THE LOCAL RAG

RIVERTON COMMUNITY OCTOBER 2022



The Local Rag

The Riverton and surrounding communities eagerly await the production of each issue of *The Local Rag* aka *TLR*.

The newsletter is scheduled to be available

every other month - February, April, June, August, October and December. We try our best to have it ready as early as we can. However, it is not always possible for it to be available by 9am on the first of the month. There are two people who make *TLR* happen and as I am typing this, Kaye is in isolation recovering from COVID. The community is lucky to have this issue being produced.

Kaye spends many hours of her time sourcing most of the articles and information that you read. I then spend the good part of a whole weekend putting it together.

We welcome articles and information from across the whole community. Due to space constraints some editing is occasionally required. People love to see the pictures and photographs so please include images with your articles. It is preferable to receive inclusions in Word or a text format and flyers as a jpeg file; PDF files usually appear blurry. Details of submission dates and contacts are listed on the last page of every issue, can be found on community notice boards, the Riverton Community Facebook page and the Riverton website.

TLR is largely distributed digitally via email, on the Riverton Community Facebook page and on the Riverton website. 100 colour hard copies of each issue are printed and located at the Riverton Post Office and the Riverton Deli. ValleyTech also print some to be available at their shop front. This comes at a cost and many other communities have moved to a digital only production. There is no intention for this to be the case with TLR but we would like to be able to email to as many people as possible. Can you please add your name and email when you grab a copy or alternatively you can contact Kaye or myself.

Cassy Griffiths

Chriss Kirk Celebrated 100 Years



Chriss Kirk (nee Barnes) was born in Bute with her twin brother, Donald Barnes, on 28th February 1922. One child in Bute who remembers the twins was Vera Hannaford (deceased) who later became a close friend. Chriss's father was a Methodist minister which meant they travelled around South Australia. After leaving school Chriss trained as a milliner.

World War 11 caused many people to change jobs to aid the war effort. Chriss was sent to Rhynie with her Auntie Salina and Uncle Oswald Friebe to work in the flax mill in Auburn and became a flax grader. She

caught the eye of one young handsome Rhynie farmer, Doug Kirk, and they were married 16th September, 1944.

As well as raising four children, Chriss' interests and involvement in local community groups were wide and varied:- Rhynie Tennis Club, dances held in the Rhynie Hall, the Melody Makers in Riverton in the 1950's, Uniting Church, raising coloured sheep, spinning, weaving, knitting, baking gardening.

After leaving the farm at Glen Alma, Rhynie, Chris spent many years living in Moorhouse Terrace, Riverton, and now resides in the Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens Home where she still maintains involvement with her family and friends.

Chriss had major 100th birthday two celebrations. one with many local and interstate family members, and another at Glen Alma to include friends.

Belated Congratulations, Chriss.



RIVERTON RSL

Remembrance Day Service Friday 11th November 2022 Service Commencing 10:50am at Scholz Park, Torrens Road Followed by light lunch & refreshments at RSL House.

EVERYBODY VERY WELCOME!

For more information contact President Daryl Mullan - 0411440927

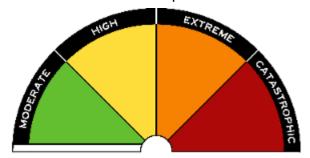


Australians urged to understand new **Fire Danger Rating System**

31/08/2022

It is vital South Australians understand the new simplified Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) which has officially been launched around the country.

nationally consistent, The new actionorientated system went live on September 1 and will be used to tell the community how dangerous a bushfire would be should one start and what to do to keep safe.



MODERATE

(replacing Low/Moderate):

Plan and prepare

EXTREME

Take action now to

protect life and property

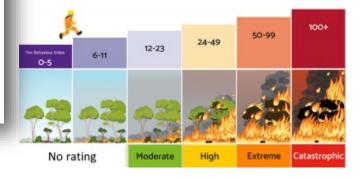
HIGH

(replacing High/Very High): Be ready to act

CATASTROPHIC

(replacing Severe/Extreme): For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

The AFDRS uses the latest science data and technology to improve the forecasting of fire danger, replacing the current McArthur System, which was developed in the 1960s. It now consists of four levels including: Green - Moderate (Plan and prepare); Yellow - High (Be ready to act); Orange - Extreme (Take action now to protect your life and property); and Red - Catastrophic (For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas).



Residents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the new warning system to stay informed and be prepared should a bushfire emergency arise.

RCMC are currently revising the Bushfire Safer Areas map. This will be distributed to households soon, the 'Be Emergency Ready' fridge magnets will be available from the Riverton Post Office at the same time, for those who do not already have one.

Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens Homes (Riverton) Inc

Last year at our Annual General Meeting I reported that we had been approached by Balaklava Mill Court and Hamley Bridge Aged Care facilities regarding a possible merger of the three entities.

We did not proceed with that invitation but did express the view we may like to reconsider our decision for amalgamation in the future, which they agreed to. There were some financial concerns with the other two facilities at that time. The Board did not support a merger then and clearly our community was not ready for a radical restructure, as indicated by views expressed from the floor of the AGM.

Our 27 bed facility is currently managing financially, but not without some challenges. We have administrative and executive support via a long term (reviewed annually) service agreement with Balaklava Mill Court.

Hamley Bridge Aged Care (48 beds) and Balaklava Mill Court (40 beds) have completed an amalgamation process to operate under the newly registered entity Walara Inc from 1/10/2022.

Throughout the Aged Care field of business it is generally accepted 60 beds capacity is the minimum number for an aged care structure to be viable. Up to 70% of regional facilities are currently not viable or sustainable.

Board members were required to attend extensive training this last year, re understanding the rules of Governance and Administration of Aged Care Facilities, following a recommendation from The Royal Commission into Aged Care.

Staff were also required to undertake and

complete additional training, to ensure the higher standards of compliance are met, particularly in the areas of reporting and recording. We have found it increasingly difficult to attract and retain qualified/ experienced staff.

Despite some misconceptions in the community, there is no intention to close the facility whether amalgamation progresses or not.

Upgrade

We have in fact been successful in having an application for \$1.894m of federal government funding to upgrade 10 rooms to "high care" status. Work should commence in the next few months.

The Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens board passed a resolution unanimously on 19th September 2022.

Motion

"That Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens Homes (Riverton) Inc amalgamate with Walara Inc pursuant to Section 22(1) (a) Of the Associations Incorporation Act. "

If that resolution is passed at the annual meeting, the process would follow what Hamley Bridge Aged Care and Balaklava Mill Court have done. The assets would be transferred to the new ownership Walara Inc (with their approval and acceptance-subject to a due diligence process) and administered by a new Board which would include representatives from each facility including Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens Homes (Riverton) Inc.

There would be some cost savings such as one Executive Officer replacing what was three beforehand. Although a significant factor, finance and cost savings are not the main motivation in seeking amalgamation. It is the long term viability and practicality of ensuring that our small facility remains relevant as a pathway for senior citizens of our district to live out their latter years in a quality environment. No staff positions at Riverton would be lost.

I urge you to attend our AGM at Riverton Institute supper room on Wednesday 26th October commencing at 7pm.

lan Rowett chairman 0418 486 050



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SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER
7:30PM TIL LATE
RIVERTON COMMUNITY HALL
TORRENS ROAD, RIVERTON



TICKETS ONLY \$ 5 PER HEAD

TABLES OF 10 OR JOIN A TABLE
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM SASSY LASS
BYO NIBBLES, DRINKS, GLASSES AND SHARING SUPPER
TEA, COFFEE AND WATER SUPPLIED

Rattler Trail News

A new table, seat and shelter will be installed soon where the trail crosses the Riverton-Rhynie road as well as a small carpark on the southern side. This area is utilized regularly by walkers from Rhynie and is a convenient rest spot for cyclists. Recently installed is a seat adjacent to Riverton golf course to form a rest area. A couple of cyclists from Adelaide were spotted last week enjoying the new rest area after riding from Leasingham. Note the innovative headgear to ward off swooping magpies.



Both improvements have been provided by a grant obtained by Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council.

Did you know that Geocaching is available on the Rattler Trail? Geocaching is a worldwide adventure hobby which guides a person to explore places in a region. Geocaching uses GPS and coordinates via an app on a person's phone to find caches hidden on a trail. Three guys from Adelaide were on the trail recently doing just this. They said that there were lots of "caches" on the trail and they are frequently checked. When a person "finds" a cache it contains a note book where the person records their details and they may share some trinkets. To find out more, google "geocaching" and signing up is free. Just another way to enjoy the trail either walking or cycling, perhaps give it a go!!!



Three families from Adelaide were spotted

recently riding from Clare to Riverton at the Riverton-Rhynie road crossing. They were doing really well considering a couple of the boys were only 6 years old and everyone was just loving the adventure.

RATTLER TRAIL TRACKER RECORDS

MONTH	AUBURN		MID-TRAIL		RIVERTON	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
JANUARY	1140	1005	181	216	340	370
FEBRUARY	894	755	161	93	447	261
MARCH	995	1158	264	219	548	367
APRIL	1595	1522	378	203	738	558
MAY	1176	994	567	174	815	417
JUNE	975	669	325	94	540	308
JULY	905	952	177	128	613	384
AUGUST	928	798	305	138	458	427
SEPTEMBER	1143	970	325	390	590	478
OCTOBER	1276		452		544	
NOVEMBER	1108		161		371	
DECEMBER	893		158		315	

Leon Schwarz, Chairperson, Rattler Trail Committee

RIVERTON CARAVAN PARK

The Park has new managers. We welcome Darren Lycett and Louise Padman. They have been here about 6 weeks now, have settled in and are really enjoying Riverton. In the next edition we will have a photo of Darren and Louise, so people will recognize them.

The long week end has seen the Park fully booked. The Park is presented beautifully lovely green grass and shrubs trimmed. People have already booked for next year. We have regular patrons who just love coming to our Park and Riverton in general.

There are further improvements happening in Caravan and Playground area. Stay tuned.



YOU ARE INVITED

Community Consultation

Gilbert Valley
Community Centre
Development

We welcome you to join the conversation for the redevelopment of the Riverton Recreation Ground building facilities.

Riverton Town Hall Supper Room Sunday 20th November | 4pm

Saddleworth Town Hall Supper Room Wednesday 23rd November | 7pm

Tarlee Town Hall Supper Room TBC

Riverton Town Hall Supper Room Wednesday 30th November | 7pm

For more information, please email: gilbertvalleycommunity@gmail.com







R&DHS 2022 Adelaide Show Success



The RDHS Show Team have just returned from a very successful visit to the Royal Adelaide Show where they exhibited in the Schools Led Steer and Schools' Merino Wether competitions.

The Led Steer competition involves the students preparing and presenting the beef cattle that have been cared for at school since April. During the parading of the cattle, the handlers are judged on the way that they have presented and handled the animal in the show ring. The cattle are also judged on their ability to meet market specifications.

Our cattle looked spectacular at the show this year and the team of students did a wonderful job in presenting the animals and representing RDHS. Our Murray Grey steer was third in his class and the Red Poll was selected to represent the breed in the TFI challenge. This was an excellent result in a field of over 180 steers from schools and breeders across the state.



On Wednesday, the students returned to the show to compete the Schools Merino Wether competition. This competition starts in March and allows students to feed and prepare the sheep in the

six months leading up to the show. The sheep are judged on their weight gain, presentation, meat and wool value. This year, RDHS had the fourth highest weight gain, second highest meat value and second highest combined meat and wool value. A magnificent result in a field of 77 teams and 233 sheep from across the state.

Congratulations also to Erin Pycroft for being selected as one of the top 18 handlers out of the 233 present on the day. Congratulations must go to the show team who all handled themselves and their animals professionally. This year the show team was made up of:- Chloe Eckermann, Tegan Senar, Matilda Maclean, Emma Talbot, Erin Pycroft, Katie Brown, Chloe Goodsell, Billie Cowling &Emilia Thomas.

Aaron Fechner Ag Teacher R&DHS

RSL Luncheon

Our annual RSL Luncheon was held at The Riverton Bowling Club on Sunday 18th of September. Thirty people attended the luncheon including guest, speaker Penny Pratt MP. This event is one of our fundraising days that we have with wheel spins and raffles held.

Her Majesty's Book of Condolence was available for people to leave a message.



The meal was a delicious three course meal prepared by the Bowling Club. We would like to thank the Riverton Bowling Club for a great day & everybody who attended and gave their support

It was a day, thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Daryl Mullan President

SPORTING SUCCESSES

After deciding to take on a new sport, ex local lass, Hannah Clark competed in her first season of Senior Women's Football this year. She played for the Adelaide Hills team, Uraidla Districts, and received lots of hints and tips from her father, Andrew, and big brother, Patrick, during the season. After finishing the Minor Round in 3rd position, the team went on to play the Grand Final and came away with the win. Hannah played most of the game in Ruck and had a cracker of a game.





Ryan Bruce, son of locals Andrew and Jackie Bruce, recently made his SANFL football league debut for Woodville-West Torrens when they came up against Glenelg in Round 15.

Ryan began his football journey at RSMU football club where he played all his junior footy until he was invited to preseason training for WWTFC U18's in 2018. He made the team, playing as a defensive back, and they went on to win a premiership that season.

He then went on the following year to senior level footy, playing in and captaining the Reserves side to further grand final success in 2020. Ryan has continued to play in the defensive positions of centre-half and full back and was very pleased when the opportunity arose for him to be selected to play in the league side. He went on to play in the side for the last five games of the round. Although the league side did not make finals this year, Ryan is hopeful for next season and that he will be able to continue to play at league level.

Riverton Bowling Club 22/23 season

As the sun tries to make its way out, the bowls' season is primed to commence in October.

Fielding three teams in the Mid North Thursday competition and two teams in the Wooroora Saturday equivalent, the club hosted Auburn Bowling Club for a very successful trial match on Sunday 25th September.

The club is excited to introduce Friday night Social Dinner and Bowls (see attached flyer). Three fortnightly events will be held starting on Friday 14th October. Bowls is not compulsory but enjoying cheap food, drinks and a fun atmosphere certainly is! Our regular Saturday night teas commence in November.





We are also very proud to have two current state representatives selected to play in the Australian sides championships. Neil Rogers is playing in the Over 60's competition and Cath Greenslade is a member of the Open Women's side. Cath is also coaching the Under 18 State Girls. Best of luck to these two fine club members.

Matthew Greenslade , President 0417824688



Newsletter #1.

On 27th August 1969, the Gilbert Valley Lions Club was Chartered. The first Club President was Dr. George Mutz (Life Member) a resident of Saddleworth. To assist him Norm Burfield took on the role of Club Secretary and lived in Auburn at the time.

20 members are required to Charter a new club, and this quickly grew to a membership of 35!

So, on August 14th, 2022, 53 years later, another celebration was held at the Riverton Bowling Club. This was for the annual Handover Dinner where officer roles are passed onto the next group of volunteers to manage the business of the club for another year. Smaller membership numbers nowadays, as it is with all Volunteer groups, but 36 locals and visitors from outside of our area turned up to have some fun!



A Life Membership Award was presented to Kelvin Schwartz for his many years of Service to the local community. The James Richardson Award was given to Helen Karger who also served her community and was the club Secretary for many of those years.



The main course catering was handled by the very happy ladies of the Riverton Bowling Club, while the sweets were made by members of the Gilbert Valley LC. All agreed that it was delicious eating and it showed that volunteers working together can benefit the whole community.

Another year of Serving the community looms and we are keen to continue this service. If you have an hour a month to spare, have a think about helping the Lions Club with a few of their community service projects. Come along, have some fun, maybe do a little bit of work, enjoy a Sausage sizzle or a tasty Donut or two, and feel how satisfying it is to serve your community.



Patrick Williams.

Member of the Gilbert Valley Lions Club.

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Regional Tour

Clare Community Concert

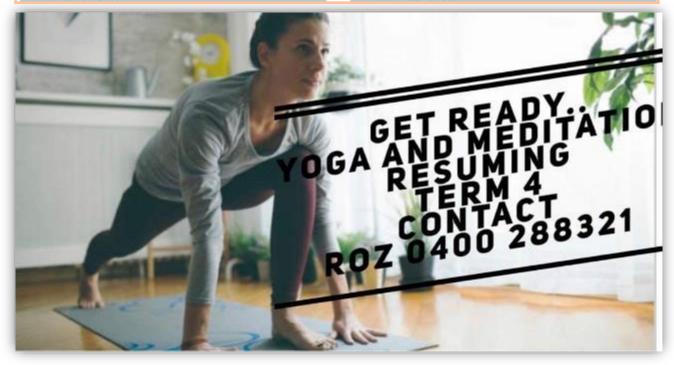
Thu 6 Oct 2022



Regional Tour

The Bush Concert - Clare

Fri 7 Oct 2022



MINI BAR OR WHAT?

Whenever does anyone ever get A decent fridge in their hotel? One that would help the drinks stay cold, Would go down very well.

The temperature of the fridge in my suite,

On the very day that I write this, Could very well be compared to, The warmth of a dragon's kiss.

It doesn't have a thermostatic control To help chill anything by day or by night.

I have decided not to call it a fridge, As it is more like a cupboard ... with a light!

The chocolates, so soft, have lost their shape,

A gentle touch will leave a dent. The cheese was only fit to be discarded, So into the bin it went.

While being in someone else's country, I know I will have to behave, So I am resisting the urge to call reception,

To ask if it is a fridge or a microwave!

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Cuzz's Corner

The wife proudly says to her husband, "The two best things I cook are meat loaf and apple dumplings." The husband politely asks, "And which one is this?"

A couple in a restaurant explained to the waiter, "We don't eat eggs, meat, fish, dairy or gluten. What do you recommend?" The waiter replied, "A taxi."

One farmer asks another, "How come your cows give 100 litres of milk a day and mine doesn't?" The other farmer replies, "You should be kind and tender with your cows. In the

mornings I come to my cows and ask them, 'What do we have for today, milk or beef?"



Adelaide Symphony Orchestra

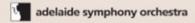
Clare Community Concert October 6, 2022 11:00 am / Clare Town Hall

The Bush Concert October 7, 2022 11:30 am / Clare Town Hall

Book your free tickets









I would like to welcome all players, parents, members and supporters to the 2022/23 season. We are not far away from Round 1 and I would like to thank the volunteers who have put their hand up to take on a position, in particular the junior coaches.

This year the club's senior teams will be playing in the A2 and A4 grades, with the

juniors in the U15, U13 and U11 grades.

I look forward to the upcoming season and wish all players the best of luck.

Tom Vater President Gilbert Valley Cricket Club



FOOTBALL

RSMU Hawks recently held their end of season junior and senior presentations. Congratulations to all of the following trophy and award recipients.

Junior Football

U12

Most Valuable Player- Walker Hart Most Valuable Player- Angus Hart Most Improved Player- Harrison Norman Most Improved Player- Archer Heinrich Coach's Award- Darcy Miller Coach's Award- Hudson Callery

> **U14** B&F- Cooper Fry

R/UP- Tyson Kimlin Coach's Award- Walker Hart Most Improved- Joseph Haynes Best Team Man- Tyson Kimlin

U17

B&F- Jordan Kimlin R/UP- Noah Parkinson Best Team Man- Connor Branson Coach's Award- Lachlan Hinds Most Improved- Hayden Wilkinson

B Grade
B&F: Ben O'Leary
R/UP: Ben McInerney
3rd R/UP: Damien Lockwood
Coach's Award: Nathan Busch

Best Team Man: Lachlan Mitchell

A Grade
B&F: Levi Kruse
R/UP: Cooper Behn
3rd R/UP: Zack Hier
Coach's Award: Will Noll
Most Consistent: Dylan Busch
Best Team Man (Donald Williams
Memorial): Jack Turney
Most Mail Medal votes: Zack Hier

Life Member: Chris Connell



Club Person: Cheryl Noble

Most Dedicated U21 (Andrew King Memorial): Ben Parkinson

NETBALL

Another great season for the RSMU Netball Club. Thanks to all our players, coaches, umpires, volunteers and supporters and we look forward to seeing you all back for 2023. Congratulations to our 15U and C2 on their Premierships





A1 - Sophie Griffiths (B&F), Abby Griffiths (R/U)

A2 - Baillie Trenwith (B&F) Lucy Connell (R/U)

B1 - Cath Greenslade (R/U), Kate Parkinson (B&F), Georgie Rowett (B&F) B2 - Kelly-Anne Dutton (B&F) Hayley Busch (R/U)

C1 - Shev Robinson (R/U), Kasey Jenner (R/U) Nadia Langtry (B&F) C2- Georgia Eggart (R/U) Amanda Vandeleur (B&F)

15U - Mia Parkinson B&F Madie Przibilla (R/U)

J2 - Tameka Saunderson (B&F), Jemma Miller (B&F), Emmison Heinrich (R/U) Association Awards
Sophie Griffiths A1 Runner Up
Baillie Trenwith A2 Best and Fairest
Amanda Vandeleur C2 Runner Up
Abby Griffiths Evon Jones Memorial
Trophy Best Under 21
Abby Griffiths, Sophie Griffiths
Paige Rowett Team of the Year
Sarah Noack Coach of the Year



RIVERTON LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Sadly the RLTC will not fill a senior team for the season 22/23. On a bright note however, we will be running social tennis on a Thursday night from 7pm beginning 3rd November with a sausage sizzle and the bar open. If you have any interest in playing social tennis, please join the Riverton Lawn Tennis Facebook group for regular updates. A social sub of \$70 for seniors will allow you to have a hit every day of the week if your heart desires, or \$10 a week will include a hit on a Thursday along with sausage sizzle, lights and balls. All welcome.

We will once again combine with Saddleworth to fill a couple of Hawks tennis teams, and will also have fortnightly coaching sessions with Grant Daniel's for our littlest members. We will hopefully have some new junior players coming along in the coming years as we have a few little newbies keen for coaching.

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An exciting time at the AGM in August, with the induction of 3 new Life Members. We congratulate Shannon Noll, Kristin

Griffiths and Lisa Parkinson for their many years of significant contributions.

Anyone interested in playing tennis - social or juniors, please do not hesitate to call me to have a chat.

Jane Parkinson President





Meet Your Candidates

Meet your Candidates for the 2022 Council Election

WED 19 OCTOBER 2022 @ 7PM Saddleworth Bowling Club Bridle Street, Saddleworth

5-10 minute presentation by each candidate, followed by 20 minutes of questions & an outline of the voting process.

Riverton Community Management Committee

Chairperson - John Glistak Vice Chairperson -Secretary - Cassy Griffiths Treasurer - Ruth Stevens Public Officer - Jackie Bruce

Committee Members -Kaye McInerney, Gary Davis, Gaynor Bottcher & Di Schwarz

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month currently in the supper room of the town hall on Torrens Road.

All community members are welcome to attend these meetings as an observer. For more information please contact a committee member.

RCMC would like to acknowledge and thank ValleyTech for ongoing help and support with the publication of **The Local Rag.**

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Any articles or information from Community Groups, Local Schools, Sporting Clubs or other points of interest are welcomed.

All articles & information is required by the last Friday of January, March, May, July, September & November.

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

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On behalf of Riverton Community Management Committee.

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