

Clayton Bay Chronicle

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ANZAC Day: New stobie pole at Old Clayton
(right). Bagpipe tribute , see page 23





Above: Volunteers removing plant surrounds and stakes. See page 12



Above & Left: New swimming beach and shelter overlooking the new small craft launch area.



Right: Claytonette rescued. See page 7



President's corner

Welcome to another edition of the Chronicle. I'd like to begin by extending a special thank you to Leonie our editor and to all those people who have contributed articles to this current edition. I hope that everyone is enjoying this beautiful mild Autumn weather which is giving us the opportunity, even under the current social isolation restrictions, to get out in the garden and turn our attention to undertaking jobs and other tasks around our homes that we might not get around to under normal circumstances.



While the current pandemic has forced us to curb public functions such as the Bonfire, Blaze Aid Trash and Treasure, Mainly Mozart concert and Christmas in July, please be assured that some of these events have only temporarily been postponed, not cancelled. The CBCA is still holding meetings via teleconference, thanks to our Secretary Peter Lomman and the CBCA will continue to inform you of the status of other forth coming events in the future. I'm thrilled to see that the CBNEG, Frog Project and Community Garden continue to function thanks to the dedicated team of volunteers who continue to work for the community through a roster system.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the Community of Clayton Bay who have taken on and upheld the social distancing rules and regulations to protect our community as a whole and individuals who are supporting neighbours, friends etc. I thank you all. Look after yourselves and continue to enjoy life here in this marvelous, beautiful paradise called Clayton Bay.

Letho Kostoglou

Diary Dates 2020

The 2020 Bonfire has been cancelled.

Events up until end of August, Mainly Mozart, Trash'n'Treasure, Christmas in July, AGM, have been postponed. Check Facebook for updates.

June 30th Membership fees due

**Maybe this will go ahead:
November 14th
35th Hall Anniversary Dance**



Being a volunteer with the CFS can present some interesting yet challenging experiences.

As the Fire Season comes to a close, it will go down in history as one of the busiest and most ferocious nationwide. For Clayton Brigade and every other brigade in the State, there was no rest. So, to re-cap, the extreme heat, wind, and dry lightning created a busy four-week period. Although there were several fires burning around our State, at Cudlee Creek alone there were more than 496,000 hectares burnt and some 176 homes destroyed. Kangaroo Island endured fires for an extended period, burning 211,255 hectares in total, including some of South Australia's most important ecological sites, such as Flinders Chase National Park. In addition, 89 houses were destroyed and multiple townships were affected and unfortunately, lives lost.

This season certainly presented some challenging times for Clayton Brigade. But as a Brigade, we met these

challenges head on and responded to over 25 incidents. These incidents involved approximately 115 crew being responded to callouts that included 2 deployments to NSW, 28 Crew over 10 day/night period at the Cudlee Creek Fire, 7 crew to KI over multiple overnight deployments, 5 callouts to Assist SAAS, and multiple Grass and Scrub Fires and other incidents. Not bad for a brigade with 17 active crew members. As small brigade, our wonderful team of both crew and support members showed dedication to supporting our community, State and Nation in time of need.

As Fire Ban season finishes, along with the hot and dry weather conditions, it's nice to see a bit of green appearing around the region. Take care when burning off, as fire, even in cooler weather conditions, can take off and soon become a threat to your property or your neighbours.

2020/21 Membership

The new membership year
begins July 1st.

Reminders will be sent soon.



Time to celebrate

We can confirm that a whopping total of \$4,000 was raised for the brigade by our generous community at the annual Australia Day Breakfast. Far out that's a lot money! That total includes breakfasts, raffle tickets, and some pretty substantial donations by members of our community. We would usually hold a bit of a party after training on a Tuesday night and have the cheque presented by the Community Association, but due to COVID-19, this year we are unable to do this.

Hence Clayton Brigade would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE and heartfelt thanks to all those who contributed to that record-breaking total by either volunteering on the day, donating generous raffle prizes, donating substantial amounts to the brigade, allowing Tracey to sell you raffle tickets, or buying yourself a breakfast.

Thank you so much from each one of

us. We are touched by your generosity and your assistance helps us better protect our community going into a new year.

Be assured that we are still responding to callouts as normal during this unusual period due to COVID-19.

If you are interested in being part of our great CFS team, or just want to learn more about a role you can play, then give Lynne a call on 0447767980.

Jeremiah Doecke
and Lynne Dickson

Pay It Forward

MADCA has announced that the Milang Old School House Community Centre, MOSH, have closed the doors to the public for the interim, to reduce the flow of traffic and the potential risk to Community Centre and staff providing essential services.

Food Parcels are available from MOSHCC so call on 8537 0687 for more information. Donations for the food parcels are being accepted, phone to find out how you can support this.

So if you would like to do something to "Pay It Forward" locally this is a good time to do so. Visit the website to find out more, or watch the movie.

payitforwardday.com/

Birds in Our Area

Exciting Sightings

As usual, I'm writing this article, early morning, right on the deadline.

I just had to have a quick five minute sit in my 'happy place' at the back window to check out the early morning bird activity.

I spotted a bronzewing (below) lurking in the undergrowth. As I hoped, a **Brush Bronzewing** hesitantly came out into the garden, followed by another one even more dubious and skittish, possibly a juvenile. Exciting!



Brush Bronzewings, identified by their timid behaviour and rich chestnut mantle and sides of breast, have been irregular visitors in my garden for 40 years. I've spotted Common Bronzewings around the township for about the last 20 years. They are a lighter grey-brown, not so secretive and easily spotted in the area.

Last week, while watering in the back garden, I was watching a pair of **Golden Whistlers**. The male is always obvious by its black hood, white face and yellow underparts. The female is harder to identify with its grey plumage and an olive tint on the shoulders.

I spotted a small bird high in the gum tree. I could tell by the "jiz" of the bird it was something different but nowhere to be seen by the time I had my binoculars. Suddenly it flew out from a clump of blossom buds right above my head. It was a **Striated Pardalote**! I often hear them up in the canopy of the trees but rarely see them. They are grey with yellow on the face and neck, black and white wings with a red spot in front of the wing stripe.

A beautiful **Grey Fantail** and female **Superb Fairy-wren** decided to join the bird party along with a **Singing Honeyeater** while the **Rainbow Lorikeets** provided the raucous sound effects.

The rescue of 'Claytonette' the koala (see page 7) was another exciting birding moment. The odd bird behaviour of **Little Ravens, Magpies and Magpie Larks** hassling something high up in the Willow Myrtle tree made me start looking for a bird of prey but Spotter Pat found a koala! In all the excitement Hawke-eye Pete spotted a **Wedgtail Eagle** high overhead being harried off by a couple of Little Ravens.

It's great to hear what others are seeing and trying to help with identification of birds seen in our area.



Mozzie

Striated
Pardalote

It was a beautiful Tuesday morning in Clayton Bay, perfect for working at the Point removing the guards from 2019 plantings. After two hours we decided that it was time for a caffeine fix and set off along Island View Drive.

Mozzie, an experienced birder, drew my attention to a fracas occurring in and above a large Willow Myrtle tree. A few very agitated birds were flying in and out of the tree making a lot of noise. Their behaviour definitely required some investigation by the Intrepid Duo. Mozzie determined that in all probability a bird of prey was in the treeand so the search began!

It was at this point that I began to doubt my sanity, maybe I was hallucinating, I was quite hesitant in telling Mozzie that I could see a large lump at the top of the tree; a lump that looked very much like a koala???? Mozzie confirmed that in fact there was a koala in the tree. Whew! I wasn't going crazy.

Having gathered ourselves together, we decided that a call to Adelaide Koala Rescue was required. They were extremely helpful and assured us that they would organise a rescue. The Intrepid Duo was required to be on koala watch, just in case it decided to move. We took our role very seriously, providing AKR photos of the tree, the koala and the adjacent stobie pole. *Why take a photo of the stobie pole, I hear you ask??* The quick thinking Mozzie determined that this photo would provide an indication of the height of the tree.

Time passed, AKR advised that they were having difficulty locating a rescuer with a long enough pole for the task. *"Why not seek help from the Clayton Bay CFS?"* The Intrepid and Helpful Duo confidently suggested....more time passed, lunch accompanied by a glass of red was enjoyed; inevitably and regrettably I had to leave my post.

*Over to Mozzie....*much later a message was received from AKR to say that rescuers would be there in 20 mins with assistance from the CFS.

I thought I was keeping watch but I suddenly received the message "Wanna come see her?" I whizzed out to find her already zipped up and ready to go in the car.

A few very lucky walkers admiring the sunset were the only ones to witness the very calm, quick rescue. 'Koala Watch' and CFS were just a bit too late but did have time to admire her and have a quick chat with the young rescuers from Blackwood.

Over some ooohing and aaahing I was asked if I would like to name her....a difficult on-the-spot decision! "What about Clayton?" "It's a girl!" "Well, she can be Claytonette."

Claytonette, a healthy 10-year-old koala, was fed well and under observation for a week before being released at the Finniss River. Adelaide Koala Rescue thought it was miracle that she ever got to Clayton. They suggested that maybe she wandered down from the Finniss/Tooperang area or was pushed out by local koalas.

Pat Smytherman

Success

The Clayton Bay Nursery and the Clayton Bay Community Garden depend on grants for any development of infrastructure and tools, with the nursery also needing to source contracts for each upcoming growing and planting seasons.

We have struck a rich vein this year in finding grant opportunities and being successful with a total of 4 grants won this year. The Community Garden Grants have been expanded elsewhere in this Chronicle.

The Clayton Bay Community Nursery has succeeded in winning 2 of these grants. The first of these is from the Natural Resources Management program which has provided funds for a trailer which will be set up as a dedicated water trailer. Getting water to plants during the planting period and supplementary watering for first summers, or scorching periods during our summers, is a very

demanding, time consuming and physically demanding job. Having a trailer which can be hooked up and ready to go easily is a tremendous boon.

The second grant was from the RAA, through their Grassroots Giving program, which has provided \$5000 for propagating, growing, planting and guarding 1,250 Eucalypts which will replace Koala Habitat destroyed in the Cudlee Creek fires. The specific species will be chosen in consultation with Bush-care groups local to the planting sites. These plants will be grown for the 2021 planting season, with seed sowing for this project beginning in August/September.

We continue to search for grant sources to expand the work we do at the nursery and the efficiency with which we can do it, with a very high success rate from our applications, largely due the longevity of our enterprise and the great reputation we have built for healthy, disease free plants.

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Everyone at the Boat Club hopes our CBCA friends are keeping fit and well during these interesting and challenging times. Hopefully we will not see a COVID case in Clayton Bay.

The rapidly escalating restrictions have effectively put our clubs program of remaining activities for the 2019-20 sailing season to bed. That said we are starting work on the 2020-21 calendar which will include all the usual activities such as Pirate Day for big and small kids, Rat Race Regatta, monthly Club Barbecue and Hamburger Nights.

Clubs SA has been very helpful and engaged in providing timely advice and clarification of what we can and can't do on the Clubs grounds as follows:

- Toilets and Clubrooms need to be closed and will remain so until restrictions are eased.
- The veranda area is also closed so no small gatherings please, if you need a seat to catch your breath there is a park bench near the flagpole.
- Organised multi boat cruising on the Murray and lower lakes is not possible until restrictions are eased.

A good piece of news:

- We are permitted to rig, launch and retrieve boats noting the magic numbers of two people per boat and 10 max on the club grounds at any time.
- The footpath along the water line is open, so we still have the foreshore walk around the whole of Clayton to enjoy.

It's nice to see new paths are under construction which will provide greater amenity and safety.

It is import for us all to keep connected as a community and engaged, as much as possible, in activities that invigorate us and keep us physically and mentally healthy in uncertain times.

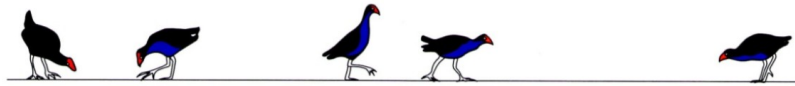
Stay safe, active and informed.

Ric Kies

Drawing on Country

Drawing on Country looks a bit different this year going Inside Out. People of all ages and abilities are invited to create a work inspired by their interior environment and share it online with us on June 6, 2020.

Find out more about getting involved:
<https://www.countryarts.org.au/>



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WINE FUNDRAISER

Wine orders can be placed throughout the year.

Example of the wines available are:

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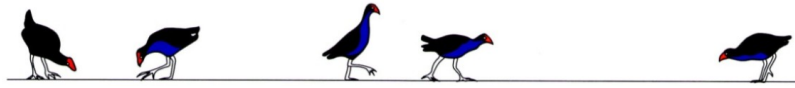


This is one way you can support the Clayton Bay Community Association's fundraising.

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Clayton Bay Community Association at work for our community



On behalf of the CBCAI we wish that you all stay safe and well during this time and remember we are all in this together and together we will get through it.

If you find you are needing a little extra assistance at this time please contact the Association on 0448 453 202 and we can put you in touch with supports.

We are also, and always, looking for some inspiring tales and photographs for the next edition of the Chronicle. if you have any stories, yarns or pics and are able to share them please call 0407 394 907. We would be glad to receive and publish them.

Community Hall Grounds Clean Up

Keeping to a 2.5hour schedule 20 folk, (14 female and 6 males) embraced the tasks to transform the Hall surrounds.

Humorous conversations, a wide range of activities all took place against a background of "chain saw music" and laughter. The end result

being that many tasks were completed.

Special features of this working bee were:

- Half time refreshments.
- Volunteers working in pairs on tasks of their choice.
- Working to an exact time frame.
- All participants received a gift.
- A splendid morning tea.
- Lots of merriment at the review of the tasks that had been achieved.

Thank you to all "players" for their contribution in making this activity so successful.

P.S. The Coronavirus Beast has prevented holding a follow up.

Peter Smytherman





Secretary Marg Mundy

Treasurer Con Boerma

Nursery Manager Carole Richardson

DO YOU HAVE A PROPERTY IN THE HUNDRED OF CLAYTON BAY?

In 2018 Pt Sturt & Districts Landcare Group wound up after many years of landcare in the district and trusted CBNEG with some funds to continue with revegetation in the 'Hundred of Clayton'. This includes land up to Glengrove Rd & for the purpose of the project also includes Pt Sturt.

Clayton Bay Nursery has local provenance plants available to those landholders for \$1.00 per plant which is half the regular price. We may also have some free plants to landholders for ongoing revegetation and increasing habitat in this region. Please contact us if you are interested.

Email: claytonbayneg@gmail.com

Mobile: 0418 838 003

VOLUNTEERING WITH CBNEG

The Covid 19 Virus has put a halt on most of the volunteering at the nursery, however some of our inventive & dedicated volunteers have been out the foreshore trail collecting guards & stakes from the established plants whilst maintaining appropriate social distancing. Meanwhile at the nursery a skeleton group have been keeping up with plant & nursery maintenance which is ongoing despite the lockdown.

When restrictions are lifted the nursery will be open to the public on Tuesdays & Thursdays. If you have an interest in plants or working on the foreshore please call into the nursery or contact manager Carole 0418 838 003. Our volunteers are a most diverse bunch, each with individual knowledge and skills, and all with a seemingly indefatigable sense of humour. Thanks to all for your work and good cheer. I miss you all.



WINTER PLANTING IN CLAYTON BAY 2020

This year 3000 tube-stock will be planted by CBNEG around the foreshore. 2000 of these will be concentrated at all of the foreshore walking trail entries and drains around the foreshore. 1000 will be planted around the soon to be erected bird hide overlooking Duck's hospital. We will be planting these in June/July assuming gatherings are allowed, and will be looking for help from the wider community.

DIVERSITY IN THE NURSERY

This year we have produced cuttings of several *Eremophila* and *Correa* species that are suited to gardens in Clayton Bay. Although these are not native to our region, they have proven to grow well here, as well as providing habitat & food for many of

our local fauna. There is a wide range of local species also available, many of which are suited to gardens in Clayton Bay

PLANTS GROWN FOR CONTRACT

As well as the 300 plants grown for Clayton Bay, this year CBNEG has grown plants for the 'Our Coorong – Our Coast' Project, and plants for 2 sites at Pt Sturt managed through Friends of Pt Sturt Reserve group. One is the Pt Sturt Reserve – the old Council Triangle site which is looking amazing, and for a walkway being developed near the end of Point Sturt by the Friends group.

Carole Richardson
Nursery Manager

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What's the buzz?

A welcome, light but steady rain is falling – no watering tomorrow, although there will be plenty of other things to do. And autumn is such a wonderful time of year to be in a garden, when there's a crispness to the mornings and a sunny day kisses the skin like velvet.

In between removing last season's old plants, digging over the beds, adding goodies to the soil, planting seedlings and seeds, and building a couple of brand-new beds, there's also time for reflection.

Bees gather around the flowering shrubs and herbs. Sometimes, I see insects I haven't seen before – intriguing little creatures, occasionally sporting jewel colors. I don't have a clue what they are. It is enough that they are beautiful.

I sit, pour a coffee from my thermos and watch the small birds arguing over feeding territory.

Sprouts from recently-planted seeds are poking their heads above ground and I swear the spinach has grown an

inch overnight. Pea pods are ripening, cauliflowers and lettuces are growing. There's a brand new garden bed to admire.

It's always a pleasure to watch things grow.

Except for the soursobs!

So much to do, so much to learn. One thing at a time. A garden takes time and effort. It's a work in progress, and in some ways an exercise in patience. There will be successes and there will be failures. But it's also great fun, especially when you're "in the zone". The physical work pays fitness dividends, and the sheer delight of being in this space where things grow, flower, ripen, buzz, fly and crawl, and takes the mind away for a time from thoughts of the difficult times so many people are experiencing right now.

When someone joins me in the garden, we work at a distance from each other, but still together; though we miss the camaraderie of a crew, we can still have a laugh and a catch-up with each other's lives, and we know

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those times will return.

The garden mob has been successful in its application for a grant which will give us the funds for major improvements to our food production and for our comfort when enjoying that cuppa as we survey our patch.

We look forward to having you visit when this current situation eases.

In the meantime, if you have a garden, spend time in it, and not just working. Make a cuppa, grab a chair, and simply enjoy it.

Glenda Dodd

Grants for community garden re-vamp

Some welcome news was received recently when SA Health's Office for Ageing Well notified us that the Community Garden has won a grant of \$4,800 under their "Grants for Seniors" programme. Open Gardens SA have also granted us \$3000 for additional garden bed replacement.

Now we can refurbish our garden beds, which after many years' use, are rotting and falling apart. We can also fill them with better soil. Our backs will appreciate this – we won't need to add and dig in quite so much soil-improving matter!

Glenda Dodd

On visits to other community gardens in the area, our volunteers came across some more practical ways of shading beds in summer, so we'll be able to purchase suitable pipe for framing, and shade cloth to fit our new beds.

The money will also cover much-needed equipment and supplies, some of which will make the physical work of gardening easier for those of us who aren't quite as young as we used to be!

Our garden is a place where people in our community can volunteer or just come for a visit, make new friends, learn new skills and pass on their own skills to others, and have some fun working together in enjoyable surroundings. There's something quite special about being in the open air, getting some exercise, making time for relaxation, watching things grow, with the added benefit of access to some fresh produce.

Even though Covid-19 has meant that many volunteering activities are off-limits for many people, eventually we'll be able to resume a more normal life, and we're looking forward to having more people come and join us.

MILANG OLD SCHOOL HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE



Milang Old School House Community Centre provides a range of activities and services for the community. Drop in today and find out what's on, or visit www.moshcc.com.au

Adult Community Education - Emergency Relief (by appointment)
- Internet access - Print, Photocopying & fax

Friday Feast: Lunch & Dessert for \$7 every Friday

Crèche 9 :30—12:30 Mon and Wed, during school term. Come and try something new while childcare is available. With limited places, bookings are essential - Call MOSHCC 08 8537 0687 Donations Gratefully Accepted

GLC Struggle with the cost of living? Life getting too much? Family Issues? Want to connect with others in social activities, or just want a chat? The Growing Life Connections Program provides support to families and individuals who are dealing with issues impacting their lives. Call Colleen 08 8537 0687



Milang & District Community Care provides low level support in the home for those who need a small amount of assistance to remain independent. Services like domestic assistance, gutter cleaning, social support in the home, supported shopping are just a few of the Commonwealth Government funded activities that we provide.

Lakes Home Care provide higher levels of support in the home to ensure that as your needs increase you can remain supported within your community. Services that you may access could be personal care support like shower assistance, assistance with preparing meals, cleaning, laundry, modifications like grab rails, clinical care - physio and podiatry, to name a few.



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Milang Lakeside Butter Factory



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MILANG & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.



The Southern Bell Frog Project

The frogs are being well cared for thanks to volunteers who are feeding and caring for them regularly. Volunteers are now breeding mealworms to feed the frogs as well. The two outdoor enclosures have a pond each and have been planted with a variety of local species replicating their natural habitat. Did you know that this Clayton Bay conservation facility is the first of its kind for the species?

Rupert Mathwin, an experienced ecologist and biologist visits the facility regularly to check that everything is running smoothly. Visit the FAME website to find out more.

www.fame.org.au/projects/help-the-southern-bell-frog-bounce-back

Friday Fitness Walk

Meet at the hall at 9.30am. Social distancing in place—just need to talk a bit louder!

Stobie Poles

It's great to see a few newly painted stobie poles around town. Initially funded by the Alexandrina Council, in 2016, the Colouring Clayton project received permission from Power SA networks to "decorate" stobie poles but there are conditions—any pole that has a transformer or writing/numbers must not be used. Contact Leonie on 0407 394 907 for more details.

For Sale

I have 3 large Clayton Bay photos which I would like to sell. They are printed on photographic paper and are ideal for mounting on block board and framing.

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SALA Update

It is perhaps no surprise that South Australian Living Artists—SALA, held annually during the month of August through SA, will sadly not proceed in the usual way this year.

The team at SALA have launched a new way of accessing the work of artists via a digital exhibition for which SALA will provide a platform. Visit salafestival.com/2020-artist-participation/ for details.

All exhibitors from Clayton Bay are able to take part in the SALA digital exhibition at no cost. Please email me at phil marg4@bigpond.com if you would like to know how to take part in this way. Or visit the SALA website salafestival.com

The annual Clayton Bay Community Exhibition has become a celebrated and well patronised event, which strengthens our strong community connections. In light of that we would like to proceed with a local event at a time that the extraordinary raft of restrictions currently being faced will permit, if at all possible, as a stand alone event.

Tentatively, the October long weekend is one possibility for a launch, continuing the exhibition through the following weekend. No plans can be made, or dates set, until we know more, but we will advertise dates when and if we are able.

People have been variously innovative, sensitive, hilarious and compassionate in many of the ways that they have found to connect, support and uplift their fam-

ily, friends and neighbours during these difficult times.

Maybe we can mount a face-to-face exhibition this year, maybe not, but we can live in hope, as it would mean that Australia, like the Apollo 13 astronauts and Pink Floyd, have emerged from the Dark Side of the Moon.

I hope that all of us can find some silver lining, albeit small, from the events we and our fellow global citizens are immersed in at this point in time.

Yesterday is history
Tomorrow is mystery
Today is a gift

Marg Mundy

Clayton Bay Rainfall 2020



Jan	30.4mm
Feb	17.6mm
Mar	.6mm
Ap	82.4mm
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Total to date	131mm

(April 2019 total 9.4mm)

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When you can't control what's happening,
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you respond to what's happening.
That's where your power resides.

ANZAC Tribute

The soldiers landed on the beach

Their enemy hidden out of reach

They ran ahead many

falling all around

Trying to gain the important

piece of ground

Guns were blazing and bullets flew

Would they make it nobody knew

They fought on throughout the night

Determined that they'd win the fight

Finally success and they had

broken through

Every man knowing just what he

had to do

Exhausted and weary they took

back the land

Bloodied and wounded together

they made a stand

Many lives were lost, tears shed for

mates that died

Those who made it out were filled

with courage & pride

Not knowing then what would later

become a fact

The birth of the spirit, the tradition

of the mighty **ANZAC**

Maggie Brand 2017 Local resident

ANZAC Day

A group of nine locals - distanced respectfully - participated in a Dawn Service on Hindmarsh Street.

A magnificent morning it was with several introductions made to those who had not met before followed by a cuppa and traditional ANZAC biscuits.

Good banter, great people, and few laughs while enjoying each others company all the things we love about our town.

To top the morning off the suns rising presented us with an beautiful picture and gave us another opportunity to reflect on those who had seen their last.

Lest we Forget

Mick Daw

A totally different remembrance in 2020 saw many residents up at dawn paying their respects with candles and listening to the Last Post. There was even a boat out on the river.

At 11 o'clock at the Jones Lookout, Jeremiah and Joel Doecke joined an army of bagpipers and drummers across this lucky country to play 'Amazing Grace' as a thank you to those who fought to make this country what it is. Passers by joined in a moments silence. Lest we forget.



Above: For Sale. See page 17



Right: Frog enclosure
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Below left: Mick Daw revamping the raised beds.
Below right: Glenda Dodd, Community Garden-coordinator. See pages 14 & 15





Above: "What are we looking at?" Pizza night fun.

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