

## February 'Clarry' eNews



## **CFS Clarendon**

## The past 2 months

While it is customary to wish everyone a Happy New Year, it is so very difficult to think of this given what we have all witnessed of late. So much devastation and loss at a time that is usually 'happy'. Despite this, it is the willingness of people to come together and help each other never ceases to amaze me.

As you can imagine, Clarendon CFS has been exceptionally busy even before fire season began with members volunteering their time and skills to help out in NSW. Edithburgh, Moana, Cudlee Creek, Kangaroo Island and even our own patch has seen members putting in many long hours both initially and for many days afterwards. The support for the CFS in general has been overwhelming and while it is very much appreciated – we don't expect it.

Sue Leslie – Brigade Captain Clarendon CFS

To Sue and all the local CFS crew, on behalf of the Clarendon Community - thank you

## **Community Calendar**



## Wednesday 6th February 2020

<u>Clarendon Community Association</u> <u>Meeting</u>

7.30pm – all welcome at the Clarendon Community Hall

## Wednesday 19th February 2020

Clarendon Museum Meeting

9.30am – all welcome at the Historic

Hall and Museum



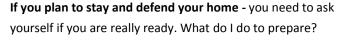
## Clarendon rainfall summary

December 2019	23.8mm
December 2018	38.0mm
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Annual rainfall 2019	616.8mm
Annual rainfall 2018	604.0mm
January 2020	42.8mm
January 2019	nil
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2020	40.2mm

Thank you to our very own rain-man Bill Jared







**Is your house defendable?** The CFS website 'prepare for a fire' will tell you what you need to do.

From a physical aspect – start hydrating as soon as you get up. Have a good breakfast. Make sure you have light clothing that covers your entire body including goggles, mask and hat. Sounds crazy to wear all of this on a really hot day – but look at what we wear – it is for a reason!



## Do you have a Home Fire Kit for every member?

Each family member's kit could contain:

- Light clothing (cotton) to cover the entire body.
- Hat
- Cotton scarf to cover nose/mouth.
- Shoes and socks
- Gloves
- Bottled drinking water
- Torch with spare batteries
- High calorie/glucose snacks



## Another kit for the family could contain:

- Battery operated radio with spare batteries
- Walkie talkies if you have a large property
- Woollen blankets
- Super soaker and ladder to access 'man hole' and manage embers in roof space
- Pet supplies (dish for water/lead or harness/cage or carrier)
- Additional drinking water
- 10 buckets and 10 towels (for water at every window for ember attack).



## Have a plan for the 'what if' the

- Fire pump doesn't work on the day?
- Heat is so intense that it destroys hoses and pipes?
- Roads are blocked due to fallen trees and prevents your escape?
- Electricity is turned off?
- Phone services don't work?



## What does the Clarendon CFS do to prepare when we know a bad day is coming?

The first thing we do is start hydrating ourselves. A good guide as a minimum and if we were doing nothing at all is 1ml/kg/hr. If you weigh 80kg - you would need to drink a minimum of 80x24 - so almost 2 litres of fluid just to meet the basic needs of the body. When we are firefighting we are told to drink 1 litre per hour!! We also have regular snacks of glucose or high carbohydrate source such as muesli bars when we are working.

We will also have regular snacks throughout the day.

We may be on 'active standby' at the station – not always though. This means that we would have a crew at the station, dressed and ready to go. Our equipment (including our trucks) is checked every week to make sure it works on the day. We have our pagers and we have an 'app' that tells us who is able to respond on the day.

PLEASE consider the physical (are you fit enough?) and the psychological impact (do you really know how loud it will be? How dark it will be?) I strongly encourage to all to look at the link I have provided: https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/site/prepare for a fire/bushfire belief busters.jsp

## If you plan to go early on the day

This is something that I thought of and would like to implement. Leave your wheelie bin at the entrance to your property or driveway (off to one side) with a few cloths/tea towels or something tied to the handle. This will let SAPOL and CFS know if you have chosen to leave your home.

## Do you have a bushfire Car Kit?

My daughter regularly travels from Clarendon to Echunga to see her horses. The potential to get caught in a fire when traveling is possible. In her car kit I have placed

- Woollen blankets
- Torch with spare batteries
- Drinking water
- Heavy clothing/mask/goggles/hat

## Please! Please! Be safe and ready!

Sue Leslie **Brigade Captain** 0423 969 817

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A fuel break is an area where vegetation has been reduced to lessen the risk of bushfires starting or spreading.

Fuel breaks, also referred to as fire breaks, can provide protection from fire for people, equipment and property, as well as providing an edge from which fire crews can fight fires. It is recommended that if you live in a bushfire risk area that you carry out seasonal fuel reductions in the cooler months to maintain a defendable space around your property.

There are several ways to make fuel breaks around vour home.

#### Grazing

If you own livestock, strategic grazing of selected areas of your property can be very effective in reducing vegetation.

#### Slashing or mowing

This is an economical way of creating a fuel break providing the cut material is removed and allowed to rot down well before summer

These breaks will need to be maintained throughout the year.

#### Ploughing and harrowing

Ploughing and harrowing can produce excellent fuel breaks if established early.

### Herbicides

Herbicides are another option if other methods are too difficult.

Herbicides can be sprayed around properties, alongside fence lines and around fuel supplies.

## **Native Vegetation Clearance**

The Native Vegetation Council (NVC) is the lead authority on what vegetation can and can't be cleared without approval.

If you are concerned that native vegetation poses a threat to your home you can find more information via the NVC website: www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/native-

vegetation

Fact sheets on CFS website as follows: https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/site/resources/fac t sheets.jsp



## **Clarendon Community Cricket Championship**



This Australia Day, the first Clarendon Cricket Championship took place at Clarendon Oval. The weather was perfect, and all of those who attended had a great time either playing cricket or enjoying a nice cold beverage in the shade spectating. The winning partnership was Heath and Finn on 31 runs. Special thanks to the CCA, the City of Onkaparinga and Greg McMaster for their support in getting the event off the ground. We will look to hold the event around the same time next year so standby to lock it into your social calendars for 2021.



Thank you to Brad for organising this event – a huge effort!

## A snapshot of the day ....









Well done to Heath and Finn winners of the inaugural 2020 Clarendon Cricket Championship



## Clarendon Netball Club February News

Clarendon Netball club has been busy preparing for the winter 2020 season with Southern Hills Netball Association. We are hosting a 'Registration and Information Day' on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 at the Clarendon Netball Club courts (Oval Rd, Clarendon), for old and new members to see what's going on in 2020. Trials for our U11 – B-Grade players are being held on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February. It's not too late to register – email our Coaching Coordinator, Steve (cnccoachingcoordinator@gmail.com) or head to our Facebook page for more details!

## Clarendon Agricultural Bureau

There have been no meetings since the last eNews however they assure me they will be back for our March edition!



## **Clarendon Community Christmas**



A massive thank you to the organisers of the Clarendon Community Christmas
It was a beautiful evening and many families came to enjoy the carols, sausage sizzle, beautiful home made baked goods (Clarendon Kindy), music and community comradery.
Thank you the Clarendon Community Association Events
Community. Make sure this in your events calendar for this year!

#### **Coro Continental Meats**



Special thanks to Coro Meats for donating the jumping castle for our event. Hours of fun for our active Clarendon Children!



## State Planning reform

## **Public Consultation - Draft Planning and Design Code**

The State Planning Commission (the Commission) has now released the draft Planning and Design Code (Code) for public consultation which commenced **Tuesday 1 October 2019**.

#### **Background**

The State Planning Commission (SPC) and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) have prepared a single set of planning 'rules' for assessing development applications across the state, known as the Planning and Design Code (the Code). The Code will replace the councils Onkaparinga Development Plan.

The Code is being implemented in three stages, on July 2019 the Code in the outback (Land Not Within a Council Area) commenced and then progressing to the Code in regional areas (Regional Councils April 2020), before moving to the Code in metropolitan areas (Greater Adelaide Councils mid-2020 which will affect the City of Onkaparinga).

**Current Consultation of the Draft Planning and Design Code (Code)** 

Consultation by the Commission for both Phase Two (Rural) and Phase Three (Urban) council areas has commenced together in order to provide councils and community with a view of the whole Code:

Phase 3 (Urban) is the iteration of the Code relevant to the City of Onkaparinga and will be on consultation from 1 October 2019 to 28 February 2020.

We have been advised by the Commission that community, business and council engagement activities will occur throughout the consultation period, commencing with rural areas in October and moving onto metropolitan and greater Adelaide areas in November.

A Commission <u>engagement plan</u> is now available on the SA Planning Portal. A number of supporting materials have been produced by the Commission to help navigate and review the draft Code, including:

Code packages specific to each council area

Common Development Assessment example scenarios

A detailed guide on the code for practitioners

Community materials including a plain English guide, fact sheets and FAQs An electronic submission form.

A copy of the Code, supporting information, an event calendar and an online submission form are available from the SA Planning Portal: https://www.saplanningportal.sa.gov.au/have\_your\_say.

While you are encouraged to make an individual submission on the draft Code, Council will also be undertaking a detailed review and analysis of the Code followed by formal reporting and response on the Code.....

 $\underline{\text{https://www.onkaparingacity.com/Planning-and-development/State-Planning-reform}}$ 

The Clarendon Community Association has been working closely with the Onkaparinga Council on the changes this new code will bring (and the implications for Clarendon) however if you would like to know more and have an independent say then please follow the above links.

# Clarendon Community Association...... working together for our community.

Would you like to know more about local issues or keep up to date on what is happening in Clarendon?

The Clarendon Community
Association meets on the first
Wednesday of each month and
everyone is welcome to attend.
We are always looking for new
members! There is an annual
subscription of \$10 which will entitle
you to vote on all local issues. You
can pay your annual fee via Bank
Transfer. Please use your first initial
and last name as a reference.

**Account Name:** Clarendon Community Association

**BSB:** 105 078

**Account Number: 306 903 340** 

You are encouraged to become part of a vibrant community organisation & have a say in local issues and

## Have you seen the new Clarendon Community Association website?



www.clarendon.org.au

This site will be developed further as we hope to make this a one stop shop for all local issues. Visit the website to keep up to date with community events planned for the year ahead, read the Clarry eNews online, catch up with the minutes from the Clarendon Association meetings or use the community services directory to find your local tradesperson.





## TUCKERBOX STOCK FEEDS

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## **Advertisements**

Would you like to place an advertisement in the Clarendon eNews?

Please email <u>news@clarendon.org.au</u> for details

## **Clarendon Community Hall**



The hall is available to hire to local community groups and people.

Email enquiries to hallhire@cca.clarendon.org.au

Clarendon Community Association
Meetings are held on the first
Wednesday each month at
7.30pm in the hall. Everyone is
welcome to attend.

## Welcome to Clarendon

If you are new to Clarendon then we offer you a warm welcome and encourage you to become part of the local community. There is a Welcome to Clarendon booklet available at the General Store for all new residents. Please call in to see Gavin.

### Clarendon website

We have a new website. Go and visit to find out all the up to day information. We have an events calendar; all the minutes and agendas are here as is the Clarry News.

## Clarendon History buffs

Clarendon may be small but we have a long and interesting history. The Clarendon Historic Hall and Museum is a treasure trove of historical information and is open on the last Sunday of each month.

