

## January 2024



Come along and say goodbye to summer with all your neighbours at Riverbend Park. Bring a picnic, bring a blanket and come join us!

#### **Tour Down Under**

Clarendon was dressed in its finest blue and white to cheer on the riders on the Tour Down Under in January. This year we had 3 races through our village. It was great to see the main street decorated, people on the footpaths cheering the cyclists on and how much fun to see our village and the neighbourhood broadcast across the world? I think we looked great! Thanks to Dave and Glen (and all the helpers) for organising this event. Also thanks to the City of Onkaparinga for their support.



Clarendon was voted second best dressed town – great work!

## **Community Calendar**



Clarendon Community Association Committee meeting

Wednesday 7 February 2024

Clarendon Historic Hall & Museum General Meeting – 7.30pm Wednesday 14 February 2024

Clarendon Agricultural Meeting Third Thursday of each month Hazel McKenzie Hall – 7.30pm

**Clarendon Community Summer Fling** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024

## Clarendon Rainfall Summary



December 2023	90.8mm
Days of rain	12 days
December 2022	14.4mm
Days of rain	8 days
Year to date 2023	822.6mm
Days of rain	158 days
Year to date 2022	815.4mm
January 2024	53.6mm
Days of rain	6 days
January 2023	31mm
Recent wet year 2016.	1128.8mm

Thank you to our very own rain-man Bill Jared

## Clarendon Cricket Championship 2024

Another year and another beautiful day was dished up for the annual cricket match. Every year our numbers grow both in the crowd and also on the field. The kids were heavily involved this year with record numbers taking to the field and the bat. It's a great location and atmosphere to meet your fellow community members, to share a few drinks and nibbles in the outer. Louise Fry's sausage rolls were a huge hit again this year, so too were Louise Pickford's vegetarian sausage rolls, as they went in a flash to huge praise too. For all those who have never been, or haven't been for a while, come join us next year on Australia Day.

The results for the day...

#### Winners Mick & Will on 46 runs

Craig & Eil 39 runs
Finn & Nic 28 runs
Ruby & Heath 25 runs
Dylan & Chris 22 runs
Chris & Mason 22 runs
Bernard & Brad 14 runs
Glen & Max 12 runs
James & Leo 7 runs
Sinera & Stella 6 runs
Joe & Crosby 2 runs
Anna & Luise -3 runs
Darwin & Nonno -4 runs
Ella & Heather -10 runs







Thanks to Brad for organising this event once again

#### Santos Tour Down Under









Thanks to Brad from No Anchovies for these photos



## Clarendon Uniting Church welcomes Rev Carol

We are delighted to welcome Carol as Pastor for 1.5 days per week at our Clarendon Uniting Church. Carol was inducted on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024. She is available for Church and Community requirements. She is looking forward to fulfilling this position.

Carol was raised in Clarendon and attended the local school. She has already been active in our community by assisting at last year's Anzac Service, the Community Christmas Carols event and several other Community occasions.



I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Carol Chambers. I am the new Minister of Clarendon Uniting Church. As I like to have a welcoming, open and approachable ministry, I would welcome anyone to come and have a coffee and chat with me. A board will be put out the front of the church to let any interested people know that I am in my 'office' in the church. I would love to meet you!

In the meantime, if there is anyone who would like any help at any point, please do not hesitate to contact me. My mobile number is on the Notice Board at the front of the church.

Blessings to you all.

Rev Carol. 😊



#### Clarendon Christmas Carols

Thanks to the Uniting Church and the Clarendon Community Association for once again organising the Christmas Carols in Riverbend Park.

Another lovely relaxing evening was enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to the folk from Uniting Church for the sausage sizzle. The children enjoyed the jumping castle and of course a visit from Santa and a zooper dooper treat!



Thanks for organising this event again Gavin and Brad & the Uniting Church folk.

#### Community Op Shop Volunteers

Also, a thank you to the volunteers at the Clarendon Community Op Shop. The Uniting Church received \$1000 disbursement in December which will be used for Pastoral Care.

#### **Events and Activities**

Onkaparinga Youth provides programs and activities for young people aged 8-25 years with a focus on recreation, arts, music and leadership/capacity building. There are 3 Youth Centres across Onkaparinga.

- Base 10 Reynella
- Studio 20 Aldinga
- Wardlie Youth Centre Christie Downs

For more information visit the following website:

https://www.onkaparingacity.com/Co mmunity-facilities-support/Youth

#### All things weather & climate

This is a new CSIRO and the Bureau of Meteorology platform sharing climate change information for Australian farmers and producers to better help them understand the risks and opportunities facing them over the next 50 years.

Check out Clarendon rainfall and more details, if you select a commodity ie vines it adds more climate information on growth variables.

https://myclimateview.com.au/

### Welcome to Laina & her family

My name is Laina Leuenberger, I've moved to Angel Gully Rd in the past 6 months with my family from Sydney. I thought the newsletter could be a good chance to let the community know that I'm a freelance araphic designer, offering online and offline services such as logo and brand creation, website design, social media assets, all printed business needs (stationary, large format/shop front signage etc). My website lainalea.com.au and I can be reached at hello@lainalea.com.au. I have a greeting cards business and will be stocking a range of Valentine's Day cards in the General Store very soon!



#### Clarendon CFS

Incidents this month - very quiet overall

#### Please! Please! Be safe and ready!

The fire season is nowhere near over, and you must remember to have your bush fire plan in place! Remember – a fire that has started many kilometres away can deposit embers and start a brand-new fire – in your backyard!

What will you do? Be Bushfire Ready (cfs.sa.gov.au)

The CFS website will provide information about current incidents and where they are happening - Incidents & warnings - CFS.

Another useful site that we use in the GRN paging website SAGRN Paging CFS (sacfs.org)

This will show you all of the CFS brigades that have been paged plus the details of where and what they are responding to.

# How do you plan for something when you don't know what you're planning for?

This time of year, my focus as brigade captain is to ensure the brigade is ready for fire season. This includes preparing ourselves and our equipment and our surroundings. But what about you – are you really ready?

Ask your self – what would I do if:

- the fire pump doesn't work on the day
- the heat is so intense that it destroys hoses and pipes
- the roads are blocked due to fallen trees that prevents your escape
- the electricity is turned off
- Phone services don't work

**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?)

If you are not sure – please plan to leave early on the days where bushfire conditions will be 'extreme' or 'catastrophic'.

**Did you know we have a Cadet Program for children from 11 – 18 years?** This program is run at Kangarilla CFS and is held every Friday night from 7-9pm in the school term. Please contact me if you are interested.

We are always at the Clarendon CFS every Monday night (not PH) from 6.30pm. You are welcome to join us – that way you could learn valuable skills to protect yourself, your family and your pets and property.

Keep safe!
Sue Leslie
Brigade Captain
0423969817 sue.leslie@sacfsvolunteer.org.au

Clarendon & Districts 50's Plus Club

#### Hazel McKenzie Hall

Harper Road, Clarendon

#### All Welcome

An invitation to come along to:

#### Monday

Yoga - 9.30am classes Phone Shoba: 0474 193 192

#### Tuesday

Friendly connections
9.30am – 2.30pm
Indoor bowling, cards and games,
pool table, darts etc.
Bring your lunch — tea and coffee
supplied

#### Wednesday

Every Wednesday, quilting & sewing group

Enquiries: 8383 7278, 0412 822 875 or 0422 531 030

#### Friday

Line dancing 10:00am—12 noon. Enquiries: 0401 606 270

Available for hire – please contact Geoff on 0418 806 738 or email geoff.beaty@optusnet.com.au

The hall is available for hire with special rates for local social & not for profit organisations

There is a fully equipped kitchen, chairs and tables for up to 100 people, or if you prefer there is a smaller meeting room. If you are looking for a venue for you next event, then this may be the perfect place – with incredible views over the Clarendon valley.





## **Clarendon Primary School**

For our first day of 2024 here at Clarendon Primary School, we were pleased to have Uncle Tamaru come once again to give a Welcome to Country and conduct a smoking ceremony to welcome us all back, particularly our new students and families. We have 15 new Reception students, one new student in Year 2 and two in Year 4, bringing our total number of students to 81. We are off to a great start already with children learning routines and class norms as we implement our new school values which were developed by some of our student leaders last year: **Be kind, work hard.** 

Do any community members have something they are able to donate to our school? It could be excess fruits and vegetables from a garden, clean jars (with labels removed), plants or even your time! We welcome volunteers into our Kitchen Garden program and across other areas of the school including listening to children read...or maybe you have a particular skill that you think our students would like to learn? Please call our Principal Regan Birrell to discuss on 8383 6110 or email regan.birrell196@schools.sa.edu.au.



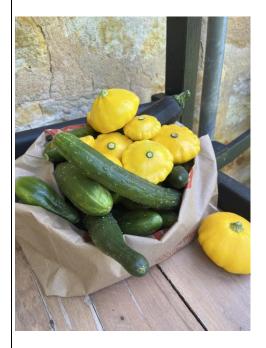


## **Grow Free Cart**

Our grow free cart located at the Clarendon Community Hall has been well stocked this summer Please help yourself to what you need and share what you have to spare. Thank you once again to Paul and Elisa – great community people!









### Hello and welcome to Clarendon Kindergarten!

We are so glad you're here and warmly welcome you into this historic and community-oriented kindergarten. We have just finished out first week of kindy for 2024, which for some of us was our first week of kindergarten ever. We also welcome back our mid-year children and families. We have had a smooth and joyful first week of term and have been delighted to see so many happy and excited faces greeting us each morning. The children have shown high levels of confidence and enthusiasm this week as they began exploring the new environment and getting to know their new teachers and friends.

Our focus for the first few weeks of term is giving the children time to settle into kindy life, and make connections with the environment, teachers and peers. As well as learn and understand the expectations of the kindy and its routines. It is important we all create a strong foundation of trust to ensure the rest of the year can continue safely and positively.

We hope we can continue to gain the support of our families and communities to ensure the children of Clarendon Kindergarten are guaranteed the strongest start to their schooling journey.

Warm Wishes,

#### Georgia Rees

Teacher Clarendon Kindergarten



## Summer Trading Hours ....



### The Clarendon General Store

Trading Hours

Mon-Fri 8.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-4pm Sunday 8.30am-12pm

## The **Clarendon Hotel**

Enjoy beautiful meals, friendly service and great views from the balcony. Open 7 days a week however please check with Hayley on Public Holidays.

#### The Clarendon Bakery

Open Tuesday to Sunday from early until about 4pm.

#### **Emprades Vintage & Design**

Open Wednesday to Sunday 10am-5pm 45 Grants Gully Road, Clarendon Contact Pru or Emily 8383 6217 sales@emprades.com.au







As our season draws to a close, our division 3 and division 5 Saturday pennant sides are hopeful of qualifying for the finals series which commences in March. Both sides find themselves just outside the top four on the premiership ladder and will be striving over the next few weeks to improve their positions. The ladies have exceeded expectation and will be contesting the finals series this year, after being promoted to division 2, following their division 3 premiership win last year.

Intra-club tournaments to decide our club champions are also well underway and the winners will compete against other club champions in our region for the title of Great Southern Bowling Association "Champion of Champions". These tournaments are open to all Club members and include handicap singles, drawn pairs, mixed pairs, fours, triples and singles. Preparations have also commenced for the very popular Kevin Spencer Trophy which will be played on 4<sup>th</sup> March, and we are expecting another successful tournament involving teams from bowling clubs in the Fleurieu region and other country and metropolitan areas.

Members and visitors to the club are also appreciative of the recently completed upgrade to the area surrounding our club, including delineated car parking and improved aesthetics of the oval, pavilion, and Riverbend Park areas.

Friday Night Owls is mid-way through the second half of the season with 10 teams battling for top spot, whilst enjoying a post-game BBQ, bar, and prizes.

If you are interested in playing pennants, night owls or social bowls, please contact our secretary at <a href="mailto:clarendonbowlingclub@gmail.com">clarendonbowlingclub@gmail.com</a>



## Clarendon Op Shop



Our community Op Shop has celebrated its second birthday.



Many of the community groups in Clarendon are involved and provide volunteers to open the shop Friday, Saturdays and Sundays.



Working bees are organised regularly to keep on top of all the donations. Please email <a href="mailto:opshop@clarendon.org.au">opshop@clarendon.org.au</a> if you would like to be involved.



A place to connect with community, a place to feel welcome, a place to feel the community spirit, a place to shop and a place to find a treasure.....



## City of Onkaparinga Retains Water Assets

The City of Onkaparinga will continue to own and operate its water assets following an extensive strategic review that explored potential divestment. Council had been considering whether it should own and operate the community Wastewater Management Scheme (CWMS) assets (which serve approximately 4,500 households in Onkaparinga without access to SA Water's wastewater network) and the Water Business Unit's stormwater harvesting/alternative water supply scheme.

The asset's strategic review included three community engagement stages (most recently in June – July 2023) and proposals from water industry operators regarding potential ownership and/or management of the assets. Elected members have determined to retain the water assets, explore opportunities to improve the operations and financial sustainability of the assets and develop an advocacy plan.

City of Onkaparinga CEO Phu Nguyen has stated "It balanced community feedback alongside key principles that guided the process, importantly, it provides a clear decision and direction to move forward. Key principles that guided this process included financial value, service levels, costs to the community, risk, environment and water security. Throughout these engagements, it was clear there was a strong community desire for the assets to remain in the council's ownership which contributed to the elected members' decision. There is, however, significant investment required to ensure the water assets can provide the services our communities need into the future.

For further information on this issue please read the agenda and minutes for the Council meeting held on Tuesday 14 November 2023 on Council's website.

# City of Onkaparinga - Community Open Round grant is NOW OPEN

The Community Open Round grants provide an opportunity for applicants whose projects, activities or timing may not align with our other grants to apply for funding. It also offers the chance to showcase potential projects/activities to the wider community and gives the community an opportunity to decide who and what is funded.

Applicants who are successful in the shortlisting process will be invited to an event at the Port Noarlunga Arts Centre on Saturday 23 March, 2024 to make a short pitch which outlines the project/activity they are hoping to have funded. This will involve a four-minute presentation of their idea and why it should be funded.

For more information, including the grant guidelines and to submit an expression of interest please click <u>here</u>.

Expressions of interest will close noon Friday 23 February, 2024.

If you require any further information please contact Jacquie Meynell on 8301 7387 or email <a href="mailto:grants@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au">grants@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au</a>

Thanks to Geoff Eaton, Councillor, Thalassa Ward for sharing this information

