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Motorsport Park

Story and images by Glenn Power, Murray Bridge News,
Tailem Bend Correspondent. www.murraybridge.news

In a heartwarming act of community spirit, the Lions of Tailem Bend have stepped in to support the Tailem Bend Community Centre, ensuring the continuation of a vital service for those struggling in the area. Community Centre volunteers have been using their own vehicles to collect unsold bread and other treats from Coles and Bakers Delight in Murray Bridge and delivering the items to Tailem Bend's Community Centre.

Bruce Harris, a member of the Lions of Tailem Bend, has been instrumental in securing this support. "They've been doing two runs a week for about twelve months into Coles and Bakers Delight in Murray Bridge, who kindly provide the Tailem Bend Community Centre with bread that hasn't been sold - and a few other special treats along the way," Bruce explained. Recognizing the importance of this service for many residents living on or below the breadline, Bruce acted and approached the Lions Club for help.

After gathering the facts, and explaining the service, Bruce presented a proposal to the Lions of Tailem Bend. He highlighted the financial burden on the volunteers, estimating the fuel costs to be around **\$1,040 for the past twelve months**. "Without the Tailem Bend Community Centre, many in our community would struggle even more. It's the least we can do at the Lions to help them out," Bruce stated passionately.

The Lions of Tailem Bend responded swiftly, agreeing to cover the fuel expenses for the volunteers. This generous gesture ensures that the free bread and goodies will continue to reach those who need them most. The support from Coles, Bakers Delight and other community donations, along with the dedication of the volunteers, and the Lions' financial help, embodies the true spirit of Community.



ABOVE: Resident, Malcolm Kennedy of Tailem Bend, thankful for the donated bakery items, with Tammy Shepherd, CEO of the Tailem Bend Community Centre.



ABOVE: Mel Reu of the Tailem Bend Community Centre preparing to put the last box of donated bread onto the Community GROW Cart at the Tailem Bend Community Centre.

Tammy Shepherd of the Tailem Bend Community Centre is extremely appreciative for the continued support of the local community, the Murray Bridge businesses, the volunteers and more recently, the Lions of Tailem Bend.

"The Lions have always been there for our community, we're so grateful to them for reaching out with a helping hand to our volunteers who deliver the goodies," Tammy said. "The total of goodies that leave our cart and go into our community, roughly adds up to about 120 kgs of fresh fruit, about 4,850 kgs of wholesome vegetables and a staggering 6,000 kgs of bread and bakery items each year."

Thanks to the Lions of Tailem Bend and their commitment to helping those in need, the Tailem Bend Community Centre can continue to be a lifeline for many, providing not just food, but hope and a sense of togetherness in challenging times.

COVER IMAGE: Volunteers, staff and residents with another delivery of donated fruit, vegetables, bread, and other bakery items, outside the Community GROW Cart at the Tailem Bend Community Centre.

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Come along for an afternoon with

THE UNBREAKABLE FARMER



Sunday 11th August - 2pm

Tailem Bend - Shell V-power Motorsport Park

FREE Community Event

Complimentary afternoon tea and join the fundraising track drive for Drive Against Depression



Coorong District Council, together with Coorong Conversations Matter and the Shell V-power Motorsport Park at the Bend invite you along for an *“Afternoon with Warren Davies - the Unbreakable Farmer”* followed by afternoon tea and a fundraising track drive for Drive Against Depression

Warren is not just your average farmer, his eventful life has tested his resilience, persistence and determination and had a massive impact on his young family, relationships and finances. Now a professional speaker and mental health advocate, Warren’s authentic, inspiring, and sometimes confronting presentation on mental health is focused around communication, community connection and seeking help.

Scan the QR code to book online or for more information please contact the Coorong District Council

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100 Years of Webb ST, Celebrations!

Article submitted by Sandra Douglas.

Preparations are well underway for a Street Party to celebrate "100 years of Webb Street, Tailem Bend." The first batch of 2-rows of identical, free-standing cottages, 26 in total, were erected in 1925, completed in 1926.

Here are some amazing facts:

- They cost around \$1,000 each to build.
- They were constructed of poured concrete. (*details to come*)
- Each house took only 14 hours to build, from the time the foundation was laid until the walls were topped. Note: The men claim the world records for time and efficiency were beaten by 2x gangs which erected the last 27 houses in 27 working days (*probably the ones in Railway Tce*) but wow, nothing like today.
- They all had gabled iron roofs.
- They were, for the most part of four and five rooms with a bathroom at rear, and also had copper and tubs built in. They were supplied with wire doors and window screens.
- They were all fitted with electric light (the power supplied by the generating plant at the Roundhouse – turned on 22 January 1926) It also supplied power for driving the pumping plant to supply water to the town.
- The septic-tank system of sanitation was adopted.
- They all have enclosed back and front yards, the fencing mostly of brush with post and rail on the street frontage. The Railways also planted trees in the streets and the rear of some houses to act as wind breaks. Soil and sand were carted to the open spaces in front of each house, so that the occupier, as soon as he takes possession, can start to make a garden.



ABOVE: Tailem Bend Webb street, 1926.

- There were specific houses for the officers' and Bunk-houses for the workers.

We would love to hear from all past and present residents of the 26 railway cottages in Webb Street, to celebrate its 100-years. Are you willing to share your family history? Do you have stories of your life in the street and how about some great photos of the houses and people that have lived here over the years? We know it will be nearly impossible to find a lot of the original tenants, as the houses were owned by the Railways and tenanted to their employees until the 70's/80's before being sold but let us know you're story.

I am currently working with the Tailem Bend Historians to organise a "100 years of Webb Street, Tailem Bend" Celebration on the 25th to 27th of April 2025. (TBC). We are hoping to close off the section Webb Street with the original houses, subject to Council approval. We are discussing all sorts of ideas for the weekend, if you are a current or past resident of Webb Street, please contact either myself or the History Group and get involved, we would love your input and help.



Tailem Bend Lions Club Newsletter

Report submitted by Doug Holmes, President T.B Lions Club.

During NAIDOC week we cooked sausages for about 150 primary school children plus members of the public this was done at the Tailem Bend Town Hall.

At our dinner meeting in July 1st Vice District Governor Simon Westwood and Lion Amber Cauchi visited us Lion Simon gave a brief history living in Queensland before moving to Nairne where he joined Lions at the Hahndorf and Districts Lions Club in 2013 and how he progressed through Lions to be 1st Vice District Governor. We held an online clearing sale at Murray Bridge Central on the 11th of July there were 200 lots auctioned off we were very happy with the result.

IS THERE SOMEONE IN TAILEM BEND who could put some flashing around the chimney at the Lion's Den. **It is leaking water** whenever it rains. If you could help please phone Ian Eckermann on 08 8572 3850 it would be much appreciated.



While we appreciate donations of goods for our den sales,
PLEASE DO NOT DROP THEM OFF AT THE DEN IF UNATTENDED



If your club or organisation needs help with funds, write to

Tailem Bend Lions Box 141 Tailem Bend or email:

tailembendlions@mail.com

Honey is available from Lions Members:

Reuben Gurney: 8572 4730

Marion Martin: 8572 4785

Margaret Eckermann: 8572 3850

Raylene Thomas: 0417 840 473

\$7.50 a tub!

The Changing Face of Tailem Bend #143

It is a long-running series, submitted by Peter Connolly.

100 years and Hurtle Green (Sons Allen and Don)

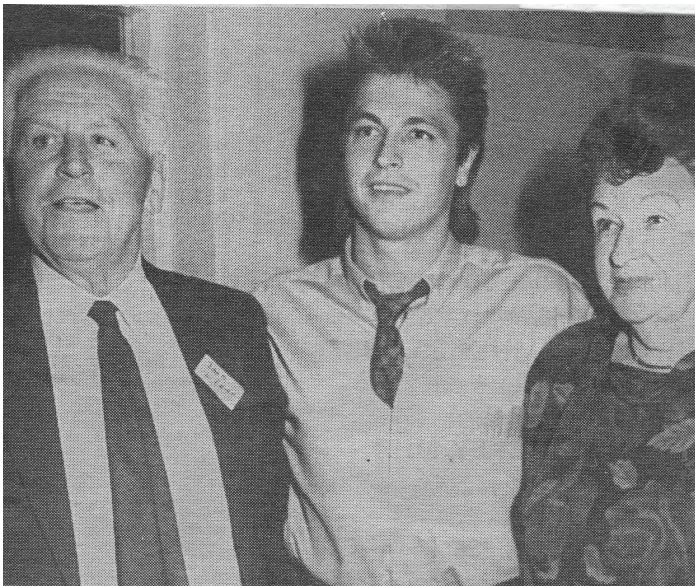
Huge crowd for Tailem's 100th 1987

Tailem Bend – possibly the biggest crowd in the town's 100-year history filled the streets for Tailem's centenary celebration. Organising committee secretary Mrs Mavis Rudolf estimated that a crowd of at least 3000 watched a procession along Railway Terrace, from Park Terrace to Third Street, led by the SA Police Band.

National television star and former Tailem boy, Mr Peter O'Brien Officially opened the celebrations in the main street. He said the town was as friendly and warm as ever, and the "lovely country town" held many fond memories for him.

"Country towns have a great feel about them and Tailem is no exception. "I'm pleased to be part of its 100th birthday," he said. "One hundred years is a great achievement for any town, and it's good to see so many past and present residents and visitors have turned out to celebrate."

Opening the celebrations after the street procession, Mr O'Brien helped release 1000 blue, green and yellow helium balloons. Many local clubs, businesses and organisations were represented in the parade, as well as floats and items of general interest. Colour was the order of the day, as lots of entries were complete with streamers and balloons, splashes of colour, vivid signs and appropriate costumes. The most amusing float, according to the judges, was "Thunder Down Under," best overall was the Lions Club, and the most original went to the Simcock family.



ABOVE: National television star and former Tailem Bend boy, Peter O'Brien, with his parents Jack and Betty at Tailem's Centenary Ball last Saturday night. Jack worked in the railways at Tailem for 30 years before moving the family to Adelaide.



ABOVE: Start of the first of Tailem Bend's centenary celebrations, on Saturday, as Mr Barny Hattam (79) - oldest past player born in the town - tosses the coin before the start of the match against Ramblers. Watching are David Konitzha (left, of Ramblers) and Brett Tomkinson (Tailem).

Mrs Rudolph said the 35 procession entrants should feel proud of the way they presented themselves and the floats. "A lot of work had gone into the entries, and the colour and excitement started the celebrations in fine style," she said. Organisers were unprepared for the demand for souvenir items, with dozens of glasses, teaspoons and carafes virtually selling out. "The community rallied superbly and backed up the hard work done by the committee. Everyone seemed to enjoy it and I didn't hear any complaints." Mrs Rudolph said. "There are many more activities planned and it was great to get off to such a good start."

Sveral members of the Tailem Bend Club, comprising former residents of the town returned for the celebrations. Tailem Bend Primary School students planted trees yesterday morning in an area north of the town, to be known as Centenary Park. A centenary lunch was held at the Riverside Hotel. The town's Community House was officially opened this morning, and the celebrations were due to wind up this afternoon with the unveiling of a century plaque in Railway Terrace West.

A photographic display will be on view in the local school/community library, comprising between, 800 to 1000 photos portraying a cross-section of many activities from the town's history. The display will last for several weeks to give as many people as possible a chance to see it.

The Changing Face of Tailem Bend #143

Obituary: Hurtle Green 1992

Well-known former Tailem Bend identity Mr Hurtle Green died on January 9th in his 84th year. One of a family of 15, he spent his earlier days in the Mid-North.

He was a lively lad and is believed to have instigated a strike at his school when he was in year six. Both his parents had been married before, and brought their children into the family, and then had children of their own.

Hurtle was one of the younger children, of whom only a younger sister survives. His early working life was during the Great Depression when he was a clerk at The Advertiser and later did concrete and rabbiting in the Mid-North.

Mr Green enjoyed his sport. As a young man in the mid-30s, he played cricket in the United Church competition in Adelaide with ex-State players and Test players. His other interests included football. Bowls and rope quoits, he was once runner-up in the Quoits Championships and enjoyed a social game until he was well into his 70s.

In 1935 he married Nellie Richardson, and they had two sons, Allen and Don. During the late 30s, Mr Green moved to Tailem Bend. He began as a shunter and later became a pointsman at Cabin Number Four. This cabin soon became known as the place where all the action was. Cards, practical jokes and two-up formed part of that entertainment, so much so that some people referred to Cabin Number Four as the first unlicensed casino in SA.

Mr Green was involved extensively in the life of the community. Among the many organisations he served as secretary were the football and cricket clubs, the local sub-branch of the Labor Party, the railways union and the Senior Citizens Club. He was a prime mover in establishing the Riverside Community Hotel, was a foundation member of the local branch of Meals on Wheels, a member of the Masonic Lodge from 1946, and also a member of the Druids and Buffalo Lodge and local Lions Club.

Recognitions he received for his community work included life membership of the cricket club –the first such award the club made- and honorary membership of the RSL, for his work toward the war memorial. But the two highest awards he received were Tailem Bend Citizen of the Year and an award for Secretary of the Year for SA Senior Citizens in 1981. Nellie died in 1978, and three years later he married Ivy Dunchue, and they had eight years together before she died. Hr Green spent his last few years in Resthaven, at Murray Bridge, where he was popular with both residents and staff. His efforts in the Resthaven garden were greatly appreciated. Last November he was transferred to the Lower Murray District Hospital, at Tailem Bend where he died.



ABOVE: Hurtle Green.

During the eulogy at his funeral in Tailem Bend Uniting Church on January 14, the Rev John Blanksby, of Murray Bridge, said Mr Green would be remembered as a family man, greatly loved by his children and grandchildren. He had been a community man, always ready to help and serve others, and an outgoing man with a lively sense of fun.

M/V Standard 1992.

Quote for the Month...



Half a truth is often aired and often proved correct



It's sensible to be prepared for what you don't expect.

The stories keep coming from the pens of our Chief Editor Jo and Doris Connolly. I am not far away... Peter

In Memory of Bryce Jaensch...

Article and images submitted by Kaye & Paul Bartlett.

As young people, Bryce being a little older than us, made sure we were never bored, "Caranya" where he lived with his Mum (Mummy Jaensch to all) where we would all congregate for a weekend to see what new project Bryce had underway.

For the building of a sand buggy, a welder was needed, Bryce never to be beaten made a welder from a Vanguard motor & a large truck generator, not having sand hills nearby, the cliff face was the challenge. Bryce obtained a boat, which he called "Ookers", as water skiing was in its infancy, it was behind his boat many locals learnt to ski, not having proper skis, a big surfboard was towed behind the boat which gave hours of fun, not long after that homemade skis were introduced.

From water to land, Bryce having read of Land Yachting in America, soon a Land Yacht was made & sailing along the stony cliff top, being rough the quiet highway proved a better venue. **(No way could that be done today)** Bryce acquired an old wooden boat salvaged from the river, so another project was born, it took many months of remodelling & caulking, and when launched it was christened "B.O. B" **(Big Old Boat)** many a trip to Wellington, Lake Alexandrina & fishing were made. Bryce's homemade self-catching fishing line caught many fish.

During winter, Sunday afternoon was BBQ out in the scrub & entertainment was either cricket or spinifex burning, for cricket Bryce with an axe in hand, would cut something that looked like a cricket bat from a selected Mallee tree. Trips to the Coorong were always popular on a warm & calm afternoon with a BBQ organised & when dark we all would head to the water with light & spears to search for Flounder **(fish)**.

We made two trips, Bryce in his Zephyr Ute, and us in a Falcon car, first in 1967 to Darwin & back via the east coast, the second in 1969 to Darwin & home via the Western Australian coast, both these trips took five weeks. To help pay for these trips we collected scrap metal from around the place & sold it. In those early days, there were a lot of rough dirt roads & punctures were frequent.



ABOVE: Camping on Yorke Peninsula.



ABOVE: Bryce Jaensch on bagpipes.

There was always security travelling the outback with Bryce as he could fix most things. On one occasion Bryce broke a front axle, on calling into a garage Bryce was told that there was an old Zephyr Ute upside down about 12 miles out of town, on arriving at it Bryce was very pleased as it was the right model with an undamaged front axle, removed & replaced that night while camped on the bank of the Ord River.

A young English couple travelling in a VW Kombi van with a baby had broken down between Broome & Port Headland and benefited from Bryce's knowledge. On reading the manual he had to lower the motor, finding the problem, a washer was needed to tighten the generator pulley, which Bryce cut & shaped from a number plate housing picked up along the way, the motor was back & a few hours later they were on their way. We met them again, still going, and had not called into a garage to have it checked as it was running OK.

Many a weekend was spent either down at Kingston SE or Yorke Peninsular spearfishing & camping at the water's edge, we usually had a full tent of campers. Any new Nurse that came to work at Tailem Bend Hospital, Bryce would bring them over & introduce them to us & some of these nurses ended up lifelong friends.

When together as a group, Bryce's name is still mentioned, as we all have great memories of the times spent with Bryce.



ABOVE: One of the many floats Bryce was involved in for town events.



Taillem Bend Historians Association

Article and image submitted by Elizabeth Nicholls.

The Taillem Bend Historians last meeting was held at the RSL hall on 5th July 2024. Sandy Przibilla and Raelene Varga conducted an insightful tour mentioning the premises were originally built as a Rechabite Hall. Recent repairs and renovations with colourful internal murals and displayed memorabilia make it a pleasant community meeting place. A delightful morning tea was served with proceeds going towards RSL.

Committee Member, Helen Bowering, presented her research of the diary written by Pte. Charles West Litchfield during his service with the Australian Infantry Forces in World War I, 1915-1917. She highlighted his time of service in France and the unfortunate circumstances of him being wounded and repatriated back to Australia. Pte. Litchfield had relatives formerly living at KiKi.

Committee Members, Elizabeth Nicholls and Maxine Kiddie researched veterans from the Boer War 1899-1902 who had connections to Taillem Bend. They presented information regarding 10 persons from our district which extended, at that time, from Westbrook to Meningie.



ABOVE: (Back row) Harry Kromwyk, Neville Jaensch, Pauline Merritt, Raylene Freeth, Rhonda Mik, Kathleen Kromwyk, Joyce Medlow, Helen Bowering, Trudy Stanley. (Seated) Don Goodall, Elizabeth Nicholls, Maxine Kiddie.

Some of these soldiers served with distinction. Two were buried at Durban Military Cemetery, South Africa.

Our next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting to be held in the **Multi-Purpose Room on 2nd August at 9.30am at the Taillem Bend School**. Allan Burt will be speaking about his Postal Career.

All welcome. Email stbhistorians@outlook.com

Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Photography

Article and images submitted by Glenn Power.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has become a significant force in the world of photography and creative pursuits, offering both benefits and drawbacks. Some feel that even the Adobe Creative Suite is a form of AI. As an advanced tool, AI brings a new level of creativity and efficiency to artists, but it also raises concerns about authenticity and reliance on technology.

Pros of AI in Creative Fields - One of the main advantages of AI in photography is the automation of tedious tasks. AI-powered software can handle photo editing, from basic corrections to intricate enhancements, saving artists considerable time. This efficiency allows photographers to focus more on the creative aspects of their work. Additionally, AI algorithms can generate unique and imaginative art pieces, offering fresh inspiration and expanding the boundaries of traditional art forms. AI also democratizes access to high-quality tools. Beginners can produce professional-grade work using AI-enhanced applications, lowering the barrier to entry in the creative field. For instance, AI can recommend optimal camera settings, enhance low-quality images, and even suggest creative ideas based on trends and user preferences.

Cons of AI in Creative Fields - Despite its advantages, AI in creative pursuits has its drawbacks. One major concern is the potential loss of authenticity. AI-generated images can be so realistic that it becomes challenging to distinguish between human-made and machine-made art, leading to debates about originality and artistic value. This can also lead to the spread of misinformation, as AI can create convincing fake images and videos, complicating the fight against fake news.



ABOVE: Glenn Power. The Pros and Cons of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Photography and Creative Pursuits - it can allow dreams and fantasy to come to life and quickly. It can even give an ageing old fella hair!

Furthermore, an over-reliance on AI tools might stifle personal creativity. Artists may become dependent on AI suggestions, reducing the originality and personal touch in their work. It's essential for artists to use AI as a tool rather than a crutch, ensuring that their unique vision remains at the forefront.

While AI offers valuable tools that can enhance creativity and efficiency in photography and other artistic endeavours, it is crucial to balance its use with maintaining artistic integrity and vigilance against potential misuse.

Barker's 2024 Best Photo Competition

MEDIA RELEASE - Tony Pasin MP.

The diverse natural landscape that covers the federal electorate of Barker is one of contrasts and places of immense natural beauty.

Barker's 2024 Best Photo Competition is now open, providing budding photographers with an opportunity to showcase their skills and creativity while capturing stunning photographs that we can all enjoy.

A winner from each of Barker's unique regions, the Limestone Coast, the Murray Mallee, the Riverland and the Barossa will be chosen, and each winner will receive a \$200 gift voucher.

Submit your images via
www.tonypasin.com/barker_best_photo_competition

Entries will be displayed on my online gallery before being judged by a panel of local artists.

Entries close at 5pm on Friday 30th of August 2024



BARKER PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Showcase what you love about Barker

A winner from each of Barker's unique regions the Limestone Coast, the Murray Mallee, the Riverland and the Barossa will receive a \$200 gift voucher.

Entries Close 30th August 2024

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Pangarinda Botanic Garden

Article and images submitted by Kaye and Paul Bartlett.

Grevillea acrobotrya perfumes the air.

Flowering on a rise the mass of cream flowers of the 2m high by 7m wide *Grevillea acrobotrya* catches your attention. So heavily clothed in exquisite, long lasting cream flowers with chocolate coloured buds, that pleasantly perfume the area around.

Pangarinda's sandy soil has really suited this *Grevillea*, reaching a wider than normal width. Planted in an area of the garden where watering is limited, as like many of the Proteacea family, summer watering can cause root rot and death.



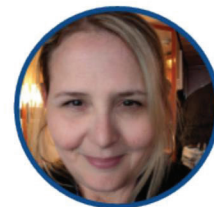
ABOVE: *Grevillea acrobotrya*.



ABOVE: *Grevillea acrobotrya*.



SNAPSHOT



Cr Lisa Rowntree, Coorong Area Councillor

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Article submitted by Lisa Rowntree.

At the July meeting we acknowledged the passing of three members of our community.

Mr Albert Webb, was a respected member of the Tintinara community and past Chairman of the Coonalpyn Downs Council (1980-1982). Mr Webb was also Councillor for the Richards Ward from 1974-1985 and served as Chair for the Tintinara Development Group. **Mr Norman Paterson OAM**, was a long-time resident and leader of Cooke Plains. Mr Paterson was involved in establishing the Australian Fertiliser Services Association and was owner of Cooke Plains Gypsum Fertiliser and Paterson Bulk Transport, with over 60 years' service to the local CFS.

Mr Mark Scobie and his family were leaders in establishing on-farm water catchments (in partnership with the Coorong Tatiara LAP) and shared this knowledge with many other farmers. Mr Scobie was a valued volunteer of both the local SAAS and CFS.

We had an interesting presentation from SA Railway Co. about their proposal 'Project Peregrine' which hopes to **upgrade the existing railway corridor** from Adelaide to Murray Bridge. Their aim is to improve congestion and safety on the Freeway and cross-city arterial roads; increase public transport options; provide better and safer freight routes and address the lack of housing. Cr Pietzsch's motion to have the management of the **Christmas Poles and banners** handed over to the Tintinara Action Club has had a fair bit of debate over the last few months.

His original motion was carried. This is a good result for the Tintinara community.

The Mayor has had a number of meetings regarding the future of **freight transport from Adelaide (and SA)**. He also noted that the Meningie Community Sports Ground committee is developing a plan for how a **new function and sporting centre** could be built at the Meningie oval.

At the recent National General Assembly meeting in Canberra, Councils called on the Government to **return local government funding to 1% of the federal budget**, noting that there appeared to be some potential uneven increases in 2024-2029 Roads to Recovery funding allocated to SA. Council received a response from the Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network to questions we raised about the **removal of services in Tintinara and Coonalpyn**.

The response did not address the concerns raised. Elected Members have instructed the CEO to write back to RMCLHN expressing our dissatisfaction with their efforts and to request that full, comprehensive responses be supplied to questions as previously asked and reiterate that Council will only support an outcome that involves on-duty nurses at the Tintinara and Coonalpyn Country Health Connect sites.

Much discussion was had about the **Kerbside Waste, Recycling & Green Organics policy**. An amended motion was carried that included a fee for replacing damaged bins, however we wanted our concerns noted, regarding the additional kerbside collection service and requested that a report be provided to Elected Members regarding how additional bins were historically allocated and charged for. The CEO is still looking into **options for childcare** and met with other smaller Councils on the Yorke Peninsula regarding how they managed the lack of childcare and its effect on economic development. There are some frameworks and models in place that may be useful to our region. She also met with relevant Ministers on this issue. The State looks after Kindergarten and school aged children and the Commonwealth looks after Early Childhood & babies.

At our last meeting, Cr O'Hara asked if users of the **RAA electric vehicle charging stations** are charged a fee as there was a strong perception that this was going to be a free service. The CEO advised that according to the RAA's website, Destination (7kW) charging sites charge 32c/kWh for evening peak use (5pm-10pm) or 25c/kWh for standard use (all other times) these chargers take several hours to fully charge a car. Rapid (150kWh) and Ultra Rapid (200kWh) sites charge 68 c/kWh for evening peak use (5pm-10pm) or 59c/kWh for standard use (all other times). Charging could take 15-45 minutes.

An ultra-rapid charger (fast) is located at Coonalpyn and a Rapid charger (medium fast) is located at Meningie. Destination 7kW (slow) and Ultra-rapid charger (fast) are located at Tailem Bend. A motion was carried to have **Council meetings start earlier at 3pm (instead of 5pm)** as public are not attending the meetings in person. A report will be prepared for the next meeting. All Council meetings are live streamed and available on YouTube.

Just search for Coorong District Council.

Tammy Broadley Hairdressing

All aspects of men's, ladies, and children's hairdressing.



L to R - Tammy Broadley, Chantelle Anderson, Hairdressers.



L to R - Ivory Borel, Salon Assistant. Ebony Hock, Beauty Therapist.

Beauty Therapy Available!

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Article submitted by Cameron Jew.

Past events:

Burnouts at The Bend – Saturday July 6

The Dragway at The Bends burnout pad held its first ever major burnout event with over 4000 spectators in attendance to witness a full day of smoke and revving engines as competitors fought it out for the \$15k prize pool and selected golden tickets to Australia's biggest burnout event – Summernats.

Upcoming Events:

Outlaw Speed Shop Off Street Drags – Saturday 3 August:

Take on Australia's fastest drag strip in your own vehicle, no matter what you've got you'll have an absolute ball at the Dragway at The Bend.

The Bend Driver Experiences, Hot Laps & Drives –

Sunday August 4

Roll Racing – Saturday August 10

The Unbreakable Farmer Free community event in conjunction with the Coorong district council. A Track Cruise is available after the function for a \$20 donation with proceeds to go to The Bend's charity partner Drive Against Depression – **Sunday August 11**



ABOVE: Burnout's at The Bend.

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The Bend Driver Experiences, Hot Laps & Drives –

Sunday August 25

Hi-Tech Oils Super Series – August 30th

3 days of action-packed racing around The Bends International circuit with free spectator entry.

History of Taberefta Village - as remembered by John F Schwerdt

Article submitted by Don Wood. Continued From July's Edition...

Because we had accepted the government money we could not continue with Dean Butler as he was not a qualified architect. We engaged Hames Sharley in Adelaide and the hard work really started. We were now bound by government "rules" and the 6 homes that we planned to build must be no bigger than 6 squares (600 square feet) inside measurement.

We sketched our ideas and got Hames Sharley to draw them up & then they had to "do the rounds" of various government departments. This took about 3 months. We were then told that we had made the homes too big! They told us 6 squares interior so we had carefully measured each room to come up with exactly 6 squares. They told us that that is the wrong way to do it. It is 6 squares measuring from the inside of the external walls. They counted the area of the interior walls as part of the 6 squares. We had to bring the external walls in about the width of a brick. We appealed for them to accept the plans we had paid for but with the notation that the exterior walls come in 1 brick. **No way!** We had to pay Hames Sharley to draw another set of plans and then it was another 3 months wait while they did the rounds of the various government departments. Next, we had to choose a builder and the regulations we were understated we must call tenders. By this time I was chairman and had been for some time and was in regular contact with Hames Sharley. David Sharley told me to ask the committee if they would agree to select our tenders instead of going out to open tender, but he didn't tell me why.

Our committee were adamant that we go to open tender because every builder had to have an opportunity and there may be someone who will build for a very cheap price.

Hames Sharley advertised, and we got a good number of tenders. Naturally we selected the cheapest. When they were advised they were selected they withdrew their tender. Next in line was an outfit called MBG Constructions. His fixed tender was accepted, and I then met the guy, Melo Belosivics. I didn't warm to him from the start and the further we went the worse things became. He started work and very soon stopped and complained that the plans he had been given were incorrect.

What had happened was that because the land was sheet rock, our Council generously dumped a 3 foot deep layer of sand on the spot where we were to build the first lot of 6 homes. Dean Butler had made an error with the measurement and drew the sand fill bigger than what it was. Hames Sharley had accepted Dean Butler's preliminary drawings and Melo Belosivics had not checked the measurement, even though his instructions in the contract was to "check all measurements". The Council were great! As soon as we notified them they carted more sand very quickly to rectify the problem but Milo complained that he had been held up and we had to pay him more money.

When he laid the foundations, just before Christmas he made a heck of a mess of them. A guy had to come up and lay a slab of concrete on top of the foundations to make them level. On those little houses they were 3" out of level. I thought he would abandon the project, but no such luck. The problems continued, too numerous to mention. At every stage Melo was calling for extra money. He used sub-contractors, and they got a hard time. One poor little guy who did the tiling was crying for his money as mysteriously his tiles were damaged with a hammer and Milo would not pay till they were repaired. **To Be Continued.....**



Tailem Bend Brigade, SA Country Fire Service

Article and photos submitted by Dwayne Martin, Brigade Captain. cfs.sa.gov.au/about/about/about-us/

OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY FIRE SERVICE IS IN NEED OF MORE VOLUNTEERS.

Now is the time for you to step up and become a Country Fire Service (CFS) Volunteer firefighter and join our local team. Our station, vehicles, equipment and protective clothing are all provided by the government which is funded by the emergency service levy but it is up to us as a community to provide people to do the job.

Without Volunteers there would not be a Fire and Rescue Service in Tailem Bend

No experience is needed as all the training will be provided at no cost to you. All you need is a good attitude and a willingness to learn. We are predominantly looking for people to become firefighters but we also have roles available in operational support including radio operating, catering, fundraising and logistics. Our brigade was established in 1959 and is currently made up of both men and women from varied backgrounds, and all age groups who all come together when called to help people in their time of need. We need more members to continue providing a reliable service.

As a volunteer firefighter you will help provide a vital service to your community. We respond to a range of calls including Bush and grass fire, Building and vehicle fires, Road crash rescue, storm damage and any other incidents that may pose a risk to our community. Volunteering can be a valuable and rewarding experience where you get the opportunity to:

- Give back to your community
- Help people in their time of need
- Learn new skills
- Gain valuable life experience
- Keep active
- Socialise and meeting new people
- Do something exciting

As a new member you undertake 2 and half days of training, normally held over a weekend, then attend regular training at the brigade Monday nights from 7pm which only goes for a couple of hours then attend callouts when you are available.

We understand that people have busy lives but any time you can give will make a difference. If you, or someone you know, would like to join, or just get some more information, feel free to drop by the station (6 Golf Course Rd, Tailem Bend) Monday nights from 7pm or Contact Dwayne via phone on 0487 280 265 or email dwayne.martin@sacsvolunteer.org.au Or for more CFS information visit - www.cfs.sa.gov.au

A big thank you to all our volunteers who helped with call outs for the last couple months!

Date	Time 24hr	Incident Type	Location	Additional Information
2/7/2024	14:23	Rubbish Fire	Manning St, Tailem Bend	Rubbish Fire on Sidewalk
9/7/2024	10:21	Vehicle Accident	Princes Hwy, Poltalloch	Car vs Truck
9/7/2024	15:37	Assist SA Ambulance	Magpie Dr, Tailem Bend	Assist with Patient Lift
13/7/2024	12:32	Assist SA Ambulance	Trevena Rd, Tailem Bend	Assist with Patient Lift
17/7/2024	21:06	Vehicle Accident	Darwin Rd / Dukes Hwy, Cooke Plains	Single Vehicle Crash
18/7/2024	14:10	Vehicle Accident	Princes Hwy / Granites Rd, Tailem Bend	3 Vehicle Crash with Injuries

Increased First Aid capability!

Tailem Bend CFS are now equipped with an oxygen resuscitation kit to complement our existing First Aid kits and Defibrillators. 10 of our volunteers recently completed their Advanced Resuscitation accreditation. Whether assisting SA Ambulance, providing assistance to a casualty at any incident we attend or providing care to one of our own members. We now have the equipment and training to provide an increased level of care for any injured person.



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Story and images by Glenn Power, Murray Bridge News,
Tailem Bend Correspondent. www.murraybridge.news

Enriching his coordination and memory, Lawn Bowls devotee, Rodney Grigg, joins the vibrant and fun-loving Tailem Bend Line Dancers.

Rodney, known for his enthusiastic spirit and his new distinctive western attire, complete with boots and hats, has embraced Line Dancing wholeheartedly - his excitement is palpable as he prepares for future performances around the Murraylands. "I can't wait to wear some leather off these new Western Boots and get a sweat-up dancing along with some great country music," Rodney said. "I love Country Music and the Tailem Bend crew are so much fun to be around - they're always up for a laugh or two between dances." Rodney's participation not only highlights the inclusive nature of the activity, but also showcases the importance of community-based activities and support services, like those provided by the Tailem Bend Community Centre and the Murray Bridge based, Genuine Support Services Australia. Tailem's Line Dancing is offered by the Tailem Bend Community Centre, as part of their extensive community-based activities plan, and led by Dance Instructor, Sandy Prizibilla of Tailem Bend - who puts all the dancers through their paces.

"We turn on the tunes, turn up the volume and away we go, starting with a couple of slow warm up numbers, before slowly moving towards the faster, more complicated, moves later in the session," Sandy said. "Dancers can rest whenever they like; some just love to sing along and tap their feet as they watch others dance to their heart's content."

For Sandy, Line Dancing is much more than just a dance class - it's a social affair that brings people together in a shared pursuit of rhythm and fun. The sessions foster an environment where participants can laugh, learn, and lift each other up, creating a strong sense of camaraderie and friendship among fellow dancers. This inclusive approach aligns well with the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) principles, which aim to enhance the quality of life and social inclusion for individuals with disabilities. Sandy's sessions are designed to be inclusive and accessible, ensuring that everyone, regardless of their dancing skills, can take part and enjoy.



ABOVE: Dance Instructor, Sandy Prizibilla of Tailem Bend, putting her crew through their paces at the Tailem Bend Line Dancing class held in June 2024.



ABOVE: Rodney, resting his feet after a long night of dancing at the Long Riders, Murray Bridge.

The program reflects the NDIS's commitment to supporting people with disabilities in engaging in community activities and building meaningful connections. By offering a welcoming and supportive environment, the Line Dancing sessions enable participants to develop their skills, increase their confidence, and enjoy the physical and social benefits of dancing. Rodney's involvement in Line Dancing is a testament to the positive impact that inclusive community activities can have on individuals with disabilities. Through the support of his NDIS plan and his resolute support workers from Genuine Support Services Australia, Rodney can take part fully in these sessions, showing how tailored support can enable individuals to pursue their dreams.

The Tailem Bend Town Hall buzzes with the energy of Line Dancing every Tuesday morning from 10am to 11:30am, welcoming participants of all skill levels, from beginners to advanced dancers to engage in this fun-loving, lively and inclusive activity.

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The Progress Association Appreciation Lunch

Story and images by Glenn Power.

The Tailem Bend Progress Association hosted an appreciation lunch for their dedicated team of Tailem Topics delivery volunteers. Held at the Tailem Bend Hotel on Sunday, June 30, 2024, the event celebrated community spirit and volunteer commitment.

The historic Tailem Bend Hotel, with its country charm and inviting ambience, provided the perfect backdrop for the gathering. The warm, golden light filtering throughout the cozy dining room set a welcoming tone as guests arrived. As the local volunteers came together, laughter and cheerful conversations filled the room, reflecting the friendships and sharing a sense of purpose that unites the tight group of volunteers. The highlight of the event, besides the wonderful lunch, was a heartfelt speech by the Tailem Bend Progress Association's Distribution Manager, Brenton Qualmann of Tailem Bend, who expressed profound gratitude for the tireless efforts of the walkers.

“Your dedication to our Tailem Topics publication has been and remains instrumental in fostering a strong sense of unity and progress within our community - and for this, the Tailem Bend Progress Association is extremely thankful,” Brenton said.

The lunch was a resounding success, embodying the spirit of togetherness and gratitude that defines the Tailem Bend Progress Association and its cherished Tailem Topics community magazine.



ABOVE: Barbie & Glenn Power. Image taken by Margaret from Wellington.



ABOVE: Peter & Doris Connolly.



ABOVE: Margo & Don Wood.



ABOVE: Allan & Pam Clark.



ABOVE: Brenton & Josh Qualmann



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99th Birthday Celebration for Mrs Greta Bolt

Article submitted by Jeanette Kozikowski. Photos by Rodney Bolt.

In July family and friends gathered for lunch at the Riverside Hotel to celebrate Greta's 99th Birthday, a great milestone. We enjoyed a lovely lunch, shared memories and had a few laughs.

I know many of you would remember Greta as she was a dedicated teacher at Tailem Bend Primary School for many years. She came to Tailem Bend in 1958, when her late husband Ray, a locomotive driver transferred here. She began teaching at Tailem Bend Primary School in 1959. The school enrolment at the time was approximately 400 students and there were 10 teachers. Her year 2 class numbered 42. Times have changed!

Greta's passion was for reading, speech, grammar formalities and everything to do with literature. In July 1986, as Teacher / Librarian, Greta, along with Principal, Neville Gotch, was instrumental in the set up and organisation of the School Community Library, which she managed until she retired. The playground that can be seen from the library window was named 'The Greta Bolt Playground' in her honour.

When Greta retired she volunteered in the community, working with the Telecross Programme, St. Vinnies, The Friends of the Hospital and SA Red Cross.



ABOVE: (Front row, sitting) R to L: Rhonda Mik, Greta Bolt and Jen Bolt. 2nd Row R to L: Val Spoeher, Glenys Cocks, Jeanette Kozikowski, Bev Piggott, Ann Foran, Pauline Merritt and various family members.



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Freedom in Forgiveness

Submitted by Tracey Woitd on behalf of the Mallee Lutheran Parish.

I have heard the phrase "I will never forgive them" so often. The hurt is so real and there does not seem to be an end to it. Holding on to unforgiveness seems to give a sense of purpose, that there is honour in the remembrance. But if we could see what it does to us, how it affects our character and our personality, our emotions and permeates into every area of our lives, we may be shocked. It puts us in a prison.

"You don't understand what happened to me, if you really knew, you would realize that I can't forgive, and I won't". You are right. I cannot fully understand the depth of pain, anger, hatred, humiliation and hopelessness. I cannot understand what you went through. But I have been on the receiving end of some actions that have required some immense forgiveness. I say require, because if I carried it still, if I harboured all that hurt and pain inside me, I would be a very different version of who I am now.

I have heard it said that unforgiveness is like drinking poison and expecting the other person to die. Unforgiveness is all about us. In total contrast, Jesus made it all about Him, so we could be free, without burden. But the choice, as always, lies with us. Will we hand it over to Jesus or will we decide to have it steal and kill and destroy our lives and relationships **(John 10:10)**.

No one except the Son of God could forgive the sin of every person who ever lived. Jesus hung on the cross for a crime He didn't commit, having endured betrayal by one of his closest **(Judas - Matthew 24:14-16)**, denial by another close friend **(Peter)**, whipped till flesh fell off his back, spat upon, mocked, anger hurled at Him with insults and intense hatred. And what did Jesus spend His time on earth doing? Teaching, healing people, raising people from the dead, having meals with them, setting them free from oppression, having compassion on them. Loving them and setting them free. And in a time of unfathomable pain as He hung on the cross, He said "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing. **(Luke 23:34)**

Forgiveness is so important that it is part of the prayer Jesus taught us to pray "And forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us". **(Matthew 6:12)**

Forgiveness is hard! It requires us to let go and let Jesus take it all. All the hurt, all the pain. We forgive because we received forgiveness through the love of Jesus. Surrender it to Jesus, layer by layer, piece by piece. There is freedom in forgiveness.

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COORONG Council News

Jul - Aug 2024

Welcome to this month's Council update

Throughout June and July Coorong District Council has undertaken a range of activities, attended events and delivered programs across the district.

Around the District

The **Community Facilities** team have continued to keep our parks, gardens, reserves and roadsides looking tidy with ongoing mowing, top dressing holes in lawns caused by Little Corellas and proactive tree trimming undertaken across the district. In preparation for winter rains maintenance has been carried out to clean pits and drains across public stormwater infrastructure.

Completion of re-sheeting on Riddell Road (6km) and Yumali Road (6.5km) will see out the **2023/24 Unsealed Roads Program**, with a total of 32.6km re-sheeted across seven roads throughout the district.

Rural road users are continuing to be supported through the **patrol grading program**, with 633.5kms of unsealed roads graded across in June, and 3,836km graded for the 2023/24 year.

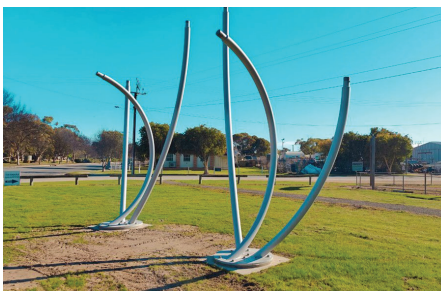
Project works have seen the construction of a new access ramp at the **Meningie Wetlands**

Boardwalk and bird hide completed. This improves access to the boardwalk, making it more inclusive and DDA compliant.



Pictured above: Construction of Meningie Wetlands Boardwalk access ramp now complete.

The long awaited community-driven **Mallee Lights** project in Tintinara is almost complete, with the light stands now installed on the corner of Becker Terrace and Emu Springs Road. The Tintinara Action Club are now finalising arrangements for the unique light fittings (kindly donated by three local service clubs) to be installed.



Pictured above: Mallee Lights Project, Tintinara

Construction of the **RAA Electric Vehicle charging stations** in Coonalpyn and Meningie is now complete, and the charging

stations are open for business (the Taillem Bend project is still underway).

To stay updated on Council's current works and projects, please visit Council's website.



Pictured above: Post-concreting of RAA EV charging station, Meningie.

Key Decisions

At the 16 July Ordinary meeting, Council adopted the reviewed 2021–2025 Community Vision Plan – this document outlines Council's strategic goals, reflecting the aspirations of the district. The Council also continues to advocate for a return of walk-in services at the Tintinara and Coonalpyn Country Health Connect sites following a change to appointment only bookings at the start of 2024.

Want to read more?

Visit our website for full Council meeting agendas, reports and latest updates on projects, events and activities happening across the district.



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A five-year lease (with right of renewal for a further five years) was granted to the Quadriders Association SA Inc. over a portion of land adjacent to the Meningie airfield.

Community Development

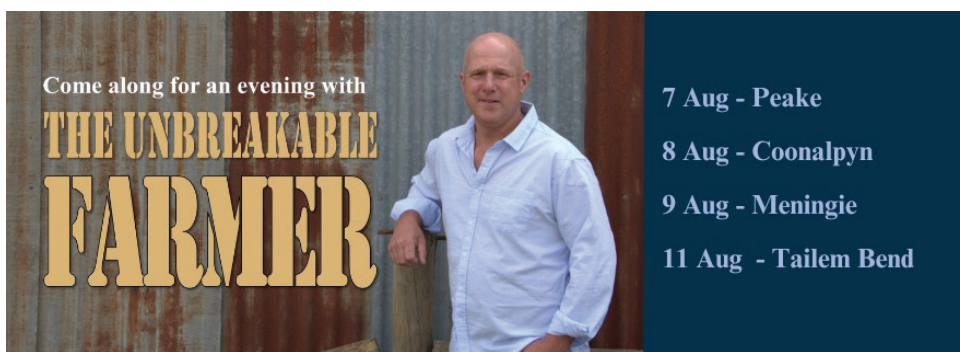
Council was delighted to welcome the Aves family from Tintinara as the district's new Australian citizens at a ceremony on 16 July 2024.



Pictured above: Mayor Simmons with the Aves family at their citizenship ceremony.

2024 SALA Exhibition

Come and celebrate the opening of the 2024 SALA exhibition at the Coorong Gallery on Friday, 2 August from 1:30pm. Creative works from emerging and established local artists will remain on display at Taillem Bend's Coorong Gallery until 10 September 2024.



The Unbreakable Farmer is coming to the Coorong!

Coorong District Council and Coorong Conversations Matter Suicide Prevention Network are pleased to present an **“Evening with Warren Davies - the Unbreakable Farmer”**.

Warren is not just your average farmer – his eventful life has tested his resilience, persistence and determination, and had a big impact on his young family, relationships and finances.

Community members across the Coorong District Council are invited to hear Warren speak about mental health and the importance of having tools and resources to help as well as the need for us to speak to people in our support networks.

Secure your tickets via TryBooking online for any of the four upcoming free ‘Unbreakable Farmer’ events.

Attend an Unbreakable Farmer Event:

Peake | 7 August, 6pm

Peake Football Clubrooms
Free Community BBQ

Coonalpyn | 8 August, 6:30pm

Coonalpyn Football Clubrooms
\$12 schnitzel night – bookings essential (pay on the night)

Meningie | 9 August, 7pm

Meningie Golf Club
\$12 schnitzel or steak – dinner bookings essential (pay on the night)

Taillem Bend | 11 August, 2pm

Shell V-Power Motorsport Park
Complimentary afternoon tea
Followed by the fundraising track drive (\$20) for Drive Against Depression from 4pm.

Book online at:

www.coorong.sa.gov.au/unbreakablefarmer

or contact the Council's Community Development team on 1300 785 277.

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Volunteers play a vital and valuable role in our communities and in the provisions of services to Council.

With a range of programs on offer, volunteering can be a great way to meet new people, gain new skills and enjoy new experiences.

Council is seeking registrations of interest for the following programs

Taillem Info Station & Rail Museum
Meningie Info Hub
Pangarinda Botanic Gardens

For more information please contact Council's Volunteer Coordinator on 1300 785 277

Tailem Bend Community Library

New Books August 2024

ADULT FICTION

- ANDREWS Amy** – Beneath Southern Skies – 3-in-1
ANDREWS V. C. – Chasing Endless Summer – Family fiction
ARCHER Jeffrey – Traitors Gate – Detective, Mystery
ATKINS Ace – Don't Let the Devil Ride – Missing Person Thriller
BALDACCI David – A Calamity of Souls – Legal Thriller
BEAVAN Paula J. – Among the Grey Gums – Australian Historical
BROWN Dale – The Devil's Fortress – Spy Thriller
BURKE James Lee – Clete – Mystery Thriller
CALLAGHAN Jo – Leave No Trace – Detective Mystery
CHAMBERS Essie – Swift River – Race Relations
DEAN Will – The Chamber – Murder, Thriller
DOCKER Sandie – The Lyrebird Lake Ladies Choir – Australian fiction
HARFFY Matthew – A Day of Reckoning – Historical, Pirates
HARRIS Tessa – The Tuscan Daughter – Historical Romance
JACOBS Anna – Hawthorn Close – Romance
JACOBS Anna – The Nurses of Eastby End – Historical Romance
KELSALL Leonie – The Willow Tree Wharf – Australian Romance
LAMPRELL Mark – Things I Need You to Know – Australian Family
LANE Soraya M. – The Berlin Sisters – WWII fiction
LA PLANTE Lynda – Taste of Blood – Mystery, Thriller
MALLERY Susan – For the Love of Summer – Family
MCDERMID Val – Queen MacBeth – Historical fiction
OSMAN Richard – The Last Devil to Die – Murder mystery
QUINN Stella – Down the Track – Australian Romance
ROBERTS Nora – The MacKade Brothers: Devin & Shane – Romance
SALLIS Susan – Five Farthings – Historical
SIMONSON Helen – The Hazelbourne Ladies Motorcycle and Flying Club – WWI friendships
SISTERSON Craig – Dark Deeds Down Under 2 – Crime & Thriller Anthology
WEBB Kate – Laying Out the Bones – Detective Mystery

LARGE PRINT – NON-FICTION

- BLACK Renae** – Red Dirt Home – Australian Romance
FORREST Rhonda – Turn Left – Australian Romance
LOWE Fiona – The Accident – Australian Friendship
PARK Ruth – Harp in the South – Australian History
PARK Ruth – Missus – Australian (Darcy family)
PARK Ruth – Poor Man's Orange – Australian (Darcy family)
VAN MIL Jules – A Curious Daughter – Australian Family

BOOK REVIEW



Don't Let the Devil Ride

by Ace Atkins

A Memphis woman hires a PI to find her missing husband, only to discover that he is involved in a dangerous web of international intrigue—and she and her children are now at risk.

Hell is empty... and Addison McKellar's husband is missing.



Addison McKellar isn't clueless—she knows she and her husband Dean don't have the perfect marriage—but she's still shocked when he completely vanishes from her life. At first Addison is annoyed, but as days stretch into a week and she's repeatedly stonewalled by Dean's friends and associates, her frustration turns into genuine alarm. When even the police seem dismissive of her concerns, Addison turns to an old friend of her father, legendary Memphis PI Porter Hayes.

Porter and Addison begin to dig deeper into Dean's affairs and quickly discover that he was never the hardworking business owner and family man he pretended to be. As they piece together the connections between a hook-handed mercenary, one of Elvis's former leading ladies, and a man posing as an FBI agent, it becomes clear that Dean was deeply enmeshed in a high-stakes web of international intrigue, and Porter and Addison aren't the only ones looking for him.

Dean angered some very dangerous people before he disappeared—people who have already killed to get what they want—and they won't hesitate to come after his family to even the score.

Submitted by Angie Tomkinson.



Reported dates: 07/5/2024 – 21/07/2024

Incident Date	Incident Type	Location	Details
21/05/2024	Serious Criminal Trespass	Karoonda	Karoonda Area school, property damaged
23/05/2024	Illegal Interference, Theft	Tailem Bend	Vehicle number plates and tyres stolen
29/05/2024	Deception	Tailem Bend	Online email scam/hacking \$3000
02/06/2024	Theft	The Bend	Theft of sunglasses \$475

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MURRAY BRIDGE NEWS

Lunch Brings Community Together

Story and images by Glenn Power, Murray Bridge News,
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On Friday, June 28, 2024, the Tailem Bend Community Centre was abuzz with fun and local nostalgia, as it hosted yet another successful Goldies Lunch. The event, a beloved 20-year tradition, brought together seniors from across the community and outlying towns, for an afternoon of friendship, laughter and delicious food.

The popular luncheon, organised by the Tailem Bend Community Centre, kicked off at noon with over 50 attendees filling the Function Room, which had been transformed into an elegant dining hall. The guests, many of whom have been attending regularly, were treated to a gourmet two-course meal prepared and served by volunteers. Tailem Bend Community Centre, CEO, Tammy Sheppard, who also enjoyed the meal with special guest, Nick McBride MP, praised the community spirit and the efforts of the volunteers. *“The Goldies Lunch is a wonderful opportunity for our seniors to come together, celebrate, and reminisce - it’s heart-warming to see the joy the lunches bring to everyone.”*

The event concluded with a heartfelt speech from Pilates and Strength/Balance Instructor, Amanda Bakker of Murray Bridge, who outlined the benefits of keeping our bodies moving and supple as we age. Amanda is passionate about helping people and it’s very clear she loves what she does. With 10 years’ experience, participants are in good hands. As the guests departed, many expressed their appreciation and said they’re looking forward to the next Goldies gathering on August 30, 2024 - be sure to book well in advance.

For more details about the Goldies Lunch and other Tailem Bend Community Centre events or classes, visit the Tailem Bend Community Centre’s website calendar at www.tbcc.org.au/whats-on/tbcccalendar/



ABOVE: Volunteer, Wendy Bradshaw of Tailem Bend ready, to plate-up the main course.



ABOVE: Volunteers, Judy Bagg (who creates the beautiful flora arrangements for the dining tables) and Bev Moyes (in charge of the Raffle) both of Tailem Bend, getting the Raffle tickets ready for the lunchtime draw.

What's Happening in our Community?

MONDAYS

- **ROTARY CLUB OF TAILEM BEND;** Meet every fortnight on Mondays at 6pm at the Riverside Hotel, Princes Hwy Tailem Bend, **contact Phil Roberts: 0428 305 432.** Please contact Phil to check location.
- **MONDAY MEMORIES!;** Last Monday of the month at the Tailem Bend library at 10am. **All Welcome!**

TUESDAYS

- **SOCIAL TENNIS – ALL WELCOME;** Every Tuesday 9am – 11.30am. Hosted at the lovely new courts at Tailem Bend Oval. Morning Tea provided. \$5.00 per person. **Contact Graeme Melbourne 0429 140 735.**
- **TAILEM BEND LIONS CLUB;** Meetings 2nd Tuesday at the Riverside Hotel and 4th Tuesdays at Lions Den, corner Trevena Rd & Seymour St each month at 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. **Contact Doug Holmes 8532 4372 or Ian Eckermann 8572 3850.**
- **TAILEM BEND AUTO CLUB;** Tailem Bend Auto Club (TBAC) meeting every Third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Tailem Bend Football Club. Please contact the TBAC Facebook page for more information.

WEDNESDAYS

- **COOMANDOOK Branch CWA;** Meet first Wednesday of the Month at the Coomandook Hall from 1pm, unless otherwise advised. **For more details contact Anika Loechel 0438 256 629 or call State Office on 08 8332 4166 or www.sacwa.org.au**
- **TAILEM BEND CHRISTMAS PARADE MEETING;** We need you! If you would like to see the Christmas Parade in the future please join the Christmas Parade committee. **Contact Maxine Kiddie: 0439 387 750**

THURSDAYS

- **PARENT CHILD MOTHER GOOSE;** Cuddle.. Communicate.. Connect... Using songs, rhymes and stories to support connection between child and parent. 9.30am – 10.15am at the Tailem Bend Primary School.

- **RIVERBEND LADIES INDOOR BOWLS;** Thursdays until the end of October. Fun games 10.30am. Team games 2pm. **Contact R. Ellis: 8572 3252 or L. Jaensch: 8672 4064**
- **TAILEM BEND PROGRESS ASSOCIATION;** JOIN THE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION! **More details please contact: Maxine Kiddie: 0439 387 750**
- **FRIENDS OF THE HOSPITAL;** Friend's of the Hospital monthly meeting held on the first Thursday of each month at 2pm at the Tailem Bend Hospital, All welcome! Details: **Gwenda Zadow 8572 3057**
- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS;** Thursday night 7pm at the Tailem Bend Town Hall Function Centre, Murray Street, Tailem Bend. **Contact Harry 0437 471 131**
- **ULYSSES LOWER MURRAY MOTORBIKE CLUB;** A club for motobike riders over 40 years. If you enjoy riding motorbikes and social gatherings with other motorbike enthusiasts, this is the club for you. It's a great social group - lots of fun. We have rides on Sundays and Thursdays. Come and join in the fun. **For more information call Terry on 0401 320 665**

FRIDAYS

- **TAILEM BEND COMMUNITY CENTRE – OUR GOLD-IES LUNCHEON;** Joins us for a social lunch and chat, from 12 noon to 1.30 pm. Two course meal from \$10.00 per person, subsidised by the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) for people over 65 years or 50 years Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people, or \$15.00 for Non CHSP. Booking is essential, please call 8572 3513 or email chsp@tbcc.org.au for more information.
- **Tailem Bend RSL SUB BRANCH;** Open for meals every Friday from 6pm, to book **phone 0466 313 315 or 0419 856 744** Or you can send a message through FB: **@Tailem-BendRSL**

SATURDAYS

- **ST LUKE'S MARKET DAY;** Held on a Saturdays. For more information please call Tony Aylen on 0400 870 878.
- **JERVOIS DANCE;** Every 5th Saturday of the month! \$12.00 entrance. Prizes and raffles on offer. bring a plate of supper to share. Contact Malcolm Clayson on 0401 043 382 for more info. (Every 5th Saturday of the month)
- **MURRAYLANDS BALLROOM DANCE GROUP;** The Murraylands Dance will be held in the Tailem Bend town hall every third Saturday from 8pm to midnight. Entrance, \$10 - There will be several door prizes. Please bring your own supper. Tea and coffee provided. **Contact Nick on 0456 208 355**

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Thought for the Month

Submitted by Doreen Lutz.

Worrie....

Worry comes naturally to us as people. Some people seem to need something to worry about and they continually plan about options and scenarios before things happen. This, of course leads to stress, which leads to stress related illness, which leads to more stress, and into a vicious cycle.

Many people think that the solution to worries could be having more money, then when they achieve that they worry about who they should help without offending family and friends.

So how can we deal with our worries?

Start by deciding what our worries are and what is causing them. Then we can often see that the things we worry about are not as important as we think.

In Matthew 6, verses 25, 32, 33, Jesus says, *“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Isn't there more to life than food and more to the body than clothing? For the unconverted pursue these things, and your Heavenly Father knows that you need them. But above all pursue the kingdom of righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”*

As teenagers we like to fit in and will worry about what others think of us if we do not wear the latest style, or if we do not participate in the latest activity. How good would it be if we accepted ourselves, and each other, as we are, as God accepts us?

God accepts us with all our faults , all our inhibitions and He wants us to enjoy a life free of worry.

When God is at the forefront of our lives we see life as God wants us to see it. We can trust and rely on God.

We know He will do what is best for us so we can stop worrying.

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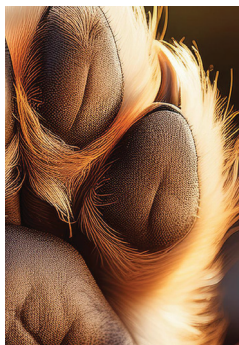
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WIN TV SUDDEN AXING OF SKY NEWS PROGRAMS LEAVES COMMUNITIES

**Win TV's sudden axing of free to air access to
Sky News programmes on June 30, 2024, in the Riverland and
Mount Gambier is very disappointing.**

The broadcasting of television news and current affairs through regional Australia is crucial to ensuring all Australians have access to coverage of important and topical issues, no matter their post-code. I understand that this decision was taken by Win TV on a commercial basis but the failure by Win TV to communicate this decision with their SA regional customers in a timely way has left many viewers and advertisers perplexed.

While news services can be accessed via paid subscriptions, this further impacts regional Australians battling with Labor's home-grown cost of living crisis. My office has been inundated with calls and emails from members of the community expressing their dismay and frustration at being cut off from an important source of news without notice. In response, I have launched a petition calling on Win TV to reinstate the broadcast of Sky News programmes into South Australia's regional areas.

If you would like this service reinstated, please sign here:

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RIDDLES - ANSWERS ON PAGE 29

1. **I have branches, but no fruit, trunk, or leaves. What am I?**
2. **What five-letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?**
3. **I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with wind. What am I?**
4. **A woman shoots her husband, then holds him underwater for five minutes. Next, she hangs him. Right after, they enjoy a lovely dinner. Explain.**

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Jokes of the Month

When older people say, "Enjoy them while they are young."
They are talking about your knees and hips not your kids.

Old age has come at a bad time, just when I was beginning
to know everything, I now am forgetting everything I knew...

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2 2, was 1 2, 2 Y's UB
1 1 1 1 race, I CUR 2 Y's 4 me!
2 2 1 1 2.

Why did the actor fall through the floorboards?
He was going through a stage!

What do you call an angry carrot?
A steamed veggie.

Quotes of the Month

"Your past mistakes are meant to guide you,
not define you."

Submitted by Lyn Goddard.

Funny Quotes of the Month

- * I run like the winded.
- * I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.
- * I had my patience tested. I'm negative.
- * Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.
- * I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.

If you have something you would like to share in the next
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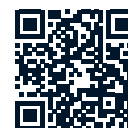
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