been impressed with the variety of activities the CBCA offers and felt it was time to see if I could help out in some way.

I look forward to getting to know many of you through the events on offer over the coming year.



Peter Lomman. I am a self employed contract project manager, working with organisations to improve their business systems and processes.

I enjoy canoeing, sailing and gardening, and am reasonably handy around the house, and enjoy a little renovation and construction activity. My partner Karen and I are still permanent residents in Blackwood, with one remaining offspring to support through high school before we gain our freedom again.

We have been enjoying the quiet delights of Clayton Bay for more than 6 years.

Having initially stayed in holiday rentals on a few occasions, we enjoyed the community and environment so much we purchased a property on Island View Drive to enjoy the bird life and views over Snug Cove. We enjoy the pristine environment of Clayton Bay and want to support the community and associations to preserve and maintain it for all to enjoy.

Grant Maddern. My career background is 30 years of banking; I came to Clayton at the invitation of a former client in 2003 for a BBQ. At the time I thought it was a lovely place to spend a weekend and what a great area to have a holiday home. Six months later after a family tragedy my view on life changed and I wanted a place to come and relax from the corporate world. A property came up that suited my family's needs and budget.

Now some 14 years later I am a permanent resident and no longer into Banking but now winemaking with a local winery in the Langhorne Creek area.

Clayton has turned me into a sailing enthusiast and I joined the Boat Club in 2005, I have enjoyed being associated with the community and a member of the Boat Club Committee for several years' 2 of which as Commodore.

Now I have some "spare time" I have joined the community association committee as Treasurer having been a member of the association since 2005. I hope to utilise my skills in banking, finance and grant application success (achieved at the boat club) to improve the sustainability of our community and it representative body, our community association.

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Rain, rain and more rain!

The wet weather caused havoc around the Fleurieu with heavy falls recorded in a number of places. This was similar to what happened in 2013 as excerpts from the Times below show.

The Times: Sept 14th 2016:

REGION – Much of the Fleurieu was underwater as steady rain fell from Monday morning well into Wednesday afternoon.

Between 12am on Monday and 5pm on Wednesday, more than 91mm of rain fell at Parawa West, 82mm at Hindmarsh Island, 63mm at Kuitpo, 55mm at Victor Harbor, and nearly 50mm at Strathalbyn.

Emergency services evacuated Rapid Bay students as Fleurieu is flooded rain.

The Times: 19th August 2013

UPDATE: More rain causes flooding on the Fleurieu.

More than 90mm of rain fell at Mount Compass over the weekend and the force of the wind and hail on Saturday caused players from the senior colts match to run from the field.

19th August 2013: Rainfall recorded on the Fleurieu Peninsula since Friday August 16 until Monday August 19 at 9am - Mount Compass 97mm, Finniss 67mm, Inman Valley 79mm, McLaren Vale 36mm, Myponga 70mm, Parawa 65mm, Victor Harbor 54mm, Willunga 59mm and Strathalbyn 38mm.

Membership Lucky Draw

$125 was won at the AGM

Next draw $25

At the Melbourne Cup Lunch

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Clayton Bay Rainfall

Jan 16	29.8 mm
Feb 16	51.4 mm
Mar 16	19.6 mm
Ap 16	9.2 mm
May 16	30.2 mm
Jun 16	42.8 mm
Jul 16	82.0 mm
Aug 16	22.20 mm
YTD	**287.2 mm**

Sept 14th 2016 35.6 mm

To Sept 25th 2016 117.6 mm!

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His request approved, the Newspaper photographer quickly used his mobile to call the airport to charter a flight.
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He jumped in with his bag, slammed the door shut, and shouted, 'Let's go'.

The pilot taxied out, swung the plane into the wind and took off.

Once in the air, the photographer instructed the pilot, 'Fly over Mount Stuart and make low passes so I can take Pictures of the fires on the hillsides'

'Why?' asked the pilot.

'Because I'm a photographer for the Bulletin' he responded,' and I need to get some close up shots.'

The pilot was strangely silent for a moment, finally he stammered, 'So, what you're telling me, is . . ....

You're NOT my flight instructor?'

"Life is short..
Drink the good wine first."

A major events weekend is planned for 28, 29 30 October, including lighting up the Point Malcolm Lighthouse (Friday 28th Oct see page 10 & 11) a 'Back to Meningie' reunion at the Lions Jubilee Park and a party at the Museum (Saturday 29) and mail re-enactment, Carparama, and Kite festival. (Sunday 30). KEEP THIS WEEKEND FREE!

October 30: Nautical Mail Delivery Re-enactment

Watch a colourful mail re-enactment with a flotilla of boats travelling from Meningie to Milang as well as a breakfast and sailing regatta organised by the Meningie Sailing Club. The flotilla will include old time paddle steamers as well as sailing and motor boats. Some will travel as far as the narrows at Narrung and the Point Malcolm Lighthouse and others will travel across both lakes and finish at Milang. The mail re-enactment will continue through to Adelaide GPO.

http://meningie150years.webs.com/calendar-of-events

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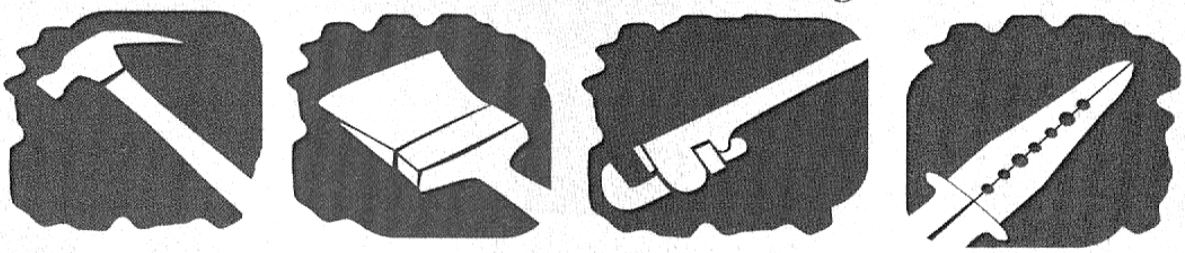

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Birds in Our Area

There is so much water around after such a wet winter. It means that, presently, there are not the usual large numbers of water birds in our area because they are spoilt for choice with wetlands further afield.

We will still spot small numbers of the regulars like Purple Swamp Hens, Coots, Pacific Black Ducks, Black Swans, Cormorants, Pelicans, Ibis and Egrets. Keep an eye out for any with young. Recently I have seen a proud pair of swans with six young cygnets.

I particularly enjoy watching the birds in my garden. The raucous Red Wattlebirds and New Holland Honeyeaters are always very bossy and possessive of their patch during Spring.
And it's a delight to regularly hear and see the smaller bush birds. Willy Wagtails, Superb Fairy-wrens, White-browed Scrubwrens, Grey Fantails and Brown Thornbills all love to frequent the many bird baths that I have in my garden.

One day I could hear the harsh scolding alarm calls of the White-browed Scrubwrens and the trill of a Fantailed Cuckoo close by. I watched as the Scrubwrens tried to fend off the Cuckoo that was obviously eyeing off a newly built nest close by.

Fantailed Cuckoos and Horsefield Bronze-Cuckoos are annual visitors to our area in Spring time. They know where the smaller birds are building their nests!

Take time out and enjoy some birdwatching. You may be interested in the Aussie Backyard Bird Count from 17–23 October. Check out the website www.aussiebirdcount.org.au

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17-23 October 2016

How to get involved

To get involved all you need is 20 minutes, your favourite outdoor space, and some keen eyesight.

Simply record the birds you see on our Aussie Bird Count app or through the Submit a Count tab at the top of your screen. You'll instantly see live statistics on the number of people taking part and the number of birds and species counted in your neighbourhood and the whole of Australia.

Not only will you get to know your feathered neighbours, but you'll be contributing to a vital pool of information from across the nation that will help us see how Australian birds are faring.

You can complete as many counts as you like over the week – so get your friends and family together, head into the great outdoors and start counting!

From the 19-25 October 2015 over 42,000 nature-loving Australians took time out of their busy schedules to enjoy the birds around them resulting in over 1,000,000 birds counted for the second annual Aussie Backyard Bird Count.

The Top 10 most common bird species in Australia remained unchanged from last year, with the Rainbow Lorikeet once again taking out the number one spot. There were minor changes in the order of some of the top 10 birds – Common Myna, Galah and Silver Gull were bumped down a place or two, with House Sparrow, Red Wattlebird and the Welcome Swallow moving up the list.

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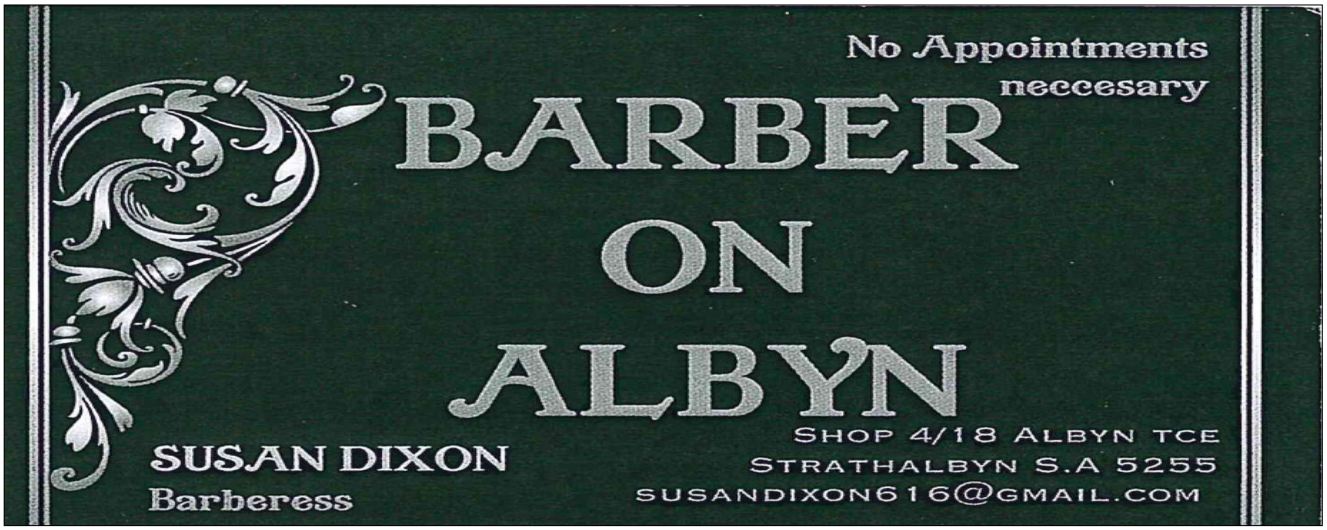

KESAB
Sustainable Communities Award

Clayton Bay is a finalist in the KESAB Sustainable Communities Awards in several categories. The awards will be held on November 15th at the Entertainment Centre. Alex Hammett visited Clayton Bay and was joined by Mayor Keith Parkes, Alexandrina's Simon Grenfell and the CBCA Council Representative, Katherine Stanley-Murray and members of the community for morning tea before being shown around our town.

Showcasing local community action is the heart of KESAB Sustainable Communities. It's about celebrating the sustainable actions, practices and achievements of South Australia's regional and rural communities. However, it is more than just a celebration; it's the recognition and acknowledgement of hard work, long hours, new ideas, passion, enthusiasm and spirit of regional South Australian communities.

The Sustainable Communities program is about people getting together to help their local towns, schools and businesses to provide a better place to live, work and play; a place where visitors are delighted to go; and locals want to stay. And it's about protecting, conserving, managing and improving South Australia's resources and natural environment.

The KESAB Sustainable Communities Program is split into a number of different awards categories. There are individual awards for projects, programs or groups as well as specific awards for Schools, Community Groups and Councils, and of course there is the Overall Winner!

One town/ community will be named as the Overall Sustainable Communities Winner and will go on to represent South Australia at the Keep Australia Beautiful Australian Tidy Towns Awards.

Win or not, this is fantastic recognition for our community and it's achievements .

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Milang Butter Factory

You may have read in the Times that the

Milang and District Community Association is the proud new owner of the historic Milang Butter Factory after settlement occurred in late July.

The iconic round-roofed stone factory building, built in the 1880s, is listed as a State Heritage Place on the South Australian Heritage Register.

The community association was able to purchase the butter factory and adjoining cottage with the assistance of a $325,000 funding grant provided by Alexandrina Council.

Volunteers have commenced the enormous task of restoring both buildings with regular working bees now occurring every month.

Once restored, social enterprise businesses will be established including a cafe, art gallery and eco-tours to provide destination tourism and links with other local businesses.

Official Opening

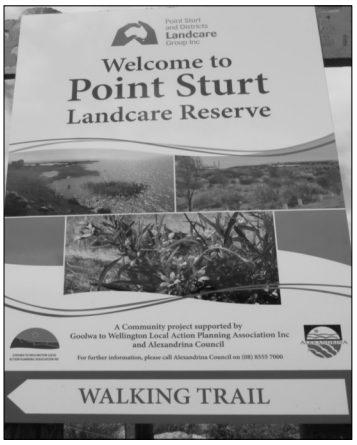
Point Sturt Landcare Reserve

On Sunday 23rd September, the Point Sturt and Districts Landcare Group officially opened the Point Sturt and District Landcare Reserve.

Anne Hartnett and Alan King spoke about how the reserve had come about through strong partnerships between the Group, Alexandrina Council and Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association. They also celebrated the amazing achievement of revegetating the reserve over the past 6 years.

Keith Parkes, Mayor of Alexandrina Council then officially opened the reserve by cutting a ribbon and unveiling the reserve's sign.

The Point Sturt and Districts Landcare Group has been operating for the past 27 years but will now change its role to 'Friends of Point Sturt Landcare Reserve'. Interested members of the community are welcome to be involved in this new group.



Celebration of the completion of the

Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Community Revegetation Project

The 100 strong party of attendees then moved to the Hartnett Lighthouse Community Revegetation Site where Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning Association hosted a celebration to recognise the achievements of the CLLMM Community Revegetation Project.

Will Miles from Goolwa to Wellington LAP, Carole Richardson, Community Nurseries Network, Karen from the Milang and Districts Community Association and Tony Randall from the Ashbourne Cricket Club all spoke about their involvement in the project and the amazing achievements.

Since 2010, the CLLMM Community Revegetation Program has engaged the community to propagate and plant in excess of 1.5 million local native plants covering 206 species in 104 high biodiversity sites around the Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Region. More than 95 local community groups were involved in the project, with a large majority of these groups planting in consecutive years throughout the program.

The Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Recovery Project is funded by the South Australian Government's *Murray Futures* program and the Australian Government.

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