

Cherry Chatter



Incorporated by the Cherry Gardens Community Association Inc.

EDITORIAL

The Cherry Gardens Memorial Hall is one of only a few in the Onkaparinga Council area which is not Council owned. The Hall is owned by the Community of Cherry Gardens, and managed on a day to day basis by a volunteer committee. The committee receives an annual maintenance grant from the Council, but takes responsibility for maintenance, repairs, cleaning, bookings and all the other things which go to keeping the Hall a valued and well maintained asset of the Community.

And what a great community we live in. We have the best of semi rural living experience, whilst being close to all services, but most of all Cherry Gardens demonstrates that it is a community.

We have our own newsletter, the Cherry Chatter, an active Garden Club, a well-loved Church, a popular Recreation Ground, a Golf Club and even our own cemetery.

Last month the local Hall Committee ran a Community Dinner. 108 locals sat down to a 3 course meal provided by the Texas Bull Machine, and even had local entertainers Vicki Kirss and Bill Semple to add to the wonderful atmosphere. It's a credit to the community that it was so well supported & hopefully everyone caught up with old friends and met a few new neighbours they hadn't known before.

It is the Committee's intention to make this an annual event, so we will keep you informed of the date for next year through the Cherry Chatter and the "A" frame boards throughout the area.



Our next event will be a Community Campfire Sat September 9. This was very well attended last year and particularly enjoyed by all the local kids. We hope to see you there, and feel free to bring friends from the plains.

Any profit we make from the wine, homemade soup, sausage sizzle and damper on offer goes toward maintaining the hall. It is intended to also make this an annual function.

Cementing communities makes them safer, happier places to live. I wonder if people living in denser more suburban areas know as many of their neighbours.

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RAINFALL REPORT

June 2017	20.6
June 2016	176.6
Average for June	130.2

Rainfall end of June 2017	284.0
Rainfall end of June 2016	274.8
Average to the end of June	412.1

NEXT CC MEETING

Next meeting at the Blackwood Golf Club for lunch, 12.30pm Sunday 6th of August.
Articles to be received 5th of each month



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HALL NEWS

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Community Dinner

Many thanks to those who attended the Community Dinner at the Hall on June 24th. We had well over 100 people in attendance, and the feedback indicated that everyone had a great time. The food was provided by The Texas Bull Machine, and they did a terrific job, also catering for people with dietary requirements. We intend to make the Community Dinner an annual event, and look forward to another good crowd next year.

Community Campfire

The first Community Campfire last year was a great success, and will become an annual event. This year it will be held on **September 9th**. We will have a roaring campfire to keep you warm, and if you need a bit more help, there will be soup, a sausage sizzle and red or white wine for sale to assist. We hope to see you there.

Car Boot Sale

We are gauging interest in a car boot sale / garage sale to be held on the hall grounds on 4th November. If you are interested in purchasing a spot please call Bill on 0433 656 803.

GARDEN CLUB

Meetings are held in the Cherry Gardens Uniting Church, at 7:30pm on the 2nd Monday evening, from January to November

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Our Club submitted two grant applications to the City of Onkaparinga earlier this year. We have recently been notified that we were successful with the Minor Works application to part fund the supply and installation of an under-sink hot-water unit in the Cherry Church's meeting room kitchen. We will receive a cheque for \$519

late in July.

Our other application for funding to take gardeners from the City of Onkaparinga to Anlaby Station and the Barossa Bush Garden during Every Generation month on 28th October sadly did not receive funding, however we are still going! Residents of Cherry Gardens are invited, with details available from our Secretary.

NEXT MEETING

Monday 14th August - Annual General Meeting - All positions become vacant
Annual subs are due tonight (\$12)

The A.G.M. will be followed by a gardening Quiz. Monday 11th September - Combined meeting with Kangarilla Floral Art

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

Stuart Anson	Felix Tree
Ann Burton	Kylie Porter-Wright
Mitchell Cakebread	
Duncan Crichton	
Peter Macks	Marni Porter-Wright
Jessica Sims	Quinn Spencer
Peter Terrell	Edie Brooks
Mark Kinloch	Glenys Brooks
Amity Treloar	Charlotte Poker
Daniel Tree	Raelene Lewis
Jolanda Tree	Bec Villios

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and Garden Club at Kangarilla. Guest Speaker will be Kevin Western from Western Orchids

GEORGE'S GARDENING SUGGESTIONS FOR AUGUST 2017

Plant bare-rooted trees and shrubs later this month but watch for frost-sensitive ones as they may need some protection, delay planting out Citrus and Passionfruit till next month.

Almonds will be flowering now and if you have only one tree and no trees nearby it would be wise to collect a bunch of almond blossom and place it in a bucket under your tree to aid in pollination, and hopefully a good crop! I find parrots and lorikeets love the

OVER THE STABLE DOOR

Greetings Fellow Equines and Horse Owners!

Well not much has happened re my sore bottom and floating, due to the float getting repairs done to the brakes. Hopefully more news next month...

One of my paddock mates was diagnosed with Cushing's disease some while back and since then we have become aware that it is much more common than we thought. Will just give you a simple over view on what it is all about.

The disease itself is caused by an over secretion of a stress hormone called cortisol, which in turn comes about through the growth of tumours in the horses' pituitary glands. It mainly affects horses over 7 years of age and ponies more commonly than horses.

There are many symptoms, some of which may be related to something altogether different, so usually where Cushings is suspected, a blood test is done.

Some of the symptoms may include excessive thirst, excessive urination, weight loss, a shaggy coat which sheds readily, a change in body shape, mouth ulcers, laminitis and a higher susceptibility to infection. Tests may also show



a raised blood pressure. Fortunately the disease can be managed by medication of one or more drugs, which would be ongoing for the rest of the horse's life.

My owners did not know that my mate had Cushings, but probably the first indication was that he contracted founder (laminitis) a few years ago. This was put down to a good autumn growth in the pasture when we were all out in it for 24/7. That would certainly have been a factor. As time went on it was noticed that he was just not keeping his condition and was also retaining a lot of his winter coat. This was put down to his age (he is now 27). It was during one of our routine teeth treatments that our vet suggested that he may have Cushings and we could find out for sure with the blood test.

Of course the test came back positive, which explained all of the previous symptoms. He is now on a drug called Pergolide for the rest of his life, but he is looking better and our owners are very conscious of his feeding regime – as in plenty of bulk, restricting open paddock grazing and keeping up a routine of regular moderate exercise. The other factor in all of this which is crucial to keeping him healthy was making sure we had a very good farrier. After 2 months of a disaster with one person, we were lucky to find very competent person, who has not only put my mate back on track, but has improved the rest of us as well. Sometimes with horses if you are lucky, you can go for years without any problems, but obviously as our equine friends age (like humans!), the machinery starts to break down here and there. So it pays to be aware of the little things, small changes in behaviour, eating habits, ridden behaviour and so on. Sometimes it is just your 'gut' feel, but it is usually worth it to get it checked out.

Hope my owners are keeping a good eye on me! Happy munching and safe riding,

Hamish

CFS NEWS

Over the last few months Cherry Gardens CFS Brigade has responded to a number of diverse and challenging incidents. In April we tackled a burning car which had been stolen and set alight near the Blackwood Golf Course. Because of their high plastic content modern vehicles burn fiercely and emit harmful toxins, so the only firefighters able to approach had to don Breathing Apparatus in order to fight the fire. Also in April we were called to a structure fire in Clarendon along with several other appliances from different brigades. Unfortunately by the time we reached the scene the house was burning fiercely and was well beyond saving. As Cherry Gardens is predominantly a rural brigade many of us had not attended a large scale structure fire before and it was a learning experience to see how our training applies in a real life situation.

In April and May we also responded to a series of motor vehicle accidents in the area. Thankfully none resulted in serious injuries, despite the fact that several of the vehicles were written off. These incidents are a timely reminder

of the challenges of navigating narrow winding roads, such as we have in our area, and the need to adjust speed accordingly. We also appreciate people's patience when encountering CFS traffic stops at such incidents. If possible, we make every effort to allow at least one lane of traffic through, but sometimes it's just not safe to keep the road open until the vehicle has been removed from the scene.

As frequently happens at this time of year, we have also attended a number of burn offs that have rekindled or gotten out of control. The most serious of these was a small pile of burning rubbish at the time it was called in. By the time the first appliance arrived it had spread to the point it threatened a nearby house and caravan. These kind of incidents are a good reminder to ensure burn offs are always supervised and properly extinguished. Even in winter a fire can quickly rekindle if it is given sufficient breeze.

It has certainly been a busy few months for the Brigade, and this has enabled many newer members to get a taste of the sort of thing we do, and



for many experienced members to consolidate their skills. This is particularly important given that we have our Annual General Meeting coming up in August. At this meeting the Brigade elects Lieutenants and Senior Firefighters to lead us over the next two years, making it one of the most important events in our calendar.

As always, we would like to extend our thanks to the Cherry Gardens community for your continuing support. It is much appreciated and makes our task easier and safer all round.



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CHURCH NEWS

The members of Cherry Church would like to pay special thanks to Alan and Prim Dubé for the enormous role they have played in the life of the Cherry Gardens Uniting Church for so many years. Alan has tirelessly and selflessly undertaken the role of Chairperson (along with many, many other unseen tasks) for so many years. Along with his wife Prim, who has taken on many caring roles including Pastoral Care Coordinator, they have been staunch stalwarts of our church at every turn and on every occasion.

Unfortunately declining health has forced them to relinquish these roles although we are certain they will continue to be active in our congregation and in & around the church property and gardens.



Cherry Gardens Church
87 Hicks Hill Rd, Cherry Gardens
Services held on Sundays at
9.30am

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Alan Dube



Prim Dube

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Had a tough time a week or two ago and became very grateful for 'local tradies'

This all started when trying to put a new filter in our rainwater supply. The first and newest filter bowl in the line went well, but try whatever, I could not get the second and oldest bowl to seal. Every time I rescrewed it all together it leaked like a sieve once switched on. This led to much 'anglo saxon' floating through the air and a considerable increase in blood pressure. However all calmed down as I thought, no probs I will just order another of the newer style bowls and switch over to our mains supply. That was duly done and our local ag supplier promised delivery the following day. I then went to have a shower prior to taking the 'the beloved' out. As the shower came on the water flow was incredible, thanks to the water pressure the powers that be put down Cherry Gardens Rd. This much higher pressure than we are used to shower, should have been a wonderful experience but alas, following a rather loud report coming from the direction of the hot water service the high pressure flow dropped firstly to a dribble and then stopped altogether. With more 'anglo saxon' coming to mind I redressed and went out

to see what had happened. It seemed our hot water system objected to the increase in pressure and 'popped' its release valve. Once this was switched back all seemed well so back to the shower but alas the same thing happened again - further 'anglo saxon' could have been heard. By now I realised it was not my day and was time I called our local plumber. The plumber arrived at 8am the following morning and after a quick inspection declared we needed a new pressure restriction valve on the mains and a new pump on our rain water tanks. These were both fitted that day and with the new filter bowl arriving that afternoon we were back in full operation in a little under 24 hours.

I bet they couldn't beat that in the city! So may I suggest we support our local tradies and suppliers, we/I would be a lot worse off without them?

With many thanks to Peter Frith (Frithy) and Brett Scarborough (Freeflow plumbing).

Terry Whittle

WELCOME



The Cherry Chatter committee would like to welcome the newly settled families who have recently moved into the Cherry Gardens area. We hope you love living here as much as we do.

WELCOME PACKS

If you are new to the area and have not yet received a welcome pack, please contact the editor at cherry chatter@yahoo.com with your address.

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FOOTY NEWS

As I was thinking about writing this article, I realised I really enjoy the opportunity to engage the local community via these Chatter articles. The Chatter is a great communication tool that helps strengthen and bind your community together and it feels great to be a part of it.

If there is anyone local who feel they may want to be involved in our club as a volunteer then please contact Don Watton or myself.

Volunteering is a great way to support your community and you don't have to be a player or a parent of a player to get involved, just willing to give us an hour or two when you can, so give a thought as to what skills you have that will benefit the club or we can support you in development if you want to take on something like being

a trainer. We all know how rewarding volunteering is, when we give up some time and energy to benefit others, it benefits us too!

Our teams are doing well and improving as each week goes by, the A's are sitting 5th and on a string of wins so are looking to improve their position as the season draws closer to the finals series.

The B's are sitting 4th and looking solid, as the A grade squad strengthens and stabilises the B grade will benefit too so, should be playing finals.

Our Minicolts are sitting 3rd and have now defeated every team in their comp so are preparing to go deep into the finals as well.

The Senior women and Junior girls probably won't contest finals but have achieved great things in their first year, they have developed into good teams

with great team spirit and a thirst to learn and develop their games to the best they can be. They are great to watch, their games are generally at the very social times of 1 or 3pm on Sunday afternoons so if you are curious, wander up to the oval and check them out.

The local community are always very welcome to join us at the club any time, and particularly on Thursday nights. The "buzz" is building around the club as our A's look to contest their first finals series for quite some time, so if you can't be bothered cooking, just head up from about 6 and join us and other people of the community for a meal.

Looking forward to September
Bruce Heithersay
President IBCGFC

IRONBANK CHERRY GARDENS TENNIS CLUB

Our club which is based at the Cherry Gardens Ironbank Recreation Ground is affiliated with the Hills Tennis Association and has teams playing in Saturday junior and Saturday senior competitions and also midweek night competitions. Saturday Senior Mixed Doubles and Traditional Men's and Women's competitions will start on the 7th of October with the Saturday morning junior competition starting on the 21st of October.

Midweek night competitions are played on Tuesday and Wednesday nights at 7pm. It is a mixed doubles competition with teams consisting of 2 men and 2 women (Start dates may vary but will probably be 3rd & 4th of October).

We are always looking for new players, so if you're interested in playing or would like more information about the competitions you can E-mail the club at IBCG@bigpond.com or call Graham Bate (President) 08 8270 3041 or Phil Battersby (Secretary) 0417 215 647.

NETBALL NEWS

With the 2017 season just over half way through all the teams are playing some competitive netball with all seven of our senior teams sitting in top four positions, and six of our junior teams also in top four positions. All girls are improving their skills and always exhibiting big smiles when they finish their games (win, lose or draw) with all other teams being competitive and only just out of the finals spots.

We are hosting the Hills Netball Association Grand Final (9th Sept) at the Ironbank Cherry Gardens netball grounds this year and in preparation for this we have been making some upgrades to our facilities. We will be installing a new kitchen in our canteen and thanks to a very generous donation from an anonymous donor we will be able to make a few extra, much needed upgrades.

We are hosting a 'Thunder Rock' quiz night on the 19th August, tables of ten at \$10 per person. All funds raised are to help with the upgrades towards the canteen and other minor improvements. We would love to see some "locals" on a table or two – book your table via email (ibcgpresident@gmail.com).

TABLE TENNIS RESULTS

Division 3

June 13

Cherry Gardens Redfins 6 (25)

Hahndorf Shinglebacks 6 (25)

June 20

Annual Tournament (No matches)

June 27

Cherry Gardens Redfins 5

Scott Creek Wombats 7

July 4

Cherry Gardens Redfins 1

Summertown Finches 11

July 11

Cherry Gardens Redfins 2

Aldgate Dolphins 10

Division 4

June 15

Cherry Gardens Ducks 3

Scott Creek Bettongs 9

June 22

Annual Tournament (No matches)

June 29

Cherry Gardens Ducks 10

Summertown Blue Wrens 2

July 6

Cherry Gardens Ducks 12

Summertown Swallows 0 (F)

July 13

Cherry Gardens Ducks 8

Summertown Quolls 4



FRIENDS OF SCOTT CREEK CONSERVATION PARK



The third year of the Friends' ten year Almanda Project ended with a flurry of activity in June.

The Project commenced in July 2014 to restore native habitat along eight headwater creeks of the Scott Creek sub-catchment. This included managing threats to a number of national, state and regionally threatened native plants and animals.

During the year, contractors worked in six of the targeted headwater creek systems, together with three of the other creek systems in the park, which are now being worked on as part of the project. They mainly focussed on follow-up of work undertaken during the previous two years, together with extending into several new areas. The main weed dealt with was Blackberry, with large infestations of this vigorous weed beyond the capacity of the volunteers. Other weeds treated included Broom, Boneseed, Dog Rose, Tree Heath, Bluebell Creeper, Cape Tulip and Bridal Creeper.

Crucial to getting this work done by contractors were grants and funding provided by Natural Resources Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges, the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources, local councils the City of Onkaparinga and Adelaide Hills Council and the Patagonia Environmental Grants Fund of Tides Foundation. Donations and other funds were also raised through events and activities held by the Friends during the year.

While this work was taking place, the small but dedicated group of volunteers in the Friends group was tackling all manner of weed across the whole park. Most of this work involved patrolling broad areas of the 840 hectare park, doing follow-up and looking for isolated weeds and smaller patches. This follow-up of previous weeding efforts is critical in ensuring those efforts are not wasted by allowing the weeds to reinvade the bushland again.

We encourage anyone who enjoys bushwalking, bird watching or other activities permitted in the park, or simply have a love of our local bushland or wildlife, to consider giving something back to the park and to join in our efforts. Our regular working bees only go for about three hours, and include

a break for a cuppa and a chat mid-morning, but any time that you can spare would be most welcome.

Peter Watton

Anyone wanting information about the group or wanting to get involved in any of the Friends' activities should contact our secretary Don Reid on 8388 2123 or go to www.friendsofscottcreek.org. All working bees meet at 9:00am at Gate 16 Almanda Car Park Dorset Vale Road (unless there is a MLR fire ban or very wet weather).

Programme of activities

August		
Tue	1	Working bee
Sun	13	Working bee
Sat, Sun	19, 20	Bird banding
Sat	26	Working bee



A section of Almanda Creek that has been restored



Coral fungi, one of many fungi found in the park during winter.

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small under-developed almonds so a net may be necessary.

Spray fruit trees at bud-swell to deter fungal and mite problems.

Scarlet runner beans grow best when sown in cool conditions so now is a good time to try them, if you are lucky they will last for 7 years.

Watering roses can be problematical as they do not like humidity so avoid sprayers, using drippers instead, and keep the mulch away from their base.

Flowers to try this month could include Asters, Carnations, Dahlia (seed), African Marigold, Petunia and Phlox



Cherry Chatter Crime Report 01/06/2017 - 10/07/2017

Interfere/Damage Motor Vehicle
07/07/17 Cherry Gardens Rd
Over afternoon and night u/k person jemmied lock on a toolbox on rear of vehicle. Two chainsaws and a gas cook top were stolen.

Serious Criminal Trespass (Non-Residential)
18/06/17 Cherry Gardens Rd
U/k person gained entry to shed by jemmymg the lock.

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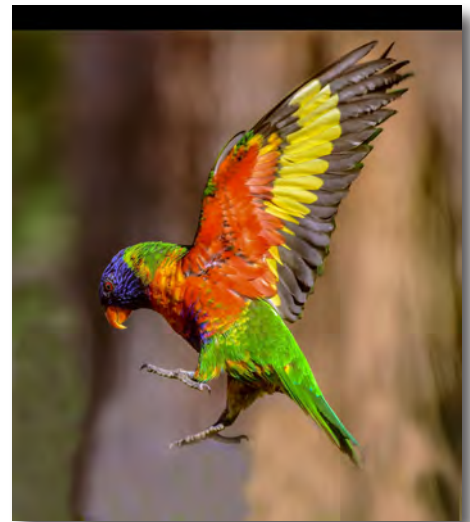
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MINTON FARM*

This time of year is traditionally a “quiet” time in relation to the volume of rescues we receive at the Rescue Centre. Interestingly we have been kept quite busy this year after a short lull in May, we were back into it again in June! We received a young sulphur crest cocky that was attacked by a wedge tail eagle, but was dropped when the eagle took to the sky. That bird took some time to recover from the muscle damage done by the talons of the eagle, but eventually flew strongly and was returned to Meadows as a more mature, capable flier with a much greater chance of survival.

A young koala was the victim of a vehicle impact on Ackland Hill Road. She suffered minor grazing above her eye and after a short recovery period was returned to a patch of scrub where she climbed straight to the top of a gum tree and commenced feeding as if nothing had happened! A young joey was removed from the pouch of a roo hit by a vehicle at Ceduna. Luckily the driver stopped and checked the pouch to save the youngster who is now flourishing. Koalas are presenting with a crusty scabbing on their feet similar to staph in possums (which is also prevalent at this time of year because of stress from the weather, lack of food, fighting etc) . Koalas get mange from walking on the ground where foxes have travelled by getting infested with fox mite. It is a very uncomfortable condition, which koalas do not cope well with, nor the treatment for it so it is kinder to have the animal put to sleep at any Vet than to leave it to suffer, just as it is with staph infected possums. There are far worse things than death and this is one of them!

A Tawny Frogmouth came in suffering from concussion, presumably from a vehicle impact. It has slowly improved after treatment to the stage of being housed in a shade cloth lined flight aviary to get it flying ready to release. It is eating very well and a beautiful specimen. We are fund raising to build a round flight cage to strengthen birds just like her, to give them a better chance of sur-



vival upon release by improving their fitness level and muscle tone.

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Much appreciated.

Bev. Langley. www.mintonfarm.org

GARDEN CLUB ---> from p.6

On Monday 19th June in house speakers gave us a most interesting evening!

Megan Kuchel shared her experiences and photographs of life as an exchange student in Japan in the 80's. The food, very structured ritualist life and customs she had to get used to, was offset by the beauty of the surroundings as her host family lived in the hills of Kyoto.

Community bathing was a new experience. The discipline of not showing emotions was also very interesting to observe. Cherry blossom festival was a highlight, as was meeting and learning of the Geisha traditions.

Lou Ortmann spoke about her new career helping people to style their homes and gardens. De-cluttering, shopping for colour co-ordination or contrast and storage options, often as a bargain, all play a part. Lou's ability to see through the clutter and assist clients in projecting who they are and what their tastes are by means of decoration, beautiful objects, colour and lateral thinking home or garden. Before and after photos of homes and gardens she has beautified were quite amazing.

Jan Ball shared the health benefits of gardening. Apart from the well known benefits of physical exercise and the emotional benefits of creating something unique and special expressive of our personalities, she shared some unusual pastimes such as “tree bathing” which is what the Japanese people call meandering through trees and literally “soaking up” the peaceful relaxation and exposing oneself to the phyto hormones which some believe are exuded by trees.

At the end of the night we all received surprises as tickets were drawn for our annual “Freebies night”. Really it is a raffle with door prizes for every guest. We even had two tickets each so I got some brand new rubber boots and a 30kg bucket of “Kangaroo Island sheep's poo”

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I was riding my horse along Ackland Hill Road a few weeks ago between Edialta Road and the golf course maintenance area and noticed a man removing some of the dead sticks and rubbish from the side of the road. I asked him if he was collecting for his fire and he said he was just cleaning up the area to make it neater.

I noticed, a couple of weeks later, that a large branch that had been blocking part of the track had also been removed thereby making it easier to make my way along the track rather than having to go close to the road to pass it by.

I was very impressed with his community attitude.

I'd like to thank you very much – whoever you are – for making the track easier to access for horse riders/walkers/runners/bike riders. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.

Vicki Kirss



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It took a mammoth effort but Australia finally has education funding reform. I would like to reassure the people of Mayo that Gonski 2.0 in its amended form represents a positive step for Australia's education system. It's not perfect but compared to what we had under Labor's Gonski this is definitely a purer version of a sector-blind, needs-based funding model for schools.

It even has the endorsement of the reform's namesake, David Gonski, and two other members of the Gonski Review Expert Panel – Ken Boston and Kathryn Greiner.

One of the problems with the old Gonski model was the former Labor Government promised "no school shall lose dollar". This meant, under Labor's Gonski, it would have taken 150 years for over-funded schools to reach parity with under-funded schools. In reality there are always losers when you try to level the playing field.

I commend the Federal Government for having the courage to bring in reform for the greater good.

Admittedly, as the representative for Mayo, it wasn't unpalatable to support this reform because South Australia, one of the worse-off states, was a major beneficiary.

Thanks to the advocacy of the Nick Xenophon Team, the Government agreed to put in an extra \$4.9 billion into the reforms, increasing the funding pool from \$18.6 billion to \$23.5 billion, including an extra \$424 million over 10 years for South Australia's 718 schools.

Each of the 66 schools in Mayo will receive extra funding.

My NXT colleagues and I are pragmatists. We were asked to judge the merits of the Bill that provided \$23.5 billion for education AND a funding model that would result in an increased share of the total Commonwealth funding being allocated to Government schools.

At the moment around 33 per cent of the total Commonwealth expenditure is allocated to public schools. By 2023 that will have increased to 41.6 per cent thanks to the transparency and benchmarking measures advocated for by NXT.

Under this reform the Commonwealth's allocation per school will be publicly available, which will empower school communities and make it more difficult for education authorities in any sector to not pass on the full allocation.

Every child in South Australia will benefit from Gonski 2.0.



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In today's global market a brand is more than a product name, and it certainly means more than an identifying mark on a steer's rump for the Australia cattle industry. Last year the red meat and livestock industry was worth \$22.9 billion in this country. We processed 7.8 million head of cattle and exported \$7.15 billion worth of beef.

In comparison about 1.1 million head of cattle were sent overseas as live export.

The meat processing industry alone directly employs some 35,000 people (FTE) and provides indirect employment for another 100,000 people through sectors such as transport and storage.

These are jobs we want to keep in Australia, which is why I introduced a Private Members Bill to the Federal Parliament in June to safeguard the reputation of Australian beef.

The Competition and Consumer Amendment (Safeguarding the Reputation of Australian Beef) Bill, if taken up by the Government and passed, would make it illegal for an Australian company or an individual in Australia to market beef as an 'Australian' product if the meat they were selling hadn't been processed under Australian standards and regulations. These standards and regulations cost money but they are there for a reason, to ensure quality and food safety.

That reputation for quality and safety is an integral part of brand 'Australia' and is worth a premium in export markets. That premium helps pay for animal welfare regulations, strict food hygiene processes and award wages and working conditions for taxpaying Australians.

The Nick Xenophon Team believes it is manifestly unfair that an Australian enterprise could seek to bypass all that regulation by processing Australian cattle overseas ... but still profit from brand 'Australia' beef by labelling it Australian beef. We also believe that it is unacceptable for an Australian enterprise to risk the reputation of an entire industry by selling meat that is substandard or processed in an environment where the health risk is much higher.

We understand from our discussion with industry bodies that beef products derived from live export cattle are not permitted to be marketed as "Australian beef". We also understand that can be hard to police, particularly in the local markets of less developed countries, and it can be difficult to seek enforcement of market breaches from another sovereign nation.

At the very least, we can make sure Australian companies are doing the right thing by the Australian brand.

In addition to the Private Member's Bill in the Lower House, NXT will be introducing similar legislation in the Senate to make sure the issue is thoroughly debated.

The discussion might even be extended to other industries.



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One award will be presented in each of the following categories: individual, group and intergenerational.

All nominees will be presented with a certificate of recognition at a presentation to be held in October.

Guidelines and nomination forms are available from:

- www.onkaparingacity.com/ego
- our council offices at Noarlunga, Aberfoyle Park, Aldinga, Woodcroft and Willunga
- Finance and Community Administration, contact us on 8384 0697.

Nominations close Friday 11 August, 5pm.

More information

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OPEN SPACE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

We are currently reviewing our Open Space Strategic Management Plan. This will help shape the future planning of parks and reserves throughout our city.

The draft plan replaces the current Recreation and Open Space Network 2008-2013, which has reached the end of its planning cycle.

Submit your feedback

We invite you to review the draft Open Space Strategic Management Plan and complete a short survey online at www.onkaparingacity.com/communityengagement.

Alternatively, copies of the plan and the survey can be found at any of our libraries.

Consultation closes on Friday 1 September 2017.

The information gathered through the community engagement process will help refine the draft Open Space Strategic Management Plan prior to it being presented to Council for endorsement in November 2017.

More information

Contact our Customer Relations team on 8384 0666 or email mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au

MAIN ROAD, MCLAREN VALE

- STREETSCAPE UPGRADES

The detailed design for the final stage of streetscape upgrades for Main Road, McLaren Vale, is currently being finalised. The section of Main Road to be upgraded for this stage is between Caffrey Street and Stump Hill Road.

The upgrades will include an avenue of trees and groundcover landscaping, plus the installation of banner poles. In conjunction with the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure's road reseal works, we will also accommodate a new right-turn lane into Caffrey Street. A pedestrian refuge on Main Road at the Caffrey Street junction will also be built. We also plan to provide new paths linking the Visitor Information Centre, Coast to Vines Trail and Caffrey Street.

An illustrative concept of the planned works can be viewed at www.onkaparingacity.com

Construction is due to commence in late 2017.

More information

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NBN INFORMATION SESSIONS

Thursday 3 August

Hub Library, Hub Drive, Aberfoyle Park

The National Broadband Network (NBN) is Australia's new landline phone and internet network, designed to provide access to fast and reliable phone and internet services. You can attend information and drop-in

sessions available to learn more about this new service and have your questions answered.

- Information session, 1–2pm
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Bookings required.
- Drop-in session, 2–4pm
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Bookings essential.

Author talk - Alastair Sarre

Sunday 13 August, 2.30–3.30pm
Hub Library

South Australian author, Alastair Sarre, worked for a mining company before obtaining a writing diploma and embarking on his career as an editor and writer. Alastair will talk about his two thrillers *Prohibited Zone* and *Ecstasy Lake*, both from his Steve West series.

This activity is part of the Winter Warmers series.
Bookings essential.

Author talk - Trevor Nottle

Sunday 27 August, 2.30–3.30pm
Hub Library

Trevor Nottle's latest garden book, *Endless Pleasure*, reveals stories behind the gardening tools and ornaments we use to decorate our gardens. He is recognised internationally and is a popular speaker at overseas and local gardening events.

This activity is part of the Winter Warmers series.
Bookings essential.

Calling on you to recycle

Mobile phones are part of our everyday lives and are usually replaced every two to three years.

According to new research commissioned by MobileMuster, there are 23 million old mobiles lying around in Australian homes that could be recycled.

The research also showed that over three quarters (77 per cent) of Australians are aware of mobile phone recycling and just under a third (31 per cent) have ever recycled an old mobile phone.

MobileMuster's Recycling Manager, Spyro Kalos, said that while the phone may be worthless to you now, it's not to the environment.

"If your phone is still working, we encourage you to reuse it by either selling it or passing it on to friends or family, and by doing so you'll be extending the life of it – which is a good thing. But if it's at the end of its life, recycle it," says Kalos.

"Regardless of what mobile phone you use, they are all highly recyclable.

"By recycling your old mobile, you'll be sending much needed materials back into the supply chain to make new products.

"98 per cent of the materials found in mobile phones can be recovered. This includes precious metals, plastics and non-renewable resources."

There are several ways you can recycle unwanted mobile phones and accessories for free including:

- posting them in using a free recycling satchel from Australia Post
- downloading a free reply paid label from the MobileMuster website and posting them in
- dropping them off at a local phone retailer
- check if your local school/charity is collecting old phones as a fundraiser

dropping them off at:

- any of the City of Onkaparinga's Customer Service offices or libraries
- Aberfoyle Community Centre
- Coromandel Community Centre
- Reynella Neighbourhood Centre
- Wakefield House, Morphett Vale.

For the second year running, the City of Onkaparinga won the Top Collector Award for South Australia in MobileMuster's Local Government Awards.

This year via the community, council collected 190kg of mobiles for recycling, an increase of 87kg from the previous year.

"Instead of seeing technology as a problem beyond our control, we need to be part of the solution as responsible users," said Mr Kalos.

"Recycling mobile phones is a positive environmental step that we can all take."

For more information on this program and other electronic waste recycling options in the City of Onkaparinga visit www.onkaparingacity.com/waste



Spyro Kalos, Recycling Manager for MobileMuster, presenting the Top Collector Award for South Australia to Mayor Lorraine Rosenberg on behalf of the City of Onkaparinga.

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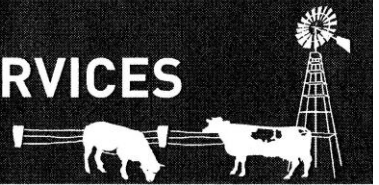


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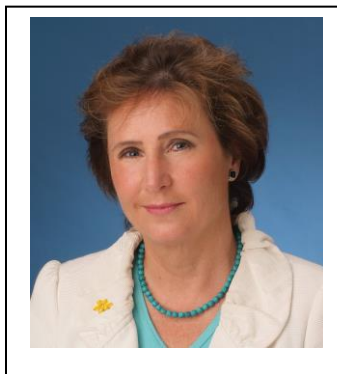
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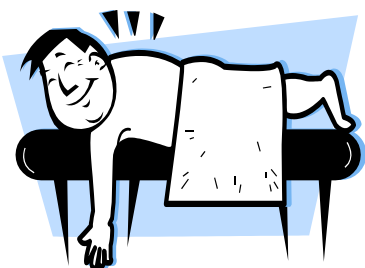
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Arborist – Embark – Call Tom on 0413 801 785 E: tom@embarkarb.com W: www.embarkarb.com
Architect – Emilis Prelgauskas – 0415 631 713
Auto Service & Repairs – Hissey Auto's – Call Michael on 8388-2550 or 0417 827 428
Backhoe Hire – Jeff Burton – 8388-2268 or 0410 533 268
Bobcat, Excavator & Tipper Hire – Moons Earthworks – 8270-8270 or 0421 376 960
Broker – Chris Greenwood – 0421 458 496 chris.greenwood@aussie.com.au
Builder – Bradbrook Constructions - 8388-2000
Café – Sheoak Café – 8278-2946 sheoakcafe@esc.net.au or www.sheoakcae.com.au
Certified Practising Accountants – Stevens & Andrew - Registered Company Auditors – 8392-8706
Cherry Chatter Advertising Rates – Email cherry chatter@yahoo.com for current rates
Earthmoving & Excavation – Neil Schubert – 8383-7387
Eco Shop – Waste Not Want Not – Shop 2/183 Main Rd, Blackwood. Phone 8278-8690
Electrical Contractors - Carling Electrical - Mobile 0404 652 862 www.carlingelectrical.com
Equipment Hire – Blackwood Hire - 8370-2488
Face Painting – Therese – 8270-8275 or 0419 037 628
Federal Member for Mayo – Rebekha Sharkie MP Ph: 8398-5566 Rebekha.Sharkie.MP@aph.gov.au
Fencing – Rejuvenate Fencing & Agri Services – Geoff Phelps – 0429 876 071
Fodder, Seed & Fertiliser Supplies - Sandersons Grain & Fodder Ph 8270-2173 Fax 8270-6061
Fodder Supplies – direct 2 door – 1300 361 961 www.direct2door.com.au
Furniture Removalists – Delco Removals – 8326-5333
Gardening – Ben's Premium Gardens 0437 072 904 www.premiumgardens.com.au
Gardening, Landscaping, Handyman – Chris' Gardening Service 0415 842 374
Glass & Glazing – Australian Glass & Glazing (08) 8382 9919 or sales@auglass.com.au www.auglass.com.au
Glass – Summit Glass – 0418 842 879 E: gavin@summitglass.com.au W: www.summitglass.com.au
Hairdresser – Jo Palfreyman – 0401 865 949. Address 516 Ackland Hill Rd, Coromandel East
Hall for Hire – Cherry Gardens Memorial Hall – 8270-2232
Inkjet Online – www.inkjetonline.com.au
Jewellers – Wishart Jewellers – Phone:8295-1345 Fax:8376-0160 Email info@wishartjewellers.com.au
Lawyer - Kruse Legal – Call Darren on 8278 1779 www.kruselegal.com.au Free initial, no obligation appt
Local Councillors – See advertisement in newsletter
Massage Therapist – Lawrence Muzzatti – 8270-1206 or 0408 011 206
Mayor of Onkaparinga – Lorraine Rosenberg – 0458 141 091 lrosenberg@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au
Member of Parliament – Isobel Redmond - 8339 5077 Fax: 8339 6817
Painter & Decorator - David J O'Ryan – 8278-4364 or 0415 347 329 davidoryan@msn.com
Party Shop 24/7 – Phone Brighton 8296-4999 www.partyshop247.com.au E: tania@partyshop247.com.au
Pet Care & Pet Sitting Service – Yvette at Happy Pets - 8358-6560 or 0405 775 250
Photography Services – PhD Photography – Paul Heck 0410 470 309 www.phdphotography.com.au
Pilates and Fitness – Kris 0438 826 551 www.blackwoodpilatesfitness.com kris@blackwoodpilatesfitness.com
Plumber - Stephen Wood - 8388-2028 or 0419 807 611
Plumber – Centurion Plumbing & Gas Services – 0412 802 073 A/H 8278 5151
Plumbing – Free Flow Plumbing – 8270-8766 or 0438 314 122
Printing – Black Cat Printing & Stationery – P 8370-3344 F 8370-2800 David@bcps.net.au
Real Estate – Harris Real Estate – 8278-1322 or check out individual Agents mobile numbers
Real Estate - Timms Real Estate – Valerie Timms – M 0447 312 218 or 8471 6111 timmsrealestate.com.au
Residential & Rural Services – Brett 0438 314 122 or Rob 0428 618 832
Stables & Sheds – Lance Hart - 8388-3516 or 0411 551 750
Trees For Life – 8406-0500 www.treesforlife.org.au
Tree Removal – Tim Smiles Tree Climbing – 0423 361 704 or 7329-4426
Tree Service – Blackwood Tree Service – (08) 8278-2538 or 0419 867 724 www.blackwoodtreeservice.com
Veterinary Clinic – Meadows Vet - 8388-3455 or email admin@meadowsvet.com.au
Window Cleaning – Aquarius – Gary – 0438 693 104 or 8270-6038