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Shed Mates Muster Marks International Men's Health Week at the Crystal Brook Men's Shed



From left: Tony Wyld, AMSA; Anthony North, President, Suicide Prevention Network; Mayor Leon Stephens; Marty Leist, AMSA.

Men's Health Week aims to raise awareness about preventable health problems in men of all ages and provoke thought and discussion about what needs to be done to improve men's health. Men are more likely to suffer from lifestyle-related health conditions than women of the same age.

To celebrate Men's Health Week, the Crystal Brook Men's Shed hosted a Shed Mates Muster on June 15. Shed members from across the Mid North, and from Clare to Whyalla and Bute came together to listen to guest speakers on topics of mental health and physical well-being. Speakers included Mayor Leon Stephens and Michael Hancock, a volunteer with Rural Aid. CBCMS is one of only two South Australian Sheds chosen to run a Muster and we are extremely proud of the effort that was shown by our members to cater for more than 100 people who attended. A barbecue lunch was provided by the Crystal Brook Men's Shed with coffee available from Pip & Me Coffee and Food van.

We welcome anyone in Crystal Brook and surrounding towns to come in for a coffee and a chat; we are open on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9 and 12; or call Rob Beveridge 0408 833 163 for more information.



Michael Hancock



Tracie Hawkins, Yorke & Northern Local Health Network; Jodie Bruce, Prostate Cancer Foundation; & a visiting Shedder.





Ernie Polley photos



From the Community Association

Welcome to the very cold and wet winter edition of the Crystal Brook Chronicle. The positive aspect of this wet and cold weather is that we have had a great opening to the season with good general rainfall recorded across the region. The winter has also brought with it an increase in the numbers of people reporting COVID and influenza infections, please continue to take the precautions you need to keep yourself safe and ensure you respect the health and safety requirements of many of our essential services.

The Community Association has continued to manage a busy agenda. A very successful meeting, facilitated by Jodie Boully was held in May to gauge the interest in the community of celebrating 150 years of Crystal Brook in 2023. Many great ideas were suggested during the meeting and a full copy of the results can be found on our Facebook page. A pivotal outcome from this meeting is the establishment of a 150year celebration committee who will act as the conduit for events and information, as well as planning a significant celebratory event for later in 2023. Can I strongly urge you to contact Jodie as soon as possible jodieboully@gmail.com if you are interested in being a part of the group and then planning can begin in earnest.

Some of the Community Association members continue to ensure our main street looks great, tending to the garden beds and plants. There will soon be the placement of a beautiful red gum seat at Jubilee Park on Railway Terrace. This seat has been made by locals from donated materials and will be a great feature for the many caravanners/campers who visit the site great work David. Planning for a 'Welcome' sign as presented in the last edition of the Chronicle continues. This project aims to provide some more character to our southern entrance and will again be developed with the assistance of in-kind work from community groups.

I continue to be so excited by the vibrance of our community, most weekdays it is very difficult to get a park in Bowman Street and business trade appears to be booming. Crystal Brook is lucky to have such a sense of 'community', and this is an unsolicited comment I hear frequently from people who visit the town or live in communities surrounding Crystal Brook.

- Anthea Pavy Chairperson CBCA



Sue Smith, Secretary of the Community
Association receives a cheque to support
the production of the Crystal Brook Chronicle
from Ann Redden on behalf of
Reflections Gallery.

CBCA WEBSITE UPDATE

The Crystal Brook Community Association is upgrading the website so that it will be as accurate and informative as possible for 2023 and beyond. We will soon be calling on all clubs, organisations, and businesses to provide current contact details and information to help visitors obtain an understanding of who you are and what you provide. Provision will be available to link to your own website or social media links, so we urge you all to take advantage of this opportunity to promote all that is on offer within our local area. The following address will provide the means to confer all appropriate details to the website constructor or you can wait for the email with this link.

https://form.jotform.com/220709193361858

CRYSTAL BROOK SHOW NEWS

Plans are coming together for the Crystal Brook show and we are excited to share with you what we have in store for everyone to enjoy.

We are excited to have Jessica Stenson (nee Trengrove) to officially open the 2022 Crystal Brook Show. Jess is a champion marathon runner who represented Australia at the 2012 and 2016 Olympic Games and represents what our agricultural communities are all about: true grit, strength and determination.

A Fashion Parade showcasing clothing from well-known brands Mickelloo, Iris and Wool, The Longroom Hardware, Liv Sienne and Crystal Brook Newsagency will be modelled by some local faces, so come along and support them. The amazing talents of the regional women who work in fashion and business, such as these are an integral part of our rural communities and are to be celebrated.

The Lego Masters will be judging entries in a Stop Motion competition for the budding local Lego masters. Great prizes are on offer for the four different categories. See the Crystal Brook Show Facebook page or website for further details.

The return of the official Show Luncheon will be a hit which is being catered by Crystal Brook's talented Mikayla Magor, hosting Sponsors, patrons and Life members.

A new Fleece competition and auction is being held at 4.30pm by the White Elephant Bar, convened by Nic Boully. An exciting addition with fleeces being donated and auctioned, along with many other items with monies raised being invested back into upgrading the Woolshed.

Rock the afternoon and night to the tunes of Andrew Lange (Tang) whose acoustic tunes can be enjoyed by all. Tang heralds from Koolunga and is well known in the area as being a part of the band duo Hindsight, as well as playing solo at many events in the Mid North and Clare Valley. Sheepdog demonstrations will be returning along with Circus Elements, Celtic Games, Children's Petting Zoo and other exciting entertainment for everyone to enjoy.



There is still time if you want to be a sponsor or a member. Please contact Nat Hodgson, Secretary on 0474 502 241 or alternatively email

secretary.cbshow@gmail.com for further information. Sponsorship provides valuable investment in the NWAS ability to hold a successful show, as well as ensuring that there is continued support for the passionate people who take time to bring livestock, vehicles, produce, crafts, baking and much more.

We hope to see the community of Crystal Brook and surrounding towns come together on Show Day and celebrate its return after a two year hiatus.

Follow the Crystal Brook Show Facebook page for updates as we get closer to Show time. Thanks to the Crystal Brook community who continue to support our Committee and Show.

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Winter Weeds driving you Crazy?!?!





Girl Guides Get Curious and Creative with Glass

Just how versatile and important is glass? Girl Guides and their leaders from Port Pirie, Crystal Brook Gawler and Balaklava Units found out when they met in Balaklava on Sunday for their Midland Region Rally to experiment, explore and create with glass.

2022 has been recognized as the International Year of Glass by the United Nations. From Roman times through to today's high tech innovations glass has been a part of civilisation, science, art, and culture.

The Guides' glass themed day started with a walk to Balaklava Museum to see how useful glass has been in different ways. They were intrigued by soft drink bottles with glass marble stoppers, wash boards with glass scrubbing panels and uranium glass serving bowls that glow in the dark. The girls were challenged with the task of finding a way glass is used, for every letter of the alphabet. Some interesting suggestions were received, from optic fibres to computer screens, vases and necklaces! Back at the Guide Hall the girls had fun trying a range of glass related challenges. With the aid of the sun, they used magnifying glasses to melt chocolate over biscuits and mirrors to flash Morse code messages to each other. They got creative turning glass jars into tea light lamps with colours inspired by old stained-glass windows, and they got excited making bubble reactions in their lava lamps. There was an opportunity to see how leadlight windows are constructed before making their own card and cellophane window. The day ended with games of marbles being played under the trees.





Girl Guides is a unique girls-only environment that provides a safe place to learn and grow, make new friends and have adventures. Guides plan their own activities with the support of their leaders and these activities develop leadership and life skills and have an outdoor focus. Guides learn that girls can do anything! New members are always welcome.

To get in touch with the Crystal Brook Guide Unit call Lorraine: 0400 291 598. Port Pirie unit call Jodie: 0448 997 119



Guide leaders and girls from the Midland Region which includes Gawler, Port Pirie, Crystal Brook and Balaklava. The Minlaton unit was unable to attend due to illness.

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CFS NEWS

I think we all remember the 2019-20 fire season with fires down the east coast of Australia in Queensland and N.S.W. followed by our own fires in S.A. including Cudlee Creek, Yorketown and Kangaroo Island. A number of fire-fighters from Spencer Group were involved in deployments both Interstate and throughout S.A. during the 2019-20 fire season.

These fire-fighters were recognised for their dedicated and continued efforts during the fires by being awarded the National Emergency Medal at an awards ceremony held at Bundaleer Forest on May 22. Some members were also awarded service medals or clasps, for their time volunteering to the SACFS. There was a set criteria for members to be eligible to receive the National Emergency Medal and whilst this is a great honour for members, I feel the need to also commend those fire-fighters who stay at home and protect their local communities without recognition.

It was a perfect day at Bundaleer with numerous medals being awarded by the Chief Officer SACFS, Mark Jones, to members from nearly all brigades from the Region 4 area. Thank you to the staff at Region 4 for organising the day and to our families allowing us to volunteer and who look after things at home whilst we are away protecting other's lives, homes and property.

- Gavin Zani



Back Row: Bob Middleton, Cath Bradtberg,

Lyn Russell, Duane Morrow.

Middle Row: Ian Lee, Robert Bradtberg, Kym Burgess, Alan Zubrinich, Geoff Smith, Andrew Sargent.

Front Row: Gav Zani, Nick Jagiello, Clinton Carter, Ross Dixon, Joel Gale. Absent from Crystal Brook: Jim Matthews and Owen Templer.

REFLECTIONS GALLERY

What is happening at Crystal Brook Arts, Craft, Antiques and Collectables? Our aim is to open seven days a week, raising funds to support local community organisations in achieving their goals. Our Small Community Grants Program helps this and we invite you to contact us with help to apply. An application form for the Grants may be collected from the Gallery. Community support for this important program is very welcome.

We were delighted to deliver two grants last month — one to help the production of The Crystal Brook Chronicle and the second was presented to the Bowman Park Management Committee to reinstall the Goanna in Bowman Street, which had become an icon, with tourists commenting on it.

At Reflections, members bring in quality items ranging from Vintage, Retro, Art Deco and collectables to the Gallery. Photos of the items for sale are uploaded on to our Facebook page. The layout of the floor space changes continually with the arrival and departure of stock. This has been a positive action in attracting visitors to our Gallery. Items of interest include an array of Chinaware, porcelain, pottery, glassware, silverware, cutlery, kitchenware, bottles, lamps, clocks, tools including rustic agricultural, DVD, CD's, videos, records, books and furniture. There is also a range of games for both children and adults including toys from different eras. Maybe you wish to "downsize" or "de-clutter" - what one person regards as having no value, may be a treasure to another.

We also have a range of tourist brochures covering local and State attractions.

The Gallery is staffed by volunteers from the membership and local community who seek to support our work. We urgently need volunteers to help run the shop. It would be appreciated if members of the community who would like to volunteer and members of the Gallery could give half a day of their time once a month to help with the roster. Volunteering is an opportunity to see what sells in the Gallery and meet visitors. Having some knowledge of the local area of antiques is an advantage because the majority of people who visit the Gallery are tourists.

- Ann Redden

Out and About from the Brook Telowie Gorge, Germein Gorge Laura Lookout, Hughes Gap



Take the Augusta Highway (A1) towards Port Pirie, turning right on to Scenic Drive at Warnertown. Continue through Napperby and Nelshaby, (Reservoir Reserve), turning left into Flinders View Drive then right at Blight Road, continuing on Telowie Road which is unsealed further on. At Holman Road (signs) turn right into Telowie Gorge car park where there are information signs. To see the best of the Gorge, some walking on rough tracks is required. Drive back to Telowie Road, turning right to Germein Gorge Road and right again for a very scenic drive through the Gorge with plenty of stopping places for photos. At Horrocks Highway, (B32) intersection, turn right to Wirrabara for bakery, silo art, and craft and tourist information centre. Next, stop along Horrocks Highway, (B82), at Stone Hut Bakery, then on to Laura, Golden North Ice Cream Factory, and several cafes. At Hughes Road turn right. Over the Rocky River Bridge continue on the unsealed Rucioch Road past the quarry to the Lookout with great views. Follow Lookout Road to the junction of Laura-Beetaloo Road and turn right. Then turn right again staying on Laura-Beetaloo Road. At next junction on Gladstone-Beetaloo Road, turn right again. At the junction of Beetaloo Valley Road turn left and continue to Wilkins Highway, then turn right over Hughes Gap past Watertank Hill. Follow the signs back to Crystal Brook.

- Steve Hyde



Since its arrival in May, the Pip & Me Coffee and Food van has quickly become popular with locals and visitors. Comments have included being impressed with the variety on offer, the friendly local faces and the option to deliver phone orders to Bowman Street businesses. Amongst visitors, of special note are the walkers on guided tours of the Heysen Trail who have half an hour to spend in Crystal Brook.

The van is located behind Colour Scheme on Mondays and Tuesdays between 8.00 am and 1.30 pm. Phone orders: 0448 611 229.



We are having a great turn out for each of our fortnightly bingo sessions. In May we were able to give \$500 to the Crystal Brook Hospital Guild and \$200 to the Crystal Brook Chronicle. This is from our great group of loyal bingo players, enabling us to put our proceeds back into the Crystal Brook community.

Bingo is held on Tuesday's in the CWA Hall fortnightly, on the off-pension week. The next few dates for your diary are: Tuesday, 12th and 26th July Tuesday, 9th and 23rd August Come along and have some fun; you don't have to be a professional to play. Afternoon tea is provided. We would like to thank our wonderful group of players that contribute to bringing afternoon tea and helping us pack up the hall at the end of each session.

Follow us on Facebook: Crystal Brook Bingo - Tanya Cameron

PODCASTS TELLING THE STORIES OF THE MID-NORTH

In February 2022 an opportunity for interested people from towns within the councils of Northern Areas, Orroroo Carrieton, Mount Remarkable, Flinders Ranges and Port Pirie were given the opportunity to participate in a Brighter Futures program run by LEGATUS Group and facilitated by Kristine Peters. The programme, funded by the Department of Human Services, LEGATUS and participating councils was aimed at developing podcasts to tell the story of personalities, places and events in local communities.

Eleven people signed up for this wonderful learning opportunity provided free of charge by LEGATUS Group and held in the Parham St complex in Port Pirie. Four full days of instruction, (two weekends) with homework allocated and expected between training sessions, gave us all a taste of interview conducting, working with podcast technology, organising material, and assessing what tourists may find interesting within our communities.

The emphasis of the whole project was to get passing travellers to Stop, Stay, Spend and Explore in smaller communities within our region. By developing a seven-minute podcast to be placed on the free Storytowns App., information about towns can be heard when travellers are about ten kilometres away. The intention is, that tourists will be enticed to turn off highways and visit communities that may offer quirky diversions, unique purchase opportunities, unusual sightseeing attractions or interesting historical features, instead of just driving straight past.

Jarrod Pickford, the creator of Storytowns, travelled to Port Pirie both weekends to share his knowledge and enthusiasm and will now use the information and interviews from the workshop to develop podcasts for Koolunga, Redhill, Crystal Brook, Port Pirie, Bundaleer, Pekina and Orroroo. It is anticipated that these podcasts will be completed and available by August. "In 2020 Storytowns was a winner in the AMP tomorrow fund. The Storytowns team

are a bunch of travel loving adventurers, who love to get off the beaten track, meet the locals and throw themselves into new experiences. This is an App that showcases local stories for the travelling tourists in an interactive geo-located podcast tour." If you are on the road over winter and want a bit of information about towns along the way, download the Storytowns App and see if they have a short podcast for your information and enjoyment.



Podcast group: Jarrod Pickford, Steve Whelan, Christine Schoepf, Kristine Peters (facilitator), Ali Eckerman, Lorraine Saunders

PROBUS NEWS



Members recently made an outing to Waffle Ward at Blyth for morning tea then on to Blyth Cinema for a film Queen Bee, followed by lunch at Clare.

Crystal Brook Probus celebrated 28 years with a lunch catered by the Golf Club and a cake, cut by Dick Morgan 91, and Val Samwell 90.

- Maureen Hobbs





Firstly, a big thankyou to everyone who has visted the store and given us a lovely welcome and support. The past six weeks have been very busy as we build up stock levels each week.

Renovations 'out the back' -have commenced last week this will allow us to get better storage and up our ordering for building materials and a garden centre before Spring.

Good news we have a paint training schedule for next month so hopefully a range of paints by August. However, orders for all products are always welcome.

Don't forget to come in and check out our work wear and

- Sale -







We also supported Heartkids SA in June

Jess Crawford is a Colour Lover.

'I am so much more than an Artist, I am a survivor.'

Yes, that is a big statement but in early 2018 Jess didn't want to be on the planet.

Do you know why? Jess was in the throes of antidepressant withdrawal hell. Jess didn't know then what she knows now. Jess didn't know that withdrawing from antidepressants takes time and it's a long journey. Jess didn't know then that what was happening in her head had so much more to do with what was happening in her entire body.

As Jess crashed at the bottom of a dark ravine, she began to claw her way back up and learn so much more about herself and the world of mental and holistic health along the way.

As Jess climbed up the mountain and began telling her entire story at each stop, people would thank her for sharing that vulnerability. It meant that they were not alone on their own journey up the mountain. As Jess learns, she shares what she knows to help others. Jess has now finished tapering from her antidepressants again but with so much more knowledge.

Knowledge that Jess now shares to brighten and light the way for others.

Jess uses both her art and her knowledge to help others improve their mental health and their whole wellbeing.

Jess provides paint parties and 1:1 soul art sessions that allow you to enjoy some time to get out of your head and into your soul.

Jess also has a 3 month mentoring package - 'Clarity' - Where you will learn more about what your body and mind needs and what YOU can do, to be in the driver's seat of your whole wellbeing.

Contact Jess on 0438 340 643 for more information or visit her Facebook page at Jess Crawford Art or website www.jesscrawford.com.au

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CRYSTAL BROOK HOSPITAL GUILD

The Mother's Day Stall was extremely well supported by the local community and was most successful. Thank you to everyone who donated raffle prizes, beautiful chrysanthemums, more than 90 bunches, and for the number of very generous donation envelopes returned. Also thank you to the Crystal Brook Golf Club, Bingo Committee, Gladstone Community Service and Crystal Brook - Rocky River Lions Club for their donations. Two non-invasive blood pressure and temperature units requested by the hospital have now been ordered. Raffle prize winners were Fiona Duffield; Lorraine Saunders; Marilyn Wardle; D Stubbs; Pauline Curtin; B. Butcher; Lindy Smith and David Clothier.

The next meeting of the Hospital Guild will be held on Wednesday, August 3 at 2:00 p.m. in the Hospital meeting room. This will be the A.G.M. and everyone is welcome to attend.

- Annette Clarke, Secretary



Mother's Day street stall, Sue, Gerrie, Pauline, Annette

Tai chi in Crystal Brook and Gladstone

Tai chi is a form of exercise suitable for any level of fitness or mobility. A volunteer programme, under the umbrella of the Southern Flinders Health, is run every Monday during school terms. This is a free opportunity for anyone one interested in gentle exercise to improve balance and general wellbeing.

A session is held at Willochra for residents at 9.30, at the Crystal Brook Guide Hall (Showgrounds) at 11am and at the Gladstone Bowling Club at 1.30pm.

For more information contact

Lorraine: 0400 291 598

NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK

To celebrate National Volunteer Week 2022, a Morning Tea was held at the Crystal Brook Activity Room for the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network, Crystal Brook Hospital Volunteers.

Nine highly valued Volunteers attended. The Acting Executive Officer/Director of Nursing, Andrew Taylor, spoke to the group about the importance of volunteer contribution to the running of the health unit. Mr Taylor thanked all of the Volunteers in attendance and presented them with Certificates of Appreciation and a lapel pin.

Two Roseview Residents, Delma Mason and Melva Gale joined the Volunteers and enjoyed a lovely morning tea, which the Hospital Services Department provided.

It cannot be overstated how important Volunteers are to the Crystal Brook Hospital and the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network. Our Volunteers provide an invaluable service to the Crystal Brook Hospital staff, patients and the Roseview Aged Care Residents. Their time and dedication are very much appreciated.



(L-R) Lorraine Saunders, Julie Fogarty, Maureen Hobbs, Elaine Haggerty, Gerrie Taylor, Sue Ferme, Kerry Norris, Viv Combe, Don Bown



The Op Shop is running very smoothly with each organisation receiving lots of donations which are greatly appreciated. However, we ask people not to donate broken or dirty items as these cannot be resold.

It is now a requirement that all volunteers at the shop must obtain a Police Clearance. There is also some new legislation with regard to button batteries, requiring them to be removed and disposed of safely. Anything containing button batteries cannot now be legally sold due to safety hazards. If anyone has any questions regarding volunteering or button batteries, please see Jenny or Lorraine.

We look forward to the next six months of continuing improvements at the Shop and thank the community for support.

Motoring History Attracts a Crowd at the Old Yacka Garage



S. A. History Festival 2022 was the best year so far with a total of 139 visitors over the six days we were open. The Cruising Car Club visited from Adelaide on a one day cruise to the Mid-North, stopping in Yacka. Our local car club, PADARC from Port Pirie spent the whole day, with Club members enjoying a talk and tour of the garage followed by a barbecue lunch. Later in the afternoon the cars were lined up in front for public display. Twenty students from WEA college in Adelaide came through on a bus excursion, researching the five towns along the River Broughton, calling in to Yacka Motors for a visit. Several NARC club members arrived on the same day. I could not have been more pleased with the interest shown by these groups and the local farmers and individuals who called in after hearing about the History Festival promotion on ABC Radio.

Thank you all for coming along, helping to keep small towns alive. Until then, if the flag is out, call in for chat. Looking forward to next year. Love it!

- Steve Hyde

For anyone who would like to host an event next year, contact:

e: historyfestival@history.sa.gov.au

T: 8203 9888

w: festival.history.sa.gov.au

Miss Florence's Emporium



We are thrilled and excited to introduce to Crystal Brook and Districts 'Miss Florence's Emporium' at 49 Bowman Street.

The store is the next stage of development of 'Chargeo' Creations and Design. We remain heavily focused on handmade and handpicked, our contribution to mindful and soulful purchasing. We offer upholstery work, an interior design service, soft furnishings, fabulous home-wares and furniture, artworks pre-loved fashion items and a range of children's play-wear and soon to be hand-made clothing. A store representing the quality of the past, married with the new.

Our wish is for you to celebrate coming out of Covid and back to browsing, that is not the internet. An opportunity to see and touch things that spark joy in your life. A chance to express yourself by loving your space, holding things that spark joy in your life. Your style represents who you are in the world. We can help you with all of that. Art and beautiful objects equal pleasure and joy. We are also passionate about women empowering women through self-care, taking time to explore the store as a day out, not a rushed decorating chore. Our Interior Styling and Design service is here to assist for you as an expression of yourself.

- Virginia

THANKS TO THE WONDERFUL COMMUNITY RAISED OVER \$1,000







BOWMAN COURT NEWS

(This item was intended for publication in the May Chronicle. Apologies for the omission. - Ed.)

In March, residents farewelled everybody's friend Murray Heinjus who has relocated to Barunga Village at Port Broughton to be reunited with his wife Ruth after her 9 month stay in Crystal Brook Hospital. They have been welcomed by friendly staff and are in very comfortable rooms and are very happy. We wish them many more happy days together as they approach their Diamond Anniversary. We look forward to welcoming new residents in Unit 2 in the near future.

AFL season is here again, fingers crossed no Covid disruption this season. A tipping competition is being held amongst the residents, which creates some interest and conversation.

Hard Waste Collection Day. Residents appreciated the opportunity to dispose of unwanted articles and trash. Thank you to Kerrie and Ernie for collecting from our units.

Cheers and congratulations will soon be heard in the Pergola at a Friday night "Happy Hour" as we wish Jenni Heinjus a very happy 80th birthday. Welcome to the "Octogenarian Group" Jenni.

Our thoughts are turning toward hosting a "Biggest Morning Tea" for Cancer in May as we have successfully done in previous years, when residents and guests enjoy a scrumptious morning tea and give generous donations for a very worthy cause.

The garden photo in this edition is of a beautiful rose (maybe Charles de Gaulle) which was planted by original residents Beryl and Eric Taylor in 2008 and more recently tended by Ruth and Murray and which is still bearing beautiful fragrant blooms.

- Bev Wyatt



... more from BOWMAN COURT

We have warmly welcomed Jill Kirchner to Unit 2 and wish her a long and happy time at Bowman Court. It's good to see John O'Dea out and about after a brief time out of action. Allison and Don Tilbrook have enjoyed a visit from interstate family to celebrate Allison's birthday with her.

Russell Smart has had a holiday at Barunga Village. He's been a noticeable absentee, especially for "bin duty" so it's good to see you back Russell.

A Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer was held on 25th May and exceeded our expectations with 24 guests enjoying a plentiful tasty morning tea, friendship and participating in a Trivia quiz. Those who answered a question correctly were awarded with none other than a packet of assorted tea bags. The "lucky cup" winner, Jill Kirchner, was presented with "Nuts and Chocolates" box by the donor, Jenni Heinjus. To conclude an enjoyable morning Glenys Hall recited a poem "Wise Sayings" (food for thought).

Thank you to all who so generously donated money, raising \$410 for a very worthy cause, for food and your company.

Happy Birthday and best wishes to Allison Tilbrook, 20th May; Pamela Millard, 28th May Liz Smart, 13th June; Russell Smart 15th June; Bob Gale, 90, 24th June.

- Bev Wyatt





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Rocky River "Riters"

Rocky River 'Riters' reading for May was personal choice reading. The reading for June was "Any Ordinary Day" by Leigh Sales. Members choose new words and phrases from readings they do in the month. Words included coddiwomple, dillycrimple, Spiracle, Kamerade, entropy, Hussar, Oxtern, Santios, Badacious, innefable and throughput.

Quotes included "... and in the silence, Vianne found herself thinking too loudly."

Rocky River 'Riters' newest book, Reflections, is available by contacting our secretary, or from Reflections in Crystal Brook, the Information Centre in Laura, or SFDC in Gladstone, for \$15. Each month there is a writing challenge for members to write about the topic for the following month's meeting. This challenge is open to anyone who wishes to enter. The topic is given and a piece needs to be written to that topic before next meeting. If you wish to enter, please write a short piece of prose or poetry to the topic and send to our secretary at ruby_08@bigpond.com before July 7.

South Australian war historian, Peter Brune, recently ran a workshop on editing for RRRs with 15 members attending. He offered many tips on formatting manuscripts, editing, research techniques and publisher's expectations. Writings from two members were used to comment on these areas with suggestions about taking them further. Members have been inspired to dust off lapsed manuscripts and get them going again.

We are planning another editing workshop as part of our programme for 2022 to take place in August. We are looking forward to our speaker from the Laura Literary Awards, Dr Annette Marner, running this for us.

Three of our members have been mentioned in the local paper – Jo Piggott, Monty Smith and Jan Weldon-Veitch. Jan, whose plays are being produced in the eastern states and at St. Mary's College in Adelaide is now writing a screenplay. The Laura Literary Awards book of winners and runners up for 2021 is available from Rocky River 'Riters, or the above shops, for \$15. Entries have been judged for the 2022 Laura Literary Awards. Winners will be announced at

the Laura Literary Awards presentation at the Diocesan Hall in Gladstone on August 13 from 2:30 pm.

Rocky River 'Riters' meetings are in Gladstone the second Friday of every month. Please contact us for meeting information. The creative writing meetings are being held in Crystal Brook with the next on July 9.

Please contact us if you are interested in joining our group – jhhc@bigpond.com

0417 849 441

or: https://rockyriverriters.club Happy reading to everyone.

- Jonathan

MEALS ON WHEELS



Meals On Wheels celebrated 52 years with a volunteers Thank You lunch at the Royal Hotel.

- Maureen Hobbs

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AUSTRALIAN BREASTFEEDING ASSOCIATION



Alison Wood and daughter Kelsey Kunoth with baby Leah

In early May the local Australian Breastfeeding Association group held their discussion and morning tea in Crystal Brook to celebrate National Mothering week. The theme this year was "Nourishing the Mother".

We had a delicious morning tea and were glad we could all share food again. The discussion started with results of a recent ABA survey that found mums are really valuing partners and family helping them when they have a baby, by providing meals and cooking, taking leave from work in the early days and regularly being told what a great job they were doing. The survey revealed the majority of mums would have loved more help with house cleaning, meals and cooking and stress reduction, that is, managing visitors and enabling timeout. We had an honest discussion about this and how we can better support family and friends who are having babies. We had also invited grandmas and partners who were supportive during the journey and this added another dimension to the discussion. We had been kindly donated beautiful "For You Blessed Mother" books by Jodie Nicholls and had fridge magnet photo frames from ABA as gifts for each mum.

We meet monthly and have a local Facebook page where mums can see planned meetings and get more information. The ABA website is a wealth of knowledge and has easy to read information on a huge range of breastfeeding topics.

- Chrissy Mackinnon (Group leader)

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

The church's calendar has been busy over recent times including the following events:

Special visitors have been Father Jimmy's mother Helen from America; also, the NET (youth) team who have been spending time in various parishes in the diocese. Mass was celebrated at Bowman Park followed by a parish picnic. Parish morning teas were held to celebrate Mother's Day and Holy Trinity Sunday. Mass at the hospital is continuing on the last Wednesday of the month. Parishioners have begun preparing for the Christmas boxes which are donated each year for the benefit of needy children overseas. In addition to Sunday Mass at 8:30 a.m., weekday church services are held regularly on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. All welcome.

- Annette Clarke, Secretary, CWG

St. Silas Anglican Church



On Sunday May 22 we welcomed Wim and Maaike Prins, who came to join our worship and say farewell as they retire from Mission work in Cambodia after more than 17 years. They thank God for the richness in cultural understanding, language fluency and relational depth that has enabled many opportunities for a wonderful ministry. It was great to meet with them again.

Our Bible Fellowship group meets at 2pm on Tuesday afternoons every fortnight. Next gathering will be Tuesday July 5 when we will continue watching 'The Chosen' which we are finding extremely interesting. All welcome.

The Ukulele Group for beginners is still operating so if you are interested in joining please contact Gwen: 0429 907 446.

- Cherry Kennedy

Matilda Lane Fundraiser

Many of you would be aware by now that Nicole and Henry Lanes 6 month old baby, Matilda, has devastatingly been recently diagnosed with Leukemia. Nicole is Julie's niece and Chloe's cousin.

We have chosen to create a fundraiser to help support Nicole and Henry by having a donation tin in the Newsagency and we also have a dedicated bank account to help ease some financial pressures. Thankyou to those generous people who have already given a contribution.

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Photographer (and nephew) Nick Joyce has very generously donated two of his amazing scenic prints that are printed on tin for either raffling or auctioning when they arrive. Keep a look out for them when they arrive from Darwin.

Every single cent will be forwarded direct to Nicole and Henry. Any amount is greatly appreciated. We also have a card to sign if anyone would like to add a small message.

Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers.

Thankyou, Julie and Chloe x



The Crystal Brook Netball and Football Clubs had a day of "Goals for Matilda Lane"

Matilda is the daughter of Henry and Nicole (Wohling) Lane, whose lives were turned upside down when at just 6 months of age, their baby, was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia. Nicole and her parents have been involved with Crystal Brook Netball & Football Clubs over many years as players, volunteers, coaches and committee members.

It was our opportunity to support their family during this very difficult time for the whole family. The donations will support Matilda with her fight ahead and her family.

Over \$30,000 has been raised by our two clubs through various events on the day.

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kicked, donating to money tins around the community and clubs, mystery silent wine auction, disco for the kids which had over 80 kids in attendance and the major auction of various donated goods.

The donated goods included signed 2022 Port Power, Crows, St Kilda, Thunderbirds guernseys and other sporting memorabilia – a huge thank you to Sam Mayes, Braydon Kirk, Campbell Combe, Jake Wohling, Callum Willkie, Abbey Bishop, Robyn Kelly, Heath Tiller and Hayley Kerin for organising these wonderful items to auction. Karena Wilson, Carla Hook, Carly Smart, Jen Phillips and Paul Fogarty supported 8 young girls to run the disco with limbo and spin the bottle games.

Kim Allen, Ash Lynch, Carly Pavy, Shane Arbon and Ian Lambert were the driving force behind the organisation of the event - a huge thank you to all involved in making the fundraiser for Matilda a great success. The Football and Netball Club acknowledge the support from other community groups, individuals and sporting clubs who are also raising money to support this family. If you still wish to donate or sign a card, please call in to the Crystal Brook Newsagency.

Kayla Martin is Raising Funds for the Crystal Brook Hospital



In appreciation for the care and support offered to her mum and whole family over the last forty years and especially in recent times, Kayla Martin of Redhill, has set herself the goal of raising money for the Crystal Brook Hospital. Kayla's mother, Kerri, has had treatment for breast cancer off and on over the last nine years involving many sessions of chemotherapy and radiation therapy, with all the associated side effects. In March of this year, after once again beginning chemotherapy, this time for bone cancer, Kerri was admitted to the Crystal Brook Hospital severely unwell. Within a short time, she was transferred to intensive care at the Royal Adelaide Hospital where she spent several weeks before returning home.

Kayla had intended to shave her head on August 13 at the Crystal Brook Show, in an attempt to increase the amount of donations received, but due to her mum's failing health, Kayla chose to have this done in her mum's Crystal Brook Hospital room on June 4, several days before Kerri's death.

Kayla's online auction has raised over \$2,000 for our hospital and the "Go Fund Me" will continue until July 31. A raffle is also being run from June 15 until July 10.

Please support this fundraising effort, recognising and appreciating the services provided by our hospital, if you can.





Card Day, Thursday, July 7 at the Crystal Brook Football Clubrooms in aid of Adelaide Children's Hospital. Morning tea 10 am, lunch 12.30. Play concludes 3pm. Euchre, Canasta and Bridge. The cost is \$15. Winner's prizes, trading table, raffle. Come along for enjoyable card games and company. Everyone welcome.

Contacts for reservations: Glenys Hall: 0439931789. Maureen Hobbs: 0417851320

The Brook Classifieds

Thank you ...

Thank you to the people of Crystal Brook for help during our car breakdown, especially Steve, the folk at the Crystal Brook Hotel and Rob's uncle Brett.

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We would like to thank you for your kind thoughts and expressions on Neville's passing on April 15, for the flowers, cards phone calls and visits and those who attended his service. Also to Meschkes for their compassion and guidance. Greatly appreciated.

- Norma and Family

CRYSTAL BROOK HOCKEY



Hockey season has begun - with strong numbers, new and old faces, and loads of confidence for the season ahead.

Crystal Brook Hockey Club has registered 7 teams across the various grades in the ever-changing Port Pirie and Districts competition. Thanks to the coaches who have volunteered their time and sanity to take on these teams this year.

We see you, and value your contribution more than you know.

We've added more fresh faces to our juniors this season, and have registered two Under 10 mixed teams this season, with Daisy Gulin and Sam Wurst steering them along.

Under 14 mixed - Fleur Payne Under 18 Girls - Paula Peterson

Senior teams registered are -

Div. 3 Women - Taylene Wood

Div. 2 Ladies - Geoff Saunders

Div. 3 Men - Ali Gulin

With a few rounds already, the club has had some Good, Bad, and a touch of the Ugly. We've had wins, losses, and a few draws while players find their feet. Such exciting times ahead for all those involved.

SAPSASA trials have just been held but due to the low numbers of hockey kids in the North Eastern Zone, we will be combining with Port Pirie and Mid North again to get our kids to Adelaide at the end of June. Good luck to all those representative kids.

We had another wonderful club achievement when Ali Gulin and Fleur Payne took to the field with 4 of their 5 daughters recently. The modified Port Pirie comp gave our Div. 2 Women(black) and Div. 3 Women(white) the opportunity to play against each other.

It was such a special moment for the mums, daughters, and sisters to be able to represent their beloved 'BROOKIES' together. It showcased how truly family oriented our amazing club is.

Thanks as always to our valued sponsors, new and old. We literally wouldn't be here without your ongoing support.

GOLF



The golf season is well underway and it is great to see so many new members out. The Ladies and Men's Club Championships have begun with some fantastic results. Junior golf season has also begun with juniors undertaking coaching and learning skills on the course.

The clubhouse extensions are also progressing, with a new alfresco area being built in front and the kitchen being redeveloped. With the influx of new members and the redevelopments it is an exciting time for the Club which celebrates its Centenary in 2023.

The Club also hosted Ross Boyd and Ian Errington, two Afghanistan Veterans who walked the Heysen Trail walk from Blinman to Cape Jervois in 45 days. These two walkers, and Tony Turner (Vietnam Veteran) their support crew of one, stopped over-night at the Crystal Brook Caravan Park and enjoyed some hospitality at the Golf Club. (More on page 23).

The Club will be holding a Farmer's Day on Friday, August 26. Follow us on Facebook or Instagram to keep up to date on what is happening at the Club.

CRYSTAL BROOK MOTORCYCLE CLUB TURNS 50



The Crystal Brook Motorcycle Club is celebrating its 50 Year Anniversary on July 9 and 10. It will be a weekend to remember with racing (modern, vintage and sidecars) a barbecue tea, drinks and live music on Saturday evening. Around the bonfire there will be time to reminisce about great riding adventures, with camping available. Sunday will be a family fun day, when the track will be open to riders of all ages and abilities with a PeeWee track for younger riders.

Entry for is free for spectators and the canteen will be open all weekend so it would be great to see you at the track to celebrate what an amazing facility we have here in Crystal Brook.

If you have any memorabilia associated with the Club or vintage motorbikes you would like to display on the anniversary weekend we would love to hear from you.

The Crystal Brook Motorcycle Club has a proud history from its beginnings in 1972. It has been the site for many State and National Championships over the years and is well-regarded as a track that riders love to ride. The Club still holds regular ride days and races that draw riders from far and wide. If you know of anyone who has been involved with the Club over the years but has moved away please let them know so they can join us to celebrate.

For more information please visit the Crystal Brook Motorcycle Club Facebook page or contact Nathan Arbon: 0400 373 520. We look forward to seeing you at the track on the 9th and 10th.

- Monica Richards

CRYSTAL BROOK NETBALL



Back row: Anita Hook, Mabel Arbon, Adele Inglis, Annabel Arnold, Holly Gulin, Violet Jackson, Lucas Gulin.

Front row: Emma Gullin, Ruby Hook, Lily Merkel, Kaden Hook, Isabella Laird. Missing: Jemma Kelly, Susan Kirk (u/17s team manager)

Over half way through the season our teams are sitting strongly with 9/10 in the top 4 with majority hopefully serious contenders to make the final week of finals.

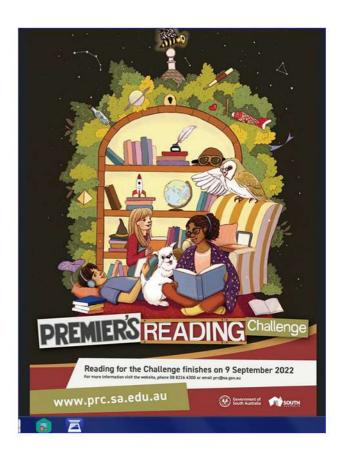
We had great representation at country champs carnival over the June long weekend, as you can see in the picture.

With the under 13's and under 17's reaching the quarterfinals, and under 15's winning 4 games finishing 6th out of 10. Great work to all our club members involved in the weekend. Congratulations to Robyn Kelly achieving her National bench official accreditation - You are our go to for all things rules so its wonderful you have official recognition for all your hard work.

We also would like to congratulate Jemma Kelly for making the 15/u state team which will compete in Canberra in July. We will keep you up to date in the next issue on her achievements.

Lastly we would like to say a big thank you to the whole community for the fundraising we held with the football club on the 18 of June to support Nicole Lane (Wohling) and their husband Henry. Their beautiful little girl Matilda who is just 6 months old and has been diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia and undergoing treatment. With all the incredible donations we are able to give them we can help them be there together as a family through this tough time. Well done on raising over \$33,000!







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NUROM ANZAC COMMEMORATION

Around 70 people from the Nurom district and surrounding areas came together on Sunday April 24th for an Anzac Commemorative Service organized by the Nurom History Group at the site of the former Nurom Lutheran Church and Crystal Brook West primary school. On the same site in September 2020 a memorial stone was erected to honour servicemen Rex Leirsch and Lindsay Saint who lost their lives during WWII.

Chairman of the Nurom History Group, Kingslee Stanley welcomed all and introduced Pastor Brian Keller who offered prayers and reflected on times of war.

Peter Frith then spoke of the experiences of his Father, Nevill Frith, during WWII and Phillip Johns spoke about his Grandfather, Frank Johns, during WWI.

Wreaths were laid at the memorial stone after the addresses, including one laid in memory of Daryle Johns, the founding secretary of the Nurom History Group, who served in Vietnam. The Committee was delighted with the attendance and is seeking names of others in the district who also served in conflicts to protect our country.







CRYSTAL BROOK STOPOVER FOR VETS ON THE HEYSEN TRAIL



Ross Boyd and Ian Errington, two Afghanistan vets, began their Heysen Trail walk (pictured above at the half-way point) at Blinman at the beginning of May and arrived at Cape Jervois 45 days later on June 16. These two walkers, and Tony Turner, a Vietnam Vet and their support crew of one, stopped overnight at the Crystal Brook Caravan Park and enjoyed some hospitality at the Golf Club. This 1,200 km walk was undertaken to raise funds for Soldier On and to draw attention to the work this organisation does to help support veterans and their families. More photos and videos of their journey can be viewed on the Facebook page titled 'Old Vets Stomping' where donations can be made.

Council staff in Crystal Brook.

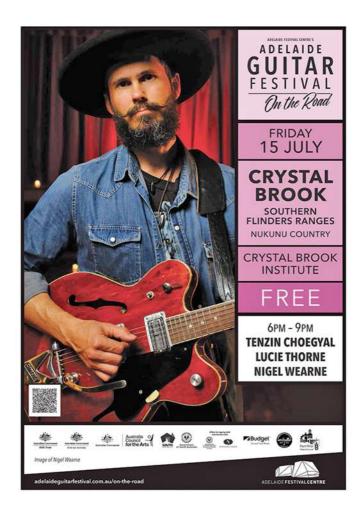
Each Friday, between 10am and 5pm, a member of the Port Pirie Regional Council will be working in the Crystal Brook meeting room opposite the library: CEO: Peter Ackland,

Director of Infrastructure: Kathryn Johnson Director Corporate and Community: John McCarthy

Director Development and Regulation: Chris Davey

will all spend one day a month in this role. Staff will rotate during each month, so if you have specific queries and wish to speak with one of these people, call 86362150 or call in to the library to confirm who will be working and to make an appointment. If a Justice of the Peace (JP) is required to verify documents, visit www.sa.gov.au and click on the "Find a JP" spot. Then type in Crystal Brook and a list of local JPs and their contact numbers will appear.









Venue - 55 Brook Park Lane, Crystal Brook.