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## Letter to the Editor

### Agricultural Bureau of SA – The Cherry Gardens connection

In 1887, an English born printer named Albert Molineux suggested establishing an Agricultural Bureau in South Australia. The government adopted the suggestion, and on 10<sup>th</sup> April 1888, the inaugural meeting of the Central Agricultural Bureau was held.

In the first 12 months a dozen rural branches were formed, including Mannum, Nuriootpa, Burra, Gumeracha and Millicent. In 1896, the Clarendon Branch was formed, and this branch still operates today, as well as the founding branches of Millicent and Nuriootpa. There are now 60 active branches in the state, with nearly 1300 members.

The Cherry Gardens Branch was one of the early branches, formed in October 1892. The founding members were Charles Ricks (President), George Brumby, Caleb and Joseph Lewis, I.S. Donnell and R.G. Hughes (Hon Secretary). The Cherry Gardens Branch continued until 1973, when declining numbers brought about its closure.

The following are excerpts from the 24<sup>th</sup> of March 1900 edition of the Adelaide Observer.

*"The Industrial Exhibition &c., in connection with the Cherry Gardens Branch of the Agricultural Bureau was held on Thursday, March 15. The exhibits were displayed in the large hall owned by the Rechabites and in tents erected near."*

*"Cherry Gardens is charmingly situated in the hills, with very rich valleys around, and is splendidly adapted for fruitgrowing and market gardening."*

*"The enterprising branch of the Agricultural Bureau is officered by Mr. Gibbins, President, and Mr. C. Ricks, Secretary, who with Mr. C. Lewis and Mr. F. Jacobs are to be congratulated upon the success of their efforts."*

*"Some of the collections were very large and fine, and that shown by Mr. S Chapman was well worthy of the attention it received. A large collection of preserved fruits, confectionery &c., classed as home industries, was exhibited by Mrs. T*

*Jacobs. The garden products shown by Mr. C Ricks was worthy of the first prize, but in a district where there are many market gardeners it was thought there should have been more competition."*

The article then mentions the children's work, Cherry Gardens School, of which Mr. Burpee was the head teacher, obtaining most of the prizes.

A collection of vegetable put together by Bureau members was auctioned, refreshments were provided and amusements provided for the children.

A concert was held in the evening, and prizes presented. *"The prizes chiefly consisted of pictures of fruit, flowers and farm scenes, handsomely framed and suitably inscribed."*

This painting has been reframed by the Hall Committee, and hangs in the front room. The wording at the bottom is...

*"ANNUAL SHOW MARCH 16 1899*

*Awarded to... Mrs J A Lewis... for*

*Second Best Selection of Home Industries*

*C. Ricks Hon. Sec."*



If you would like to see the entire article, here is the link..

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/162414369>

If you would be interested in becoming a member of the Clarendon Branch, contact Tony Fagg, (President, 0438 836 661) or Bill Semple (Secretary 0433 656 803).

## RECREATION GROUND



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## CHERRY GARDENS RAINFALL REPORT JULY 2022

Rainfall for July 2022	58.4 mm
Rainfall for July 2021	175.2
Average rainfall for July	129.9

Rainfall to the end of July 2022	501.8
Rainfall to the end of July 2021	605.2
Average rainfall to the end of July	542.1

Number days of rain for July 2022	17
Number days of rain for July 2021	24

## JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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### CHERRY GARDENS

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### COMMUNITY CAMPFIRE

We will be holding the Community Campfire in the Memorial Hall grounds this year, on the 10<sup>th</sup> September, between 5pm and 8pm. We will have food and refreshments for sale; wine, soup and damper and a sausage sizzle, with coffee and cake to finish.

This has always been a fun event. Bring the kids and some marshmallows, meet some locals and keep warm by the campfire. Hope to see you there.



### Community Campfire

10 Sep 5.00 - 8 pm

Cherry Gardens Memorial Hall Carpark

Soup, damper, wine, sausage sizzle all available .... Join us....  
Bring the kids, the neighbours & marshmallows....

## SPRING FEAST



The Spring Feast is in the planning stages, and we can now confirm the date will be November 13<sup>th</sup>, between 12noon and 4pm.

The function will be a ticketed event, offering steak, prawns and salad. Adult tickets are \$35, and we will have a kids menu for \$15. Tickets are available for purchase at Trybooking.com, search for "Cherry Gardens Spring Feast".

As we need to confirm numbers with our caterer, Texas Bull, bookings will close on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November. The event will be BYO drinks, so remember to get some ice for the esky. It should be an afternoon of great food and local family fun.

We will put out the A Frames as a reminder. Hope to see you there.

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[www.mintonfarm.org](http://www.mintonfarm.org)

## CHERRY GARDENS CFS

If you would like more information or a visit to the station, please contact Lawrie Lingood on 0400 285 697.



The brigade has been quietly going about things over the last few months, with only a few call outs. These have all been minor in nature and reasonably straightforward to resolve. The Comms

group have been busy as always as they support the whole of the Sturt Group.

We all have been training during this time to keep our non-bushfire skills up to date – road crash rescue, first aid, structure fires and generally improving our capabilities. The Brigade is also currently recruiting, so come and see us any Monday night if you are able to come and help make a difference.



Many of our members will be receiving the National Emergency Services Medal during ceremonies held in August. The medal, pictured, is inscribed with the recipient's name, and was established by the Australian Government in 2011. The Government declared that the Bushfires of 2019-20 were a nationally significant emergency for the purpose of the National Emergency Medal. This means that individuals who rendered sustained service during specified dates in specified places or who rendered significant service in response to the fires are eligible for the medal. South Australian personnel deployed in 2019-20 to fires in the Adelaide Hills and Kangaroo Island (as well as Queensland and New South Wales) are eligible for the medal. Many of our Brigade were involved quite substantially in these fires – particularly in the Adelaide Hills and on Kangaroo Island. Congratulations to all that have achieved this National recognition.

Thanks to all who continue to drop off cans and bottles at the shed. The income we generate really helps us to improve our capability. As an example, we recently purchased some very effective tourniquets to be carried on each appliance and have trained in their use. This would not have been possible without this community support, so thank you everyone!

## CHERRY GARDENS GARDEN CLUB

**Contact Ray Wise – President 0405273003 or 8383-6011, Jan Ball – Secretary 0432550274**

Meetings are held in the Cherry Gardens Uniting Church meeting room at 7.30pm on the second Monday

of the month unless it is a public holiday when we then meet on the third Monday. We meet from February to November.

Membership is \$12 per year plus \$4 per meeting. First attendance is free. Supper is provided by volunteers. There is always a lucky door prize.

**NEXT MEETING** Monday Sep 12th Tips and Tricks – members are asked to bring and show or tell of a trick or tip to make gardening easier, more productive or more enjoyable.

Tonight will be our Camelia Challenge

### **GEORGE'S GARDENING SUGGESTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022**

- Now that Spring has sprung and temperatures are rising, days are longer and the soil is warming, it is time to plant out container-grown plants including citrus, hibiscus, passionfruit, wisteria and native plants.
- Cymbidium orchids can be re-potted if needed once they have finished flowering, use a specific open potting mix, and feed monthly.
- Sow bush and/or climbing beans now and every month for the next 3 months to give a continuous harvest, my favourites are the purple climbing variety.
- Beetroot, radish and lettuce are all favourite summer vegetables and can be planted this month.
- Everyone loves home-grown tomatoes and September is a good time to put in a few early ones – try a couple of Tommy Toe which are a good sized cherry type but need support as they are heavy croppers and can grow to 2m tall!
- Fertilise spring flowering annuals with a liquid feed on a regular basis to get the most flowers possible.
- Plant out some petunias, zinnias, snapdragons and asters.

### **CHERRY GARDENS GARDEN CLUB - REPORT OF MEETING HELD 11 JULY 2022**

Our Guest Speaker for the evening was Jamie from Classic Hills Gardens which he started in Aldgate in 2004. He has been gardening since he was a kid and started up a garden business in Victoria before coming to live in Aldgate in 2004 where he started his current business. He also initiated the Adelaide Landscaping Festival last year, and has started a Harvest Festival for Home Productive Gardens.

Before starting on a new client's garden he tries to get as much information regarding the client, the site, and the budget. He uses his skills to work out what they want and get them to make a wish list, e.g., Formal, Native, Perennial etc. He asks questions like, is this your forever home? If short term he might suggest it has to appeal to a broader market.

He needs to know what the client likes and dislikes, .e.g., colours, allergies, plant dislikes, are they gardeners? Do they have the time to spend on their

garden? Will they want to prune hedges? How they will use the space? Do they have kids who will want to use it? And does the customer want areas for different uses?

The site could be a hill site, need retaining walls, need to work around existing items on the property such as a shed. He has to take aspect, view etc. into consideration; steep banks; overhead and underground services; whether he can get a 10 ton excavator in; whether water source is via mains, bore, tanks, rainwater, quality, filtration, holding tanks, irrigation.

Before he sets the budget he needs to know information such as material; small or big plants; whether to do things in stages.

From visiting the place for the first time he draws up a plan such as the one he sent around our meeting room. Sustainability and the Environment are always taken into account.

Since Covid began people are looking at extending their houses outward and putting in decks, screening, composting bays for vegetables etc.

He tries to get his plants locally, and if not gets them via an Adelaide wholesaler who gets them from interstate for him.

Lighting is taken into consideration also - whether 5 watt or 20 watt lights for lighting up trees at night and don't cost much to run. They are good for lighting-up Crepe Myrtles.

He wants to do it properly the first time. The customer might pay a bit more for this, but it will last longer. He uses different types of stone such as Basket Range, Carey Gully, Kanmantoo and Willinga Slate, etc. For some courtyard or rooftop homes he has used large, light-weight pots and planted tall slender trees in them. He explained his mixture of potting-mix and perlite.

He has put Mondo Grass between paving-stones. He also plans where the water is going to go, e.g. drainage, swails, drainage behind retaining walls, or in front of any walls.

He is a member of the Masters Landscapes of Australia in which all members have to be accredited as gardeners.

Throughout the talk Jamie showed before and after photos of gardens he has designed. His own garden in Aldgate will be open to the public on 19 November.

## **OVER THE STABLE DOOR with Hamish**



Greetings Fellow Equines and Horse Owners!

Into our last month of winter thank goodness! Although relatively dry, it has been somewhat colder than usual. Riding has not been high on

the agenda, but reasonably regular rug checking, hoof checking and a groom has gone down well.

Humans tend to lead busy lives, what with family, appointments, work, health and so on. It is not uncommon to think there is a small window of time to ride - 'if I hurry'. Here are two scenarios to think about (from the horse's point of view).

Owner one is in a hurry, but thinks she can just squeeze in a quick ride. Dressed to ride she hurries off to get the halter and catch her horse. Oh oh, she's almost running and she is looking a little anxious (research has shown us that horses are capable of recognising a cross face and a smiley face. And they also prefer the latter!). I'm not sure that I want to be caught, but I am adaptable, and well trained, so I will oblige. My grooming is rather hurried and she is not giving me as much scratching as usual. The saddle gets tightened a bit sooner than I would like too. Once riding, our walk is a bit shorter than usual, and before I know I am being asked to trot, then canter! Of course without sufficient warm up my transitions are not as good as they normally are and I can feel the tension in my rider. This makes me tense too and my paces become irregular. My owner doesn't give me her usual comforting scratch, so neither of us is very happy. Fortunately she decides that things are not going to improve, so she dismounts and takes me back to be unsaddled. Again, time being short, my cool down groom is a bit rushed and incomplete. However she does put my rug back on and I am rewarded with a carrot. I hope she is in less of a hurry next time. If she has that look on her face, maybe I won't allow myself to be caught!

In scenario two, the owner is also short of time and wanting to have a ride. But she considers the time available and decides that a good groom and check over will be a more enjoyable experience for her and her horse. With that in mind, she takes the halter to catch her horse. Knowing that she now has more time, she is not so anxious and approaches her horse with pleasurable anticipation. Oh, he(he) thinks, what a nice face, she already looks pleased to see me. We walk in a relaxed manner to the hitching area, where I am rugged and given a lovely thorough scratch, groom and feet clean out - how nice! She goes over me from head to tail, checking for any hard muddy lumps, knots and grass in my mane and tail, also checking my eyes, ears, nostrils and under my tail. During this time she keeps talking to me in such a nice way, I could almost go to sleep. Once all this is done, she then goes over me with her open hand to check that no bits have been missed. And oops, yes there was a little bit just behind my left elbow. Good, all done now. My rug goes on and I am taken back to my paddock and given a carrot. I will look forward to the next time I see her and be on my best behaviour, she makes me feel so relaxed!

Just a note here that horses don't really think like this, but they can certainly let us know when something makes them tense. Scientific tests have shown that they are sentient beings, capable of feelings and emotions.

They are extremely good at recognising shapes, have an excellent memory, and are very good at interpreting body language. All of these things are related to their ability to survive in the wild, so a thoughtful owner will behave accordingly in the presence of their horse. So next time you are in a hurry to ride, or are feeling cross, impatient or just not happy, remember that your horse will recognise this and pick up on your tensions too.

On that note, a smiley goodbye for this month, Hamish

## FRIENDS OF SCOTT CREEK CONSERVATION PARK



Anyone wanting to find out more or help us with our restoration work, or simply wanting more information about the Friends of Scott Creek CP, can contact us on [info@friendsofscottcreekcp.org.au](mailto:info@friendsofscottcreekcp.org.au) or visit our website [www.friendsofscottcreekcp.org.au](http://www.friendsofscottcreekcp.org.au). You can also follow us on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/friendsofscottcreekcp](http://www.facebook.com/friendsofscottcreekcp) where you will find up to date information about our activities, including photos of the park's diverse flora and fauna.

## CHERRY CHURCH



**Cherry Gardens Uniting Church**  
87 Hicks Hills Road, Cherry Gardens  
Services held on Sundays at 9.30am – all are welcome

At the recent AGM of the Church, the following were elected as the 'Leadership Team' for the next 12 months.

John Howland	Chairperson
Di Dyson	Secretary
Ruth Work	Treasurer
Steph Dube	
Jane Linn	
Graeme Hyde	

If you have any questions about the Church, one of the above would be a possible place to start.

One of our Church members who is officially a 'VIP' ('Vision Impaired Person') fell over in his garden a couple of months ago and hit his head as he fell. Since that knock, he has noticed a significant improvement in his sight – not full sight by any means, but a sudden improvement! He knows of no logical medical reason for this. He gives thanks to God for this unexpected and exciting development!

There is an old hymn that begins, 'God moves in a mysterious way' (William Cowper 1731-1800). It's easy to sing these words without thinking about what this

could actually mean in real life - in my life and in my community.

Something to think about. Something to be on the lookout for.

## A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Perfectly Imperfect – by Noel Jensen

For those who don't know me, my name is Noel Jensen and I live on Star and Arrow Road with my partner Mark and our 2 dogs Arrabella and Dusty. We have lived in Cherry Gardens for 7 years now and would not live anywhere else in the world. I love the cold wet winters with the slow combustion heater burning away and the slow cooker on the boil. I am blessed to be able to work from home most of the time and I love watching the seasons turn over through my office window.

For both Mark and I, we believe the best part of living in Cherry Gardens has been living next to Gill and Brian Sims. From day one, Gill was there to make sure we were OK and settling in. The Sims's introduced us to everyone and kept us up to date with the goings on in the valley. I would love hearing Gill "coo wee" every time she visited, it always made me smile. A brandy on the deck and lots of laughs. Happy hour on the deck, or down in the round yard with a little "comfort" fire, or on the pontoon and always with a true story from Brian. I thought it was the saddest day when Gill and Brian sold up and moved on only to have much sadder days when we found out Gill was so unwell. Gill's passing has left a big hole in all our hearts, but I smile every time I think of her. Oh, the stories we could tell Gilly.

Anyway, the reason I am writing this is the Cherry Chatter committee has asked me to write about my woodwork that I do on the farm.

I have worked in child development and brain trauma, which includes abuse and neglect of young children, for over 25 years. As you can imagine, even though I love my job it can be heartbreaking and stressful, I needed a release. I have always loved shiny things, craft, and tinkering (I call it Thinkering). I have also worked closely with educational leaders across the world on nature pedagogy and reintroducing nature to children and educators. I think they all came together. I had lots of craft and jewels and bits and pieces at home and I thought wood would be a great way to show them all off and I wanted to make things that would be interesting to children.

So, this is how Keeping It Simply Smart began. In the shed, drilling holes in wood (stress relief), and embedding objects and shiny things into the wood. I would then give them away when I went out and did assessment visits. Children loved them and found uses for them I did not think of, and it grew from there. Originally, I was giving my creations away, but I now have a website and I sell these wooden creations all over Australia and the United Kingdom. I also speak at

conferences around the country on natural play and loose parts and brain development.



Don't get me wrong, my creations are not just toys but educational as well. They promote cognitive (brain) development and support children's wonder of the natural world around them. The feel, the textures, the looks, the smells of all the wood triggers children's senses because they are a natural product, they are all unique and no two are the same, so the size and shapes are all unique as well. When children are using plastic products, they are all the same size, shape, taste and smell so does not promote cognitive development or experimentation.



Moving to a country property just exploded my creativity. Having so much fallen wood around I was spoilt for choice. With wonderful neighbours as well, I seemed to have a fresh stream of wood of all varieties, shapes and sizes. My favorite woods to work with are Red Gum and Birch but I have discovered so many wonderful varieties around Cherry Gardens.

I am very lucky to have a large shed where I can spend many hours on the bandsaw and drill press, this is my "zone" where I don't even know how much time passes. Then in the evening I have my studio up near the house where I spend my evening doing the gluing and creative stuff. Music loud, and a glass of red wine.

Using a sustainability platform as well, nothing is wasted from my shed. All the offcuts are used in the heater and the wood shavings I use as compost and mulch for the garden.

I also do bespoke pieces for adults and services. People will send me object to see if I can imbed them into wood or ask me what can do with this piece of wood. I am always coming up with new ideas and the website changes all the time. If you would like to see what I do please come visit the website. [www.keepingitsimplysmart.com.au](http://www.keepingitsimplysmart.com.au) or contact me on [keepingitsimplysmart@gmail.com](mailto:keepingitsimplysmart@gmail.com). I would love your feedback.

**Finally, think of me when chucking bits of wood into your fireplace and ask yourself "I wonder what Noel could do with this "**

## **GEOFF EATON – THALASSA WARD COUNCILLOR - AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER**

### **Santos Tour Down Under returns to Onkaparinga**

We are thrilled the Santos Tour Down Under is back in 2023 for the first time since before the pandemic, with the City of Onkaparinga set to host Stage 4 on Saturday 21 January. Starting at Port Willunga (adjacent to the Star of Greece restaurant), Onkaparinga's 135.3 kilometre stage will travel through Aldinga/Aldinga Beach, Tatchilla, McLaren Vale, McLaren Flat and Blewitt Springs, concluding again with an exciting finish in Willunga, though this time along the historic and much-loved High Street, rather than Willunga Hill. The stage will kick off at 11am, finishing at approximately 2:30pm.

Australia's premier cycling event was replaced with a re-imagined domestic Santos Festival of Cycling in 2021 and 2022 due to COVID-19, but 2023 will see the triumphant return of the Santos Tour Down Under, bringing with it international stars, visitors and economic benefits to Onkaparinga. Our city had a long and storied history with the Santos Tour Down Under, having hosted a stage for 21 consecutive years since the event's inception in 1999, so it's great to see the race headed back to our scenic vistas and historic townships in 2023, and to host a stage with a fresh new look.

We know the event attracts visitors from around the world, generates millions in economic benefits, and broadcasts vision of our city across the globe, but it also creates excitement and inspiration in our communities. It will be great to see our streets lined with spectators and our food, wine and accommodation operators doing a roaring trade.

For more information on the 2023 Santos Tour Down Under visit the event website, and the City of Onkaparinga website where you can find the Stage 4 route map and other local information.

### **State Funding Farm Fire Fighting Units**

Minister Szakacs (Minister for Emergency Services in South Australia), advises that the Malinauskas Government is providing crucial grants for Farm Firefighting Units (FFUs) with a State Budget commitment of \$2 million over four years. This new

funding is additional to what the Country Fire Service (CFS) receives from the State Government to deliver vital services to communities such as those within your council area. The Regional Capability Community Fund (RCCF) has been reinstated to oversee this grant program and will back farmers and farming businesses to purchase equipment to create or support the safe use of FFUs during fire emergencies. The fund will reimburse approved purchases in full or a portion of a purchase from \$200 to \$3000 (GST exclusive), with farmers and farming businesses able to apply for a grant. Farmers will be required to register their equipment with the CFS to enhance deployment of resources during bushfires.

This grant program will allow for the purchase of smaller items such as good quality first aid kits and UHF radios, but also a significant portion of a new FFU. Personal protective equipment that meets CFS standards is also included in approved items. Council has been requested to assist in promoting the availability of this program for 2022-23 (round one) that will open at 9.00am (ACST) on Monday 25 July 2022 and close at 11.59pm (ACST) on Sunday 21 August 2022. This timeframe aims to get equipment on farms before the start of the fire season. Applications will be assessed in line with defined selection criteria such as value for money and compliance with CFS standards. Potential applicants can find the program guidelines, and lodge applications via <https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/farms/>

### **South Australian Veterinary Emergency Management Inc - Animals in Emergency events such as bushfire**

South Australian Veterinary Emergency Management Inc. (SAVEM) is an accredited organisation within the state government State Emergency Management Plan and has provided the following information for this newsletter. Their base is in the southern foothills of Adelaide.

SAVEM is a Tier 2 Response and Recovery agency, deploying into *all* hazards emergencies in South Australia. Our Mission is to assess, rescue, triage, treat, shelter and return to owners, habitat or suitable long-term care, animals of all species.

In response to an Emergency incident where SAVEM's veterinary expertise is required, SAVEM is Activated by Primary Industries and Regions South Australia (PIRSA). PIRSA leads the Agriculture and Animal Services Functional Support Group in the South Australian State Emergency Management Plan (the SEMP). After briefings and clearance by the Control Agency (the SA Country Fire Service for bushfire) SAVEM is deployed into the incident ground according to the terms and conditions required by the Control Agency. We collaborate with other similarly accredited agencies, such as the RSPCA, to respond to animal welfare issues in-field, and on request will support and assist PIRSA's veterinary officers in incidents involving livestock.

### What we can't do

We cannot self-activate. This goes against all the principles of Emergency Management

We cannot go into an emergency area BEFORE permission is given by the Control Agency

We cannot provide an evacuation service for pets and other animals – it is the responsibility of animal owners to include their pets and other animals in their emergency plan

see <https://www.savem.org.au/about-savem/>

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### Historic Hall Clarendon

The Clarendon Museum is a volunteer run organisation dedicated to collecting, preserving and sharing the evolving history of Clarendon. They have many exciting projects on the go, and would like to extend a friendly invitation to the general public to come and join them in whatever capacity you can.

There are many ways in which you can participate, and we have friendly volunteers to help guide you through each step no matter your level of experience...

- Event management - creating and running exciting events such as South Australia's History Festival
- Digitising our collection via state of the art scanners and photography
- Researching topics like, people, places and events that have shaped Clarendon
- Writing stories from collated research
- Public Museum Openings

For more information on how you can participate please email us at [history@clarendon.org.au](mailto:history@clarendon.org.au) or call 0493 248 096

### Grant Opportunities

Grant opportunities are currently available for sharing with your networks. Please refer to our website [www.onkaparingacity.com](http://www.onkaparingacity.com). Enquiries: Jan McIntyre, Grants Attraction Officer Ph: 8301 7334 or [Jan.McIntyre@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au](mailto:Jan.McIntyre@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au)

### National Trust Coromandel Valley and Districts

Just a reminder for everyone of the Saturday morning tea held at the Watchman House, Main Road Coromandel Valley. Their morning tea are held between 9.00am and midday. If you are free please drop-in and speak to those who have a keen interest in maintaining the history of this area.

### Disclaimer

The views expressed in this article are my own and do not necessarily reflect those of Council.

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Congratulations to the U8's & U10's Moddies teams who recently had their end of season presentations & celebrated what's been an amazing season. It was great to see the clubroom full of people including lots of new kids & families & we look forward to doing all again next year.

Well done mini Thunderers!! 🌩️🟢🟡🌩️👏



As the footy season heads into the major rounds of finals we have been able to celebrate some of our seniors with milestone moments in their footy careers.

Will Muirden surpassed our previous player record for number of games played at the senior level of 286 A Grade games. Well done Will. Simon Hulme who battled cancer last year played his 200<sup>th</sup> A grade game and Chris Morgan played his 150<sup>th</sup> A grade game. How great is that!



Skip (Will Muirden) 286 A grade games – club record



Simmo (Simon Hulme) 200 games



Morgs (Chris Morgan) 150 games

# Onkaparinga Now

## Santos Tour Down Under returns to Onkaparinga in 2023

The Santos Tour Down Under is back in 2023 for the first time since before the pandemic, with the City of Onkaparinga set to host Stage 4 on Saturday 21 January.

Starting at Port Willunga (adjacent to the Star of Greece restaurant), Onkaparinga’s 135.3 kilometre stage will travel through Aldinga/Aldinga Beach, Tatachilla, McLaren Vale, McLaren Flat and Blewitt Springs, concluding again with an exciting finish in Willunga, though this time along the historic and much-loved High Street, rather than Willunga Hill. The stage will kick off at 11am, finishing at approximately 2:30pm.

Australia’s premier cycling event was replaced with a reimagined domestic Santos Festival of Cycling in 2021 and 2022 due to COVID-19, but 2023 will see the triumphant return of the Santos Tour Down Under, bringing with it international stars, visitors and economic benefits to Onkaparinga.

City of Onkaparinga Acting Mayor Simon McMahon celebrated the news the iconic race was returning to the south.

“We’ve had a long and storied history with the Santos Tour Down Under, having hosted a stage for 21 consecutive years

since the event’s inception in 1999,” he said.

“It’s a thrill to see the race headed back to our scenic vistas and historic townships in 2023, and to host a stage with a fresh new look.

“We know the event attracts visitors from around the world, generates millions in economic benefits, and broadcasts vision of our city across the globe, but it also creates excitement and inspiration in our communities.

“I can’t wait to see our streets lined with spectators and our food, wine and accommodation operators doing a roaring trade.”

Santos Tour Down Under Race Director Stuart O’Grady OAM said Onkaparinga’s Stage 4 was one for the sprinters.

“Port Willunga is set to host its first Santos Tour Down Under stage start in 2023,” he said.

“We are thrilled to share this beautiful part

of South Australia with the world. The peloton will travel through McLaren Vale – offering fans ample opportunity to enjoy the action – before crossing the line in Willunga township, a new finish location in one of the race’s most popular host regions.”

For more information on the 2023 Santos Tour Down Under visit the event website, and the City of Onkaparinga website where you can find the Stage 4 route map and other local information.

The Santos Tour Down Under is the biggest cycling race in the southern hemisphere, and the 10-day event brings both male and female UCI WorldTour professional cycling teams to race on the streets of Adelaide and regional South Australia each January.

In 2020 the Santos Tour Down Under attracted 44,800 visitors from interstate and overseas, injecting \$66.4 million into the South Australian economy and creating the equivalent of 742 full-time jobs.

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# Millions for Onkaparinga projects following elections

Dozens of projects across Onkaparinga will now go ahead following funding commitments from the recent state and federal government elections.

The recently elected state government committed more than \$23 million in funding towards 33 projects (see list below), after the City of Onkaparinga advocated for the majority of these as part of its Advocacy Plan.

In July, Council approved a funding contribution to four of these projects that required more funds to proceed, which is in addition to funding council is already providing for a number of other projects on the list in 2022-23.

The state government election funding commitments adds to millions in funding headed to the City of Onkaparinga, which was committed in the lead-up to the

federal government election (see list below).

City of Onkaparinga Acting Mayor Simon McMahon called it a massive win for the community.

“Soon you’ll be able to enjoy upgrades to sporting facilities, rec centres, libraries, community centres, walking trails, open space, playgrounds... in fact 33 new projects coming right here to the City of Onkaparinga as part of our fierce advocacy campaign during the state and federal elections,” he said.

“Applying and advocating for funding through the state and federal government are key ways council can bring forward key projects without affecting rates.”

The grant funding agreements from the state government’s election commitments require projects to be delivered by 30 June 2024, with some of the smaller projects to be delivered by 30 June 2023.

Council assumes responsibility for planning, design and construction of many of the projects in consultation with the community.

The election commitment projects add to 55 projects council has already secured funding for through the federal government’s Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) program in recent years, and council’s regular annual capital works program.

“The plan ensures we continue delivering essential services and programs that our community relies on, while remaining financially responsible.”

The Annual Business Plan’s actions are aligned with the vision set out in council’s Community Plan 2030, backed by a suite of strategic plans and the community feedback received via the Community Survey 2021 and other engagements.

## State government election commitment funding

Aberfoyle Community Centre upgrade <b>\$1,500,000</b>	Link path, Minkarra Park to Happy Valley <b>\$1,000,000</b>	Old Noarlunga oval changerooms <b>\$900,000</b>
Aldinga Sports Park unisex changerooms <b>\$825,000</b>	McLaren Flat Community Club upgrade <b>\$50,000</b>	Path to link Tatachilla Lutheran College to McLaren Vale - <b>\$1,000,000</b>
Aldinga to Willunga Cycleway <b>\$3,000,000</b>	McLaren Vale BMX track improvements <b>\$20,000</b>	Reynella Sports and Social Club upgrades <b>\$570,000</b>
All Saints Catholic School pedestrian crossing - <b>\$57,000</b>	McLaren Vale Football and Cricket Club oval irrigation - <b>\$105,000</b>	Road safety intersection upgrades at McLaren Vale - <b>\$4,200,000</b>
Beach Road, Christies Beach upgrades <b>\$500,000</b>	Minor improvement works at Maslin Beach Community Hall - <b>\$50,000</b>	School crossing upgrade at South Port Primary School - <b>\$78,000</b>
Community artwork and murals at Christies Beach and O’Sullivan Beach <b>\$500,000</b>	Morphett Vale Bowling Club upgrades <b>\$322,500</b>	Seaford Netball Club facility - <b>\$350,000</b>
Happy Valley Sports Park upgrades <b>\$1,000,000</b> for two new changerooms, bowling club toilet upgrade and new cricket nets	Morphett Vale Memorial Sports Complex upgrades - <b>\$350,000</b>	Serpentine Reserve upgrades, O’Halloran Hill - <b>\$300,000</b>
Hub Gymnastics upgrade at Paul Murray Recreation Centre - <b>\$3,000,000</b>	Multi-use sports and athletic park at Knox Park, Morphett Vale - <b>\$1,100,000</b>	Skate park at Aldinga Sports Park <b>\$1,300,000</b>
Hub Library access upgrade <b>\$250,000</b>	New small dog park at Minkarra Dog Park <b>\$150,000</b>	Wilfred Taylor Reserve accessible play equipment - <b>\$100,000</b>
	Noarlunga United Soccer clubrooms <b>\$1,000,000</b>	Woodcroft dog park construction (cnr Bains Rd and Investigator Drv) <b>\$500,000</b>

## Federal government election commitment funding\*

Revitalisation of the Onkaparinga River and its tributaries, and Pedler Creek <b>\$5,000,000</b>	Karingal Reserve upgrade, Port Noarlunga South including nature/challenge play spaces, public fitness equipment, shelters, picnic tables, BBQs, increased tree canopy and garden beds - <b>\$500,000</b>
Nature play space at Hackham West Community Centre - <b>\$5,000</b>	

\*Council has not yet been formally approached to discuss the federal government’s intended approach to these projects but expects to work with them to confirm the details and timing of this in the months ahead.



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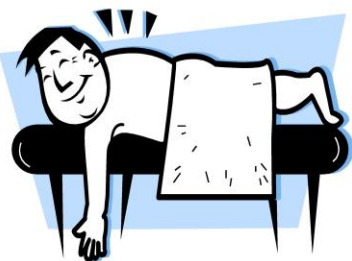
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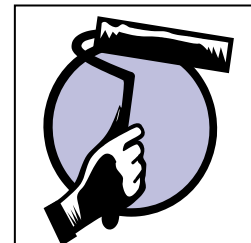
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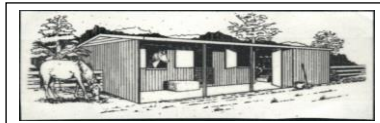


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