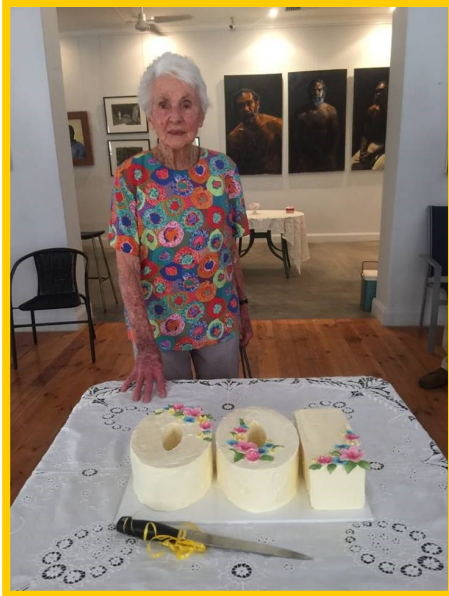


# THE LOCAL RAG

RIVERTON COMMUNITY FEBRUARY 2018



## Happy 100th Birthday!

Congratulations to long time Riverton resident, Vera Hannaford, Who recently celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Celebrations for the significant milestone began on Christmas Day, at the family

farm Vera and her late husband, Claude, ran, when Vera was surrounded by her family of 4 children, 9 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

On her actual birthday, close friends and immediate family who live nearby enjoyed afternoon tea (complete with a crayfish) at Vera's son, Alfie's, Art Gallery. Pub Squash, not champagne, was Vera's drink for the day. "You learn to do as you are told as you get older," Vera said. Celebrations included a delicious numeral 100 cake (with each number being a different flavour).

Vera received official congratulatory letters and birthday cards, including one from the queen and governor general. However, her favourite was a card from the Port Adelaide (Power) Football Club.

Born in Adelaide, Vera was brought up in Bute and attended Bute Primary and then Kadina High School. She worked as a telephonist before training as a nurse at Riverton. Vera said, "Back then, the hospital had everything – surgery, midwifery, contagious diseases, etc. People came from everywhere to train there." Vera nursed for 2 years before she married her sweetheart, Claude. As was the norm back then, Vera retired from nursing and, with her usual enthusiasm, took up helping on the

farm and raising her family. "I loved the farm life – even though we didn't have any power – it was hard work, but we managed. We had to take our babies to the baby train to get them weighed. Like my mother, I made all the children's clothes until they got older – up until the boys' clothes needed buttons, buttonholes and zips- I wasn't very good at that."

Over the years, Vera was involved in setting up the local kindy and was involved with the primary school and CWA. She played hockey, tennis, netball and acrobatic dancing as a child, and later moved on to yoga and lawn bowls, playing the latter until she was in her 90's. While her sporting days are over, Vera loves watching sport on television.

Vera says that keeping active through sports and walking, plus volunteering her time in Riverton, have perhaps been the key to her longevity.

## KNOW YA LOCALS! Rob Brandsma

### Riverton Deli



What is your favourite piece of clothing?

**Golf Shoes**

Are you usually early or late? **Early**

What TV show do you refuse to watch? **Home and Away**

What is your favourite smell? **My wife's cooking**

# AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS



A very enjoyable morning was spent at the Footy Clubrooms in Riverton on Australia Day, where once again, a delicious breakfast was cooked and served by members of the Gilbert Valley Cricket Club. Deputy Mayor, Di Schwarz presented Trevor Hayden of Tarlee the award for Citizen of the Year, Southern Area. Trevor was recognized for his 33 years of Ambulance service. Mayoral Awards were also presented to Gaynor Bottcher and John Tayler. Our congratulations to all 3 for their outstanding contributions to the community.



Australia Day saw the YMCA take the opportunity to host their first ever Australia Day party at the Riverton Pool. The day proved to be a huge success with over 60 people attending throughout the day. Many patrons got into the Australia Day spirit with a variety of unique Australian themed dress-ups. Whilst swimming was the number one agenda of most patrons, many took the opportunity to support the Riverton & District High School Parents & Friends Group purchasing their Australia Day Sausage Sizzle. Overall the event was a great success and one which the

YMCA would like to grow each year. We thank the Riverton and surrounding communities for supporting the Riverton Outdoor Pool.



## Ex Local Girl Honoured

Belinda Jane Moroney, daughter of Andrew and Mandy Clark, is following in her parents' footsteps as a valued member of her local Cummins and Kapinnie communities. BJ, who was named Young Citizen of the Year for the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula, is described as a driving force for her community. A mother of two, BJ positively promotes local people, business and services and is always up for helping fundraise for local causes and families in need. Her 'can do' attitude and willingness to get out there and 'have a go' inspires those of all ages around her and makes her an incredible role model for young people to aspire to. Congratulations, BJ!

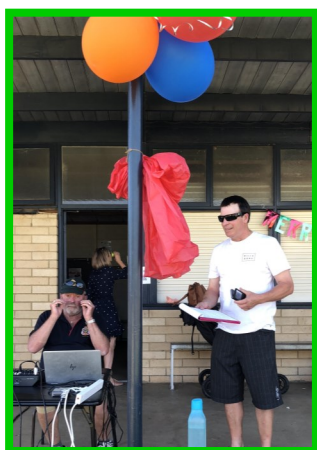


## Carnival Huge Success

Perfect Weather saw a large gathering at the annual Riverton Christmas Carnival held at the Riverton Oval on Friday evening, 22<sup>nd</sup> December. Delicious food, fun games, market stalls, activities and fellowship ensured that people of all ages thoroughly enjoyed the evening.



Master of Ceremonies, Matthew Greenslade, kept the crowd up to date with activities while his offsider, audio technician, Mike Johnson, provided the PA system which streamed lively music throughout the night.



The Valleys Choir entertained with Christmas Carols and Santa, who arrived in the CFS truck decorated with lights, bells and whistles, was greeted by 150 young children and provided each with a gift bag full of goodies in the beautifully decorated Magic Cave. Other popular activities with the children included the

Bouncy Castle, Bungee Run, face painting, Animal Petting Zoo and the Dunking Machine, where teachers from Saddleworth Primary, Riverton Primary and High Schools, bravely volunteered to be dunked by their students. Well done, teachers!

Congratulations to Ashleigh Heath from Port Lincoln who was the winner of the "Giant Christmas Stocking", valued at over \$500, with all goods being donated. The proceeds of the raffle will benefit Riverton Kindergarten and Primary School and Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens Home.

Thanks is extended to the many businesses and families who donated goods both for the stocking and other prizes, in total a prize pool of over \$1500, and to the many community members who helped in any way to make the carnival an overwhelming success. Preparations are already underway for the 2018 carnival and new committee members are always welcome.



## Riverton Primary School

This term RPS welcomes, Leah Schulz to the teaching team. Leah is working in the R/1 class with our youngest students for 2018. Students are settling in well under the guidance of Miss Leah.

RPS has commenced 2018 with 121 students enrolled.

Cheryl Glenie  
Principal RPS

## Riverton Lawn Tennis Club

The 2017/18 season saw some major changes to the Junior competition with teams of 4 being trialled instead of the normal 8. This allows the children to play in divisions that better match up with their ability and allowed us to introduce some younger children to the game than we would usually be able to.

We have entered 3 teams in the competition with a Div 1, Div 2 and Div 3. All teams are going well to date and hopefully all will see some finals action.

We introduced some new tops for the juniors too and think they look great.  
(See below)



The Senior team has been a struggle to fill with the men being of particular concern and a major effort every week to ensure 6 men (and sometimes some extra ladies) show up to compete. We have entered the team again into the B Grade competition with the team enjoying mostly wins, 1 loss and an unfortunate forfeit to start the year off.

We are desperate to keep this senior team, so if you are remotely interested in playing next year, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Some of our 'older' gentleman still prefer a social hit every Saturday on our beautiful

home courts and a bit of healthy competition is on show each week.

Easter is once again approaching and we will hold our 88th Easter Tournament which attracts approx 150 people from around Adelaide who participate over the 4 days in many different events catering from Open events, Junior and Veteran, and have a LOT of fun amongst the Tennis. Many life long friendships have been formed here - even a marriage or 2!!!! All are welcome and if you are interested please check out our Facebook Page (Riverton Lawn Tennis Club Easter Tournament) or give me a call.

Cheers  
Jane Parkinson  
President

## **RIVERTON COMMUNITY BINGO**

Riverton Community Bingo is an opportunity for an enjoyable afternoon of fellowship and fun. Anyone in the community is most welcome to come along.

### **DATES:**

We play on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month, commencing Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **VENUE:**

RSR HOUSE (next to the ANZ bank )

### **TIME:**

Commences at 1.30pm finishes approx. 3.30pm

### **COST:**

\$5 per book of 15 games

We play 10 games and then stop for afternoon tea (sandwiches, cake, tea or coffee) followed by the final 5 games.

Afternoon tea is provided free of charge. Bar facilities are available during the afternoon.

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**  
**Please arrive by 1.20pm.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT**

**ROGER AITCHISON 88472035**

## **Gilbert Valley Basketball Association**

The Gilbert Valley Basketball Association has been running for many years. Sadly over the last few years numbers have been low and our High School Boys and Men's competition have ceased.

However we have a very successful and enjoyable Women's and Junior's competition still running.

Like any club we only survive on volunteers. At times this may seem daunting for people, but our club is welcoming and always willing to help new volunteers.

Our current season is coming into its last weeks with both Grand Finals being held Tuesday 6th March. We wish all our teams Good luck!

***Committee President: Riley Kemp***

***Vice President: Simone Norman***

***Secretary: Rachael McInerney***

***Treasurer: Emily Goodfellow***

***Junior Coordinators: Annie Nicholls  
and Rachel Schoenberg***

The season runs from Term 4 until Term 1 of every year. Our AGM's are always held in August. Anyone wishing to play basketball in our next season is more than welcome! Follow us on facebook or keep an eye out for our advertising as we get closer to August.

For more updates on the season and our Association follow us on facebook at GILBERT VALLEY BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION.



### **Netball**

Season 2018 is ready to fire up with Preseason training commencing on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30pm at the Riverton courts.

We wish to congratulate Mandy Clark on her re-appointment as A1 Coach for the coming season.

The following ladies have also been appointed to coaching positions:

A2 Jane Parkinson

B1 Ruth Stevens

B2 Lisa Parkinson

C1/C2 Unfilled

15/U Unfilled

Juniors Carla Przibilla, Riley Kemp and Nicole Saunderson (Teams will depend on numbers and ages)

We wish them all well and success (& of course fun) for the coming season.

We still have a couple of vacancies so if you or someone you know have some netball experience and might like to coach, please contact myself or Lisa Parkinson for details.

We have a number of new players expressing interest to play for the Mighty Hawks in 2018 which is very exciting given that our numbers were down last year. We welcome these ladies and hope they enjoy their year and many more into the future. Again, if you would like to play, please do not hesitate to call Lisa or myself on the numbers below.

We wish to thank our many sponsors, without whom the club would struggle to survive. It is important that our members support them in their businesses where possible. We thank our Major Sponsors: Roberts Transport, Greenslade Chicken, Landmark Riverton, Vin Callery Transport and Wunderbar Lamb, along with all other sponsors for your generous, continued support of our club.

We are looking forward to another year on the netty courts with lots of laughter, fun, friendship - & hopefully a Premiership or two!!!

Go Hawks.

Jane Parkinson – President 0417 844 805

Lisa Parkinson – Secretary 0419 803 824

## Football

The Riverton, Saddleworth, Marrabel United (RSMU) Football and Netball Clubs are welcoming, community focused clubs which work collaboratively to achieve sporting success in the North Eastern Football and Netball Associations.

In 1998 RSMU joined the North Eastern League and have enjoyed several senior football and netball premierships. Our aim is to give everyone a go regardless of experience, and help them enjoy being involved in sports. RSMU is a friendly, social and family orientated club which openly welcomes new and long serving members.

If you would like to join our club, we would be absolutely delighted to have you on board!

We welcome all players, coaches, umpires, supporters or volunteers!

## Trainings

**A Grade & B Grade have started,  
Tuesday and Thursdays @  
6:30pm  
Juniors and Senior colts TBA**

### Coaches

A Grade- Steve Lubcke

B Grade- Matt Norman

Senior Colts- Michael Condon

Junior Colts- Bradley Elson

### Committee Members

President- Richard Noll

Secretary- Simone Norman

Treasurer- Gavin Noble

Junior Coordinators- Kim Hart & David Parkinson

Sponsorship Coordinators- Andrew Parkinson and Tom Vater

Contact RSMU @

[footballsecretary@rsmu.com.au](mailto:footballsecretary@rsmu.com.au) for any enquires or

Follow us on Facebook; RSMU Football & Netball Clubs or our website;

[www.rsmu.com.au](http://www.rsmu.com.au)



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## TORRENS ROAD BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

The latest stage of the Council's Riverton Footpath Project has continued, with the section of footpath in front of the Museum, down as far as the Post Office, being replaced.

Included as part of the Footpath Project, was the installation of wheelchair access from the footpath to the Scholz Park Cottage verandah, the removal of existing footpath plinths, and the gradual levelling of the lawn area down to the new footpath. Some minor tasks still await completion.



## Scholz Park Museum

Following discussions with Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council and Heritage SA over the past year, approval has been received for Scholz Park Museum to embark upon Stage 2 of its Museum Restoration Project.



Costing \$32,000, the Project is fully funded with contributions from both the Grand Lodge and the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council.

Some of the Project work already completed include: (a) replacing the Wheelwright Shop roof, (b) replacing the Cottage Roof, and restoration of the Cottage walls.

Commencing shortly will be the re-painting of the Cottage interior. Several more aspects of the Project are scheduled for the next month or so.



In other news, a Freemason Exhibition of artifacts from the former Wooroora Freemason Lodge, which closed its door in September 2016, will be housed in the

Cottage. An official opening for the Exhibition will be arranged in coming months.



## Gilbert Valley Lions Club – Feb 2018

Well 2018 is here and we as a club are excited about the year ahead. Our new catering trailer is ready for action and we will be showcasing it at the upcoming Riverton Market on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February. We will also be at the Marrabel Bull Ride in the evening of the same day, so it will be a baptism of fire for the new van. Anyone looking to promote their business through a sponsorship of our new trailer would be very welcome to contact us to discuss further. This helps us maintain the trailer at a high standard which reflects on our club and our community in general.

Once again we will be very active within the community and you will see us pop up in the usual places such as the local football, Kapunda Rodeo, Marrabel Bull Ride, Burra Picnic races, Saddleworth, Tarlee, Manoora & Riverton markets.

We are continually looking to add to our group and anyone interested in serving their community need look no further than their local Lions Club.

Thank you.

**Greg McLeod**

President

Gilbert Valley Lions Club

The recent heatwave has left some of our usually beautiful trees around the town looking rather thirsty. If you have a tree or shrub in front of your place the odd bucket of water at the end of a hot day will do wonders towards keeping Riverton looking great.



Many thanks RCMC.



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## **Riverton Country Market 2018**

17th March Autumn Fair in the park

21st April

19th May

16th June

21st July

18th August

15th September Spring Fair in the park

20th October

17th November Strawberry Fete

15th December Christmas Fair

Contact Karen Slape 0409472651

E: [bkslape@bigpond.com](mailto:bkslape@bigpond.com)

Find us on Facebook

## **The Local Rag**

The plan is to produce *The Local Rag* every other month, providing there is enough content to compile an issue.

If you have something you would like included contact details are below.

We are hoping to include news from our Kindergarten, Primary School and High School as well as information and news from our many sporting clubs.

Any other community group or club is welcome to submit an article to be included at any time.

Contact:

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Or

Vicki Nurse, [vicandjim@bigpond.com](mailto:vicandjim@bigpond.com)

On behalf of Riverton Community Management Committee.