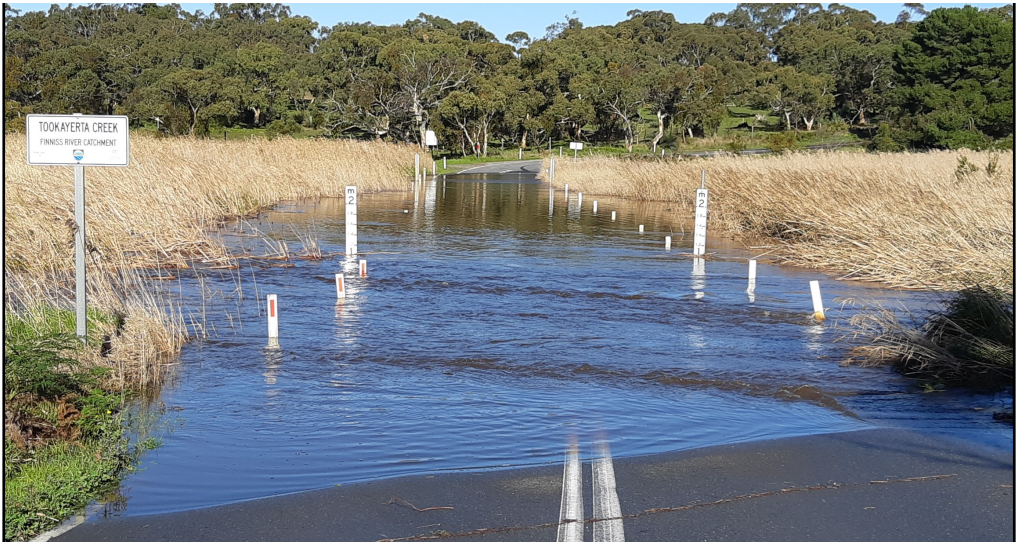


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Winter 2023 \$2.00



Flooding of the causeways at Finniss River, above, and Tookayerta Creek, below
(See CFS report page 4)



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President's corner

Welcome to the Winter edition of the Chronicle.

Lately, I've been reminded of a few of life's truisms - you can't please all the people all the time and you can't control the weather!



The recent community meeting in Clayton Bay was well attended and we heard about Council's budgeting processes and their current street lighting policy. With the turning on of 58 streetlights in our town by SA Power Networks we no longer enjoy the dark skies that we are accustomed to and a number of people are dissatisfied and upset by the current situation. The CEO, Nigel Morris, is prepared to come and walk the town at night to see the impact of the streetlighting and he's also agreed to meet with a small group of locals to hear their concerns. I urge residents to contact our South Ward Councillors, Margaret Gardner, Peter Oliver and Milli Livingston, to discuss their concerns and ask them to advocate on their behalf.

And for the first time in ten years, we had to postpone the Winter Solstice Bonfire due to the inclement weather forecast! Hopefully it will have happened by the time that this goes to press. Huge thankyou's to Mick Daw for being the event co-ordinator and to all those who helped with the bonfire build, catering, cooking, setting-up, serving, cleaning-up etc, etc!

I look forward to seeing as many people as possible at our AGM on Saturday, 12 August.

Stay warm!!

Ginny Edgerley

DIARY DATES

Keep these dates free

- July: Renew your CBCA membership
- July 2nd-9th: NAIDOC week
- July 23rd: River, Lakes & Coorong Action Group AGM
- July 30th: National Tree Day—why not visit CBNEG for some plants?
- August 12th: CBCA AGM

August 16th: David Basham at the hall 12.30-1.30pm

August 19-20th & 25-26th: SALA

Advance Notice

Letho will have a recital at the Hall
Saturday, December 9th
at 4pm.

(More details next edition)

The Clayton County Fire Service would like to take this opportunity to remind the community of the inherent dangers associated with driving through flooded waterways. In the past week, our team has responded to two distressing incidents where vehicles ventured into flooded areas, namely Winery Road. As a result, the occupants found themselves in need of rescue. It is crucial to emphasise that driving through such treacherous conditions poses a high risk. Control over the vehicle can be easily lost, leading to the perilous situation of being swept away by the strong currents. Additionally, car engines are prone to stalling in these circumstances, and there are often concealed hazards and obstacles lurking beneath the water's surface. Therefore, we urge all drivers to adhere to the road closed signs mandated by law, not only for their own safety, but also to ensure the safety of emergency crews who may be called upon for assistance.

In lighter news, you may have seen one or two firefighters walking around town recently, dressed up in full firefighting gear including those heavy breathing apparatus sets. We have truly appreciated the toots from

car horns and the thumbs up and smiles from passers-by. For those with a concerned eye, we would love to share that we are undergoing fitness training for a very specific cause.



2023
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depression, PTSD and
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the 28 floors of
Crown Metropol
Hotel wearing
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apparatus.*

Clayton Bay Country Fire Service is excited to participate in the Firefighter Stair Climb this year, which will be held on September 2nd in Melbourne. Joel Doecke and I have teamed up with members from the Strathalbyn CFS to take part. Additionally, we have recently secured the opportunity to train at Adelaide Oval. You may have seen the article from The Southern Argus on June 15th

The Melbourne Firefighter Stairclimb aims to raise funds for the Peter Mac Foundation, the 000 Foundation, and Lifeline. These organizations, in turn, support cancer research, education and treatment, and mental health awareness.

If you would like to support us, you can donate via the following link:

<https://www.firefighterclimb.org.au/station/sa-cfs/clayton-bay/>.

All proceeds will go to the aforementioned foundations.

Clayton Country Fire Service has recently been involved in training exercises with Milang CFS and Strathalbyn CFS. In May, the three brigades participated in HazMat awareness training at the Strathalbyn silos. During this session, members were involved in drills that required the wearing of gastight suits. It was an excellent opportunity for our HazMat and Breathing Apparatus operators to enhance their skills.

Additionally, other drills, including pulling charged hoses up the Silos stairs, were performed. These drills proved to be beneficial for practising our communication via radios and improving teamwork.

Recently, Clayton and Milang brigades have also collaborated for helicopter landing training. This training holds great significance for us, as it is essential for responding to medical emergencies and ensuring swift transportation of patients to the hospital. We highly value these training sessions and recognize their importance for our community.

Working closely with the other brigades, we always cherish the

opportunity to train together. It strengthens our collaboration and reinforces our ability to work effectively as a team.

If you have ever considered joining the Country Fire Service, now is an excellent opportunity as we currently have a few vacancies for firefighters. Becoming a part of the CFS is a fantastic way to support the community and become a valued member of an exceptional team. Rest assured that all necessary training will be provided, and the cost will be covered by the CFS.

Many blessings to all,
Firefighter Ben Chudleigh

***Interested in becoming a
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CFS fire fighter?***

At the Clayton brigade, we pride ourselves on fostering a supportive team environment that promotes camaraderie and growth.

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Products will be stocked according to demand. We hope to have more range over the coming months and hope to stock Beerenberg products soon.

We welcome you to come in and say hi.



Dunn's Lagoon boating destination

The bins, one maroon for general waste, one yellow recycling bin and the bottle wire basket have all gone missing! FRWA did not remove them and Council don't seem to know what has happened. Rubbish has been cleaned up by a concerned resident so if you know anything about the bin's disappearance please contact me on 0407 394 907.

Hall Piano

An upright KAWAI piano has been donated to the hall by someone who wishes to remain anonymous. It has the Letho tick of approval and replaces the previous piano (which was also donated). Letho will be heard practising over the coming months leading up to his December recital at the hall.

New Facebook group

[Clayton Bay \(SA\) - News & Events](#) has been set up by Milly Breward to "share upcoming activities from all the groups that are working within the community. Please also celebrate the uniqueness of the community through pictures of the area, artworks and poetry".

Flood rescues

The recent wild and wet weather saw 2 causeway rescues on Winery Road. Even when "Road Closed" signs are in place

some motorists clearly think it does not apply to them. What a waste of manpower and resources rescuing those who ignore the signs and their own safety. SES and CFS remind people not to walk, ride or drive through floodwaters as you do not know what debris or damage to the road is there. Indeed, many have seen the hot water service against the fence since the water has retreated!

2024 Clayton Bay Calendar

The theme for the 2024 calendar is WATER in all its many and varied forms in Clayton Bay.

Send your photos of people on, in or near the water, the floods, sprinklers in your garden, birdbaths (with birds!), CFS using the hoses, animals (frogs, dogs, fishing) etc, etc to Margaret Heathcote at magheath@gmail.com by the end of July. Please ensure that your photos are **at least 2Mb** in size to make them suitable for printing. (Photos from iPhones will need to be reconfigured so that they can be used.)

Don't forget to include your name.

A bit further afield

Created by the Confederation of Australian Sport in 1987, the 19th [Australian Masters Games](#) is in Adelaide from the 7th-14th October. Registrations are now open.

Clayton Bay Community Garden

Growing fresh produce and a strong community

Hi All,

Hope you are keeping warm . As I sit down to write this article it's rainy and cold outside. 🌨️

I've planted an apricot tree this morning and I think that's about all the gardening 😊 I will get done today!

We have been busy the last few months in the garden . There's been gradual progress and that's always good. We have been so appreciative to have two truck loads of mulch donated by Milang Environmental Centre.



Newly mulched paths

It will certainly help with the mud and weeds on the pathways this winter. So a big thank you to the boys at MEC. Also a huge thank you to Vicki and Kathy helping me move the mulch and keeping things going while I'm away on caring duties.

We've seen a good crop of pak choy lettuce and apples 🍎 on the cart. Lettuce is still growing well and brassicas are on the way. Right now lemons 🍋 and pumpkins are maturing and it's time to plant onions.

Winter is here and productivity in the garden is slowing and the Grow Free cart is looking a little bare but that's due to the dormant season. So if you have any produce, gardening books, seedlings you can spare please consider dropping it off to the Grow Free cart outside the community hall (it's undercover) by the Post Office.

KJ has been busy cooking candied Quince and producing the Clayton Bay community garden logo. This can be found on the Grow Free cart. She's been very creative in the garden with her branch weaving.

I love the fact we can all contribute something different to the garden and KJ is the perfect example - it doesn't have to be actual gardening.

I've been working on the compost ready for spring 🌻 crops. So if you have any veggie scraps drop them in anytime.

I've noticed a lot of visitors to the garden. This is encouraging and I hope they enjoyed it. Some are locals bringing families and others are holiday makers.

This is what the garden is about and I love learning garden tips from them.

So one step at a time the garden is growing and producing. My hope is it will help cut the rising cost of fresh fruit and vegetables to those in our community.

So try and keep warm this winter. Vegetable and chicken 🍲 soup is always a good way.

Drop in any time especially on a Tuesday morning 9-12 noon.



Take care.
Sharon Mittel

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer undertaking plant propagation at the nursery, you would be most welcome.

Email: cbneq@gmail.com

Clayton Bay Rainfall 2023



Jan	11.8 mm
Feb	16.4 mm
Mar	32.8 mm
April	37.2 mm
May	72.8 mm
June	66.2 mm

Total to date 237.2 mm

(March 2022 7.6 mm)

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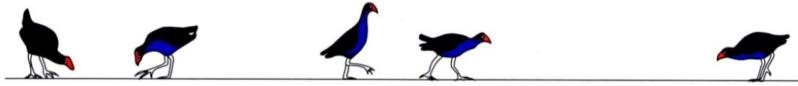
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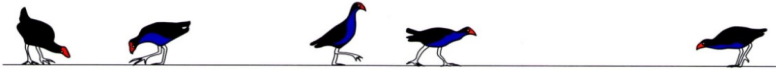
Secretary's Report

As the weather guided us gently towards winter after the heady days of live music at the hall, our ever creative event committee members, led by Angie and Michael, and our talented local quiz master, Di Collerane conducted a well attended and very enjoyable quiz evening over Easter, and the hall hosted morning tea for those touring the Bell Frog breeding facilities

During May the hall continued to be used for a Birthday party, and the visits from our local MP at the regular morning tea.

The approaching winter did not dampen our community spirit as we prepared for another winter solstice celebration with a bonfire, which was been delayed due to high wind risks assessed by our CFS, to ensure the community is kept safe. Members were advised of the rescheduled

Clayton Bay Community Association at work for our community



date which was Saturday, July 1st. (See page 19).

Early June we hosted the council budget roadshow session, and the community discussion about the streetlights in the new developments. (See page 18).

Council has recently replaced all the cisterns in the toilets to improve the use and amenities of this community hall asset.

Our community garden is growing vigorously under the guidance and dedication of one of our many very capable volunteers. The grow cart for produce exchange at the hall contains many products from the garden for use by those in need in our community. Support this initiative in any way you can as this is the true representation of our Clayton Bay community spirit. (See page 8 & 9).

The financial year end requires us to start planning and preparing for the next fiscal period of the association. Your membership renewal will be due shortly, and all existing members will receive a renewal notice. The association depends on our membership fees to support many of the activities around the hall and the local community. Please complete your

renewal as soon as you can. New members can obtain a membership form from the website, or contact the secretary@claytonbay.org.au with an email address and I can send you one.

**Our AGM will be on
Saturday 12th August, 2023
please arrive around 10am for a
10:30am start.**

The chronicle contains a nomination form for committee members, and we encourage all members looking to support management of the association activities and events to nominate as a committee member. Our monthly meetings are open for all members to attend as observers to see how we manage the affairs of the association.

**Peter Lomman
Secretary**

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?Quiz?

Just to keep your Quiz Night skills honed, each Chronicle will have Quiz questions supplied by Quiz Mistress, Di.

1. What South Australian Port was once known as Port Misery?
2. Name both the band, whose name is a palindrome, and their 1975 No 1. hit song that is also a palindrome.
3. Which film, based on a Harper Lee novel, starred Gregory Peck?
4. Do men and women have an equal number of bones?
5. Which two fruits are anagrams of each other?
6. What is the only country that borders the United Kingdom?
7. Which TV spy was assisted by Agent 99?
8. True or False. Halloween originated as an ancient Irish Festival.
9. Who invented the first motorcar?
10. Name the longest highway in the world. (Answers page 37)

Country Life Compassion Quiz Night at the Strathalbyn Show Hall.

Saturday 22 July

Sausage Sizzle and Soup from 6pm, with Quiz starting at 7.30pm.

Silent auction and live music by "Kick the Dog".

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Quiz Night at the Tooperang War Memorial Hall

Saturday 22 July – 7 for 7.30pm start.

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BYO nibbles, full bar service (no BYO drinks please).

Please ring Jill on 0409 693 748 to book yourself or a group - tickets \$12pp for advance purchase or \$15pp if paying on the night.

Please HELP Matilda represent Oz

Hello, my name is Matilda and I am a 14-year-old ninja warrior from South Australia. I'm the one who loves to backflip off the Clayton Bay jetty in the summer, and in winter you might've seen me walking across the planks of doom, which are the boards that cordon off the safe area for swimming.



Ever since I was a kid, I've grown up doing sport. I was a competitive gymnast when I was younger. My dad sometimes calls me 'State Champion' instead Matilda because I placed second in the state and first in bars. Eventually, the pressure of gymnastics got to me, so I gave ninja warrior a go because I could swing and fly, and I was good at it. I loved it immediately. It's all about pushing yourself and being really strong AND about having fun. Being able to represent Australia at the Ninja World Games feels like destiny.

For the past 3 years, I've trained at SA Base Camp with the other ninjas. We do obstacle courses on indoor jungle gyms that challenge our strength, our balance and our speed. We run up warped walls,

we swing and fly from one bar to the next, we use our fingers to move across slim ledges – things like you might have seen in the Australian Ninja Warrior television show. When I'm not at Base Camp, I'm working my way around the ninja tree in my own backyard. There are grips hanging all over the branches.

When I went to Nationals in Brisbane in January this year, my goal was to get to the final round, which meant I had to place 10th in my division. I ended up placing 2nd in Australia and qualifying for the World Championships in Florida this July and I will be the first female from SA to compete at a world event in this sport. Ever! Standing on that podium made me feel almost invincible. I loved it and I want to keep doing it. I hope I can do it in America!

I'm trying to raise money to pay for my flights, accommodation and registration at the Worlds and I hope you can help me. Ninja warrior is a growing sport, set to be in the Brisbane Olympics in 2032. That's my aim and this competition will help me get there.

I want to be a proud representative of Australia and my home state, South Australia, because they're heaps good!

Thank you for thinking of me.

Matilda

If you would like to help Matilda achieve her dream, go to:

www.gofundme.com/manage/help-matilda-get-to-the-ninja-warrior-world-comp

***Seen in Clayton Bay –
Guinness World Record
attempt for
stand-up paddleboarding.***

On June 11, Peter Charleswoth called in briefly to our jetty to have a chat about his epic journey down the Murray and around lakes Hume, Mulwala, Albert and Alexandrina. He had his eyes firmly fixed on the record of 2.642 kilometres and later that day he surpassed his goal and finally finished his trip at 4.33pm, having travelled a grand total of 2690 kilometres!

His motivation? To raise our awareness to be proactive about cardiac testing. When he was 47, he had a major health crisis that resulted in him needing a triple bypass.

He did the whole trip without any support crew, carrying all supplies on board and topping up his food from packages that he'd sent ahead.

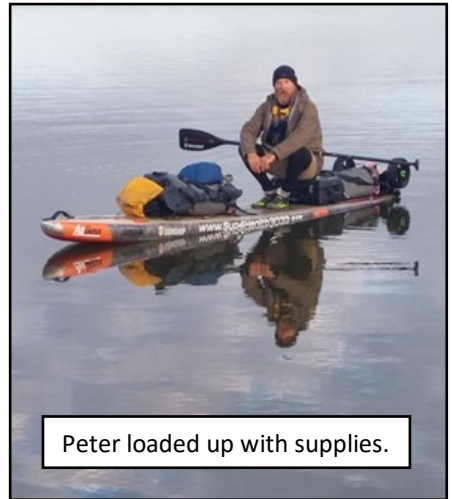
Peter is keen to spread the message

that we all need to do more than go to the doctor for an ECG, a blood pressure test or a blood test. There is more comprehensive testing available that can save lives and he wants people to be more proactive about their heart health.

Visit: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2023-05-09/stand-up-paddleboard-record-breaker-heart-health/102321068>

To donate and support Peter, go to <https://www.sup4health2023.org/>

Ginny Edgerley



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SALA

(South Australian Living Artists)

Still Magic

2023 is rushing along and this year's wonderful South Australian Living Artists event is only 2 months away. Artists are busily expanding their collection of masterpieces for your enjoyment.

During the month of August all parts of urban and regional South Australia come alive with an exciting array of temporary venues exhibiting the work of thousands of artists around our state.

Clayton Bay Community Association is once again hosting our own event, 'Still Magic', referencing the impact the beauty of our town, the community and its spectacular location and the natural environment has on our lives and wellbeing.

The event is held to promote, display and sell the artworks produced from within our community of permanent and weekender residents.

Exhibited artworks for the 2023 event will include painting, drawing,

mosaics, metalwork, glasswork, ceramics, fabric arts, jewellery and reimagined masterpieces. We have continued to attract new exhibitors again this year, many of whom are newly arrived residents.

The official opening is:
Saturday 19th August, 2023
12 noon
Clayton Bay Community Hall
The exhibition will run from
10am-4pm
Saturday and Sunday,
19-20 and 26-27 August.

Put the above dates in your diary. We promise you will be amazed at the talent on display. Many of you reading this may well have newly acquired treasures on your wall come September!

Tea and filter coffee, cakes, home made soup with crusty bread, and light meals will once again be for sale throughout the event.

**Please contact Marg Mundy
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GREEN ORGANICS bin
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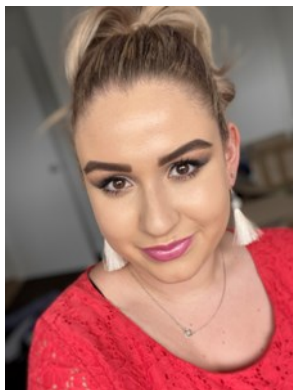


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23rd June, 2023

Dear Clayton Bay residents and community members,

We want to express our commitment to addressing the concerns raised during the Clayton Bay Community meeting on Monday 5th of June regarding the recently energised street lights. We understand the impact that the current street lighting has on your daily lives, and we are actively working towards finding safe and effective solutions while keeping in mind our responsibility to ensure the safety of our community and road networks.

After conducting a thorough risk assessment of the street lighting situation, the Assets Team have identified 32 street lights that can be switched off as soon as SA Power Networks is able to facilitate the process. This assessment took into account various factors such as Traffic Data, Light Isolux Contours, Pedestrian movements/needs, resident requests for lighting, as well as the location of developed and undeveloped properties in relation to the street lights.

In addition, we are in the final planning phase of conducting trials for the installation of light visors (see blue markers on attached maps). These visors will help limit the spill of light onto properties, and once their effectiveness is proven at the selected sites, we can proceed with retrofitting them onto the lights that will remain active.

We are also collaborating with SA Power Networks to explore the installation of

SMART lighting, which will further reduce the impact of light spillage on the community. This technology will allow us to adjust the brightness of each individual light and control the timing of when they are turned on/off to coincide with peak periods. Additionally, it provides us with the flexibility to remotely switch off all or select lights for special Astronomical events. Please note that the installation of SMART Lighting is not available from SA Power Networks until later this year. Administration will recommend to Council that a budget provision of \$25,000 be included in the upcoming 2023/24 to allow for the purchase of SMART lighting when it becomes available.

We genuinely appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate through this process. Our aim is to find a balance between addressing the concerns of our residents and maintaining the safety of our community. We will continue to keep you informed of our progress and any further developments regarding the implementation of these solutions.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

If you have family members, neighbours or friends that would like to receive these email updates, please encourage them to register [here](#).

Hannah Paul

A2040 Administration and Communications
Officer Alexandrina Council

Bonfire 2023

Always with great humor and enthusiasm a group of volunteers began the artful construction of the bonfire on the 7th of June to erect the frame, and again the following week to load it up with fuel. It only takes a few hours each time and we would like to encourage people to come along next year and become involved, or just sightsee—it's great to have your encouragement. It's well worth it just for Sandy's morning tea and watching Craig's skill with his tractor.

All the great things that happen in our town are volunteer inspired and driven, this has been acknowledged by Alexandra Council and several towns along the river.



Above: Sam adds a final touch to the effigy.

After an unscheduled delay of two weeks due to the weather not cooperating with our risk assessment guidelines, we held a very successful bonfire on the evening of July 1.

The weather was brilliant for the night with festivities kicking off with an atmospheric digeridoo solo from Gerry before

ignition of the fire. Thank you Gerry and thank you also Sandy for the effigy.

The volunteers did a remarkable job



Above: Volunteers, Lal and Geoff (front) cook up a storm.

setting up, cooking, serving and cleaning up the next morning. All the cake and soup makers did a sterling job and the town owes you all a big pat on the back.

Numbers were down on last year but the consensus was that it made for an event like we used to have when it was predominantly people from the local area. The crowd were generous with their donations and the Association will see that all proceeds go to the CFS.

Mick Daw



Above: Firefighter of the future? Mick Falzon with youngster, Ocean



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Southern bell frog (*Litoria raniformis*)

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Two of our male frogs will be participating in further hormone trials late winter/early spring which is being done in partnership with the Adelaide Zoo and veterinary students to trial different hormone dosing levels to induce the male frogs to release sperm. This research will also aid in the collection of sperm from remnant wild populations to biobank for the future.

To keep up to date with latest developments at the facility you can follow us on our Facebook page, Southern Bell Frog Project.

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For those interested, a fascinating paper was recently published on the closely

related Green & Golden Bell frog and predator/prey reversal with a dragonfly.

www.researchgate.net/publication/370950599_Life_stage_dependent_predator-prey_reversal_between_a_frog_Litoria_aurea_and_a_dragonfly_Anax_papuensis

Beranek, Chad & Clulow, John & Mahony, Michael. (2023). Life stage dependent predator-prey reversal between a frog (*Litoria aurea*) and a dragonfly (*Anax papuensis*). Ecology. e4108. 10.1002/ecy.4108.

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Regina Durbridge

SOUTHERN BELL FROG PROJECT

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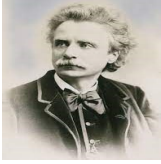
If you would like to volunteer to help look after the frogs at

Clayton Bay please contact

Regina at

regina.durbridge@ngt.org.au

Composer of the Month



Edvard Grieg

(1843 – 1907)

Edvard Grieg was a Norwegian composer and pianist. He is widely considered one of the major Romantic composers of the nineteenth century. His integration of Norwegian folk melodies into his music made him a leading figure as Norway's Nationalist composer alongside Jean Sibelius in Finland and Bedrich Smetana in Bohemia now Czechoslovakia.

Grieg was born into a musical family.

His mother was a piano teacher. In 1858, Grieg met the Norwegian violinist Ole Bull who quickly recognized Grieg's musical talent and persuaded Grieg's parents to send the fifteen-year-old Grieg to study piano at the Leipzig Conservatory under the direction of the great concert pianist Ignaz Moscheles. In 1861 Grieg made his debut as a concert pianist. In 1863 he travelled to Denmark. There he met his fellow Norwegian composer Rikard Nordraak who had composed the Norwegian National anthem.

On 11 June 1867 Grieg married his first cousin, Nina Hagerup a lyric so-

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prano. During the summer of 1868, Grieg composed his celebrated *Piano Concerto in A minor*. In 1868, the renowned Hungarian piano virtuoso Franz Liszt wrote a testimonial for Grieg to the Norwegian Ministry of Education so Grieg could obtain a travel grant. In 1870 Grieg and Liszt met in Rome where they looked over Grieg's violin sonata and the *Piano concerto in A minor*. Liszt was most impressed by the violin sonata. By the early 1870's, Grieg became increasingly interested in the idea a Norwegian self-government along with the Norwegian poet Bjornstjerne Bjornson.

Grieg's increased interest in his Norwegian heritage led him to collaborate with the great Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen. At Ibsen's request, he asked Grieg if he would write the incidental music to his new play *Peer Gynt*. The collaboration was an enormous success. Grieg presented the music separately in the form of two orchestral suites. From 1880 to 1882, Grieg became Music Director of the Bergen Philharmonic Orchestra. He met Tchaikovsky in 1888. The Russian composer was most impressed by Grieg's music, its beauty, originality and warmth. Grieg and his wife performed pieces of Grieg's music in 1897 at Windsor Castle for Queen Victoria and her court.

In 1899, Grieg cancelled his concert season in France in protest against the

infamous Dreyfuss affair, an antisemitic case against Alfred Dreyfuss, a French/Jewish officer accused of treason on charges that were trumped up. Dreyfuss was sentenced to Devil's Island, the infamous French penal colony but later released. Grieg wrote that he hoped that France might "Soon return to the spirit of 1789, when the French republic declared that it would defend basic human rights."

In 1906, Grieg met the young Australian concert pianist and composer Percy Grainger in London. Grainger was a great admirer of Grieg's music. In a 1907 interview, Grieg stated: "I have written Norwegian Peasant Dances that no one in my country can play, and here comes this Australian who plays them as they ought to be played! He is a genius that we Scandinavians cannot do other than love." Grainger also played on tour and recorded the concerto on dual piano rolls.

Grieg died at the Municipal Hospital in Bergen, Norway, on 4 September 1907 aged 64. As Norway's only great composer his legacy is huge. His incidental music to *Peer Gynt* is a continuous favorite among music lovers. *Morgen* or *Morning Mood* from *Peer Gynt* has been used in Films, cartoons and even television commercials.

**Compiled by
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Rebekha Sharkie **MP**

Federal Member for Mayo

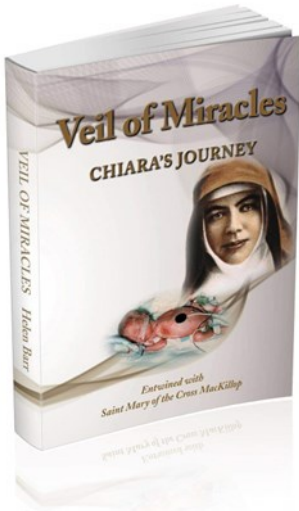
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forgot I ever started! In conversation with an Editor I was advised to include everything else that was going on in our lives while trying to cope with Chiara's health.

Then, while discussing Chiara's story with some nuns, they pleaded with me to include Chiara's connection to Mary MacKillop, and what they'd witnessed themselves that happened with Chiara.

I was very reluctant as I didn't want people to think my book was all about religion, because it isn't. I still don't, and never expect to understand myself, how Mary MacKillop became such a huge part of Chiara's story, so I don't expect anyone else to, but I do believe in miracles.

Today I am overwhelmed at the beautiful reviews and encouragement I've received from around the world, telling me they couldn't put it down, so I do know, our story has inspired many.

Signed copies are available for \$25 with free delivery in Clayton Bay and part proceeds from Clayton Bay sales will be donated to the Community.

Kindest Regards
Helen
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Veil of Miracles is a true South Australian story written by a local Clayton Bay author.

When I was asked by doctors to write Chiara's story, in the hope of inspiring others, she was only 4 at the time, after having been born 3 months prematurely and not expected to live. She had survived numerous major health issues and multiple rounds of neurosurgery. They wanted to know how I was still sane after all she'd endured. Every time I thought I'd finished the book, Chiara would become ill again, so I kept adding to it, solely focussing on her health and consequent heartache and despair.

I ended up writing this book as we lived it, over Chiara's first 30 years but knew I'd have to stop before I

The River, Lakes and Coorong

action group continues to advocate for a healthy whole of river system. We have had meetings this year with the Environment Minister, Susan Close, her senior advisor and representatives from the Department. Field Officers from the Inspector General's Water Compliance visited last week. Whilst the current South Australian Government is pushing for the delivery of the current Basin Plan in full, at present only 2.1GL of the legislated 450GL for South Australia has been recovered for the environment. We continue to provide updates.

Despite the wintry weather, 40 people gathered at the Clayton Bay Boat Club on Thursday night, 25th May, to enjoy a casual gathering organised by the River, Lakes and Coorong Action Group. Welcome to Country thanks to Kevin Arthur. Excellent speakers with a depth of knowledge and a passion for the Lakes and Coorong provided very interesting talks.

Glen Hill, skipper/ owner of Coorong Wild Seafood spoke about the revitalisation of the Southern Lagoon of the Coorong post flood. Where the Southern Lagoon was hypersaline, up to 7 times the salinity of seawater, and devoid of life, both plant and aquatic, there are now acres of aquatic plants and an abundance of fish. The food



Above: Tracy Hill, Gloria Jones, Glen Hill

web has been restored and Congoli, Flounder, Bream and Mullet are flourishing. Unfortunately this is likely to be a temporary fix, but at least we have seen how nature can respond if we “just add water”.

Dr Sylvia Zukowski, Aquasave- Nature Glenelg Trust, spoke about her quest to return Murray River Crayfish into the Murray. They currently do not exist in the river downstream from Swan Hill. Crayfish have been rescued in NSW during the floods and grown in captivity for release. They are a protected species, taking 9 years to maturity and living for up to 30 years in a local area. They need good quality, well oxygenated, flowing water and are not currently for release in the Lake. This has been a long trek, starting with Dr Mike Geddes some 30 years ago.

Dr Scotte Wedderburn, The University of Adelaide, has been doing fish surveys since 2008 around the Lower

Lakes. Small native fish are recovering. Yarra Pygmy perch were wiped from the lakes in the drought, reintroduced in 2012 and now surviving around Hindmarsh Island and Mundoo. They have a measurably better outcome when Lake levels are above 0.6 AHD. Being an indicator species, if Yarra Pygmy perch are doing well, other species are also thriving. Comparison of fish otoliths (ear bones) is being studied to measure the positive effect of increased water levels on fish growth rates. Water for the environment is vital for flow through the barrages and fish ways and lake level management. Dr Jason Nicol, SARDI Aquatic Sciences, spoke about aquatic plants in the Coorong and Lower Lakes. He started monitoring a small number of icon sites along the Murray as part of the 2002 Living Murray program, to demonstrate the usefulness of water for the environment. Despite the usefulness of managed watering, it cannot improve on natural watering and natural flow events. All water over the barrages and through the fishways in the few years before the flood was environmental water. Without the Murray Darling Basin Plan environmental water, 2016 water levels in the lake would have been below sea level, similar to during the millennium drought. 5 habitats around the lake are surveyed

regularly. Vegetation condition index around the lake is monitored and is starting to get to good condition. There is unfortunately no pre drought baseline of vegetation present in 1970s and 80s. There is a need for input of historical local information. Thanks to the Clayton Bay Boat Club and in particular Rob Edgar and Ric Kies for providing a warm and welcoming venue and catering for what was an interesting and informative event.

The RLCAG will be holding our AGM on Sunday, 23rd July in the Clayton Bay Community Hall at 1.30pm.

This year we are fortunate to have Grant Rigney, Chair of the Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority, as our guest speaker. Please come along and join us for an interesting and informative afternoon. If you would like further information about our group, please contact Janette Brooks, Secretary on 0417 824 973 or email

riverlakescoorong@gmail.com

Janette Brooks



Above: Julie Jones

Birds in our Area

Recent sightings

People often share their sightings with me or describe a bird that they have seen hoping that I can identify it. This time I will share some recent local sightings and queries.

I was recently shown a photo of a 'Golden Whistler' seeking help to identify the Whistler's call to know when they are in the area.

Did you know that what we know as a Golden Whistler is now officially a subspecies of the Western Whistler?

Western Whistlers, below, span from Kalbarri WA south and east to



drier regions of South Australia and western Victoria (Wikipedia.org). There are very slight differences from the Golden Whistler in the eastern states, including being slightly paler and females have buff underparts.

Calls include a loud piercing whistle with a whip-like ending and a melodious song ending with 'tuwhit'.



It's great to hear that the **Buff-banded Rail**, above, with very interesting markings, is making appearances at Old Clayton. One visited my garden regularly some years ago.

These birds occupy most types of wetland across Australia, except inland. Like other Rails they can be se-

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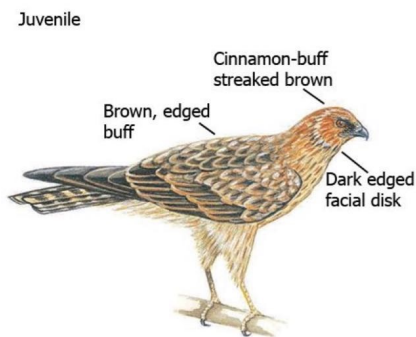
cretive and they occupy most types of wetland areas. Their diet includes plant material, invertebrates, and small vertebrates.

An unknown raptor was spotted recently on a property on the edge of town.

It appeared to have a smaller beak, rufous chest, mottled rufous and dark brown back and flight feathers, striped tail and markings on the head.

I went straight to my copy of 'The Australian Bird Guide', from CSIRO publishing by six very knowledgeable authors. Juveniles, immature and adult male and female birds are illustrated for most species.

From the description above I feel that the raptor spotted could be a juvenile **Spotted Harrier**, below.



A beautiful bird that flies slowly over open country with long upswept

wings.



I was thrilled to see a **Black-shouldered Kite**, (above) recently, a small black and white raptor that we don't see often these days. It was hovering quite high then, suddenly, swooped down on its prey.

Have you spotted any interesting birds recently?

'Mozzie'

Australian National Bird Week

The Aussie Backyard Bird Count is held for one week each October as part of National Bird Week. This year, it will be held from **16-22 October 2023**.

To take part in the Aussie Bird Count, spend 20 minutes standing or sitting in one spot and noting down the birds that you see. You will need to count the number of each species you spot within the 20 minute period. The *Aussie Bird Count* app has a handy field-guide to help you identify birds. Visit aussiebirdcount.org.au for more information.



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Out & About

***Steamranger** will be operating their "**Southern Encounter**" from Mt Barker to Goolwa via Strathalbyn, Goolwa and Port Elliot. Departing 9.30am, returning 6pm on Sundays 2nd and 16th July.

*The "**Strathlink**" railcar will operate on Wednesdays 12 July and 19 July from Victor Harbor to Strathalbyn. On Saturday 22 July a special "**Christmas in July**" trip will travel from Mt Barker to Goolwa and return departing at 4pm - contact 1300 655 991 for details.

*The **Strathalbyn High Street Market** sponsored by the Strathalbyn Tourism Association will be held on Sundays 16th July and 20th August (third Sunday of each month) next to Gilberts Motor Museum.

Fabulous stalls, music, and great Sausage Sizzle cooked up by the volunteers next door at Gilberts.

*The 22nd annual **Strathalbyn Bands Festival** will take place over two Sundays 6th and 13th August at the Oval Function Centre. This popular event will feature brass bands, concert bands, swing bands and community bands – a new one to enjoy every half hour! Tickets \$15 on sale at the

door. Refreshments available – Devonshire teas, pies, pasties, sausage rolls and soup. Contact Daryll 0408 149 918 or daryll.telfer@gmail.com

*The **Strathalbyn Antiques & Collectables Fair** organised by the **Strathalbyn Tourism Association** is on again – Saturday (10am-5pm) & Sunday (10am – 4pm) 19 & 20 August – \$10pp per day includes shuttle (wheelchair accessible) between Show Hall and Town Hall plus entry to Gilbert's Motor Museum. Also **Treasure Market** at the Oval on Sunday from 7.30am, \$2 entry, U16 free – brought to you by the Strathalbyn Rotary Club. Contact Linda 0427 674 620 .

*The **Supreme Australian Working Sheepdog Challenge** will be held at Strathalbyn Oval from 9-17 September. Novice section Saturday & Sunday 9 & 10, with Championships commencing Monday 11 September. Free entry, refreshments available – see attached flier for further information.

*Great news! Stage 4 of the
2024 Tour Down Under will pass
through Langhorne Creek, Strathalbyn
and Ashbourne on the way from Murray
Bridge start to Port Elliott finish on
Friday 19 January.*



Just a little note to say

THANK YOU



Gary and I wish to thank all who came to GRETA'S Celebration of Life.

It was really beautiful, and a joy to behold to see so, so many lovely faces at the hall on that special day.

To those who knew her in her early years at Clayton, and had precious memories to share, I learned a lot about Mum's life in Clayton that I never knew about....it was very enlightening and enjoyable.

Also to the new Claytonites whom we met on the foreshore track so early in the morning and had a lovely chat, she enjoyed that so much.

We wish to thank all who helped in the kitchen. Sorting out the coffee and those awesome cakes, so delicious.. Then the never ending task of so many dishes to be washed. I am eternally grateful for all your help, thank you.

So once again we say THANK YOU to all.

It was so very much appreciated and will never be forgotten.

Kind regards

From the Archives

Greta was Treasurer for the Clayton Bay Recreation Centre committee in the 1990's and continued to be treasurer for the newly formed Clayton Community Association Inc (CCAI) in 1997 for a couple of years.

Greta was a deep thinker and she enjoyed writing. She was editor of the "Clayton News" (forerunner of the Clayton Bay Chronicle) from 1994 until the CCAI formed in 1997. She continued to contribute with "Greta's Page" for a while.

Marg Kitto



Clayton Bay Boat Club Inc.



Hello to All from the Boat Club,
Weather permitting we are hoping you are all enjoying our pristine environment!

2023 is slipping away rapidly, that said we are busily planning for the Boat Clubs 50th Anniversary.

Established in 1973, the Clubs Goal is to – “Support boating in all its forms in the Lower Lakes”.

It will be an opportunity to celebrate 50 years of achievement, volunteering, and community engagement with old and new Members.

The celebrations will be centered on the 2023-24 Season Opening weekend (31 Sep – 2 Oct 23) and will include the following:

Saturday – Our first Long Race of the season, followed by a get together and presentations.

Sunday:

- Morning Tea (with invited guests)
- Club Sail Past - reviewed by the Commodore and invited guests
- 50th Anniversary Club Lunch
- Tom Bentley Classic Race and presentations

Monday – Our first Sprint Race of the season and Hotdog Lunch and presentations

Hopefully there will be lots of opportunities for observing the racing, Sail Past and enjoying this special anniversary.

**Ric Kies
Secretary**



Above & below: Early days of the CBBC.



Below: Current view of the club from the water.



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Milang Out & About

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Snacks, soup, etc available for purchase - kitchen open 5-6.30pm, bar open from 5pm.

All welcome, 3 games for \$10, other games and prizes. Eyes down 7pm. EFTPOS (no cash) available.

Enquiries to Pam 0418 844 775.

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A new Facebook group has been set up by local, Milly Breward, if you'd like more information about what's happening in our area.

Page 13, Quiz Answers

- 1. Port Adelaide**
- 2. ABBA --- SOS**
- 3. To Kill A Mocking Bird**
- 4. Yes.**
- 5. Lemon - Melon**
- 6. The Republic of Ireland**
- 7. Maxwell Smart**
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Winter at the nursery



Things are a little bit slower at the nursery in winter. Nevertheless the winter season has

its own challenges and specific tasks to tackle. Propagation slows down with virtually no seed sowing being undertaken. However we do produce cuttings all year round and this week we were preparing cuttings of *Thomasia petalocalyx* (commonly called paper flower) which is an interesting small understory shrub



Above: Janice and Helen preparing cuttings. A trained eye is required to select the most

with mauve flowers.

We mostly take tip cuttings about 8cms long and remove the lower pair of leaves and any flower buds. The cuttings are dipped into a liquid rooting hormone which accelerates root development. They are then carefully inserted into a 50:50 mix of

Coir peat and perlite. Coir peat is produced sustainably from the shell and fibers of coconuts. Perlite is a natural volcanic glass derivative. The cuttings are set in a community tray quite close together. The trays are then placed on a heated bed @ 22 degrees to assist the root development. The cuttings are misted periodically to prevent the foliage from drying out before the roots develop. Everything is sterilized during all processes ie. bench tops, secateurs etc.

All going well the *Thomasia* cuttings should strike within about 4 weeks and then will be transplanted into tubes. I will be hoping for about a 75% success rate.

Another important task at the nursery is preparing the tube stock for sale. We meticulously inspect each plant to ensure it conforms to our quality standards. Plant maintenance is high on the priority list. We keep a watchful eye out for insect pests; caterpillars seemingly appear out of nowhere in autumn and winter. There are all types and sizes, and if possible we will remove them by hand and dispose of them.

We inspect our seedlings often and try to avoid watering if possible and rely upon winter rainfall. A thunderstorm is remarkable as the precipita-



Above: Maggie and Mozzie preparing crates of Correas for sale. These are commonly named Native Fuschias and are mostly small shrubs with attractive bell-shaped flowers that appear in autumn and winter.

tion contains atmospheric nitrogen which the plants can absorb immediately. Many people would have noticed in their own gardens how plants in general can visibly green up after a good downpour.

One very important reason for trying to keep the plants a bit on the dry side is to avoid fungal problems which can occur if the foliage is constantly wet.

We will spray using a fungicide or insecticide if need be. But we choose our chemicals carefully and today there are many pesticides available that are organically based and of a low environmental impact.

Good planting.
Phil Collins
Nursery Manager

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Fri 11 Aug, 11am

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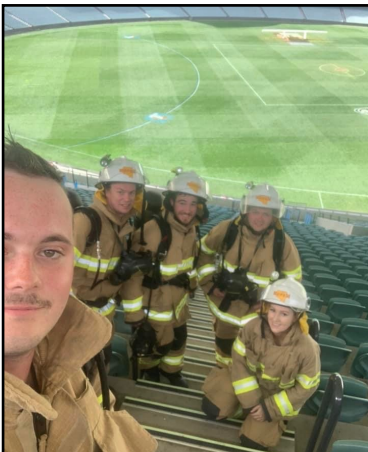


Left: Peter Charlesworth passes through Clayton Bay before breaking Guinness World Record Page 14

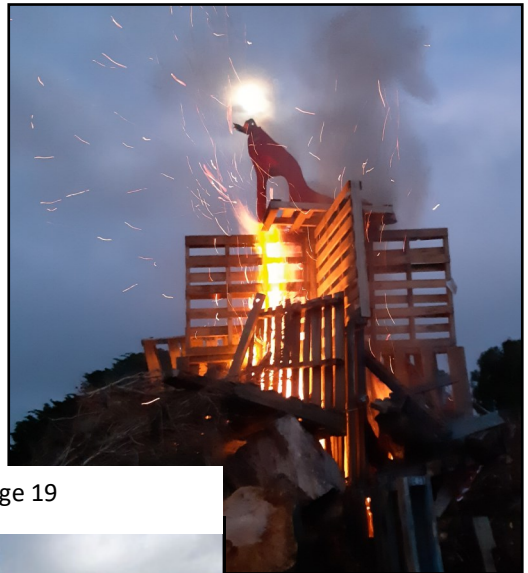


Right: Matilda, the Ninja Warrior. See page 13

Below left: Combined Clayton Bay & Strathalbyn CFS Stairclimb team at Adelaide oval. See page 4



Right: Up she goes!



Below: Bonfire construction volunteers. See page 19



Above: Sandy's 10th, & final, effigy.