



Cherry Chatter

Incorporated by the Cherry Gardens Community Association Inc.

CHERRY CHURCH – 175 YEARS



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

During 2024, the Cherry Church will celebrate 175 years since 1849 when the little chapel was opened by the Bible Christian and Wesleyan Methodists.

The South Australian Register of Wednesday 28 March 1849 wrote of the occasion: *“On Monday evening last, the congregation of the newly erected Wesleyan Chapel, at the Cherry Gardens, assembled in public worship. The Rev. D. J. Draper (Daniel) preached and afterwards presided at a social meeting. The Rev. Mr. Curry also attended. About 120 sat down to tea, in celebration of what they devoutly considered an auspicious occasion. The chapel, which is a perfect model of neatness, is capable of accommodating about 150 persons; and the worthy and indefatigable superintendent has the satisfaction of knowing that not one penny of debt encumbers the building.”*



The Cherry Gardens Methodist Chapel before the rear additions. Note that the porch was at ground level compared with now.



Reverend Daniel Draper

Rev. Draper and Rev. Curry were based at the Gawler Place Methodist Church, and an old preaching plan from 1847 shows Rev. Draper preaching at Cherry Gardens once per month on a Sunday and once per quarter on a Tuesday at 5.00 pm before moving on to Iron Bank for a 7.00 pm gathering. Until the church was opened, the congregation met in private homes. There were early families such as Field, Jacobs, Broadbent, Boothey, Middleton, White, Chambers, Lewis, Thompson, Brumby, Lloyd, Fairweather, Hobbs, Morphett, Burpee, Strange, Ricks, Hughes, Hicks, Threadgold, Baker, and Scroop whose faith led them on. The district was discovered in 1838 by Edward Burgess, Isaac Jacobs and Henry Field. Settlement followed during 1840, so not only had they built a church, but homes, orchards and market gardens in less than 10 years.

In 1847 Daniel Draper encouraged the congregation to build a church. The original land title shows Henry Field purchasing the paddock in 1847 and within a month he had transferred the current section to the trustees of the church. It seems obvious that he purchased the land with that in mind, an incredible gift!

Bearing in mind that the little chapel was about 40% smaller than it is now, before the later additions, I asked the late Rene Harvey (Irene Faith Harvey, nee Coats 1917 to 2010) how all those people fitted in? Rene’s mother was Lottie Jacobs, her grandfather Thomas Jacobs, grandmother Maria Broadbent and great grandmother Caroline Field.

Rene replied that there were no pews! Everyone stood for the services, with babies in arms, toddlers on hips and children wherever they found space. For the opening service, a stage of boxes with a handrail had been erected so the reverends could see and be seen. The tea mentioned above was held outdoors. The Weekly Times

reported that there had been no rain for 3 and a half months, apart from showers the previous Friday, so it would have been very dry in the Hills.

The current congregation will soon commence renovations to the church, so the 175th celebrations will be conducted later next year once the renovations have been completed.



Cutting the 170th Anniversary cake were Margaret Bennett and Margaret Jacobs, Rev. David Houston

*"We'll praise Him for all that is past,
And trust Him for all that is to come."*

*From the Hymn by Joseph Hart, "This is the God we adore"
Australian Hymn Book #153*

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Cherry Chatter committee meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 11th of October at the Recreation Ground. For more information, please contact a committee member.

CHERRY GARDENS RAINFALL AUGUST

Rainfall for August 2023	78.6 mm
Rainfall for August 2022	160.6
Average rainfall for August	117.8
Rainfall to the end of August 2023	744.9
Rainfall to the end of August 2022	662.4
Average rainfall to the end August	659.9
Number days of rain for August 2023	19
Number days of rain for August 2022	23



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HAPPY HOUR AT THE HALL

At time of writing, we are preparing for the Community Campfire to be held on September 24th. We are hopeful of a good turnout, and hope you were able to attend.

Remember that we have the Community Happy Hour on the last Sunday of each month. It is a BYO, and an opportunity to spend time and chat with other locals. Attendances so far have been very good.

The upcoming Happy Hours will be on October 29th and November 26th. The A frame will be out the front of the hall for a week before as a reminder. Hope to see you there.

Why not "Like Us" on Facebook to keep up to date with coming events

www.facebook.com/cherrygardens/

CHERRY GARDENS TABLE TENNIS RESULTS

The Cherry Gardens Team is still in second place in Division 4, here results to date:

July 13th Tournament	No matches,	Association	Doubles
July 20th Tournament	No matches,	Association	Singles
July 27th	WIN	7 rubbers to 5	
August 3rd	WIN	12 rubbers to 0 (Forfeit)	
August 10th	WIN	7 rubbers to 5	
August 17th	BYE ROUND – NO MATCHES		
August 24th	WIN	10 rubbers to 2	
August 31st	LOSS	3 rubbers to 9	
September 7 th (First Semi Final)	LOSS	3 rubbers to 9	

We will now play the preliminary final on September 14th, a win will put us in the grand final on September 21st.

Results in the next edition.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Cherry Gardens: Michael (Mike) Deare
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JP's work at no charge, so please CALL FIRST to book an appointment.

CHERRY GARDENS CFS

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



As mentioned in last month's edition, the CFS requires all leadership positions within the Brigade to be reappointed every two years. This process gives all volunteers the option to step up into higher positions, step down or continue in the same roles. This year our current Captain decided to step down and return to the firefighting ranks. We would like to acknowledge the many hours of dedicated work and leadership he provided over the last four years- a period that saw many challenging events such as COVID 19, the 2019/2020 bushfire season and our own Cherry Gardens fires. Thanks Lawrie!

With a new Captain taking over, it seems an ideal time to take stock and see we're we are headed as a brigade.

From the new Captain-

"I am honoured to be taking over the Captains role and thanks to all those who have previously made this brigade the success it currently is. Living locally with my family I have been a member of Cherry Gardens CFS for nearly nine years and have served as a Firefighter, Senior Firefighter and and most recently as a Lieutenant. I have also had major involvement with the Sturt Group cadet program over the years, as a way of developing the next generation of firefighters and leaders. The Brigade currently has a wide range of people with plenty of skills and abilities and I'll be relying on everyone to continue our good work.

With the predicted weather patterns this summer, the upcoming fire season may be a challenge for us all. I would encourage everyone to keep their fire safety precautions front of mind.

We would certainly welcome any new members at the moment - there are lots of varied, challenging and rewarding roles to get involved in.

See you out there!
Andrew.



CFS FIRE DANGER RATING SYSTEM

Changes were made last year to the fire danger rating system which is worth reviewing as this bushfire season approaches. This system takes a national approach and sought to simplify the current different systems used in Australia, some of which were more than half a century old.

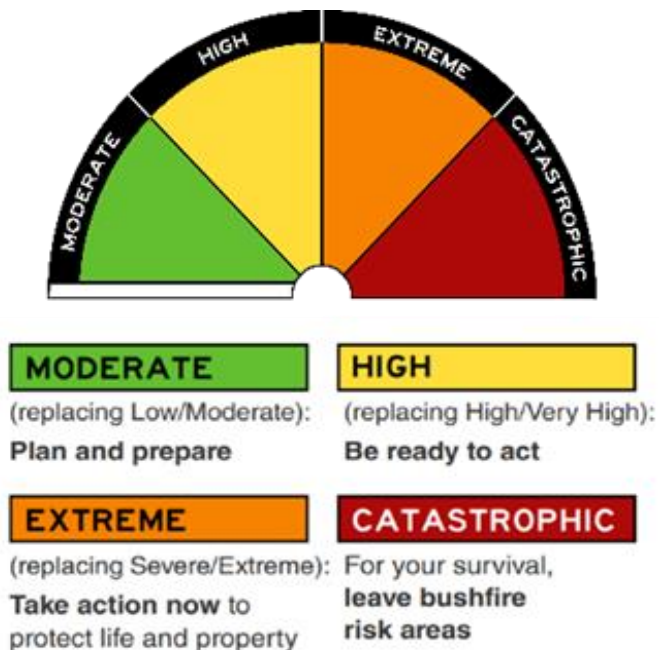
The updated fire danger rating will have four levels instead of six.

The system will use the current best science to inform the fire danger rating on any given day.

Signs across the country will be uniform.

This provides the community with clearer and more consistent messaging about the fire danger in their area on any given day and makes it easier for firefighters to understand how a fire might behave if one breaks out.

The Fire Danger Rating is an indicator of how dangerous a bushfire could be if it did occur. **It is not a predictor of how likely a bushfire is to occur.** It should be used as an early indicator to trigger your plans. The new system and signage are shown below.



Colour coding is as follows:

- Moderate – Green
- High- yellow
- Extreme- Amber
- Catastrophic- Red

FIRE MANAGEMENT 2023

The fire danger season in the Mount Lofty Ranges and Adelaide Metropolitan Fire District areas commences on 1 December 2023 and will run until 30 April 2024. Dates to be confirmed when details are available on the CFS website.

A reminder to all residents that it is illegal (and dangerous) to let off fireworks anywhere in the Adelaide

Hills. The risk to livestock and animals as well as potentially starting a bushfire is high. You may be prosecuted.

During the fire danger season burning in the open (vegetation pile burning) is not permitted.

<https://www.onkaparingacity.com/Services/Permits/Fire-Management-fire-danger-season> for more information.



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Blackwood Golf Club is open daily for lunch between 12.00 – 2.00pm and very much welcomes visitors. Bookings are recommended.

See more news of what our club has to offer in our advertisement at the back of your newsletter.

CHERRY GARDENS GARDEN CLUB



Garden Club Nights are held on the second Monday of each month (except Public Holidays) from February to November, at the Uniting Church Hall, Hicks Hill Road, Cherry Gardens at 7.30 pm. Visitors welcome.

President - Darryl Parslow 0408 847 293

djparslow@bigpond.com

Secretary - Jan Ball 0432550274

Club night will be Monday 9 October when our Guest Speaker is Ms Lyn Collins from the Fern Society of South Australia who will give an overall talk on care of ferns. (i.e. repotting, dividing and general care and needs). Lyn will bring some ferns to sell to Club Members during Supper.

Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month (except Public Holiday) at the Uniting Church Hall, Hicks Hill Road, Cherry Gardens at 7.30 pm. Visitors welcome.

Cherry Gardens Garden Club August meeting.

On 14th August we met for an earlier than usual start to our AGM, as we enjoyed a 6:30 pm Soup, Pizza and Slice meal.

At 7:30 we commenced our very productive AGM during which time at least half of it was spent updating our constitution. We benefitted from the wealth of experience of some ex suburban Council members, years of committee experience and good member participation. There was plenty of clarification of terms of office on the committee, qualification, streamlining and even some adjustments to grammar, so we should now be set up for years, of clear instructions, and good process.

All officers stood down and ex-President Ray Wise conducted the elections. A continued good mix of skills in the new committee should ease the organising of programs and functions. We thank our outgoing committee members and Secretary of the last 3 years Jan Ball, all of whom have done a great job. Darryl continues as our President; Marilyn Marsh continues as Treasurer and Robyn Mew is our new Secretary.

At the close of the business meeting, we were privileged to have a florist of many years' experience, Ruth Rodda, demonstrate two gorgeous flower arrangements. She used, along with a variety of greenery, Proteas and Leucadendron with interesting materials such as bark.

twigs and sticks which she had gathered. She taught us how to shape and mould items for structure and form. She also shared good news that the florist industry is phasing out the use of Oasis green florist's arranging foam to cease polluting the environment with this undegradable material.

There were three winners of the great Fathers' Day raffle prizes. The Camelia challenge was won by Elizabeth Dodson's entry Black Magic. There was no plant auction, but the Supper was excellent as usual.

GEORGE'S GARDENING SUGGESTIONS FOR OCTOBER 2023

- Now that the soil has had a chance to warm up, summer vegetables will grow quickly provided they have soil that has been well prepared. Most are heavy feeders, and many of us have seen how well pumpkins do in the compost heap if it is left undisturbed at this time of the year. Try to replicate the same conditions for where you want to plant your pumpkins. They are prone to powdery mildew but often only in the latter part of their life, try to find a sunny position that is well ventilated. For those of you without much space, look for varieties that have smaller vines (and often smaller fruit)
- Check and adjust your watering system to reflect the requirements of the area they are watering.
- Liquid feed leafy greens on a fortnightly regime.
- Continue to prune native plants as they complete their flowering.
- Now is a good time to divide and plant dahlias, look for a small shoot at the top of a tuber and plant that pointing upwards about 10cm deep. They too, need good, deep, rich soil and quite a bit of water if you are looking for great flowers. Staking will be necessary for most varieties so put the stakes in when you plant them.
- Passionfruit should be growing well and setting fruit by now, watch out for suckers from the rootstock and remove, as they can be quite vigorous and take over from the grafted section of the plant.
- For some colour in the garden try some petunias, phlox, penstemon, snapdragon and celosia.
- Mulch, mulch, mulch, the forecast is for a dry spring and summer.

SCIB CRICKET CLUB

Spring is in the air which must mean that cricket is nearly back! Although it's been the off-season there's been a ton happening for the club.

As I'm sure some of you have already seen, the new practice nets are installed and ready to go. At the 'minor' cost of \$110k we've been able to create a great facility that is now off the oval access road and essentially fully enclosed ensuring the safety of users and passers by. The intention is to leave these nets out during the good weather so that the whole community can use them as

they see fit. We encourage you to head on to the oval and see it for yourself! Thanks to the Office of Rec & Sport, SACA, Clubs SA & City of Onkaparinga for their contributions but also to the people who helped us fundraise \$15k over the last few years as the club's contribution.

If you enjoy using those nets as much as we do then maybe consider joining us for a game (or a training at least). We're always on the lookout for new players, especially juniors, so head over to our website or Facebook and get in touch.

And last but not least, we'll be running a Cricket Blast program for 5-10-year-olds in a very similar mould to Auskick. It will be run by a SACA employee and run on Thursdays from 4-5pm from 26 Oct. Again head to our website for more details. www.SCIBcricket.com.au



OVER THE STABLE DOOR with Hamish



Greetings Fellow Equines and Horse Owners!

As the seasons change, especially coming into spring and there is a flush of growth in the paddock, our horses' weight and condition

becomes a concern. Was looking through some material for estimating a horse's weight. There is a formula which looks quite complicated but is actually simple. Theoretically this can be used when there is no easy access to a weighbridge, or you don't have a weight tape. Anything other than a weighbridge, is going to be a bit of a guesstimate, so I decided to put the formula to the test. Our horses are weighed every year when their teeth are done, so there is a solid figure to go by. The results were interesting, so will quote figures here.

Weighbridge weight

My good self (Hamish).	504 kg
Rupert.	No previous record
Bella.	522 kg
Nellie.	427 kg
Present weight with weight tape	
Hamish	484 kg
Rupert.	441 kg
Bella.	507 kg
Nellie.	427 kg

From experience, the weight tape often gives a lower reading than the actual weight.

Now, the formula I found says to measure the heart girth, times that by itself, then times that again by the distance from the point of the shoulder to the point of the buttock. Then you divide that result by 11,880! Which I did with all horses and the results were all well below the actual weight. See below:

Hamish heart girth 181cm, point of shoulder to point of buttock 160cm. So $181 \times 181 \times 160$, divided by 11,880 = 441kg approx.

Rupert heart girth 175x175x164, divided by 11,880 = 423 approx.

Bella heart girth 184x184x166, divided by 11,880 = 473 approx.

Nellie heart girth 173x173x156, divided by 11,880 = 393 approx.

Now all of these weights were consistently below their actual weight, so I decided to take the measure not from the point of shoulder but from the centre of the chest.

These was the results-

Hamish	485 kg
Rupert	454 kg
Bella	496 kg
Nellie	411 kg

These weights were closer to the actual, but still some variation. Other factors to take into account will include or relate to the breed of the horse and his conformation, ie long in the back or short coupled, broad across the chest or narrow, age and condition, time of year etc.

As always, the horseman's eye is a good gauge, being aware of any unexplained changes, so perhaps deserve a closer investigation.

Looking forward to some sunnier weather and loss of that pesky winter coat!

Safe riding everyone,
Hamish

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October

Tue	3	Bushcare
Sat	7	Bird banding
Sun	8	Bushcare
Sat, Sun	21, 22	Bird banding
Sun	22	Spring walk
Sat	28	Bushcare



It was great to patrol through a beautiful part of the park and find hardly any weeds, looking out over the park from Tom's Outlook.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



CITY OF ONKAPARINGA

Prepare Respond Recover

Communities are best placed to decide how they will prepare, respond and recover from disasters. Local government is best placed to support community-based emergency management. As the level of government 'on the ground' and closest to the community, we can:

- help communities to plan and act.
- be the conduit between the community and other government and non-government services.

How is council helping prepare our community for an emergency event?

Council has two key projects that are helping our community prepare for an emergency.

[Bushfire Preparedness Project](#)

[Resilient Southern Communities Project](#)

Together these projects are:

- helping communities to form Community-led Disaster Resilience (CDR) groups to plan local recovery efforts
- providing resourcing and education for CDR's and their communities
- gaining a better understanding of bushfire risk and other emergencies in our area
- increasing fire prevention and vegetation reduction activities
- partnering with other councils and organisations

How you, as a resident, can prepare for an emergency event

- Write down your [emergency plan](#) to make it clear in your mind
- Talk through your plan with family, include kids and young people
- Do a practice run of your plan
- Learn about your local disaster risk
- Represent your neighbourhood by joining a Community-led Disaster Resilience group

There is additional information available on the Onkaparinga Council website <https://www.onkaparingacity.com/Services/Emergency-management/Disaster-Ready>

The Cherry Gardens District has had a small group of volunteers working for over one year with the council to develop an initiative to support the local community in the event that there is some form of emergency event that affects us. This could be a bushfire, a flood, a severe storm, a significant power outage or anything that might affect us.

This group will now be working with the Cherry Gardens Community Association to assist with communication around the district and hopefully to help recruit additional volunteers.

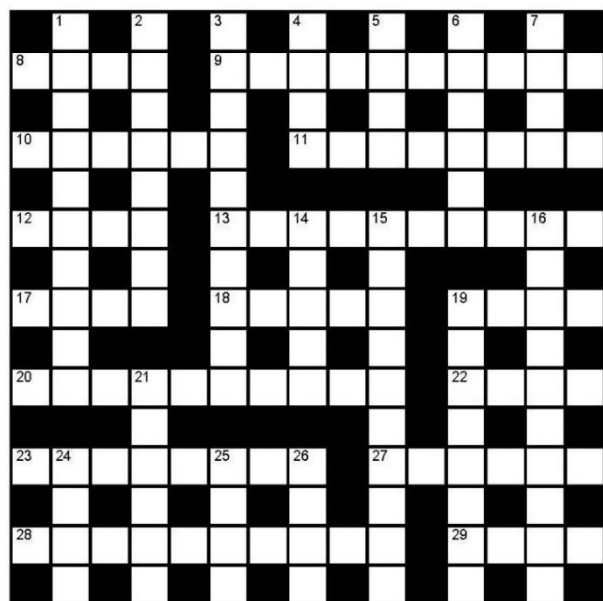
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MONTHLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

SEPTEMBER SOLUTION



OCTOBER CROSSWORD



ONCE AGAIN THE WASHINGTON POST

has published the winning submissions to its yearly neologism contest, in which readers are asked to supply alternate meanings for common words ... and the winners are:

1. Coffee (n.), the person upon whom one coughs.
2. Flabbergasted (adj.), appalled over how much weight you have gained.
3. Abdicate (v.), to give up all hope of ever having a flat somach.
4. Esplanade (v.), to attempt an explanaton while drunk.
5. Willy-nilly (adj.), impotent.
6. Negligent (adj.), describes a condition in which you absentmindedly answer the door in your nightgown.
7. Lymph (v.), to walk with a lisp.

8. Gargoyle (n.), gross olive-flavoured mouthwash.
9. Flatulence (n.), emergency vehicle that picks you up after you are run over by a steamroller.
10. Balderdash (n.), a rapidly receding hairline.
11. Rectitude (n.), the formal, dignified bearing adopted by proctologists.
12. Pokemon (n.), a Rastafarian proctologist.
13. Circumvent (n.), an opening in the front of boxer shorts worn by Jewish men ...
14. Frisbeetarianism (n.), (back by popular demand): The believe that when you die, your soul flies up onto the roof and gets stuck there.

OCTOBER CROSSWORD CLUES

Across

- 8 Characterised by minimal distortion in sound reproduction (2-2)
- 9 Having similar appearance but genetically different (10)
- 10 The largest province in Canada (6)
- 11 A tower that is part of a defensive structure (such as a castle) (8)
- 12 The dishes making up a meal (4)
- 13 Wide in proportion to its height (3,7)
- 17 An informal affirmative response (4)
- 18 The branch of philosophy that analyses inference (5)
- 19 Ice crystals forming a white deposit (especially on objects outside) (4)
- 20 Nobel-minded (10)
- 22 Music comes from half a pear (4)
- 23 To such a degree (8)
- 27 Difficult to control, resistant to persuasion (6)
- 28 A game they play at Wimbledon (4,6)
- 29 A machine for weaving (4)

Down

- 1 A merely nominal head (10)
- 2 To remove (a person) from a story or account (8)
- 3 A pickle of chopped vegetables, mustard, and hot spices (10)
- 4 A place for the burial of a corpse (4)
- 5 What a glider pilot tries to do (4)
- 6 A cannabis cigarette (6)
- 7 A silicate mineral with a layered structure (4)
- 14 A ghost or other supernatural entity (poetic) (5)
- 15 Think Morphetville or Cheltenham (10)
- 16 A specified period within which a legal action must be brought (10)
- 19 A rotund individual (informal) (4-4)
- 21 Be plentiful (6)
- 24 Not far (4)
- 25 Carbamide, CO(NH₂)₂ (4)
- 26 The cry of the wild goose (4)

IRONBANK CHERRY GARDENS FOOTBALL CLUB

Season 2023 is now done and for our club it was one that was full of challenges even before the season began. Bridgewater footy club wanting us to merge due to their own issues and we agreeing to operating in 2023 under a memorandum of understanding was the start. Losing our

senior coach late in 2022 due to the merger and then having to find a new coach at short notice and then having that coach resign after just a handful of games did not help.

Finding out that most of the Bridgewater players had opted to transfer to other clubs rather than play with us across the senior and junior teams came as another big surprise and then also only having a couple of Bridgewater volunteers willing to work with us meant we were very much on our own.

Throughout the season all the players did their best during the games, the coaches worked hard and our committee and volunteers stepped up to the challenge and off the field we had a sensational year.

At our end of season presentations we recognised all the players, coaches and volunteers who make our club such a family friendly and great club to be a part of.

One of the highest recognitions we award to our club volunteers is Life Membership. This year we recognised 2 great servants of the club who have both put in more than 20 years each in a number of roles including Coaching and Trainers. Andrew Price and Kym Hulme were added to the small list of Life Members and we thank them for their service to the club.



Andrew Price and Kym Hulme with their Life Membership certificates

We also have what we call Sporting Life Membership which recognises volunteers who put in 10 years of service to the club and/or 150 senior football games. This year we recognised Thomas Watton into this club after achieving his 150th senior game for the club on the last game. Thomas has been with the club through juniors and was the joint captain of the B's this season. He is a dual premiership player and club stalwart.



Thomas Watton with his Sporting Life Membership certificate

So, with the season over this year, we look to 2024 and there will be many other monumental changes.

We have applied to transfer from the Hills Football League to the Southern Football League. Because of our location we tend to recruit more and more of our players from the southern suburbs and the club held a Special General Meeting and our members voted positively on this transfer.

So while we are definitely still a Adelaide Hills Football team it looks like we will be playing our away games in the foot hill suburbs such as Flagstaff Hill, Happy Valley, Reynella, Morphett Vale, all the way down to Aldinga (which it turns out is only 5 minutes further away than Lobethal).

We have already appointed a new coach and we are recruiting already. If you know any kids who want to start or continue their football career at a great club then get in contact with us.

Thanks to all our volunteers, players and members who work hard for the club each year.

Don

MORE WASHINGTON POST

The Washington Post's Style Invitational also asked readers to take any word from the dictionary, alter it by adding, subtracting or changing one letter, and supply a new definition. Here are some of this year's winners:

Bozone (N): The substance surrounding stupid people that stops bright ideas from penetrating. The bozone layer, unfortunately, shows little sign of breaking down in the near future.

Foreploys (V): Any misrepresentation about yourself for the purpose of getting laid.

Cashtration (N): The act of buying a house, which renders the subject financially impotent for an indefinite period.

Giraffiti (N): Vandalism spray-painted very, very high.

Sarchasm (N): The gulf between the author of sarcastic wit and the person who doesn't get it.

Inoculatte (V): To take coffee intravenously when you are running late.

Hipatitis (N): Terminal coolness.

Osteopornosis (N): A degenerate disease (this one got extra credit).

Beelzebg (N): Satan in the form of a mosquito that gets into your bedroom at three in the morning and cannot be cast out.

Decafalon (N): The grueling event of getting through the day consuming only things that are good for you.

Glibido (V): All talk and no action.

Dopeler effect (N) The tendency of stupid ideas to seem smarter when they come at you rapidly.

Arachnoleptic fit (N): The frantic dance performed just after you've accidentally walked through a spider web.

Caterpallor (N): The colour you turn after finding half a grub in the fruit you're eating.

Ignoranus (N): A person who is both stupid and an asshole.

Onkaparinga Now



Beat the heat

Residents are being urged to prepare for heatwaves and hot weather ahead of drier and warmer conditions.

Planning now could save lives—that’s the message residents are being urged to heed as experts predict drier and warmer conditions in spring and summer.

While the predictions—following unprecedented northern hemisphere wildfires and record-breaking heat, are alarming—City of Onkaparinga’s Senior Emergency Management Officer, Neal McDonald, says they’re a reminder to make sure you’re prepared.

“We’re entering a period of increased bushfire risk, and heatwaves cause more deaths in Australia than any other natural hazard,” Neal says.

“Thankfully there’s lots we can do to care for ourselves and vulnerable family and friends.”

“For hot weather, getting organised can mean monitoring heatwave warnings; making your home cooler through awnings, shade cloths or cooling units; and planning to avoid going out during the hottest parts of the day.

“If you don’t have air conditioning, Onkaparinga’s libraries and community centres provide safe and welcoming spaces where you can shelter.

“Stay connected by planning to check on family, friends or neighbours that are at particular risk; know the signs of heat-related illness such as dehydration; and identify your support network, including those who can help you during a heatwave.”

To prepare for bushfires, advice includes creating a bushfire plan; reducing and

removing vegetation from around your property; packing an emergency kit; and staying informed via multiple sources of emergency warning information.

Local community-led disaster resilience groups bring residents together to better support each other and prepare their community for emergencies.

The Cherry Gardens group is supported by council thanks to a South Australian Fire and Emergency Services Commission grant. Contact council’s Community Connections Officer – Resilience on 8384 0666 for more information.

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Charity quilters to reach 1000-quilt milestone

An Aberfoyle Park quilters group will donate its 1000th quilt to charity by the end the year. Since starting in 2017, the Stitches in the Hills Charity Group has made and donated quilts to a range of children’s, domestic violence, palliative care and First Nations charities and services.

Group coordinator Diane Aldridge said reaching the milestone of 1000 quilts was a team effort by a wonderful, skilled group of retired women aged from 70 to 85.

“We started the group six years ago with six people, and now there are 13 of us who meet in my home every fortnight to cut fabric, sew and pin the quilt layers together,” she said.

“Right from the start the idea was to be a charity, giving quilts away, while providing a way for our quilters to stay physically and mentally active.”

Diane said the feedback the group received could bring tears to your eyes. She recalled the story of a palliative care patient in Flinders Medical Centre.

“The woman was a quilter. She was in the last days of dying of a brain tumour and she had lost her sight,” said Diane.

“Her husband sat with her as she lay in bed with the quilt and described its colours and design. They sat there together and cried.”

There is also the story of a Stolen Generations healing camp run by Relationships Australia.

“We were asked to make quilts for the Indigenous people attending the camp.

The finished quilts were placed on the beds of every participant,” said Diane.

“We were told that the participants couldn’t believe that the quilts were theirs to keep and take home and that people cared.”

The group donates quilts to the Variety SA Bash, an annual convoy heading into the South Australian countryside.

“The quilts are given to children along the way, mainly those who are disadvantaged or are living with disability. So many of them are in need and they can be isolated,” said Diane.

“Variety has told us that the quilts not only keep the children warm but bring real smiles to their faces.”

The group has also donated quilts to Ronald McDonald House, the Childhood Cancer Association and domestic violence services such as Coolock House.

The group members give their time, creativity and work, but their success is also due to donations of fabric and money to buy materials.

“It’s all worth it. We don’t do it for the thanks, we do it because we love it, and we’ll all keep doing what we’re doing while we’re still upright!”

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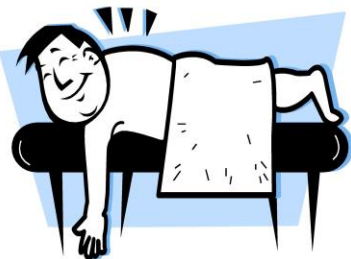
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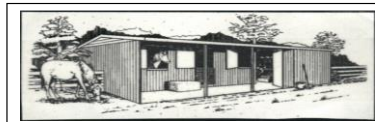
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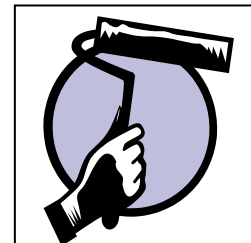
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