

## September 2022



Our beautiful village is just blooming this time of the year. The blossoms, bulbs and bustle all make Clarendon so special. Let's celebrate spring this year by being part of the Clarendon Spring Fair. More details in this newsletter.

If you would like to volunteer your time to help out at this event, please see Gavin at the General Store. Volunteers welcome and appreciated

### Community Calendar



**Clarendon Community Association  
Community Gathering & AGM – 7.30pm**  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022

**Clarendon Historic Hall & Museum  
General Meeting**  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
Clarendon Historic Hall  
9.30am – all welcome

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

**Advance Notice**  
Christmas Carols – 18<sup>th</sup> December

### Clarendon Rainfall Summary



<b>August 2022 .....</b>	<b>134.4 mm</b>
Days of rain .....	21 days
August 2021 .....	77.8 mm
Days of rain .....	15 days
<b>Year to date 2022 .....</b>	<b>498 mm</b>
<b>Days of rain 2022 .....</b>	<b>93 days</b>
Year to date 2021 .....	363.6 mm
Days of rain .....	85 days

**Thank you to our very own  
rain-man Bill Jared**

## Clarendon Spring Fair – 16 October 2022

A poster for the Clarendon Spring Fair 2022. The background is a light blue wooden plank texture with white cherry blossoms scattered around. At the top center is the Clarendon Community Association logo. Below it, the text 'CLARENDON Spring Fair 2022' is written in a stylized font. Underneath, 'Sunday 16th October' is displayed. A pink oval on the left contains the text 'PROCEEDS SUPPORTING CLARENDON KINDY'. On the right, there is a list of activities: 'OP-SHOP 1ST ANNIVERSARY', 'LOCAL WINE TASTINGS & BAR', 'LIVE MUSIC', 'MARKET STALLS', 'BAKING COMPETITION', 'COFFEE', and 'PLANT SALE + much more'. Below the list, contact information is provided: 'events@clarendon.org.au', 'Clarendon Community Hall', 'Sunday 16th October', and 'from 9am'. A QR code is located at the bottom right with the text 'Scan for more details'.

We are celebrating the 1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary of the Op Shop opening. We will also be hosting the first inaugural baking event in the memory of our much-loved baking queen – Muriel Smart



### Spring Fair Market stalls:

- Live acoustic music 11am – 3pm
  - Facepainting - \$8
  - Barbeque breakfast and sausage sizzle – thanks to the Aberfoyle Park Lions Club
  - The ever-famous bake sale by Clarendon Kindergarten
  - Coffee
  - Handmade pallet wood bird houses and feeders while you wait
  - Alpaca wool products
  - All things chocolate
  - Personalised Christmas decorations
  - Art
  - Homemade textiles
  - Homemade earrings
  - Homemade scrunchies
  - Homemade soaps
  - Handmade candles
  - Handmade pots
  - Clinical nutritionist
  - Empanadas and spring rolls
  - Main and Cherry Wines
  - Wines by Bec Hardy
  - Beer tent
  - Arbonne by Vic
  - Giant books, games, and puzzle sale by Clarendon Primary School
  - Plants, plants, plants
  - Famous lemon butter
  - Filipino banana spring rolls
  - Lemon marmalade
- And much more .....

Keep up to date with the Spring Fair through the Clarendon Events page on Facebook





## Landscaping at the Community Hall

Then:



Now:



And now our grand old hall has an entrance to be proud of.....

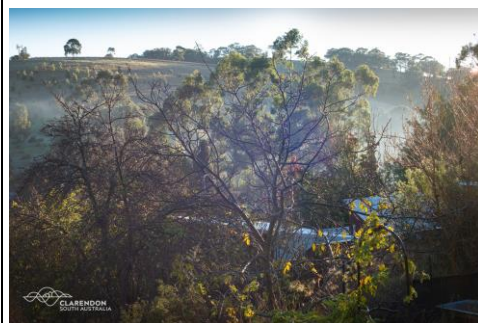
We are so pleased with how this landscaping project has progressed and just in time for the Spring Fair.

Thanks to Mike and Dave from Earthworks 1<sup>st</sup> for their work and advice on all things landscaping!

Also, thanks to Rebekha Sharkie's offices for the opportunity to apply for the Stronger Communities Grant which made this project possible.

A few more small jobs will see this project completed.

## Winter Trading Hours ....



### The **Clarendon General Store**

#### Trading Hours

Monday	8am-6pm
Tues-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

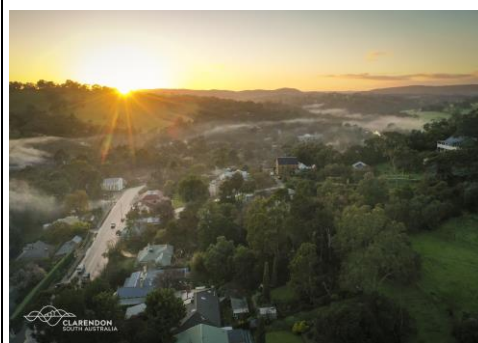
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Clarendon

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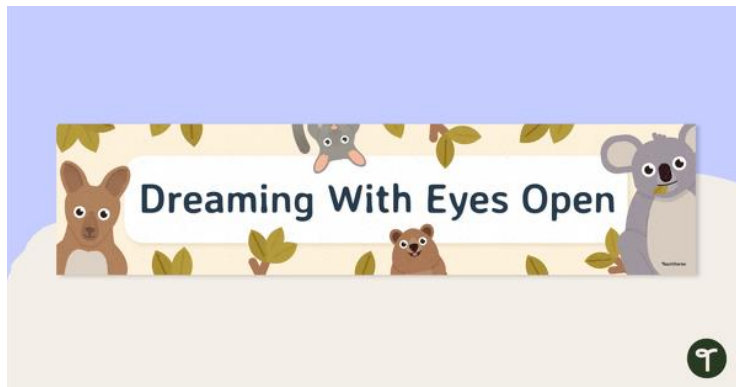
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## Clarendon Primary School

It's been a busy month up here at Clarendon Primary School. Book Week was celebrated with the school hosting an Elders' Day where the children invited their grandparents and other relatives into their classroom to participate in some Book Week activities. The students (and three grandparents!) also enjoyed the opportunity to dress up as their favourite book character or come dressed related to the theme of *Dreaming with Eyes Wide Open*; some came in their pyjamas.



Visitors of our Year 3-4 students were lucky enough to join a Kitchen Garden lesson and participate in some cooking (and eating).

During Book Week the students and kindy were also treated to a performance called *Story Quest* by Echelon Productions which included lots of singing and dancing.

The students at CPS have recently enjoyed a visit from the RAA team to learn about Road Safety including, crossing the road using "Stop, Look, Listen, Think", how to be safe passengers in vehicles and the importance of being visible when near a road. One of our parents (a practising doctor) has also held tailored first aid classes for each of our four classes. The children were able to use a stethoscope to listen to a heartbeat, they were taught how to use bandages and splints on each other and shown how to perform CPR on a dummy. Using a UV light they also discovered how difficult it is to wash their hands thoroughly.



## Grow Free Cart



Local residents Elisa and Paul Ridings have built a grow free cart and it is now set up at the Clarendon Community Hall.

The Grow Free concept originated in Strathalbyn and now has hundreds of carts world-wide.

The motto is "Give what you can, take what you need". This is a way to make homegrown excess food, seedlings, plants and related items free and available to whomever needs them. It is a communal place that people can place their excess knowing it will be appreciated by others.



For more information visit <http://www.growfree.org.au/>





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## Clarendon & Districts 50's Plus Club

### Hazel McKenzie Hall

Harper Road, Clarendon

### All Welcome

An invitation to come along to:

#### Monday

Yoga; 9.15 ---10.15

Phone Shoba: 0474 193 192

#### Tuesday

Normal meeting activities

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

#### Evenings & Weekends

Available for hire

**Enquiries:** 0418 806 738 or email the

Secretary

[geoff.beaty@optusnet.com.au](mailto:geoff.beaty@optusnet.com.au)

Special rates for local social & non-profit organisations



## Clarendon Community Association

Annual General Meeting and Social Evening

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022

Hazel McKenzie Clubrooms - 7.30pm

We all enjoy a fantastic community here in Clarendon. Things like the Op Shop, Spring Fair, Christmas Carols, Community Dinners and ANZAC Day are all part of what makes life in our little village so special.



But these things don't just happen by accident; they are the result of our Community Association.



Have you ever had a great idea about something you'd like to see happen in Clarendon? Or maybe you're new in town and would like to know how you can participate?

We are a small team of people, and we could really do with some more help and fresh ideas. No long, boring committee meetings required!

Please come along to our Community Meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> September. It's a friendly, casual night and we're not asking for any commitments. Some of the ideas we are working on right now include a Community Garden and the Toondilla Walking trail, but we reckon there are some more project-gems out there in our community just waiting to be born.

We'd love to get to know other people in the community who want to see Clarendon continue to thrive and evolve. All you have to do is turn up on the 21<sup>st</sup> September for a glass of wine and a chat, then hang around while we talk through the plans for the year.

Working with the community, for the community .....

## Clarendon Op Shop



How great does the new Op Shop look? Our community hall has been transformed into a bustling shop with so many treasures and bargains to be had.



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



Working bees are organised regularly to keep on top of all the donations. Please email [opshop@clarendon.org.au](mailto:opshop@clarendon.org.au) 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.....



## Clarendon Netball Club

Saturday the 3rd September saw the conclusion of our Winter 2022 season. From 18 teams we ended up with 7 teams playing in grand finals. From those 7 teams we walked away with 5 Premierships! Clarendon Netball Club had the most teams of any club in the Southern Hills Netball Association participating in the grand finals and this is a credit to everyone involved at The Don's. Our 5 Premiership teams were.

11&U Div 3 who were undefeated the whole season

C1

B1 Black

A2 who were undefeated all season

A1

Next weekend we will hold our Senior, Junior and Inter End of Season presentations and then we will have a break of a couple of weeks before the summer netball season starts in October. If anyone is interested in joining us for Summer, please email [carnivals@clarendonnetballclub.com.au](mailto:carnivals@clarendonnetballclub.com.au) by 9th September.



## Clarendon Uniting Church

We would like to share some of the outcomes of our recent congregational meeting.

Like other community groups, Clarendon Church members are also participating in the Community Op-Shop.

As a result, the Church gratefully received a share in the profits made by the Op-Shop. During our last meeting it was proposed that these additional funds are not to be used for paying guest preachers or for the upkeep of our church building.

Consistent with our Christian charter, we donate each quarter a moderate amount of money for outreach by contributing to national and overseas relief organisations. During the last meeting it was decided to use the additional money brought in by the Op-Shop to further increase our donations to these initiatives.

Our 2022 outreach plan is:

- Clarendon Community Christmas Carols with some food to share and fun activities for the children
- Food Bank SA: support for needy people
- Frontier Services: supporting isolated people and remote communities in Australia
- Beyond Blue: mental health counselling and action in Australia
- Smith Family: financial and mental support to disadvantaged families

At times we also make special & emergency donations; this year we have donated to:

- Ukraine Relief Fund
- East Coast Flood Appeals: help to families coping in emergencies
- Men's Health: prostate and testicular cancer research

Church services are held every Sunday at 10.30 am followed by a shared morning tea. Everyone is welcome.

## Congratulations to all the netball team winners .....



## Clarendon CFS News

### Incidents over the past month

1 incident only

### Something to think about?

Are you thinking about preparing your property for the upcoming fire season?

How much combustible material is close to your house?

Are your pumps and fittings operational?

Will our truck fit down your driveway? We need at 3m wide and 3.5 m high.

### Spring Fair in October

We will have some information available to help you plan for the upcoming fire season. Please pop by and talk to us.

### Burning in the Open

**This link will tell you what you can and cannot burn and what precautions you need to take.**

Fire Management City of Onkaparinga  
(onkaparingacity.com)

### You are always welcome!

### 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 there every Monday night (not PH) from 6. You can always 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

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sue.leslie@sacfsvolunteer.org.au



## Thanks for sharing this information with us Glen

I thought the community might be interested in this Small Acreage Field Day at Echunga 24-25 Sept

<https://thehillfielddays.org.au/visitor-experience/>

Aimed at;

- residents of towns and villages
- those who live on small acreage and large blocks in the peri-urban areas of Adelaide
- aspiring tree changers considering adopting the Hills lifestyle.

With displays of equipment and services as well as information sessions and 'how-to' demonstrations on the many issues that rural residents face from pumps to irrigation, solar power, vehicles and equipment, weed control soil and regenerative agriculture, watercourse management and gardening in the Hills a theme of this year's event, bushfire preparedness.

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## Onkaparinga announces its first Reconciliation Action Plan

The City of Onkaparinga this week announced the launch of its first [Reconciliation Action Plan \(RAP\)](#). The RAP is an important step in strengthening relationships between First Nations people and non-Indigenous people in the region, for the benefit of everyone.

The council worked closely with its [First Nations People Advisory Group \(FNPAG\)](#), [Neporendi Aboriginal Forum Inc.](#), Reconciliation SA and Reconciliation Australia to develop the plan.

The Reconciliation Action Plan (Reflect) 2022–24 aligns with Reconciliation Australia's National Framework, which has four stages of reconciliation: Reflect, Innovate, Stretch and Elevate.

In this initial Reflect RAP, the council will build mutual relationships, grow cultural understanding, and develop a clear vision for reconciliation in the region.

Under the plan the council will develop the foundations to increase and support First Peoples' employment in the council and diversify its supplier base so more services and products come from First Nations suppliers. It will also deliver cultural training and knowledge among council staff.

The RAP builds on council's previous work with Onkaparinga's First Peoples including connection with the Kaurna Yerta Aboriginal Corporation, partnerships with the Neporendi Aboriginal Forum Inc. and Joining Hands and Minds Taskforce, as well as hosting events to mark Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week.

Developing the RAP is a key action of Onkaparinga's [Community Capacity Strategic Plan 2021–24](#).

The council will progress to an Innovate RAP in 2024 to go deeper into its reconciliation journey

## Council extends climate commitments in new plan

- City of Onkaparinga's ambitious plan to tackle [climate change](#) over the next five years has been approved by Council, formalising 79 initiatives to tackle climate impacts and community resilience across the region.
- The [Climate Change Response Plan 2022–27](#) was adopted on 16 August. It provides clear strategic direction for council's role in helping the city mitigate and adapt to a changing climate.
- The five-year plan has five overarching goals, with actions attached to each:
  - **Climate-smart neighbourhoods:** 19 initiatives including urban heat and tree canopy mapping, and developing a water options analysis to improve where and how council irrigates public spaces
  - **Climate-ready communities:** six initiatives including building the network of Community Led Emergency Resilience Network (CLER) groups across Onkaparinga to increase the capacity for resilience, and delivering more than 50 Sustainable Onkaparinga workshops each year

- **Climate-resilient natural areas:** 14 initiatives including completing an Ecological Linkage Study to increase biodiversity linkages across Onkaparinga's landscapes, exploring place-based Indigenous-led action with the First Nations People Advisory Group, and developing a coastal adaptation plan that responds to council's 2021 [Coastal Adaptation Study](#)
- **Low carbon transition:** 23 initiatives including changing Onkaparinga's remaining arterial and major road street lights and decorative lights to LED, installing solar on key council buildings, purchasing electric vehicles when council fleet vehicles need replacing, and developing a policy position on providing or facilitating additional electric vehicle charging on council land
- **Climate risk reduction:** 17 initiatives including expanding council's fuel load reduction program in high bushfire risk areas with new technologies, and undertaking stormwater capacity and flood risk assessments in each of Onkaparinga's eight creek catchments.
- Many of the plan's initiatives have multiple community benefits. Increasing the use of solar power reduces both carbon emissions and energy costs. Planting 6000 trees a year will sequester carbon, cool hot streets, and bolster biodiversity.
- The Climate Change Response Plan follows Council's recent endorsement of a [Towards Zero Corporate Emissions Roadmap](#), which sets a target of 80 per cent reduction in the organisation's corporate greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.
- You can view the plan [at council's website](#).





## MEDIA RELEASE

Thursday 25 August 2022

# Further engagement on water assets following community feedback

City of Onkaparinga has committed to further due diligence and engagement on the future of its water assets to address matters raised by the community.

Council has been investigating both divestment and the retention of these assets. This could mean a sale or lease of assets, joint or part ownership, joint or part operation, or a combination of approaches as well as retaining the assets in council ownership.

Elected members were set to decide whether to proceed to the next stage of the divestment process at the 23 August Council meeting.

Instead, Council cited the submissions of more than 600 people during the community engagement process and a petition, demonstrating the community's desire for additional information to make a more informed decision on whether to divest.

Feedback provided during the June-July engagement included submissions from Friends of Willunga Basin, Willunga Recreation Ground Inc, Onkaparinga Food Security Collaborative, Blue Water Estate Committee, The Wild South, and Better Together Christies Downs (Clean Up Our Creek), as well as from a range of other groups and residents.

The submissions called for more information on the following:

- assets' financial history
- ownership options
- future impacts to customer pricing and rates
- environmental impacts and water security
- demonstration that a fair and balanced review has been undertaken.

City of Onkaparinga Acting CEO Julia Grant said the question of whether to divest has long-term ramifications for residents across the city, so it's a decision that requires careful consideration.

"The community has raised valid points that they need more information. This was outlined in the community engagement report as well as the community depositions during the Council meeting," she said.

"The Council has listened to those voices, which means undertaking a further round of engagement addressing the specific concerns raised by the community.

"The aim of this process is to deliver the most efficient service outcome for customers while seeking an appropriate return for council and ratepayers, but we also need to address the lack of wastewater services in parts of our city.

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