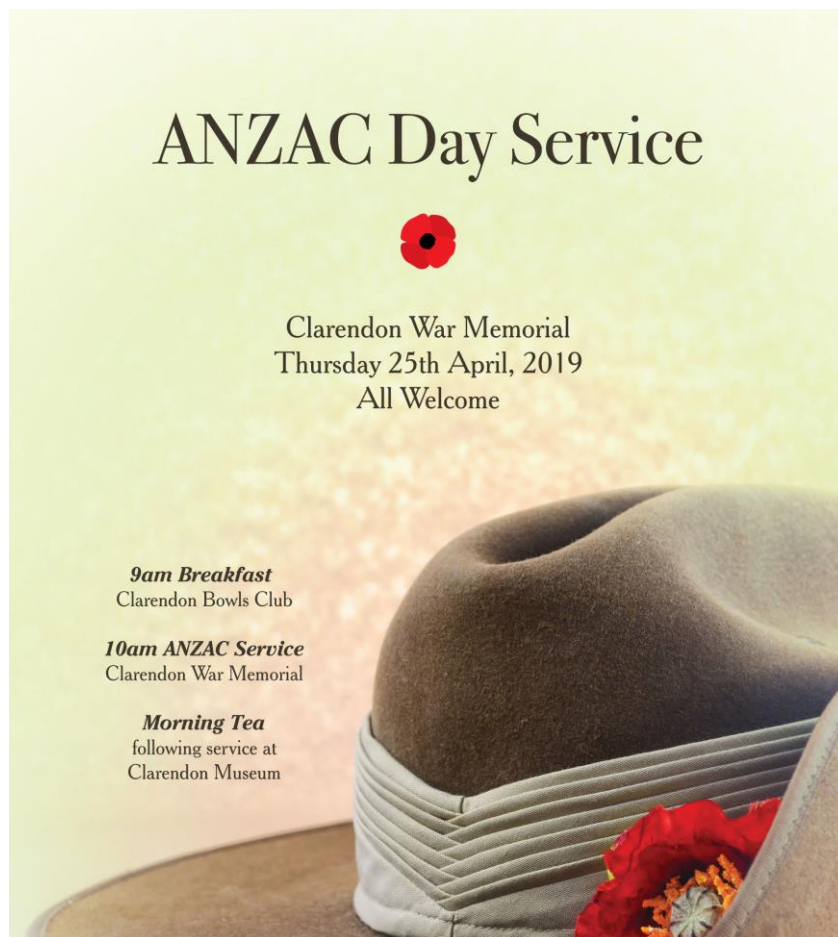


April 2019 eNews

The Clarendon Community is invited to commemorate our local boys at the Clarendon Anzac Day Service.

This service has grown impressively over the past years under the guidance of Jo Horsnell and her team from the Historic Hall and Museum Committee. We sincerely thank for them for their organisation of past Anzac Day services. This year the Clarendon Community Association has formed a sub-committee under the leadership of Gavin Fisher to organise this important event. Thank you to all who have contributed to this significant occasion for the Clarendon Community.



Community Calendar

3rd April 2019

Clarendon Community Association meeting – all welcome at 7.30pm in the hall

10th April 2019

Clarendon Historic Hall & Museum meeting – all welcome at 7.30pm in the historic hall

25th April 2019

Clarendon Community Anzac Day commemoration

9am – Barbeque breakfast at the Clarendon Bowling Club.

10am – commemoration ceremony at the Anzac Memorial.

Everyone is welcome to stay and share a community morning tea

19th & 26th May 2019

History month at Historic Hall and Museum – Bridging the Onkaparinga

21st July 2019

Clarendon Bridge –celebrating 100 years

Clarendon Netball Club

Summer Netball 2018/19

Summer season saw Clarendon Netball club enter teams into the competition at Southern United Netball Association, Morphett Vale.

Our teams consisted of 2x 11's and under, 5x intermediate and 4x seniors for a total of 13 teams.

We had 3 teams make finals with our Inters 1 (purple) team going on to win the Grand Final.

ANZAC DAY Breakfast: 9am at the Clarendon Bowling Club – All welcome

Winter Netball 2019

Trials have been held and team placements have been announced. Training is due to start over the next week. This season, we will have 8x senior and 12x junior teams.

Important dates:

Saturday 27th April – first game of the new season

Saturday 24th August – Preliminary finals

Saturday 31st August – Semi finals

Saturday 7th September – Grand finals



Will be hosting a bacon & egg BBQ breakfast before
Clarendon Anzac Day Service
9am at Clarendon Bowls Club
(Oval Road Clarendon)

Gold Coin Donation, with all proceeds going



to the Anzac Appeal

BBQ will finish at 9.45am with time to walk up to Anzac
Day Service in Clarendon for 10am.

ALL WELCOME



Autumn is upon us here in Clarendon. We look forward to cool evenings, the colours of autumn in the main street, open fires and toasting marshmallows, we most of all look forward to some rain to fill our creeks and rivers.



Monthly rainfall

March 2019 9.8mm

Rained over 6 days

Year to date rain 24.4mm

Rained over 14 days

March 2018 11.8mm

Rained over 5 days

Year to date 2018 32.4mm

Rained over 20 days

Thanks to our very own rain man Bill Jarrad

Clarendon Primary School News

It has been a very busy start to the new school year at Clarendon Primary School.

We have begun the school year with 106 enrolments, which is an exciting number for our small school.

We have welcomed some new faces to our school in 2019 including David Hodges as Principal, Stacey Roach as Reception/Year 1 teacher and our delightful 13 new Reception students, who were welcomed to the school on their first-day with our traditional "Rose Ceremony." This included a receiving a rose from one of our Year 7 students and being walked to class on their own for the first time.

Our school has already celebrated a few other significant events including the introduction of our Student Representative Council by our local MP Josh Teague and the highly successful Elders Day celebrated on world Harmony Day on March 21st. At this event we had over 100 family and friends visit our school and spend time with the students playing "pioneer games" from yesteryear. After lunch the students and their "elders" spent time designing their very own Harmony Day square, which was later collected and collated to create our Harmony Day "patchwork" design symbolising togetherness and community.

Next week we look forward to our annual Sports Day with our BBQ dinner kindly cooked by our friends next door, the wonderful Clarendon CFS!



Onkaparinga Gorge River Walk

Just on our doorstep is the beautiful Onkaparinga Gorge. There is a rewarding walk down to the river bed that can be accessed from Pink Gum Camp Ground on Chapel Hill Road. Following the walking trail from the car park you will reach a fenced in area at the edge of the cliff.

Entering the fenced area there are two walks.

One to the right of the seating will take you down steep steps to a flattened earth platform half way down the cliff where rock climbers have a starting point for a short cliff face climb. Here there are scenic vistas of the gorge in both directions. The path at the end is unfenced so it is important that children are closely supervised.



The second trail to the left heads down to the riverbed. It's neither especially steep nor difficult and meanders its way down a small valley until you reach the river. The cliffs in the gorge can then be seen in all their glory. You can explore up and down the river depending how much water is present. It's well worth a visit.

Clarendon Community Association News

The CCA remain active in advocacy with main engagements:

- Continue to support the court users in their ongoing negotiations with council regards lighting, safety and emergency access of the courts
- Continue to seek clarification, pursue a resolution and monitor the town planning / zoning matter
- Driving towards a master plan for Riverbend Park precinct where all stakeholders are engaged
- By better understanding, patience and engagement improve the relationship with City Of Onkaparinga

The newly formed and dedicated hall committee is making good progress toward better outcomes at the Hall and establishing best practice outcomes for all parties (well done).

We have the honour this year of coordinating the Anzac Day commemoration and the special purpose sub-committee is being well led by Mr Gavin Fisher and we hope to do a job as good as the Historic Hall and Museum committee that was brilliantly led for many years by Mrs Jo Horsnell.

The CCA and the executive are all motivated to improving the communication between all Clarendon stakeholders and we acknowledge we can all do better – so should there be any matter that we need or should be involved in please let one of us know.

The CCA is a community forum for advocacy for making Clarendon a better place to visit, to do business, play, grow, work, learn and live. There are many matters, on which we cannot take a formal position, be involved in or even agree with, but we do encourage all members, residents and stakeholders to do so; together we can and do make things better by doing.

Thanks to Petrah and Bianca for the last two months for keeping things moving in my absence.

Welcome to all new residents and we look forward to new faces in the community.

Mark

'Welcome to Clarendon Booklet'

The CCA is currently working on publishing a welcome to Clarendon booklet to hand out to new residents.

We plan to have this booklet available at the General Store and other venues in the village.

This booklet will provide an overview of the services, businesses, clubs and associations within our small community as well as places of interest and of course a warm welcome.

We are working hard to ensure all businesses are listed with their basic information – name, address and contact details. However if you would like to place a small advertisement please contact me news@clarendon.org.au

Welcome to the Clarendon Community

..... Clarendon is a warm, caring, friendly and inclusive community. We look forward to meeting you and your family and ensuring you feel welcomed into our community.

Take your time to discover all that Clarendon has to offer through this Welcome to Clarendon booklet.



Clarendon Historic Hall and Museum

On July 17th the Clarendon Bridge will be 100 years old



In 1851 there was no bridge over the Onkaparinga River and when the river was in flood people living on the other side had to wait until the flood waters receded when they could cross by bullock dray. The local school teacher supported by the doctor thought this most unsatisfactory and complained to the Central Road Board who agreed to build a bridge. The new wooden bridge with stone abutments and approaches cost 4916 pounds, 9 shillings and 1 penny. In 1858 the bridge was opened with great ceremony which included a procession from the hotel led by a band.

This bridge was replaced by the present concrete structure and was opened in July 1919 by the Hon E.A. Anstey. It came in under budget at 2000 pounds instead of the estimated 3000 pounds much to the delight of all concerned. Things must have been very different in those days!

Local resident Geoff Webster's great grandfather, his wife and 3 children were moving with all their belongings from Goodwood to take up residence in Clarendon when they were stopped at the bridge where the opening ceremony was taking place. Although somewhat difficult to see, they are in the photo.

Our bridge has an interesting history. During World War II guards were stationed at each end of the bridge in sentry boxes. Holes were bored in the bridge ready to blow it up if there was an invasion. It was thought any invasion would come from the south.

Some of the local lads placed coins in the old wooden bridge which they salvaged when it was pulled down. The same boys left their mark by placing the salvaged coins in the new bridge - wonder where they are!

A section of the old wooden bridge was retained and kept at the Recreation ground until recently when it was shifted to the stables at the Historic Hall. Come and have a look at an important piece of our history.

Jo Horsnell

The Clarendon Historic Hall and Museum is open on the last Sunday of each month 1pm – 4pm.

Remember May History Month we will open on Sunday 19th May and Sunday 26th May 2019.



The focus of History month will be a special display 'Bridging the Onkaparinga' in preparation for the bridge's 100 year anniversary in July.





The 'concrete' Clarendon Bridge is 100 years old this year. The CCA, with assistance from Clarendon Museum and Clarendon Primary School, are planning a community event to be held at Riverbend Park on the 21st of July. The details and activities are still being formalised so please watch this space for more information.

In preparation for the centenary Bridge celebrations, members of the Clarendon community met with local MP for Heysen, Josh Teague, to discuss the shabby appearance of our bridge. All parties agreed that the bridge was in dire need of a facelift, but remedial works would not be completed in time to coincide with celebrations. We are hoping that between the council, our local MP's team and the community, we can at least make the approaches to the bridge and it's surrounds as nice as possible for the big day. We would like to acknowledge the member for Heysen and his staff for how helpful and receptive they have been in assisting with celebration preparations so far.

Please mark the event down in your calendars, for it's shaping up to be a great event that will bring the whole community all together.



Ruth Williams, Jo Horsnell, Tom Millar, Josh Teague, Brad Pickford meet to discuss the bridges 100 anniversary

Stories, photos and more

If you have any information on the bridge's 100 history the Historic Hall and Museum Committee would love to hear from you. As you are aware the museum has gathered a lot of interesting information however we are always keen to receive more.

Please email Ruth secretary@history.clarendon.org.au

The 100 year bridge celebration will be on Sunday 21st July 2019 and more details will be available soon.

... According to a researcher this design of the bridge, by DV Fleming was replicated in a number of locations, including along the Torrens Gorge Road. Fleming was at this time the Assistant Engineer for Roads and Bridges, and he later became the first Commissioner of Highways. With its deep arch, the Clarendon Bridge more closely resembles Batchelor's Bridge which is now submerged in the Kangaroo Creek reservoir.

Hello from Clarendon CFS – Goodbye to Clarendon 14!



Welcome to our latest appliance

Clarendon CFS took possession our second new truck in 15 months. We can actually see where our Emergency Service Levy money is going! Clarendon 14 was purchased by the brigade some 20 odd years ago from funds raised by the community. It was sad to see her go but she was very tired!

Incidents this month (March 2019)

It has been a busy month overall. Mt Compass and Langhorne Creek needed our support. Other incidents included an MVA, a tree down and assistance with a helicopter landing.

Thank you to all our wonderful members who give up their time, not only for 'call outs' but also for the many 'day to day maintenance and upkeep' but also to the hours spent raising funds to purchase equipment that we would ordinarily not be able to purchase.

Fundraising

The Clarendon CFS is planning to purchase new Thermal Imaging Camera and an external defibrillator for our new truck.

Something to think about?

Even though fire season is coming towards an end (April 30th) – don't forget that our weather patterns are such that the bushfire risk is still there. Please make sure you are prepared.

You are always welcome!

We are always there every Monday night (not PH) from 6.30pm – you would always be welcome to see what we do. You can always join us – that way you would learn valuable skills to protect yourself, your family and your pets and property. Keep safe!

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Brigade Captain
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2019 Clarendon Branch of the Agricultural Bureau

The Clarendon Branch of the Agricultural Bureau March 2019 meeting was an open discussion by the group on the 2019 Grape Vintage. Most grape growing members advised that their yields were down significantly but the quality was extremely good.

While a few grape growing members said vintage was slightly down on expectations however the quality was very good.

The meeting continued with an opportunity for members to talk about their ancestors and how they arrived in Australia. One particular story related to a members parents and grandparents and how they were treated by the Russians which caused them to flee their native country and eventually settle in Australia.

This story was extremely interesting and very moving.

Tony Fagg
President
Clarendon Branch of the
Agricultural Bureau



Angel Gully Vineyard in Clarendon

Farewell to Dottie & Jay Allen from Turners Gully

Dottie and Jay Allen have lived at 62 Turners Gully Road for 45 years.

As a young couple they decided to set up home in Clarendon with their young son Tim. They immersed themselves in community life, becoming members of the Community Hall Committee, working hard to maintain the newly acquired hall at the corner of Potters Road and Grants Gully Road, now the Clarendon Community Hall. Dottie helped with many fund-raising events held in the hall and had back up support from Jay. Young Tim went to Clarendon Primary School and played sport with the local clubs.

In the early 1980's the Clarendon Community Association was formed and Dottie and Jay were both active on the committee which continued to manage the hall. Clarendon Country markets were formed and again both were heavily involved with the set up and running of these monthly events in the Community Hall. Dottie held her own stall selling her beautiful silver jewellery and became well known for her gum leaf earrings and pendants.

They were active in helping to get the construction of the wooden footbridge under way and heavily involved in the development of the Bicentennial Park opposite the bakery in the main street. At that time the land was owned by the community and the footbridge was important to enable the school children to walk safely to school. There was a lot of time put in by the community in the planning and funding of the bridge. Jay oversaw regular working bees and was able to get a program up and running to construct stonewalls and install general garden work to beautify the area. The job was made much easier by using Community Service Order labourers. A small contingent of men would arrive every fortnight who worked off un-paid fines and the like by working hours of community service. The Bicentennial Park and wooden footbridge are now owned and maintained by the City of Onkaparinga.

Jay and Dottie have worked hard in our community over the years and its only in recent years that their community involvement has understandably waned.

We wish Dottie and Jay well in the next phase of their lives in sunny Queensland where they will be living close to their son Tim.

Do you have news to share with the community?



The eNews is a community newsletter. It is for locals to read and for locals to contribute. I'd love to share more relevant and interesting news with our readers however rely on community members sharing their stories with me.

The eNews is published at the beginning of each month. Reminders are sent to all community members and groups who have expressed an interest in contributing to the eNews about the 22nd of the previous month. This allows about a week for information to be sent in and collated. I am happy to write up the story if you are pressed for time. A summary or even bullet points will do. I am also happy to use PDF's.



If you would like to contribute to the eNews please email: news@clarendon.org.au

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