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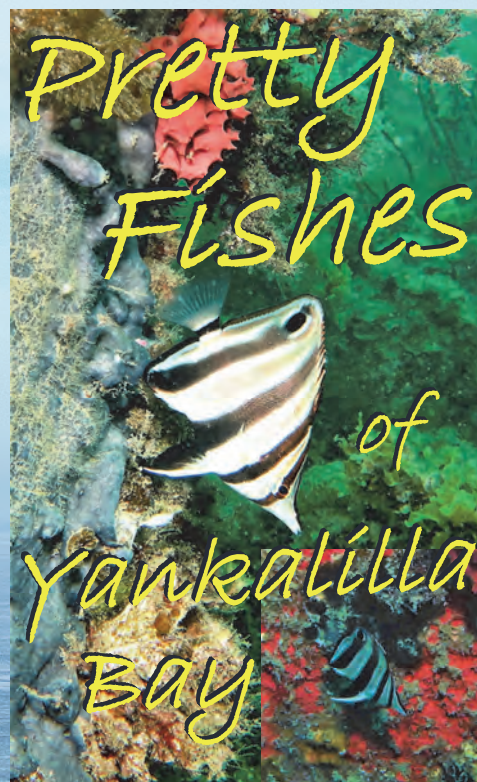
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Yankalilla Lions Club

April's Dinner Meeting

Rob Ryan, a founding member of the Yankalilla & District Lions Club and President of the Yankalilla District Historical Museum shared with us the evolution of the museum and how far it has come to the present day. The Yankalilla Museum was established in 1987 after the Jubilee 150 Project of the Re-Enactment of the grain trade.

The Yankalilla branch of The United Farmers & Stockowners re-enacted the historic times when the district was an important player in producing grain for both South Australia and The Eastern States.

After sowing a wheat crop on the land to the north of Normanville in 1985 it was harvested in March 1986.

Old equipment such as strippers, winnowers and a cone roller was assembled to take off the crop in the manner of the times. The grain was then transported by bullock wagon to the beach at Normanville, transferred to the ketch "Falie" and sent for milling.

The group of farmers and other interested people decided to make the machinery that was used a basis

for the development of a museum. Land was made available by the District Council and building began. Money was donated by The Historical Society, The Lions Club, The Apex Club and local donors. Life membership was offered for \$100 each and a good response was obtained. Much of the timber for the buildings was donated and milled from local farms and all work was done by volunteers.

The Museum has continued to develop in the years since, major milestones have been the acquisition of the exhibits from Pioneer Village Hackam, the freighting and re-assembling of St Thomas Church from Inman Valley and the building of toilets with a grant from The Commonwealth Government.

The Museum now boasts seven individual buildings to house agricultural machinery, forestry machines, land clearing, mining and marine items. The Main building houses a cottage, a nursery, a drapery shop, a general store and a display of washing apparatus through the ages. In the centre of the building are numerous display cabinets with items of general



Cover photo: **Yankalilla Bay.** Our part of the world is still a bit dry as we wait for autumn and winter rains.

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interest.

The committee of the Museum are very grateful to the volunteers of the Visitor Centre for opening the museum seven days a week and promoting it to visitors to the district.

A great success story and thank you Rob for recounting the history of the museum.

Classics & Coffee

The Lions Club sponsored bimonthly 'Classic and Coffee' was held in Normanville in late March and again many car enthusiasts from around the district met to share stories and 'drool' over one another's cars! This event has become very popular with over 30 owners attending March's get together.

Many of these car owners volunteered to help run the Yankalilla Classic Motor Show last

year and have expressed an interest in doing so again this year. Many thanks.

The next C&C will be in June and advertised in the Yankalilla Regional News and on Facebook.

Lions Car Boot Car

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after positive feedback from stallholders and attendees last year. We had 28 stalls, a big increase from last year and a steady flow of both locals and visitors through the gate. Numbers were certainly up on last year.

Also on site at the showgrounds was the Yankalilla Market and the Fleurieu Refugee Support Group Sponsored, Easter Arts and Craft Event.

There was plenty to attract everyone to the showground and talking to attendees there were very pleased with the combined event.

Yankalilla Classic Motor Show update

The big drive is to open registrations for the event by the end of July and this is on track. The feedback received last year is being used to design the show this year to make it even more interesting for all attendees, enthusiasts and families.

We plan to launch the 'Knowledge Garage' where suppliers of products and service important to the classic car enthusiasts will run information

sessions on 'how to activities' relating to restoring and these types of vehicles.

On the sponsorship front, Shannons and QMT have come onboard again this year as naming sponsors. They were very pleased with the response they received last year from supporting the show and didn't think twice about doing it again!

Gold sponsors so far are Forktree Brewery, Ray White - Fleurieu Accommodation and Yankalilla Council.

Thank you to all the sponsors for your vote of confidence.

We currently have 1 Gold Sponsorship and 4 Silver Sponsorships left. If you are interested in sponsoring the event please contact Mike Hatcher (mike.hatcher@hotmail.com) to discuss the advertising opportunities available.

For more information on the Yankalilla & District Lions Club activities please free to follow us on Facebook; <https://www.facebook.com/yankalillaanddistrictionsclub>

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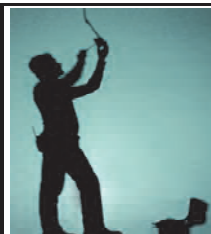


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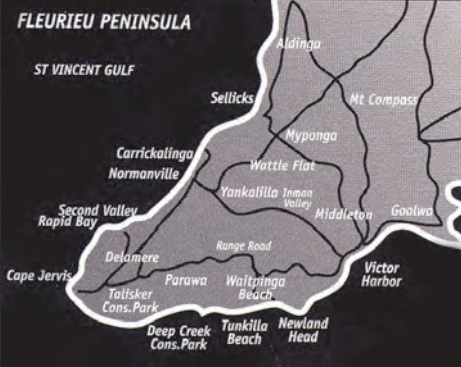
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Editor's Comments

Hello Readers,

We are in autumn and heading for winter, now we just need a bit of rain to go with that. There are a few greenish area starting to appear.

We just got over the state election and now we have the federal election to contend with this month. Will we see the end of Scomo? Time will tell but the odds look to favour Labor and that may be a welcome breath of fresh air - or at least, some stale air run through a new filter!

This year we have the local council elections too, making it a total clean-up of all three levels of government within a nine month period. To help you with the local elections, the YRN will be delving into the candidates backgrounds, the reasons for putting their hands up and what they hope to achieve by being our representatives.

The FRAP met during April and approved the plans for the foreshore re-build, including the café/SLSC and caravan park. There were a number of concerns brought up and conditions imposed. Somehow, I don't think we have heard the last of this divisive issue. More information is in the 'discussion pages' of this edition.

This month we have the Heritage Fleurieu Coast

Festival - the full program was in the centre of the April YRN, which you all pulled out and saved, right? - and now with the covid restrictions finally lifted, there should be no dramas! The exception being a change of venue for one event which was booted from the Second Valley hall so it could be used for a polling booth on election day. Viruses and politicians, some would say, are both designed to disrupt anything you had planned.

One last thing...

A humble apology to Lorraine McLoughlin (author) and Geoff Bromilow (subject) for the error in the 'Portrait of...' episode in the April edition. There was a question/answer that did not belong and was somehow left behind from the previous edition's article - it mentioned New Zealand and music - about Wendy McPhee. A cut and paste error which I then failed to pick up in proof reading. The online version was corrected once it was discovered.

Until next issue...

Cheers,
Paul Jelfs
Editor

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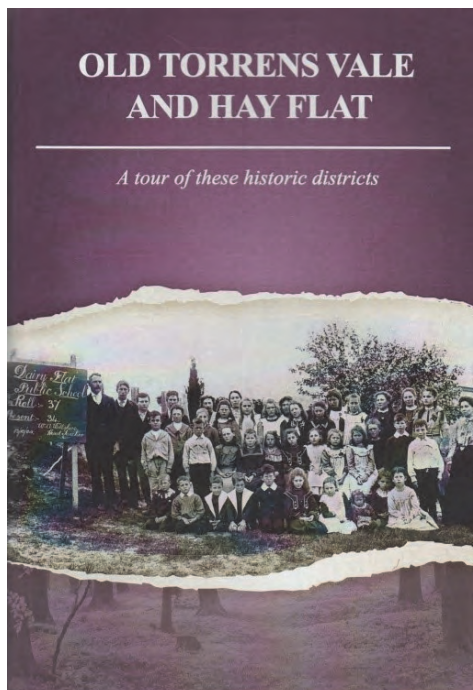
Heritage Fleurieu Coast

The Heritage Fleurieu Coast festival is in full swing this month. Check your April edition of the Yankalilla Regional News and pull out the centrefold programme to keep up with the events. Copies are available at the Visitor Centre and you can also book for many events there. The Program was also published in the Council newsletter "In the Loop". Look for the South Australia's History Festival booklets being distributed throughout the district for the full History Month program or follow them online historyfestival.sa.gov.au. For updates on the local festival check out our Facebook page [heritagecoastfestival](https://www.facebook.com/heritagecoastfestival).

This is a festival for the community put on by the community, most events are free – look for the "People of the Yankalilla District" posters in cafes and businesses throughout the district and 'Meander through time' along Main Street Yankalilla to see early views of the street and reimagine yourself in a previous era. "Old Torrens Vale and Hay Flat" will be launched at Ingallalla Falls on Sunday 8th of May,

joining the suite of History tours of our district produced by the Yankalilla Historical Society. Come to Club Fleurieu on 13th May and hear Dr Michael Taffe's talk "Keeping the Faith, the Great War Avenues of Honour". He will speak about the national and international significance of the Moreton Bay figs that line the Main Street at Normanville. This will be followed on May 15th by the unveiling in Norman Reserve, of interpretive signage funded by the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Instead of pondering the outcome of the Federal election on Sunday 22nd May come to Second Valley Farm and William Randall will take you on a tour around his farm and try to sell you some of his 'Fine Colonial Wine'. We look forward to seeing you at multiple events!

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Club Fleurieu – A Club for Everyone!

The Club has a busy month coming up in May, with two major events taking place. On **Friday 13 May** we are looking forward to our second blues evening, with local band **"River Rats"** playing from 7.30pm. Don't miss a night of fantastic live music, great food & drinks and good vibes all round! Please refer to separate item for all the details.

On **Wednesday 18 May at 12noon** our Club Lunch will have a Mother's Day theme, with a **Club Fleurieu Op Shop Fashion Parade** to be held between main course and dessert. The fashion parade clothing can be tried on and purchased after the meal. Lunch is \$15 per person. Our delicious menu will be:

Main Course

Chicken with creamy Pancetta, Pea

& Tarragon sauce
or Osso Bucco (both mains served with vegetables)

Dessert

Tiramisu or Fruit with Icecream
Bookings essential. Please advise any dietary needs in advance.



As well as these two events, we have

Our Club Barbecue on **Tuesday 10 May at 12 noon (\$10)**

Our end of month Happy Hour & Dinner on **Friday 27 May from**

Op Shop Renovations

Planned renovations to the Club's Op Shop commenced in late March. The work done included upgrading the back room, new flooring throughout and some new lighting.

A big thank you to the volunteers who moved stock and furniture, pulled up carpets and did many other jobs so the upgrade could take place. Repainting was then done, a new desk installed, some new shelves assembled, and stock placed back on display.

The exterior of the shop has also had a facelift, with new paving, a new noticeboard installed and a freshly painted front door and veranda posts. The shop had to close for a few days but was re-opened on Friday 8 April with visitors being treated to a glass of bubbly!

We'd love you to call in to the shop very soon, grab a bargain and check out the new look. And why not book for our Club lunch on Wednesday 18 May and enjoy our shop fashion parade?



The Club's Upgraded Op Shop... open for business!



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5.00pm. This month Thai Curry will be on the menu. (\$20 members, \$25 non-members, \$5 dessert). Bookings are essential if you're staying for the meal. Otherwise feel free to drop in for a drink or two from Bjorn's Bar!

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Appearing at the Club
on **Friday 13 May**
from **7.30pm...**

"RIVER RATS"



The River Rats have built a strong following in the Fleurieu region, with their brand of cool R&B classics and original songs.

Two singles from their latest EP, "Hold On" were released last December. The single "Wildflower" hit number 3 on the Australian National Radio Airplay Project regional charts.

These guys should not be missed live!



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Yankalilla Hockey Club

Last month the Yankalilla Hockey Club declared that winter is coming. That has not quite come true yet, and who can complain about the lovely autumn we've had. But never mind, hockey is happening! We were unsure of the training day, but it is now settled for Wednesdays for the juniors, 4-5pm. We'd really love to have more juniors come out. We may be biased, but we think hockey is a terrific team sport for young folk (and old folk too, for that

matter!).

The South Coast Hockey Association caters very well for field hockey down here on the Fleurieu. Visit <https://www.southcoasthockey.org.au/>.

The program is out, and the first games are on Saturday 23 April, at the Victor Harbor Hockey Club, on Bacchus Road, Victor Harbor. As you read this, we will be playing Saturday 7 May at our own Yankalilla hockey fields (behind the bowls club), with the under 10s

kicking off at 8:20am. So if you're thinking about playing, or your children might like to give it a go but haven't jumped in yet, come on out and see what it's all about.



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Several YDHS members enjoyed an interesting and informative excursion recently to the former RAAF No. 10 Radar Station at Cape Jervis, which played a significant role during the Second World War. The site visit was preceded by a PowerPoint talk at Second Valley Hall by Ron Blum which, according to Margaret Morgan, served as a useful precursor to the visit. The radar station, commonly known as 'the doover', operated 24 hours a day, with the personnel taking shifts. The accommodation buildings were situated down the hill a little from the station itself. The 'doover' was constructed of concrete but was camouflaged with stones to make it look like a ruin. Ron commented that the antenna on top must have been a bit of a giveaway! Today the stones are no longer there, as they were later used by the local farmer in the construction of a shed. Ron's talk was enhanced by a working model of the antenna and radar screen, operated by volunteer radar operator David Speck. According to Ron, the station didn't detect any Japanese presence in our waters, but it did detect the Queen Mary sailing south of Kangaroo Island carrying troops.

After driving to the site, Ron pointed out where a plaque had been installed during a reunion in 1993 but it had since disappeared. He raised the question of whether a new one could be installed. After inspecting the 'doover', the group walked down to the accommodation site, where concrete slabs were visible where the buildings had been. Stonework lined the roadways, an old wood stove remained, and a stone chimney that had been built solely to give the impression of a ruined farmhouse.

The former radar station at Cape Jervis is a rare surviving example of the measures adopted for the defence of Australia during the Second World War, and one of two wartime RAAF radar station sites in South Australia, the other being No. 7 at Wedge Island.

These two stations were known as Light Weight Air Warning (LWAW) radar stations brought into operation during the war, used the then newly-developed lighter and more portable LWAW radar systems, which also had a longer range. The station provided protection to the sea approaches to Adelaide and the industrial city of Whyalla on Spencer Gulf. While the chance of

enemy aircraft operating over these areas was remote, for a 12-month period from mid-1942 until mid-1943 the Japanese submarine threat to shipping operating along the Australian coast was very real. As well as aerial targets, the radar stations could detect contacts such as surfaced submarines which might try and approach these areas under the cover of darkness.

The concrete operators' building was rendered to resemble rubble stonework intended to look like a ruined house from the air. Diesel generators were housed in an underground room nearby. A staff of about 50, mainly from the Women's Auxiliary Australian Air Force (WAAAF), and an armed guard who patrolled the property, were accommodated in staff quarters in a nearby gully in huts deliberately designed to resemble shearing sheds.

Both Nos. 7 and 10 Radar Stations were established at Parafield on 1 March 1943, each with around 40 personnel. A week later, No. 10 Radar Station moved to its permanent location at Cape Jervis, while No. 7 Radar Station did not become operational at Wedge Island until 30 April. The unit had an accommodation camp at Yankalilla. A unit truck was used to maintain regular contact with both the radar site and No. 4 Initial Training School at Victor Harbor from where the unit drew its pay and rations. Life appeared to have been reasonably good, with the unit fielding teams in Yankalilla sporting competitions and also able to attend dances at Rapid Bay.

However, the experience of No. 7 Radar Station on isolated Wedge Island presented far more of a challenge. This was a small island at the entrance to Spencer Gulf where a lighthouse had been operating since 1911. The unit was provisioned by the lighthouse supply ketch from Port Adelaide which arrived about once a month. Ketches were also used to maintain communications with Port Lincoln where an administrative shore base was maintained. This was still some 45 miles away, through seas that were often rough. The Wedge Island station maintained two guard posts equipped with Bren Guns. Problems were also experienced with water supply and radio communications with Adelaide, together with the timely supply of spare parts for the radar set. Nevertheless a 24-hour radio watch was kept up and, from February 1944, regular weather reports were sent to Parafield, Mallala, Port Pirie and Mount Gambier. Both No. 7 and No. 10 Radar Stations were disbanded on 15 September 1944. Cape Jervis radar station briefly reopened after German submarine U-862 was located in South Australia's waters. U-862 unsuccessfully

attacked the Greek freighter Ilissos off the South Australian coast on 9 December 1944, with bad weather foiling both the attack and subsequent Australian efforts to locate the submarine. After the war, the station was closed and its equipment sold. Although confirmed as a State Heritage Place in the SA Heritage Register on 10 May 2013, the site remains on private property.

— Lorraine Day

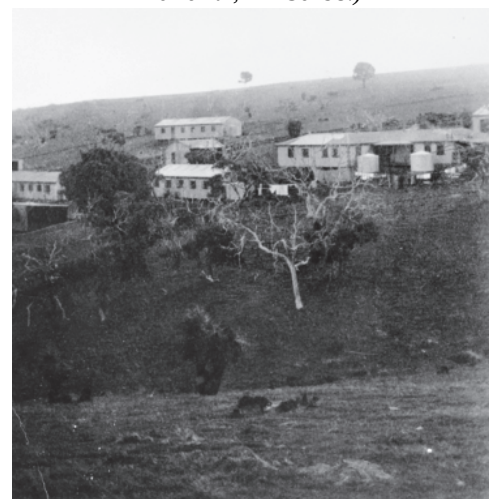


'A' Shift radar operators:
Betty Moore, Ada Fry, 'Tink' Russell-Harris,
Lola Michalk and Dorothy Penno
[Photo: Betty Prisk]

The 'doover' where the radar operators worked was originally camouflaged with stones to resemble farmhouse ruins.



A 1944 impression of the Cape Jervis radar station drawn by war artist Max Ragless. A ruined building has been used to help camouflage the facility. (Australian War Memorial, ART30198.)



Radar station camp during the war years (Australian War Memorial, P04527.004).

The Yankalilla & District Historical Society Inc. meets on the second Monday of the months of September, October, November, February, March (usually on the Tuesday in March as Monday is Adelaide Cup Day) and April. The next meeting will be on 12 September 2022 at 7.30pm. Venue TBA.

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Festival Fleurieu Support Heritage Festival

Festival Fleurieu are proud to announce that we will be supporting the 2022 Heritage Fleurieu Coast Festival.

Our event is *Horrible Histories of Adelaide* presented by Keith Conlon and Kerin Bailey. This is a wonderfully entertaining romp through the more macabre and infamous events in our history, with a bit of local scandal thrown in for good measure.

Horrible Histories of Adelaide will be held at the Normanville Hotel (Main Road, Normanville), on Saturday 21 May 2022 commencing at 7.30pm.

Tickets are available from the Fleurieu Coast Visitor Centre (ph: 85580240; email cooe@visitfleurieucoast.com.au and online at www.visitfleurieucoast.com.au or www.festivalfleurieu.com.au.

Tickets for the show only are \$25 per person or \$20 per person for Festival Fleurieu Friends.

We invite you to make a night of it by booking a table for dinner prior to the show. Please contact the Normanville Hotel directly for dinner bookings on 85583200.

Would you like to become a Festival Fleurieu Friend? For as little as \$40 for two years membership you will be supporting the Festival and receiving discounted tickets to our Festival curated events and invitations to Friends Only events throughout the two years. Application forms are available from www.festivalfleurieu.com.au.



Yankalilla Men's Probus

Wow, this year is motoring along!

At our last meeting in April we were fortunate to have **Rob Kirk**, a local geologist, speak to us about early European exploration of the Great Southern Land Mass by Portuguese, Dutch and French maritime explorers. Also, at our April meeting, **President Craig Harris** welcomed 2



Normanville Sailing Club

The Normanville Sailing Club will have wrapped up the sailing season by the time this is published, with our last sail due on Sunday April 24th (as always weather permitting). It has been a good sailing season with many sailable days and consistent turn outs from our Club members and those from other Clubs for various competitions.

On the Easter long weekend, we finally managed to run our competition for the prized Wave Energy Generator trophy (an 8 kilometre sail around the buoy marking what is left of the structure) after a two year break due to Covid lockdowns hitting at just the wrong times. Thirteen boats competed (a couple of photos courtesy of Peter Nicholson are included) and the Weather Gods were kind with constant winds and a good drenching of rain just to keep us awake out there. In the afternoon we had our usual two races and an exhausted group celebrated the soon to end season with a BBQ and drinks courtesy of Peter and Jeanette Nicholson at their Carrickalinga residence.

During the off season there will be plenty of boat maintenance and an AGM and Club Presentation Night at which the highlights of the season will be relived with many a laugh and food and drinks (dates still not set).

We are thankful for those who, while not active sailors, provide the support for our activities by manning the Club Tractor and Club Boat. Special thanks to our core Club Member Steve Rogers because, without him, the sailing club would not be able to operate (organising racing

support, providing boat maintenance and, always, Easter eggs for everyone). I will probably leave someone out but a big thank you also to Darryl Jackman for turning up every week to get the Club Boat out, drive the tractor, and time races, and to Gavin Schubert, Darcy Wedd, and Chris Kirkbride for so willingly taking their turns operating the Club Boat. Without the good will and support of many people in the community we would not be able to operate and **we have just marked the 25th Anniversary of the Club with three of the founding members still involved (Peter Nicholson, Gavin Schubert, and Darcy Wedd).**

We will be back on the beach from the first Sunday in November this year to the last Sunday in April next year. Drop in and have a chat if interested in sailing or supporting the Club or contact us through our Facebook page (just search for Normanville Sailing Club) or email the Secretary, Brian Matthews, at normanvillesailingclub@gmail.com.



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new members into our club - **Bryce Pritchard** (left) and **Chris Reynolds** (lower left).

During April, Don Binney and Craig Harris organised an 'old tractors, trucks and farm machinery' tour on a local grazier's property at Inman Valley for interested club members and partners. Many thanks go to Don and Craig and to Don Blesing for organising this event. Furthermore, it is advised that an event featuring a cruise on the *Spirit of the Coorong* is scheduled to occur in May 2022.

At our **Tuesday 3rd May 2022 meeting**, we are privileged to welcome **Steve Bell** as our guest speaker. Originally from Devon in the UK, **Steve** was a professional mountaineer and expedition guide and he achieved what is regarded as the *mountaineer's dream* - climbing the highest mountain in seven continents, (aka *The Seven Summits*). Nowadays, **Steve** is a

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motivational speaker, writer, and a Fleurieu local and so we will look forward to hearing of places and spaces where the eagles soar.

If you are retired and interested in joining our group, then give it a thought. We meet on the **1st Tuesday of every month at 10am at the RSL Hall** (situated 18 Main South Road, Normanville). **To find out more contact: Bruce** (0412 474 421) or **Neil** (0452 341 145).



Choir Sings For Ukraine

The sunflower is Ukraine's national flower and is becoming a symbol of resistance against the country's invasion by Russian forces. This war has touched all of us in a most profound way, so to reflect this, the Festival Fleurieu Choir will learn a beautiful new song called *Molytva za Ukrainu* (Prayer for Ukraine). We will sing it in Ukrainian to show our support for the people during their time of distress. To hear the version of this song, please go to this YouTube link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e_9Haeb9kig

The new season of rehearsals for our next concert will start on Wednesday night, May 4, 2022 in Club Fleurieu, Yankalilla, 7-9pm. The new program is a wonderful array of love songs, including folk, sacred and vintage popular styles. There will be something for everyone, so do consider offering



your talents to swell our numbers! Contact Liz Gordon-Mills on 041189023 or elizabeth@albeth.com for details.



Second Valley Progress Assoc

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Friday 3rd June at 7.00pm at

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- 7.30pm AGM



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Yankalilla Red Cross Branch

Thankyou to all who have made donations to our Flood Relief Appeal and Ukraine Crisis, your help is very much needed and appreciated.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 2nd at the Bungalow Cafe Normanville, 12noon to 2pm. We will be celebrating Mother's Day with a cuppa, lunch and a chat. A short meeting will follow. Members and friends welcome!!



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<https://festival.history.sa.gov.au/> Book early as seats are limited.

The quotation on the window is from the book of Job (chapter 19, verse 25) in the Old Testament: "I know that my Redeemer liveth". This verse is interpreted as looking forward to the resurrection of Jesus. Christ Church is open to the public for prayer and meditation every day from 10am to 4pm. Why not drop in to see the Roads window and many other lovely stained-glass windows of historical significance.

Services for May:

Sunday May 1, 8th, 15th 9am, May 22, 11am, cuppa afterwards. (St James, Delamere, Sunday May 8th 11am, Sunday May 22, 9am). On Sunday May 29 (the fifth Sunday of the month), there will be a combined service at 10.30am at St Anne's, Aldinga, for all the

Anglican churches in the Western Fleurieu region. Bring your own food and drinks for a combined lunch after the service.

Wednesday May 18th, Taizé service of song and meditation, 7pm, cuppa afterwards.

Enquiries:

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Books & Words Group

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In the past they have hosted writing workshops, readings, book discussion dinners, talks and readings by resident and visiting authors, playwrights, artists and comedians, music and poetry in the garden, and poets in the brewery. Check out the website for a look at some of the highlights of events held in the past.

[https://](https://booksandwordsgroup.weebly.com/previous-events.html)

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Our next event “Connecting with Books and Words”, will be on **Sunday 15th May from 1.00pm to 6.00pm** at the home of Barbara and Brian Matthews, **14 Jervois Rd. Normanville.**

This is a chance to learn more, meet some new people, hear some stories and maybe a poem or two. Maybe you are new to the area? Please feel free to come along and join in.

Bring some food to share, drink and most importantly someone new to Books and Words. If you would like to become a member, we will have membership forms available on the day. Alternatively, you can download the form from the website.

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booksandwordsgroup.weebly.com/ **RSVP** by 8th May to booksandwordsgroup@gmail.com or Barbara on 0402 088 016.

And keep an eye out for our Spring Haiku Day Thursday 29th September. More details later.



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Colour Our World!

The Arts and Culture Advisory Group was formed several years ago, as an initiative of the District Council of Yankalilla. This Group is made up of community members (artists, artisans and a musician), who volunteer their time to assist Council to create a vibrant community culture throughout the region. Representatives from the council are also part of this group.

Since 2021, the Advisory Group has been providing recommendations on funding applications for a diverse range of small arts projects of up to \$1,000 from artists and creatives in the District. Once recommended by the Group, applications are then submitted to the Chief Executive for final approval.

To date, funding have been provided for some wonderful projects, which include an exhibition as part of SALA 2022, a Christmas Concert performance for the Myponga School, wireless headsets and sound desk for the Yankalilla Youth Theatre, projection story telling as part of the New Year's Eve Picnic event, a local music performance on the Village Green, a mural for the Yankalilla Bowling club, (still to be completed) a Southern Elders Basket Weaving Workshop, First Nations performances as part of History Month and funding for the Easter Arts & Crafts Event 2022.

Along with advice and recommendations on grant applications from local artists, the Advisory Group are very keen to investigate,



Artist Barb Pettigrew 'colouring our world'
(with assistance from Anika and Alicia Wollaston)

YBC Gets Grants for Upgrades

The Yankalilla Bowls Club grants committee has worked hard to secure funding to upgrade entry and toilet facilities at the club for disabled access for members that require extra assistance. MP for Mawson Leon Bignell after visiting the YBC Club rooms and discussion with committee on requirements for compliance committed the Government to \$50k in funding to assist with the upgrade. The toilet facilities are long overdue with no hot water and no disabilities provision within an aging population. Mr Bignell mentioned at the YBC Presentation Dinner he was extremely pleased to be able to assist a small county club build better facilities for the members and could relate to the challenges having been bought up in a similar environment at Glencoe in the SE of SA.

Mayor Mr Simon Rothwell also attended the YBC Presentation Dinner, and we welcomed the councils continued support with projects around the club like nonslip floor upgrade and OH&S training of bar staff.

We thank all for their contributions and continued support to YBC.

The Summer Bowls Pennant competition has drawn to a close with the presentation dinner held at the club at start April. We congratulate all winners of Championships and look forward to the Winter Bowls season starting in May.

Left: Winners of Club Pairs Championship and Regional winners Gary Cooper & Thelma Anderson with Leon Bignell MP

Below: Bowls Presentation Dinner (L to R) - YBC Treasurer Fraser Ahrendt, Leon Bignell MP, Mayor Simon Rothwell and YBC President Peter Maxwell



encourage and support public art ideas throughout the region.

With this in mind, the Group were delighted to recommend grant funding of \$1,000 to professional artist Barb Pettigrew to 'colour our world' with beautifully painted pots, situated outside the Yankalilla Post Office and providing a **happy and sunny welcome to Yankalilla.**

Assisting Barb with this fantastic initiative were local young artists Anika and Alicia Wollaston - the project created a huge amount of positive feedback from community members as these 'pots' came to life over several days.

Grants of up to \$1,000 are available for any potential project that aligns with the Strategic Plan of the Council. Criteria for funding revolves around youth arts, indigenous culture and art, key events and festivals, partnerships to develop place making strategies for townships, public art, storytelling and professional development.

This is such a great opportunity for people of all ages, who may have a creative idea that they may wish to discuss and we would love to hear from you. Please visit the Council Chambers to collect your copy of the Arts and Creativity Grants Program or download off the Council website. Claire Taylor is also happy to mail out the Application and is available for any queries on 8558 0264 or at clairetaylor@yankalilla.sa.gov.au.

Let's all continue to work together to provide community connections through artistic expression which celebrates our unique culture and heritage and anything else that will 'COLOUR OUR WORLD.'

Jillian Langford
Musician - April 2022



Leon Bignell MP

Member for Mawson

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Tree Pots Project

On March 21st I began work on the designing and painting of the yellow pots outside the Yankalilla Post office, which took five days to complete.

I would like to thank the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee for giving me the opportunity, through a Grant Application, to represent the community in developing this project.

The aim was to provide a colourful entrance for people travelling into Yankalilla, as well as creating a cheerful atmosphere for passers by to enjoy.

The design represents the rolling hills of Yankalilla, using the colours that are part of the 'Made By Nature' logo. At the front the existing fruit trees are continued downwards to a smaller pot at the base, using the technique of Trompe l'oeil to create an illusion.

I would like to say a big thankyou to Alicia and Anika Wollaston who I enjoyed mentoring throughout the project. They were very efficient and a delight to work with.

Barb Pettigrew

Painted Pots

Perhaps it does not happen often enough that we get something worthy of a note of approval for the Yankalilla District Council, however the artworks recently done by Barb Pettigrew in front of the Yankalilla Post Office is certainly an occasion. I believe it has changed a drab uninteresting set of bollards to a bright greeting to Yankalilla.

**John Jelfs
Yankalilla**

More Freedoms

With restrictions now easing, it's exciting that we are now enjoying more freedoms. Yes, those very freedoms we used to take for granted! No density limits, QR codes limited now just to certain places, and (joy of joys!) masks now optional rather than required inside at most locations. Just 3 years ago we did not appreciate these freedoms because we did not recognise them as such. Now, having been through such an intense period of restrictions, every little freedom is recognised as the precious privilege that it is. We are so fortunate to be living here in South Australia, which has been kept relatively unscathed through the pandemic. When we see how other parts of the world have been affected, we should be very grateful for our

own situation. And living a life of gratitude is good for the soul!

I myself have decided to keep wearing a mask in public indoor spaces at the moment. I work with many older more vulnerable people, and I want to keep them safe. The inconveniences of wearing a mask (glasses fogging up, finding it hard to sing through to the end of a line of a song, sore ears) are a small price to pay, in my opinion, for the confidence that I am minimising the risk I may pose to others. Perhaps I will change my mind on this, and perhaps that will happen relatively soon as things continue to improve Covid-wise. Or not, if there is a new variant and/or a new rise in cases. Regardless, if you see me wearing a mask, know that I am doing it out of love for you :)

Shelley Alexander

Minister,

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Flying Concerns

I wish to express my concern about the growing population in the District of the feral species *Yankalillus Miserygutsus*, commonly known as the Lesser Whingeing Corella.

It has a number of anti-social and sanity-threatening behaviours that are a menace to the public. These include:

- Slaving behaviour and frothing at the mouth at any mention of the District Council, Councilors or Council employees.
- Destruction of new growth of ideas and fierce protection of flogged dead horses.
- Excreting at random on anything they have an aversion to e.g. logic.
- Random flocking about with no discernible destination.

- A constant screeching call, with several distinct tones, all beginning with 'too' - including toomuch, toonew, toorisky and their hysterical alarm call, toorist, toorist, toorist.

Residents are advised to adopt any or all of the following strategies to disperse and/or discourage these pests.

- Loudly celebrating the virtues of the District at every possible opportunity (note - the louder the better because this species is noted for its deafness)

- Harassing them in their natural habitats e.g. public meetings, letters pages, Facebook, front bars, volunteer projects etc (Note - In the process, please be careful not to disturb the *Yankalillus Positivii*, commonly known as the Greater Soaring Funcatcher, the natural enemy of the Lesser Whingeing Corella).

- Laughing at them at every opportunity, which will be much more effective now that the masks are coming off.

Yours sincerely,

Capt. Keenon Smelling-Roses,

Royal Foot and Mouth Fusiliers (ret.)

Looking for Peter Walsh or Steve Riley

The YRN received this message from across the ditch recently and I am printing here in the hope that someone in the area may be able to help.

Hi. I'm not sure if you can help? In your June 2010 issue, you had an obituary (screenshot below) for Thelma Annie Walsh. Her son, Peter and my Uncle Steve Riley were listed. A few years back, my uncle Steve returned to Auckland NZ from Manila after an illness in a Australian hospital. After staying with my father for a while, he disappeared - probably back to Australia or Philippines? I was just wondering if he was still alive? Peter, his stepson may know? If you have either Peter's contact details or Steve's, could you please forward my email to them. Thanks for your time.

**Mal Riley. Auckland NZ. +6498277482
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Thelma Walsh

Peter Walsh and Steve Riley wish to thank the ACH staff for their care of Thelma Annie Walsh who passed away 3rd May 2010. Special thanks to Dr Lyn Gardiner for support and care over many years.

from June 2010 YRN

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Fleurieu Regional Assessment Panel

A presentation to the members of the Regional Assessment Panel at the 19/4/2022 meeting reprinted here for public consumption.

I speak to first principles:

Principle 1

The process conducted by the DCY on these three projects for community consultation has not, in any way, met acceptable standards. An alternate model regarding the café and Surf Club has not been properly included in community debate, and the process of review. Those of us in this community who have committed many hours over years to assessing these proposals, realise we are treated as though we are troglodytes resistant to change, and on this basis, our responses can be disregarded as being unworthy of full consideration.

We reject this view. We believe we can show our responses are more forward thinking, more analytical of current and future challenges and threats to this particular site - the Normanville Foreshore.

Principle 2

All current reviews for major projects are based on the interconnections between Ecology, Society, Economy.

There is NO Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) developed for these three integrated Projects.

This lack should determine that these projects do not proceed until one has been developed.

There is No current, available, report on Aboriginal Heritage for this site.

This lack should determine that these projects do not proceed until one has been developed.

There is No Business Plan developed for these three projects.

This lack should determine that these projects do not proceed until one has been developed.

The silent driver to approving these projects is that economy overrides the considerations for ecology and society. I reject that position. I question and challenge only 'economy' driving these decisions, as this destructive outcome for the ecology and society. Good decision-making can incorporate all three aspects.

Referring to the Fleurieu Regional Assessment Panel Agenda 19 April 2022 p41-42

(Agenda notes in italic, my comments in plain type.)

The Wavelength Pty Ltd Consultants report is not of sufficient standard, despite being given approval by the Coast Protection Board. See the Sea Level Rise SLR report developed by the City of Onkaparinga, which does set a high standard for this

kind of professional reporting:

<https://youtu.be/mLtJceYJtY>

The Wavelength report recommends and denotes a setback line designed to achieve an adequate buffer to shoreline erosion to 2070. This would take into account the design life of the facility (with the applicant **advising the design life of the proposed SLSC is 20 years**), after which it can be expected that the building would need to be redeveloped, potentially to a site further landward and secure from erosion. Comments from the Coast Protection Board state:

A trigger to relocate the SLSC as part of future coastal adaptation planning beyond 2050 should be considered by Council, further noting it is common for there to be resistance to relocate or retreat an established building.

It is beyond belief that the current three integrated plans should proceed under **these environmental threats and challenges which already exist.**

We who oppose the poor design of each of the three integrated proposals, say that we want forward planning now, not in another 20 years, after we have been forced to pay for this very silly short-term project.

Principle 3

In architecture, and civil design, form (architecture design) follows function.

How has the function of a Surf Life Saving Club changed from saving lives and training, to becoming, predominantly, in the design of the building, a food and catering facility? Why is the First Aid area reduced from the current size?

The case for changing parallel parking on either side of Jetty Road to 90 degree parking on the northern side only, and removing the earth berm, covered in native plants alongside the current pedestrian path, has not been made. Council could not provide detailed dimensions to show how this change would impact that area. Council is not following its own *Made by Nature* mantra and signage.

The case for placing a 'Nature Playground' in the carpark area has not been made, by providing a rationale for its presence, the dimensions and features, and the costs, despite repeated requests for that information. The adjacent beach makes a mockery of the need for this feature.

I rest my case on my complete lack of confidence in the professional development and management by the DCY of these three projects presented for review to FRAP.

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FRAP Member asks the deeper questions

The Fleurieu Regional Assessment Panel convened in the Yankalilla Council Chambers, 1 Charles Street, Yankalilla and electronically via Zoom on Tuesday, 19 April 2022 commencing at 10:00am. Present were John Hodgson (Chair), Craig Maidment, Ross Bateup and Sue Giles with apologies from Kate Shierlaw and Michael Doherty. Also in attendance were Matt Atkinson (Assessment Manager), Kirsty Tapp (Senior Planner, Yankalilla) and Julie Graham (Administration).

The building of a single Surf Club and Kiosk/Cafe at Normanville Beach was approved by the Fleurieu Regional Assessment Panel on Thursday April 19. The decision was not unanimous.

It was noted by Panel Member, Sue Giles, that 400 people had lodged their opposition to the project and a further 50 had serious concerns which begged the question if any changes to the design were considered by the developers.

Other concerns raised by Panel Members included the impact and obtrusive size of the building in a conservation zone; the need for better access for garbage removal from the upstairs food preparation

areas; a second service lift; the sustainability of a building of this size on the coastal site; the possibility of limited lifespan due to coastal zone changes and a need to move the building within 25 years; why there were more male toilets than female toilets; why the building was designed with two essentially cafe/potential restaurant areas in the same building in this location.

Ms Giles questioned if the developer (Surf Life Saving SA) had considered making changes to their proposal since initially lodging their plans. There was no answer from the developer.

"My planning assessment of this, not withstanding that there is an existing use, is that this proposal is not consistent with the code and should not be approved.

"The council has had a consultation process I understand, (but) what often happens in these exercises is when there's consultation and there's a lot of community interest and in this case we've got nearly 400 people against this and another 50 plus that have got concerns, so it's no small thing to the community.

"What changes have been made to this proposal that you are aware of

(and I understand your position) or is there anyone here who can say what amendments have been made to make this more consistent with the zone than the proposals that have been put to the public?

"I totally accept that the consultation that the Council did before is not relevant to this - I understand that, but there has been an exercise in consultation and often there are amendments made to better satisfy the responses, or to at least take into account some of those. Have there been any changes made is my first question.

The Panel's Assessment Manager, Matt Atkinson answered: "I'm not aware whether there's been subsequent changes following Council's consultation of the proposal from a land owner's perspective, so I wouldn't like to speculate on that".

And shipping containers might fly...

In a day of high tension among those attending at a viewing room at Club Fleurieu, Yankalilla, there was a moment of pure fantasy. During discussion on the height of

the existing surf club there was discussion about the comparative size of the proposed new combined building to the existing surf club and the lower level kiosk/cafe.

Panel Member, Ross Bateup offered the interesting comment that existing shipping containers used by the Kiosk for cooking and serving customers, might be viewed differently if they were sat atop one another, or on top of the existing single storey cafe - therefore effectively making it a two-storey structure.

Mr Bateup observed: "Now coming to the design, it is a proposal which is replacing a partial two-storey building at the moment, but it's also of interest that if you were to lift those shipping containers and put them over the top of the cafe... well you probably would have a similar bulk and scale and form of a two-storey building that is approximating to the high standard of external architecture as proposed."

Clearly Mr Bateup was not aware that the two existing buildings are not connected - they are two separate buildings on two separate parcels of land.

No doubt there will be more to come...

Precious Moments

Time spent with loved ones
Can be so precious
Some more so than others
But every moment important.

We never know what will be
Which times will be remembered
And which will disappear
Our capacity to recall limited.

Sometimes someone will say
Remember, you told me this
And you just might think
Did I say that, am I so wise?

Rarely will others remind you
Of foolish things said
Though silly things done
Can become a family legend.

It is a real privilege
To share innermost thoughts
Not knowing when the chance
Will happen by again.

Usually we all assume
There's plenty of time
To do it all again
Until there's not.

Brian Matthews, 25/3/22

Loneliness

Loneliness can be complex
Not just sitting alone
So often a mindset
Related to choices.

If we choose to be alone
It can be such a joy
If not a choice
It can be so painful.

Most tend to turn
From the neediness
Of someone begging
For a little company.

But for those sensitive
To the pain of others
It is a signal
That action's needed.

Just a little time
A chat, a coffee
Some shared experience
Can be such a comfort.

For we never know
When the need will emerge
For time with others
A balm to our soul.

It takes so little
And can mean so much
To be seen
To be truly heard.

Brian Matthews, 10-4-22

Times of Change

Not only has the season changed but we have a new government in North Terrace and will soon have a new DCY CEO in Charles Street. In the case of the latter, one can only hope the recruitment for a replacement will follow due process and the position will be awarded to someone well qualified, who can listen and is prepared to work with the community. That replacement must not be simply someone conveniently on hand or a mate. The change of State Government should present an opportunity for the community to reopen discussion and evaluation of local development projects that have met with heavy community objections. This in particular is relevant to the SLSC/Kiosk project, the foreshore redevelopment and the Normanville Caravan Park. New ministers have already demonstrated readiness to rethink decisions of the previous government. Ayers House is an example of this.

The foreshore projects should be put on hold until contact can be taken with the new ministers for development and for local government. The local member for Mawson, Leon Bignell is a member of the party now in government. He should be invited to a round table discussion with community members to hear our concerns. Numerous community members have expressed dissatisfaction and disquiet about the plans for those projects however Council appears still "hell bent" on pushing these through. Now, through the excellent imitative of Jim and Charmaine Liapis, we have an alternative design (YRN April 2022) which must be formally reviewed. It is my understanding that many community members regard this as the preferred option.

Like all ratepayers I received considerable material through the post from PlanSA requesting comments on the "Proposed Developments" applied for by the District Council of Yankalilla. I visited the Council chambers to review more detailed plans at the desk but was unable to ascertain why a "Nature Play" on the beach front (children love to play in sand) was needed, nor was I able to get information on the cost, since I had heard it was in the hundreds of

thousands. The polite staff members simply did not have adequate information. Transparency was simply missing.

I was then in the process of writing to PlanSA my comments when I learned from a community member who phoned the offices of PlanSA to check on deadlines for submissions, that they did not process comments but simply forwarded them to Charles Street. I was taken aback by this, since, if my information is correct PlanSA simply functions analogous to Post Box shell companies in the Caribbean used to launder and hide illicit funds. At best a deceptive process offering no alternative for having community concerns independently reviewed.

I have also heard that the "Proposed Developments" may be referred to the Fleurieu Regional Assessment Panel. Although this body has one member of District Council of Yankalilla on the panel, it is not clear to me how it interacts with our local community to gain knowledge of residents' concerns. It would appear that it only interacts with Council and Council Administration. It is imperative that there be a way to feed in the alternative Liapis plan for formal and comparative assessment. Essential if the Assessment Panel were a true instrument of democracy, but I fear transparency and Community empathy is missing.

The foreshore projects should be put on hold until the new ministers can be informed of community concerns, enabled to review all alternatives, and above all, the impact on the district budget and debt, irrespective of the grants. Some community members are already taking initiatives to contact the new North Terrace Team, but more of us should do likewise to

back them up with emails to prevent claims that they are simply minority dissenters, the usual Council fob off during the sham consultation "processes". As a final note on "Times of Change" we must not forget that the community will have the opportunity to elect a new Council in October of this year.

**Alex Anderson
Normanville**

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Second Valley Overdevelopment

How sad it is that people have said to me that they used to head down to Second Valley to 'recharge their batteries', but that they no longer do so because 'it just isn't the same' any more. And how right they are.

What was once a peaceful, soulful haven has now become an unending nightmare of 'development' - with the destruction of perfectly ok roads and structures - and their replacement with new versions that do nothing to enhance the quality, or enjoyment of life here. Instead of a quiet refuge, we are now cursed with a ceaseless parade and cacophony of bulldozers, chainsaws, and tip-trucks roaring up and down the roads, all seemingly hell-bent on facilitating Council's goal of a blander, more suburban look and feel. It appears that Council will stop at nothing to destroy everything that once made Second Valley a unique and restful place.

So much of what has made Second Valley special - including the wonderful old boat houses - has been destroyed; we've seen the erection of an ugly, flashing speed sign - a monstrosity that serves no purpose whatsoever - and the destruction of an old stone toilet block that was replaced by a characterless tin shed; we've seen unique wooden street signs replaced with bland Council versions and we now await a 'development' of Jaitjakawengga Reserve into (what plans suggest will likely be) an overdeveloped semblance of a suburban park.

Don't get me wrong; I'm hugely grateful to life for granting me the gift and privilege of living in Second Valley and I have no wish to live

anywhere else on Earth. It's still a place to richly enjoy and treasure. And that's why I'm expressing these concerns. I don't want to see what is left that makes Second Valley special relentlessly eroded, until there is nothing left except another dreary version of suburbia.

Council has made some welcome improvements here, such as creating the sand walking path that runs along Finnis Vale Drive, and the recent alterations to the parking zone outside of the community hall. These are appreciated upgrades. But if only they would leave us in peace and stop all the unwanted intrusion into our lives. My guess is that it's not residents who have requested it. Who, then, is responsible? People with vested financial interests? Or is it some self-appointed 'representative' who deludedly believes that s/he speaks for the entire community when pushing for this noisy barrage of 'development'? Or could it simply be the result of Council members sitting in quiet offices and dreaming up new ways to spend money, hike up rates, and inflict more noise and disruption on us?

We're seeing the same disturbing, stubborn mentality at work with the proposed Normanville foreshore 'development'. Based on Council's invited (and subsequently largely ignored) feedback, the majority of the community clearly don't want to see the existing Jetty Cafe destroyed and its business ruined, in favour of an expensive, new glassy construction that is no longer as accessible, including to the many people with dogs who are currently free to

bring them to the cafe. There is nothing wrong with the existing building, so why ruin it through more unnecessary spending and destruction?

I suggest that Council get back to its ethical duty to respect the community's wishes and work to preserve the unique character of this area, instead of pandering to developers and dubious notions of 'progress' that offer nothing of value in terms of enriching the wellbeing of the community.

(Dr) Maureen Roberts
Second Valley

What's Your Phobia?

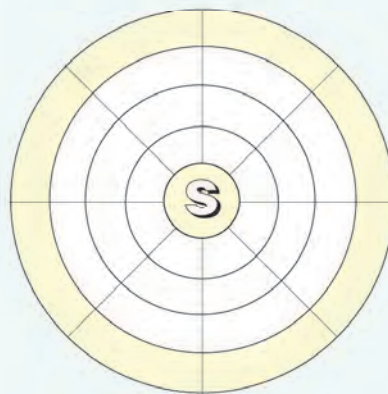
I appreciated the cartoon in the editor's column in the latest issue of the YRN. It appeared to be in similar context to one printed some time ago that wasn't seen as funny by some in our community. Curious about that long word Kyrofelonoshophobia (doesn't roll off the tongue, does it) I couldn't find it in my dictionary so I consulted Mr. Google.

"Kyrofelonoshophobia is the fear of cartoon characters. It is almost exclusively experienced by young children. The fear is often triggered due to unique appearance of cartoons. Sufferers often have bad dreams about getting attacked by some cartoon characters, especially by villains."

I hope Paul's latest publication didn't scare anyone but of course, you never know!

Peter Perryman
Yankalilla

Targeting 'S' words



The words in this puzzle all begin with the centre letter. When you have answered the clues the outside ring will spell a word. You can start anywhere.

- 1 A wood fastener
- 2 A Japanese meal
- 3 Plant them to grow trees
- 4 Crash
- 5 Thick bushland
- 6 A slang term for a Salvation Army member
- 7 An eating utensil
- 8 A small cake you butter

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Most people would remember catching their first fish and more than likely that fish would have been an Australian Herring (Tommy Ruff). They are a common fish found only on the southern Australian coastline, from the southwest of Western Australia (where they spawn) across South Australia to Victoria's Port Philip Bay. When they have reached 2 or 3 years of age (around 20cms long), they head back to WA to spawn. The number of eggs a female releases depends on her size, a 33cm female releases about 200,000 eggs! The eggs, larvae and juvenile fish are then carried by the wind and current back along the southern coast and the cycle starts again, but the adult fish stay in WA. They closely resemble a juvenile Salmon, but you can identify the Salmon by its yellow pectoral fin whereas a Tommy's will be silver/clear. They are most often caught on the surface



of the water so fishing with a float is best, we like to use gents (maggots) for bait. They can also be caught using a small lure or soft plastic. While there is no size limit the catch (bag) limit is 40.

We like to eat them simply floured and pan fried in butter, but they are also delicious smoked.

Coming into the quieter Winter months we will be reducing the shop opening hours, you can keep up to date with our opening hours by following our social media accounts.

REPORTS

Great to hear so many reports of fish and squid being caught over the April school holidays. Beach anglers caught Mullet, Salmon, Tommies and Garfish from Normanville and Carrickalinga. Squid have finally been in better numbers from Wirrina Breakwater and Cape Jervis jetty. Average sized Tommies have been found at Rapid Bay and Cape Jervis jetties with Second Valley jetty also seeing some squid and Gar being landed. The patience of most Boaties is being sorely tested by the number of snapper they are catching when fishing for Whiting, they have also been getting Salmon. We have heard some good reports of quality KG's catches (over 50cms) from Lady Bay and Carrickalinga. Myponga Reservoir has provided something a little different from the usual Redfin lately, with lucky anglers catching and releasing decent sized Cod.

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Myponga Reservoir parkrun



11/04/2022

After a few months of organisation and hard work by a small group of hardy souls and a couple of Sunday trials, the Myponga Reservoir parkrun finally launched on the 9th April. Many thanks to the volunteers on the day who made this possible.

Kate CORNER • Garry WRIGHT • Joanna COWAN • Natasha VICKERS • Jedda SCHUTZ • Emma KRAFT • Jonathan MORGAN • Roger GURR • John CLEMENTS • Kirsty ATKINSON • Shona VICKERS • Jack WAGENKNECHT • Mary CALLAHAN • David BARNES • Tia RUSSELL

We especially need to thank our parkrun Ambassador, Kate Corner for her help, advice and experience in putting this event together, it would not have happened without her help and knowledge. We would also like to thank SA Water and in particular, David Loveder. The parkrun is on SA Water Land and they have been very helpful and supportive from the outset.

parkruns are free, weekly community events that take place in parks and open spaces all around the world (Saturday morning at 8am in South Australia), where participants can walk or run a



timed 5 kilometre course. parkrun is a positive, welcoming, and inclusive experience where there is no time limit and no one finishes last. Despite the name you do not need to run at parkrun, everyone is welcome whether you walk, jog, run, volunteer, or spectate.

Having a parkrun in our local region is fantastic way to promote health and wellbeing, showcase our region and to encourage a sense of community with individuals who may not ordinarily get together.

The Myponga Reservoir parkrun course is on the southern side of the Myponga Reservoir Reserve starting and finishing near the kayak launch car park. It is suggested that you park in the far western area of the carpark if involved in a parkrun.

Many thanks again to the groups that have funded this event.

- The District Council of Yankalilla
- Regional Sport and Recreation Program (Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing; City of Victor Harbor, Yankalilla Council, Kangaroo Island Council)
- The Yankalilla and Districts Lions Club
- The Yankalilla Community Opportunity Shop (Opposite the Yankalilla Car Wash)



There is no ongoing cost to take part in a parkrun and it is free for participants each and every week.

If you are interested in taking part in the parkrun (walk) or volunteering or finding out more about the concept, email Tia Russell. Please register your interest with Tia if you are going to be a casual or regular volunteer, we do need a number of people for a variety of tasks each week if this venture is to be a success.

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Top left: The Volunteers at the launch. **Centre:** Cutting the ribbon at the Launch! David Johnson (Yankalilla and Districts Lions Club), Kate Corner (parkrun Ambassador), John Clements (Event Director), David Loveder (SA Water), Margaret Johnson (Yankalilla and Districts Lions Club). **Right:** The start at the launch.



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1. Thank you for letting me look into the private workings of an artist.

Many paths and challenges have led me to this present stage of being a professional artist. I have often had to choose a more solitary life, amid the busyness of making a living and raising a family, in order to follow my personal journey of studying art and developing my arts career. I believe that while creative people thrive on social interaction, they also need alone time to create their artwork. I admit I am apprehensive about this public exposure, although I am grateful for the opportunity.

2. Did growing up on a farm in country NSW nurture your creativity?

It was a hard life on our farm. My parents worked long hours while also raising five children and we all had to pitch in. We were very self-sufficient living off the land, preserving fruit, growing vegetables and rarely went to town to buy food. My fascination with art first came from my father's drawings and as a child I began to draw on whatever I could find, including our farmhouse walls.

Our family moved into Wagga Wagga for job opportunities and high school for the kids. There I studied art and after leaving school did voluntary work experience which turned into a position in graphic design for an advertising company.

After I married there was little time to create art although my husband and I ran a photographic studio for 25 years. I took on the challenge of wedding photography, restored old photographs and framed many portraits. We had three beautiful daughters and a busy family life.

When we lost our son at birth and I had a near death experience at that time, I rethought my life and was determined to return to my love of creating art.

3. That's what led you on a formal route to art?

Yes, I was in my thirties, and it was then that I wrote my 'bucket list.' I decided to open an art

gallery, taught children's art classes and helped other artists sell their work. Wonderful as it was, I knew I had jumped the gun a little. I wanted to learn much more about the visual arts, so I took a TAFE course but hungered for more and enrolled at Charles Sturt University. Enabled by a series of awards and scholarships, I ended up with a Diploma of Fine Arts, an Advanced Diploma of Visual Arts, a Bachelor of Fine Arts, and finally a Master of Arts Practice, in Visual Arts.

4. That's a successful and extensive time studying. Did you work throughout the 5 or 6 years of this phase?

Yes, our family business continued but luckily, I was an early riser and relished the morning hours for my art studies, then I could look after my daughters for their schooling and its commitments, work part time in the photographic studio, go to university, care for the house, garden, and fit in art essays and painting in the evenings.

5. How long have you been in Normanville?

After the girls had left home to begin their own lives and the breakdown of my marriage, I saw an opportunity to begin a new life and came to the Fleurieu, settling in Normanville. Firstly, I worked as an arts and activities assistant in aged care in Victor Harbor, followed by employment in a garden centre. I now have a wonderful new partner, who has always been supportive of my arts career, and we were fortunate to purchase a home together in Normanville. Late last year I decided to become a full-time artist painting and selling art through my website and the Bluethumb Gallery, as well as via local exhibitions. Daring to take myself and my art seriously again has paid off and I've sold a number of artworks already and received a large commission from Sydney. Over the years I have sold hundreds of artworks and I hope to increase my arts practice through representation in galleries, as well as future solo exhibitions.

6. How would you describe your art?

My work is primarily contemporary abstract expressionist, working in mixed media, which includes painting, drawing, collage and printmaking combined with alternative materials such as coffee, bitumen, shellac and natural earth pigments. It is wonderful to experiment to see how materials combine as the artwork evolves and also to follow my own intuition and experience. Creating a truly original artwork gives me great satisfaction and I love to reveal a unique piece of work to the viewer. Some works can be quite painterly, whereas others are more detailed and precise. Often the works express movement, emotion and a sense of ambiguity.

7. What have been major influences on your art?

My father was an artist as well as a farmer, and as a child I was intrigued by his art. My parents were musical, both playing piano. My mum played piano-accordion as well, and my grandfather the violin. Hence the arts were always part of my background in one form or another.

University studies really inspired me of course, and I was fortunate to win a scholarship to study



Normanville artist, Julie Perri

and travel in the outback, learning the use of ochre and pigments in artworks.

Several art masters have also inspired me, particularly Kandinsky with his colour palette integrated with music and symphonies. I found other Romantic artists such as Turner, Friedrich, Delacroix and Gericault quite intriguing. Later big influences on my work were Anselm Kiefer and Sophie Calle for their use of mixed media, rust, earth and found objects. I continue today to research art, explore techniques and enjoy new challenges. My art is constantly evolving and developing.

8. How and where do you work?

Each day I try to create, and rise early, sometimes around 4 or 5am as I did in uni days. I feel fortunate to have a large art space in my shed/studio, with good light and plenty of room for creative productivity. It feels good to work unrestricted and be free to explore whatever my imagination comes up with. At times I am a messy artist with multiple works on the go and I make large statement pieces which can be 1.5 to 2 metres in width. I love having an art studio, a pleasing space where I am happy and can enjoy creating art for others to appreciate.

Julie welcomes enquiries and artwork commissions via email

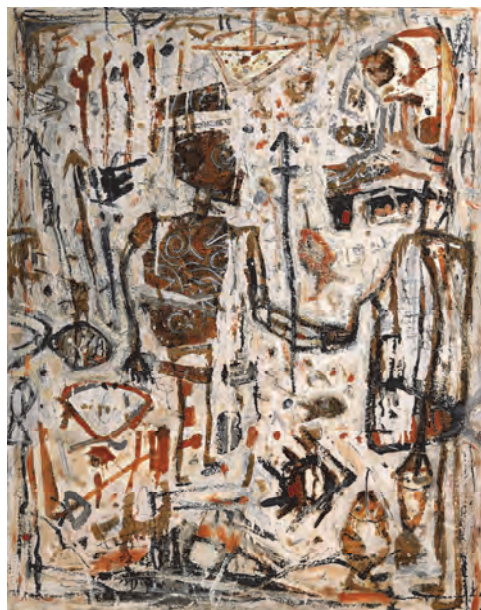
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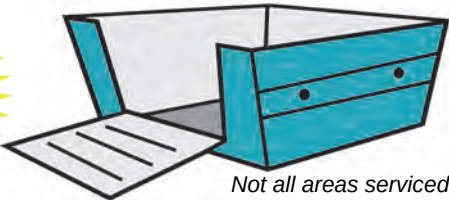
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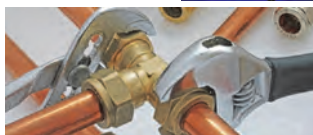
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Yankalilla Men's Shed

This month has been a very productive month for the Yankalilla Men's Shed, with many positive things occurring.

Our sausage sizzle early in May, at Bunnings Seaford, was very successful, earning us much needed dollars, which will help toward an envisaged charitable project, planned for the near future.

The reorganisation of the main workshop is proceeding apace, creating much needed additional space.

This has facilitated relocation of machinery and workbenches, which in turn will make it a much safer and efficient work area. It has in turn necessitated re routing of the dust extraction ductwork which now functions much more effectively, I am informed.

Thanks to the salesmanship of Gus, we are continuing to sell many toys, in particular a pair of personalised trucks for twins Malcolm and Raymond pictured.



We also made a picture display case, as a thankyou for help in the past, for The Yankalilla Community Op Shop, on Main Street Yankalilla, which is shown below, with three delightful ladies accepting said item.



On the topic of toy sales we must thank the general community for their response to last months feature of toys made by the Men's Shed. It has been exceptional. I would like to add, that people seeking to purchase wooden toys etc, are most welcome to visit us at the Men's Shed on Tuesdays and Fridays 9am to 2pm to view all the products we make and to have a look around our great workshop. You'll be pleasantly surprised. I must add that toys can also be purchased at A Birdie Told Me, at Normanville.

We have been commissioned by Yankalilla Council, to refurbish a reception desk, which will be located in or near the library in the Council Office building. The table when finished, will feature Laser printed images and designs, which will have been produced by our experts in the "Shed". Should anyone require laser printing on wood, metal or plastic, the Men's shed would be happy to assist you.

The Men's Shed is open on Tuesday and Friday mornings as well as Wednesday evenings.

Jim Vessey

Enquiries concerning Men's Shed may be directed to the secretary, John Nyveld, on mobile 0468370274 or by email to yankalilla@mensshed.org



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But for all its promise, more than 2,100 people in Mayo were homeless in 2021. The Federal Government's decisions over the past decade are in large part to blame for the current situation.

The NRAS scheme was supposed to have 50,000 new rental properties across Australia. But, in the 2014 Budget, just 34,000 places were budgeted for and it was capped at that.

Unfortunately, the problems don't end there.

A lack of affordable housing is exacerbated by the ageing out of remaining dwellings within the NRAS, and the program itself is scheduled to end in 2026.

The Government knows the problem is worsening but has shortsightedly chosen not to fix it.

In a new Parliament, we can do just that by expanding and extending the NRAS to create sustainable, affordable, and long-term housing solutions for Australians from Yankalilla to Whyalla.

One practical example of the scheme working as intended over the past decade, and one that I've personally worked in, is called HYPA Housing. For more than 20 years, HYPA Housing had just seven units, but because of the NRAS we were able to expand that program.

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It is an important program which moves young South Australians out of the homelessness circle. But when the NRAS ends, so will be many of the common-sense solutions to these long-term structural problems.

Because we are not continuing to refresh and acquire new stock, the investors who own NRAS properties after the program ends will be able to increase rent by 20 per cent — or even more.

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Lullabies of the Fleurieu

Across March-April, Yankalilla families came together at the Yankalilla Community Children's Centre to collectively compose a series of new lullabies in collaboration with specially-trained artists.

Led by Fleurieu-based musicians, Libby Druce and Angela Sharp, the Lullaby Project Australia workshops supported participants to explore different songwriting processes and to create their very own personal lullaby. In addition to personal lullabies, participants also co-created three community lullabies to celebrate the uniqueness of the Yankalilla region - a lifelong gift for all local young children and families.

"I have been taking part in the Lullaby Project and have found it incredibly therapeutic and reignited a passion of mine that has been buried since becoming a mum. Thank you, I hope this continues to run... it is so beneficial beyond words." Project Participant.

The newly written songs have now been arranged and finalised in preparation for a Celebration Concert in Yankalilla on May 1. Supported by District Council of Yankalilla and Arts South Australia, this free, family-friendly concert will feature a team of artists including Libby Druce, Angela Sharp, Wendy McPhee and

Julian Ferraretto, who will perform alongside project participants.

As part of a region-wide *Lullabies of the Fleurieu* project, similar workshops have been simultaneously taking place across Victor Harbor and Goolwa. The overall project will culminate in professional recording sessions at Palamino Sound Recorders in Myponga, leading to the publication of a printed and digital *Lullabies of the Fleurieu* songbook for all to share and enjoy.

Lullaby Project Australia is an initiative of Connecting the Dots in Music through an international partnership with Carnegie Hall. Originating in New York, the Lullaby Project sees parents and caregivers collaborate with professional artists, to write and sing personal lullabies for their babies. The project now reaches parents in healthcare, education, community and social justice settings across the world.

Upcoming Lullabies of the Fleurieu Concerts:

Sunday 1st May, 3pm-4pm

Yankalilla Showgrounds Supper Room

Featuring: Angela Sharp, Wendy McPhee, Libby Druce, Julian Ferraretto,

Sunday 8th May, 3pm - 4pm

Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Featuring: Hilary Kleinig, Jodie O'Regan, Libby

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Pictured are some of the Yankalilla group during the workshops.



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Saturday 7th - Yarnauwi Farm Visit

Thursday 12th - Social Sewing

Saturday 14th - Banksia Park Working Bee

Monday 16th - Community Nursery Working Bee: 9.30am- 3pm

Monday 23rd - Bird Trip to Aldinga Scrub

Tuesday 24th - Wellbeing Walk @ Delamere 3:30pm

Friday 27th - Traditional Weaving with Southern Elders Weaving Group

Saturday 28th - Guided Historical walk along the Great Gorge



A Blooming Success!

It has been almost 3 years since some folk met in Normanville and formed a group of volunteers who were interested in raising the profile of the local reserve known as **Banksia Park**. The group became known as **Friends of Banksia Park** and they meet on the **2nd Saturday of each month for 2 hours from 8am** to do planting, weeding, mulching, watering and helping the large tree form Silver Banksia's survive and thrive. Another way of putting it is that the group of volunteers provide a good deal of TLC and nurture for the many endemic plants that grow in the park. The group has also introduced a number of 'companion' plants for the larger Silver Banksia trees including the planting of young Silver Banksia specimens raised at the **Yankalilla Community Nursery**, and the following photograph shows a thriving young planted specimen already displaying good showy golden blooms.

Friends of Banksia Park still have much work to do to help along other Silver Banksia tree specimens and this will involve further plantings in the coming year as well as introducing some mid-story plants to attract smaller birds, butterflies and insects etc. Also, planning for an area for Native Bush food plants is about to commence and it is envisaged that the earliest of these plantings will likely proceed in the next few months. Exciting times ahead! Interested? Become involved! See you at **Banksia Park on 2nd Saturday of each month at 8am (daylight saving months) and 9am otherwise.**



Coastal Bus Tour of Fleurieu Peninsula Conservation Sites

Conservation volunteers from across the Hills & Fleurieu region were treated to a fantastic day out on the 13th of April visiting coastal conservation sites on the Fleurieu Peninsula. This bus tour was organised and funded by the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board and supported by the Fleurieu Environment Centre and Green Adelaide. Those who attended got to visit sites managed by the Friends of Wirrina Cove, the Cape Jervis Coastal Community Group and Friends of Banksia Park. At each of these sites we got to hear about the incredible work these volunteer groups are doing and share information, skills and knowledge that has been gained through each groups experience. A huge thank you to Dana Miles from the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board for organising the day, along with environmental consultant Phil Barron and coastal conservation officer Corey Jackson for sharing their wisdom on a range of topics, from native plants and effective revegetation practices to weed and pest control. We'd also like to thank the Cape Jervis Community Club for providing the group with a delicious lunch. If you'd like to learn more about how you can get involved with any of these conservation groups, please feel free to contact us at the Fleurieu Environment Centre via info@flec.com.au and we'll provide you with further information.

Below: Corey Jackson speaking to volunteer at the Cape Jervis Coastal Community Group Site



Join us for this event being held as part of the Heritage Fleurieu Coast Festival in May

Traditional Weaving Workshop with The Southern Elders Weaving Group

This is a hands-on cultural experience, focusing on the traditional practices of basket weaving that has been passed down by Aboriginal Elders. Learn how woven objects have been traditionally used, which materials are best for different purposes, and how the practice has been continued today. Aunty Janice Rigney and Aunty Lorna Collinson will guide participants in this workshop.

Friday 27th May, 1-4pm

The Supper Room, Yankalilla Show Grounds

Cost \$40 per person, materials provided for a small basket

Booking required via link below

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/246930073497>



This event is supported by the Hills and Fleurieu and Northern and Yorke Landscape Boards with funding from the South Australian Government's Landscape Priorities Fund and Green Adelaide.



Plastic Free Snack of the Month

Baked Sweet Potato Chips

These baked sweet potato chips are a delicious alternative to fried fare and can be ready in 30 minutes.

Ingredients

2 medium sweet potatoes, peeled

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

½ teaspoon coarse sea salt

Pepper to taste

Method

Heat oven to 200 C. Cut sweet potatoes into very thin slices. In large bowl, toss potatoes with oil, salt and pepper. Place potatoes in single layer on 2 baking paper sheets (slices can touch but not overlap).

Bake 10 to 15 minutes, rotating sheets once, until edges are crisp, but potatoes are still soft in the centre. Cool 5 minutes then place on rack to cool completely (chips will become crisp as they cool).

Tips

Use a mandolin to slice the sweet potatoes to get the most even, thin chips.

Keep an eye on the chips as they bake. They can take a few minutes more or less, depending on how thin they are cut.

For more spice, sprinkle in chili powder and cumin before baking. Or experiment with your favourite spice combinations.



Local Indigenous and Endemic Plants at the Fleurieu Coast Community Nursery

Drop in this month and learn more about local plants. Take a photo of yourself pulling out any gazanias (a declared weed) you have in your garden and we'll give you some free native plants to take home to replace them. The nursery is open the first and third Mondays of each month. Volunteers grow seedlings for many revegetation projects in the area.

When: Monday May 2nd 9.30- 12.30, Monday May 16th 9.30 - 12.30

Where: Fleurieu Coast Community Nursery located next to the Council Depot

Booking via the Fleurieu Environment Centre at info@flec.com.au

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you can see it is worth recycling your coffee bags by dropping them off at FLEC. This is just one of 8 different recycling services that we provide to our community. Please drop in and check out the other things you can recycle with us or give us a call if you have a recycling question.



The Fleurieu Environment Centre is supported by the Hills and Fleurieu and Northern and Yorke Landscape Boards with funding from the South Australian Government's Landscape Priorities Fund and Green Adelaide



Book of the Month

Did you realise that the Fleurieu Environment Centre library includes three herbariums?

A herbarium is a collection of dried plant specimens that can be used to identify and/or verify particular species. Each set contains samples of individual plants including the botanical names.

The 16 Volume Herbarium of common plant species on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

- V 1 Daisies
- V 2 Eucalyptus
- V 3 Ferns and Herbs
- V 4 Flowering herbs
- V 5 & 6 Grasses
- V 7 & 8 Low shrubs
- V 9 Saltbushes, Samphires, Succulents, Water plants
- V 10 & 11 Sedges, Rushes, Lilies
- V 12 & 13 Tall shrubs
- V 14 Trees
- V 15 Vine creepers
- V 16 Index, explanatory notes

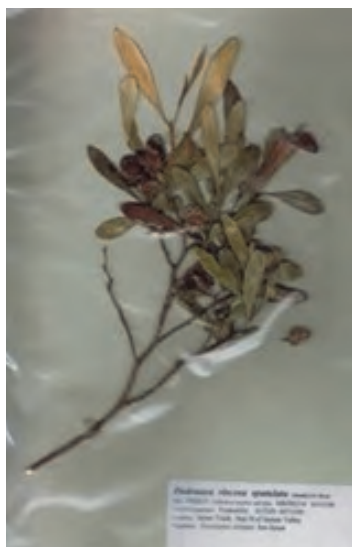
The 2 Volume Fleurieu Peninsula Swamps Herbarium.

A small collection of some typical plants found in swamps.

The 3 Volume Normanville Sand Dunes Herbarium.

This herbarium was collected as a weed identification tool designed to be used in the process of restoration of these sand dunes.

The herbariums are part of the Reference Collection and cannot be borrowed but please feel free to spend time at the Environment Centre if you would like to view them.



Bandicoot Superhighway Project

Do you think or know your property, park or bushland patch has bandicoots?



Photo: Martin Stokes

Join us at our Bandicoot Habitat Management Workshop

- Habitat identification
- Best practice weed control
- What to do with Blackberry
- Grazing pressure management (Kangaroos, Deer, Rabbits)
- Trail camera monitoring of Bandicoots

When:
Sunday 15th May 2022
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Places limited - RSVPs essential

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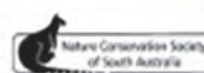
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Where:

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Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife



This project is funded by the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife and the Australian Government's Environment Restoration Fund, and supported by the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board, the Sturt Upper Reaches Landcare Group, the Nature Conservation Society of South Australia, The University of Adelaide, Green Adelaide and the National Parks and Wildlife Service South Australia.

Twenty priority weeds heading towards eradication

31 March 2022

Work is well underway to locally eradicate 20 priority weeds that threaten agriculture and biodiversity across the Hills and Fleurieu region.

The 'Towards Eradication: 20 Weeds by 2023' is a two year project, funded by the State Government's Landscape Priorities Fund, being delivered by the Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board with help from private landholders, local

councils and state government agencies.

The \$600K project is using a two-pronged approach to get on top of some established and emerging weeds of concern across the region. In many cases the board is working directly with landholders to tackle the priority weeds where they occur on private property. At the same time, the board is working in partnerships with the region's six local councils, National Parks and

Wildlife Service South Australia (NPWSSA), SA Water and the Department of Infrastructure and Transport, to eradicate weeds on roadsides and in reserves, including within the Cherry Gardens fire scar. Susan Ivory, Team Leader Pests and Land, said the project will develop clear eradication plans that will be carried out in a staged approach to result in long-term local eradication.

"We are working with landholders to monitor and identify where these 20 weeds are currently established and providing detailed eradication plans to help combat their spread. The list of 20 target weeds can be found on our website and if anyone suspects they have any on their property, they should contact us for help with a control strategy."

"We are already seeing positive outcomes across the region, with weeds including Spanish broom, Tufted honey-flower, Sagittaria, Mexican Feather Grass and White weeping broom being identified and recorded in a new weed mapping app, which has also been developed for the project. We can now implement control and monitoring programs with contractors and the landholders," she said.

"We are also working hard with the six councils, and state government departments across the Hills and Fleurieu to remove these weeds from our roadsides, parks and reserves."

"While the 'Towards Eradication' project is very targeted and deliberate in its delivery, our landscape officers have extensive experience working with private landholders on weed management



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programs, and are always on-hand for general weed identification and control advice for all pest plant species. Landholders have a responsibility to control declared weeds on their property and best practice weed management starts with the basic principle that effort in the early period of weed invasion provides significant long term efficiencies and value for money," she said.

Find out more about the project and access weed control advice and information at

www.landscape.sa.gov.au/hf/towardseradication

The Landscape Priorities Fund is funded from landscape levies collected in the Adelaide metropolitan area and redistributed to South Australia's regional landscape boards to enable them to work in partnership with other groups and individuals and invest in environmental projects.

The board has been working with Alexandrina Council to target African Lovegrass, one of the 20 priority weeds.

Yankalilla Ladies Probus Club Inc.

Welcoming the 2022/23 Committee

Another year has passed full of the friendship, fellowship and fun that can come your way with Probus. We have elected a new committee, which will now work hard to ensure our meetings, speakers and activities continue to be well planned and enjoyable. Thank you to all the ladies who nominated and welcome to our new President, Glenda Mountford.

Speaking of saying thank you, all our members wish to say a heartfelt "thank you!" to the **Yankalilla Community Opportunity Shop**. This wonderful organisation, its committee and volunteers, have donated financial assistance to many organisations within our community, over many years. Our club is a recent recipient of funds to allow us to purchase a laptop and a projector.

This equipment will allow us to more easily attract first class speakers for our meetings. All our guest speakers are wonderful, but to be able to say "just bring your flash drive and notes, we can provide everything else", is a wonderful head start.

Pat Graske, a Club member who has worked with COTA, gave an informative talk on "How to Get a Good Night's Sleep", something high on everyone's agenda. We are all grateful for the advice and tips on how to get to sleep and stay asleep. A "thank you" box of

chocolates was presented to Pat by our Treasurer, Avril Clark.

If you are new to the area and looking to make contacts within your local community, you will be warmly welcomed at any future meeting. The 4th Wednesday of each month (except December) at the Jesus Community Church hall, Yankalilla.

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Mission Australia's *Youth Survey 2022* is now open and young people aged 15-19 in South Australia are invited to take part. The Survey has been running for over two decades and is the largest of its kind. Young people provide insights into their experiences, challenges, concerns and barriers to achieving their goals. The survey is a chance for young people to share their perspective on a range of key issues including economic and societal issues such as climate change, housing insecurity, work and study barriers, mental health concerns as well as ongoing impacts of COVID-19.

Mission Australia's State Director Mychelle Curran said young people have been faced with challenges never encountered by previous generations and emphasised the importance of providing a platform for them to have their voices heard. "We know from our Youth Survey that young people are extremely resilient and they care about their futures, as well as the people and world around them. We also know that they're experiencing unique challenges, such as high levels of psychological distress and are less happy than they were just two years ago," she said.

"Young people are also navigating the ever-evolving pressures of things like social media, the global pandemic and are likely concerned about the uncertainties of what is currently occurring in Eastern Europe. None of these events were occurring when we started this

survey over two decades ago." "Teenagers have borne the brunt of the economic and psychological consequences of the pandemic and they must be included in planning and decision-making that affect them, their peers, families, communities and Australia.

"That's why we continue to prioritise creating space through our Youth Survey for young people to share their thoughts and concerns. Results are provided to government and non-government organisations to inform design and delivery of policies, initiatives and services that impact young people's lives." Ms Curran said.

Last year, Mission Australia's *Youth Survey 2021* was completed by more than 2,255 young people in South Australia between April and August.

COVID-19 (47.7%), equity and discrimination (36.4%) and the environment (34.8%) were identified by South Australian young people as Australia's top issues of importance.

The survey revealed cause for optimism in many respects, and that many young people are doing well while taking on life's challenges.

The survey takes 20 minutes to complete. Young people can record their responses online, either

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through arrangements with participating schools or groups or individually through Mission Australia's website.

Mission Australia's *Youth Survey 2022* is **open until 12 August** to all young people aged 15-19 years-old who are living in Australia.

To take part in the survey, visit www.missionaustralia.com.au/youthsurvey. Share the word across social media using #YouthSurvey2022

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Interim CEO appointed for the District Council of Yankalilla

21 April 2022 - DCY media release
 The District Council of Yankalilla is thrilled to announce that Kate O'Neill (pictured) has been appointed as the interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the District Council of Yankalilla.
 District Council of Yankalilla Mayor Simon Rothwell said Ms. O'Neill is an experienced



senior leader in local government and will be a great fit for our organisation.

"Ms. O'Neill comes highly recommended, she currently is the General Manager, Organisational & Community Development, at the City of Mitcham and previously was the Deputy CEO of the Broken Hill City Council and held senior roles at the Adelaide City Council.

We look forward to welcoming Ms. O'Neill on the 9th of May 2022, I believe she is the perfect candidate to continue delivering Council's vision and guide our dedicated and capable team through this transition period while we go through the formal recruitment process for our ongoing CEO.

It is an exciting time with Council entering the construction phase with many of our major projects and I have no doubt Ms. O'Neill will hit the ground running.

I'd like to thank the City of Mitcham - Ms. O'Neill's current employer for their collaboration, this is a great example of a metro and regional Council working together for the benefit of both of our communities", said Mayor Rothwell.

Ms. O'Neill is looking forward to working at the District Council of Yankalilla to continue to implement the Council's strategic vision and lead an innovative-community focused administration.

"I love the Yankalilla district, and I'm delighted to have the opportunity to contribute to the community.

I look forward to working with the Elected Members and Staff to support continuity and have oversight of the exciting major projects being delivered across the district, whilst the Council goes through their CEO recruitment process", said Ms. O'Neill.

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The most amazing health scanner!

In the last story we looked briefly at MRI scanners. I am interested in such things as someone I know has recently been inside these machines. You will know someone too - and that person is very interested in the results!

Even more amazing than the MRI scanner is the PET scanner. Does it help if I give its full name - **Positron Emission Tomography** scanner? Me neither!

Figure 1 shows a very simplistic look at what is going on.

Before talking about what a positron is let us talk about what happens when you go to the scanner department. You get an injection of sugars which have a radioactive (not harmful - very low dose) tracer attached to them, which is used up, preferentially, by any active cancer in the body. You lie down in the machine and the scanner can detect the little photons of "light" (actually gamma rays) that are given out at the cancer area and a picture is built up by computers of all the light. The "tomography" bit of the PET name means that a 3D image is built up by the computer by putting together many slices taken by the machine while you lie there.

Figure 2 shows an image from a PET scanner, where only the areas actively using up the radioactive sugar light up. Often a PET scan image is used together with a CAT scan image (x-rays) for best definition.

The photon of "light" is given out every time that a positron collides with an electron - both being completely turned in to energy (using Einstein's $E=mc^2$).

This is the amazing bit - a positron is an anti-matter particle - like being the opposite of a negatively charged electron, same mass but opposite charge, being positive. In our normal matter most atoms are made of a nucleus containing neutrons and protons with one or more electrons "buzzing" around the nucleus in defined orbits. Anti-matter is very rare in the Universe being made by us in huge nuclear machines (like the Large Hadron Collider) and in nature by processes like cosmic ray collisions.

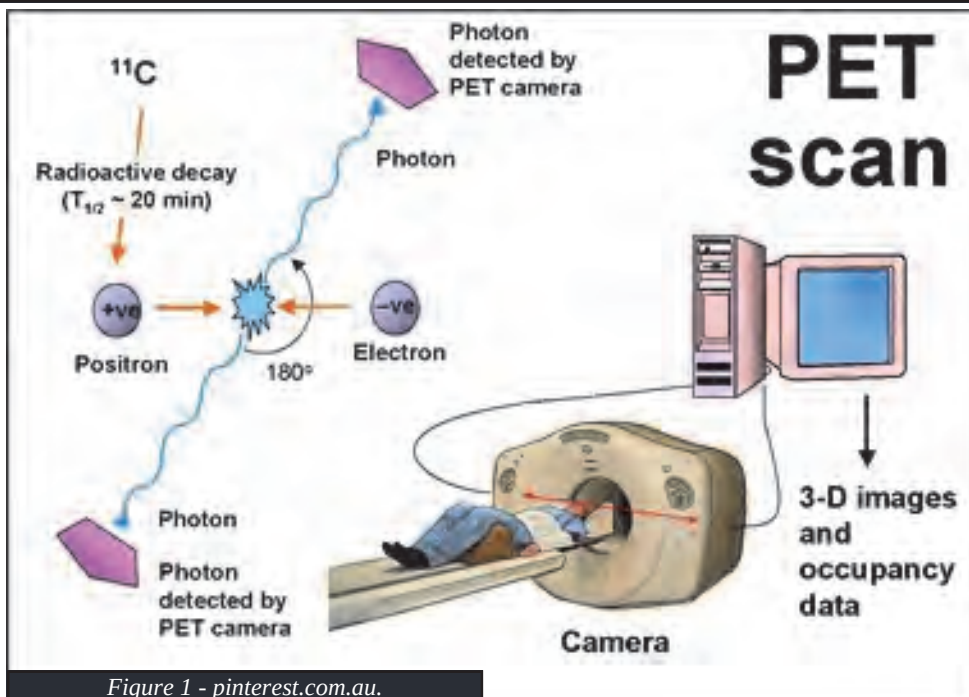


Figure 1 - pinterest.com.au.

When you are in the PET scanner you are receiving a tiny amount of anti-matter that was made 10 minutes ago in SAHMRI on North Terrace in their own synchrotron (do some more Googling!). This weird particle has a "half-life" of some 20 minutes. I NEVER would have thought such exotic things would be used in our day-to-day real world!

In the Big Bang theory of the start of the Universe, initially, there was only energy, and

then quarks formed, and then neutrons and protons and matter as we know it. Scientists think that nearly the same amount of anti-matter was also made, and the matter and anti-matter wiped themselves out in a blaze of energy. Luckily for us a tiny, tiny amount of real matter remained and that is where we, and our entire visible Universe, came from.

Our world is amazing - and we have lots to learn!

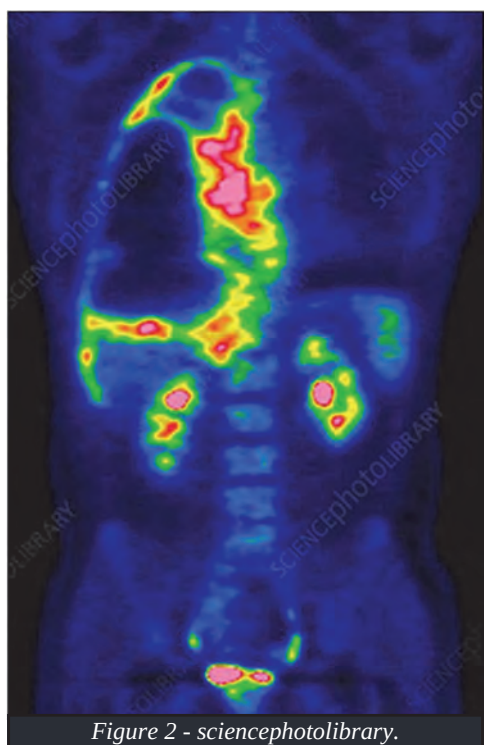


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The Western Talma

Butterfly Fishes have their greatest diversity on tropical coral reefs.

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The Butterfly Fish Family contains 10 genera, of which 8 occur in Australia but only 2 genera occur off southern Australia, and only one of those is represented in South Australia, by a single species.

20-12-2013 Western Talma,
Old Rapid Bay jetty



(This genus is however endemic to Australia and the only other species, the Eastern Talma, is confined to the eastern states, whereas the Western Talma is found only in SA and Western Australia, so once again I remind readers that the fish we get here are quite unique and of special significance in many ways).

Butterfly Fishes are colourful, with compressed, deep bodies and small mouths which are often protruding and protractile, with fine bristle like teeth.



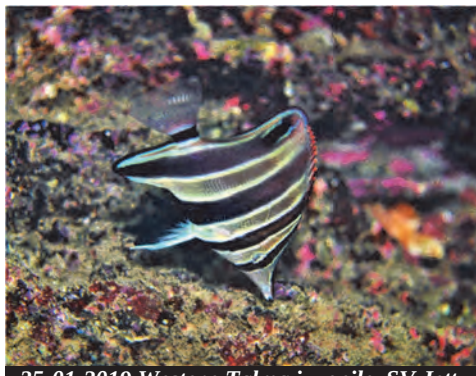
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In the case of the Western Talma, this type of mouth suits their diet of small worms, crustaceans and algae.

Divers often see pairs of adults moving along reef ledges in a leisurely way, picking off morsels very selectively. While browsing they seem oblivious to most other reef fish, including much larger ones known to prey upon other species of similar size, so it would appear that they are distasteful, supplementing the presumably mild protection afforded by their small spinous dorsal fins.



27-3-14 Western Talma, RB Jetty



25-01-2019 Western Talma juvenile, SV Jetty

Perhaps the striking silver colour with the 5 black vertical bands, highlighted by pale almost white interspaces separating the silver and black, are a warning to potential predators that they taste awful?



15-02-2019
Western Talma adult,
Second Valley

And another confession:- I've never understood the derivation of the name Talma. In my older fish books they were variously called Squareback Butterflyfish and Truncate Butterflyfish.

But "Talma" has a nice ring to it, quite appealing, so I'm not unhappy phonetically! Western Talma are common on the shallow reefs of Yankalilla Bay, and are also fond of jetties.

A point of interest, which is still a matter of debate among ichthyologists and many divers, is the question of to what extent juvenile Western Talmas pick edible morsels (tiny parasites, or maybe skin debris?) off larger reef fish as a way of supplementing their main diet.

Some divers reckon I'm balmy but I have definitely seen juveniles picking something - too small for the human eye to see - off bigger but generally sedentary and innocuous reef fish such as magpie perches.

Not often, but I have seen it.

And the juveniles have quite bold ocelli (false eye spots) on their rear fins, which could be guild signs (advertising a part time cleaner role) or could just be a form of defence trickery (if a predator pounces the Talma swims in the opposite direction to the false eyes).



19-03-2022
Old RBJ

But I still don't have photos of a juvenile Talma with mouth touching a client, so I too can't prove they're occasional cleaner hosts.



23-12-2013 Western Talma adult pair with a
juvenile, old Rapid Bay Jetty

This is a very recent pic (below), from the Old Rapid Bay jetty T Junction (aka 'the fish-bowl' to some divers). The Western Talma contrasts well with the orange 'coral' which is itself a southern Australian endemic but is actually far removed from true corals.

It is a colonial bryozoan, and bryozoans have their own phylum. They have variously been called "sea mosses" or "cool water corals" but whatever label we use, the amazing thing about bryozoans is that until recently - a few million years ago only - they were the dominant fixed invertebrate life form in the world's oceans.

Most of the continental slope around southern Australia is comprised not of sand or dirt but - get this - the mineral particles that are all that remains when bryozoans die!

So... yeah, they were definitely dominant!

Now the last few thousand species (probably tens of thousands) are at their most diverse in the waters off SE Australia and northern NZ. They rival true stony and soft corals for sheer beauty, and SE Australia and New Zealand are basically the only places left on the planet where bryozoans still form living reefs, a role usually associated with stony corals (and also shellfish, as we humans have suddenly remembered a century after we harvested 99% of Australian shellfish reefs into functional irrelevance as an ecological habitat).

The nearest bryozoan reefs I know are under Kingscote jetty (shade from the wide jetty, supplemented by low light penetration through surface plankton layers allows them to outcompete their algal, sponge and other rivals at depths normally far too shallow for bryozoan reefs) and off Snapper Point where Backstairs passage is narrowest and there is deep water close to shore subject to nutrient rich and very strong currents.





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The Night Shift !

There's two eclipses in May but neither of them are visible from Australia. The partial solar eclipse on May 1 (Adelaide time) can be seen only from southern South America and the adjacent southeastern Pacific. The total lunar eclipse on May 16 happens during our daytime. The only eclipse we

see from Australia this year is the total lunar eclipse on the evening of November 8.

Mercury is visible low in the western evening sky during the first half of May, but you'll need an unobstructed horizon. Meanwhile all of the other bright planets are still in the morning sky.

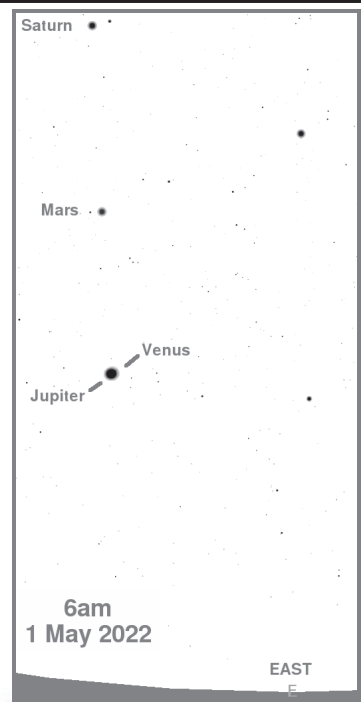


**Saturn + Mars pairing above Venus
morning of 5 April 2022
(mobile phone camera through high cloud)**

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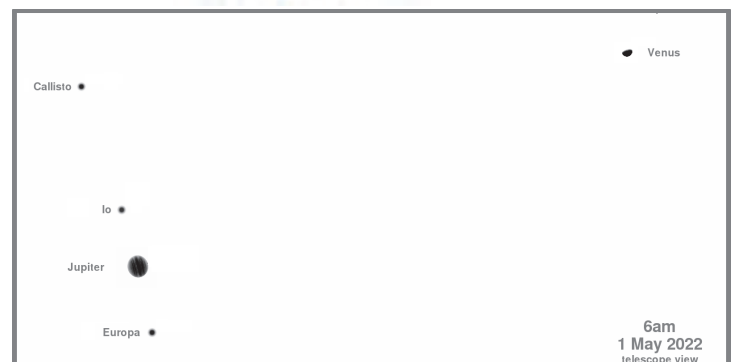
After last month's close pairing of Mars + Saturn [see photo], we can watch an even closer pairing of Venus + Jupiter on May 1 when they're only 0.2 degrees apart [see diagrams]. Venus is the brighter of the two. Then Mars Jupiter and the waning crescent Moon are close together on the morning of May 25. Mars and Jupiter are also less than 1 degree apart from May 28 to 31. By mid-May Saturn is rising just before midnight, so technically it then becomes an evening planet.

The pre-dawn hours of May 7 see the peak of the Eta Aquarids meteor shower this year; although they're usually visible for several mornings before and after the peak. These meteors are very fast but they tend to leave persistent trails. These trails will appear all over the sky but if you extend them backwards, they appear to radiate from a point near the dim star Eta Aquarii. Hence the name. Dress warm, use a comfortable chair, and face the northeastern sky.



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