

Remembrance Day



Riverton RSL conducted Remembrance Day on 11 November. Approximately 80 people attended, which was great to see.

The service, followed by a light lunch served in RSL

House, also well attended. The Field of Remembrance was on display, set up with the help of some RDHS Students.





We take this opportunity to once again thank Mr Norman and the students from RDHS for their help on the day. A job well done by all! This gave students an opportunity to have a look through our RSL Museum.

Daryl Mullan President Riverton RSL.



2023 Christmas Parade & Carnival

This year's parade will go ahead on Friday night, 15 December.

The Christmas Carnival Committee are on the hunt for the best decorated houses,

Riverton, let's Light Up the Town!

Competition winners will be announced on the night along with the drawing of the traditional Giant Stocking raffle which raises funds to support the Riverton Kindergarten, Riverton Primary School and Gilbert Valley Senior Citizens Home.

Special mention to Justin Smorti and the Ramsey Brothers crew. Justin has organized the entire parade and the Ramsey Elves will again make an appearance.

Thanks to Riverton IGA and the staff at Riverton Hotel for their generous donations and to Valleytech for the printing.







2023 Riverton Christmas Parade & Party

BBQ * MUSIC * DONUTS

Kids activities & MORE! Friday 15th December

Leaving the oval at 6pm, the parade will travel along:

Oxford Tce - Washington Rd - Swinden St - Masters St -

James PI - Moorhouse Tce - Swinden St - Horner St -Frederick PI. (see parade map)

Position yourselves in your own front yard or at any location situated along the route.

After the Parade, join us for a free sausage sizzle at Scholz Park along with a guest appearance from ...

Father Christmas

Winners of Raffle, Colouring in Competition & Best Decorated Houses to be announced.

Thanks to The Staff of the Riverton Hotel and Riverton IGA

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New Primary School Principal



I am delighted and honoured to extend my warmest greetings as the new Principal of Riverton Primary School from term 4 and beyond. As I rejoin this wonderful school community, I am thrilled about the opportunity to work collaboratively with all of you to foster a positive, nurturing, academically and

enriching environment for our students.

I look forward to continuing our collaboration of providing your children with an effective and engaging educational experience. I would like to thank everyone who has taken the time to stop and chat, in the yard, office or classroom. It has also been so heart-warming to have exstudents return back to the school just to say hello.

For those families I am yet to meet, allow me to introduce myself. My name is Melissa Claridge, I am married and have two lovely boys, Ethan and Charlie. We have lived in Kapunda for the last ten years and are thoroughly enjoying country life. I bring with me several years leadership experience working in primary and secondary schools South Australia. I believe that across education is the key to unlocking the full potential of every child, and I am committed to ensuring that every student at Riverton Primary receives a holistic and exceptional educational experience.

I am eager to collaborate with our talented and dedicated team of teachers and staff to continue creating а dynamic learning environment that encourages creativity, critical thinking, and a thirst for knowledge. We will work together to identify and nurture the unique strengths of every student while providing the necessary support to overcome challenges. Communication is vital, and I am committed to establishing open and transparent lines of communication with all. I hope to regularly connect with families, through open mornings, meetings, school events, and other activities that promote family

engagement and create a strong sense of a learning community.

Furthermore, I am an advocate of embracing technology that enhance learning experiences and prepare our students for the digital world. Into 2024 we will continue to explore innovative teaching methods and incorporate modern tools to ensure that our students are well-prepared for the future.

I firmly believe that education is a partnership between the school, parents, and the wider community. Together, we can create an environment where every student feels inspired to achieve their full potential and become responsible global citizens.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. My door is always open, the mobile number is still the same and I am here to support you in any way I can. I am truly excited about the journey ahead and the incredible opportunities that lie in front of us.

I look forward working with you in joint partnership ensuring the success of all Riverton's students. Stay healthy, stay positive, and stay connected.

Kind regards, Melissa Claridge Principal

Student Leadership Trip – Country to Canberra



What an amazing opportunity the Country to Canberra trip was for me this year. A chance to head to our nation's Capital and immerse myself in leadership training with a select group of finalists from around Australia.

Strong communities play a role in the

development and success of rural areas. These communities provide a sense of belonging, of strong relationships and it is these that help contribute to economic and growth. Within these cultural strona diverse communities. voung leaders emerge for positive change, bringing fresh perspectives, unique skills, and advanced ideas. Their contributions are essential in strengthening rural communities and paving the way for stronger futures. This was my inspiration for applying for the scholarship and I would like to express my gratitude for being given this amazing opportunity.

Country to Canberra is a not-for-profit organisation whose mission is to empower young rural women to develop their leadership potential. It's about empowering us to develop the leadership skills to take the lead and to empower others. We had the chance to network with people from all different walks of life and careers and to open our eyes and minds about what is possible.

Thinking on my trip now, I realise some of truly amazing things I learnt wasn't when I was in the room or in the moment 'stuff' was happening, but when I went to my apartment and reflected on myself, and what I have to offer. I realised that there is so much out there that I am yet to discover and living in a small rural town we don't always get to see these amazing jobs and choices and possible pathways in life.

So what is leadership?

Leadership is what someone does, how we choose to act, how we lift and inspire the people around us. I think we are all born leaders from day 1, it's always inside us, it just depends on if we act on it or not. The sad part is that many people don't believe they have anything special in themselves to make them a leader or stand up and take leadership in a situation. But why do people think that? I think we grow up thinking that to be a leader you have to be making huge change and you have to be liked by everyone, to be popular. If I learned anything from my time in Canberra that statement could not be further from the

truth. You don't have to be making a huge change, that's not what it's about. Do it for yourself and do it for others because you know what's right. Being a leader is about community, community building that makes space for everyone. Be brave and keep going no matter how many bumps in the road you encounter, there is always a destination, you just have to keep your eyes on the road. You don't have to so be liked or loved by everyone, because if we are being honest, we don't feel that ourselves. Being a leader is about being brave and bringing people together. So, don't let the small things people say or do, hold you back from taking a role or becoming a leader.

One of my favorite quotes some it up pretty well.

"A bottle of water in a supermarket costs" about 50 Cents. The same bottle of water cost \$2 in a bar. In a good restaurant or hotel can be worth up to \$3. At an airport or plane, you may be charged up to \$5. The bottle and brand are the same, the only thing that changes is the place. Each place gives a different value to the same product. When you feel like you are worth nothing and everyone around you belittles you, change places, do not stay there. Have the courage to change places and go to a place where you are given the value you deserve. Surround yourself with people who really appreciate your worth. Don't settle for less."



Follow your passions and be part of making your community a better place. Leadership starts with bringing people together.

Leighla Brown Year 10 RDHS

A new Minister of Religion in Riverton



At the end of September, The Rev'd Elizabeth Harris, from Holy Trinity Anglican Church Riverton, was ordained as a Deacon by the Bishop of Willochra, the Rt Rev'd Jeremy James tssf, to serve the community of Riverton and beyond. At present, Elizabeth (or Liz as she is more often known) is the only Minister of Religion residing in Riverton.

Liz came to Riverton to live in 2005 and has been a Lay Minister for 16 years, working in the community in various positions. She is a member of the Friends of Walara Gilbert Valley Retirement Home which has raised considerable funds for amenities for the residents over the years, the RSL where she conducts services for Anzac Day, Remembrance Day and Gilbert Valley Vietnam Veterans Day, Social Group (formerly Probus) and editor of their monthly newsletter, Anglican Mothers Union Australia and president of the local branch, Quickest Warmth, providing and collecting goods for those in need, and serves the community as a visitor to both the Home and Hospital, taking church services on a regular basis. She has been responsible for establishing the former breakfast club at the high school and the present one at the Primary school.

Liz enjoys meeting and talking with people and welcomes visitors to her home for a çoffee. She is available to take baptismal and funeral services in the Anglican tradition.

Apart from many hours spent at the computer, Liz enjoys gardening and taking her beautiful cocker spaniel, Alfie, for walks. Many in Riverton know Alfie for his good looks and beautiful manners.

For those who are not aware, Holy Trinity Anglican Church is at 871 Torrens Road, (Barrier Highway) and church services are held each Sunday at 10.00am.

If there is any way in which Liz can be of assistance to anyone, she can be contacted at 0417601051

Meet Our New Pharmacist Again

In the October edition of TLR, Franklin, our new pharmacist was introduced. However, his photo was unavailable, so, in case you haven't yet met Franklin, it is being included in this edition.



RHYNIE NEWS

The Rhynie Improvement Scheme has formally been accepted as a Sub Committee of the RCMC, and no longer operates independently. Council is continuing to support Rhynie by providing Peak Body Funding, and RCMC have just received the current funding to be administered on our behalf.

I would like to solicit ideas and opinions from local residents on how these funds might be spent. One idea, that has previously been discussed, is Town Entrance Statements for north and South of the Town. The concept put forward is for a laser cut metal sign with a white colorbond backing plate and mounted on a metal frame behind the existing Rhynie town signs.

Please forward any ideas, suggestions, or comments to Grant Hovey. If you would like to be kept informed of Council issues and other things affecting our town and the surrounding district, please forward me your email address.

Grant Hovey

M: 0497638649 E: <u>granthovey@bigpond.com</u>.

Gilbert Valley Social Group News

Gilbert Valley Social Group has enjoyed a very successful and enjoyable year, with only the Christmas Luncheon to come. Our group has swollen by 50% since we started, and a diverse programme has been undertaken.



Day Trips have included the Barossa Valley (taking in Seppeltsfield Jam Factory and Gully Gardens, along with lunch in Angaston); Burra (Railway Station, Mines and lunch); Virginia Nursery, (which included lunch and Christmas Shopping); and a Movie Day at the Blyth Cinema.

Ian Bailey gave a great talk on local history, and Country Home Services attended another meeting, telling people how to use their services. Pauline Miller conducted a Craft Day, when most people enjoyed making a beaded Angel or a Greeting Card.

Melbourne Cup Day included Sweeps and a Quiz, followed by lunch at the Riverton Hotel, where the meal and the race were enjoyed.

December will the Christmas Lunch, and then we will reconvene in February.



All meetings are held on the first Tuesday each month at the Riverton Community Hall Supper Room at 10 am. Anyone is welcome to attend.

If anyone would like further details about this group, you can phone

Val on 8847 2044 Glenys on 8847 2666 Carolyn on 0418 833 976.

Carolyn Evans.



Walara Gilbert Valley & Walara Hamley Bridge Redevelopments

Walara Gilbert Valley redevelopment is progressing well with 2 of the temporary rooms now occupied and major progress has been made on the internal redevelopment of 5 rooms which will include new ensuites. Refer to photos below.



The Department of Health and Aged Care continues to be supportive of the redevelopment and we are hopeful of securing additional funding to improve services where old and new services come together eg. fire safety.

As is usually the case over the festive season, there will be a couple of weeks of inactivity but significant further progress is expected in the next 2 weeks with the pouring of foundation and wall lining of the 5 rooms being redeveloped.

At Walara Hamley Bridge we are entering the final stage of redevelopment, upgrade of all the Hostel rooms and construction of new dining area and balcony facing west over farmland. It is anticipated that by early January 2024 all the rooms will be completed and the 4 additional rooms built increasing the number of beds onsite to 52. Any members of the community considering respite or permanent placement should contact Jan Sheehan <u>dochb@walara.au</u> or 08 8528 2276.

As this is the last update before the festive season I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the readers for their interest and support, have an enjoyable safe festive season.

Nino Di Sisto Chief Executive Officer Walara Inc

BOWLING SUCCESS

The Australian Bowls Championships were held in Perth from the 16th to 20th October. Each state and Territory was represented by their respective State Champions in Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours. Jodi Kotz, from Keith, and I represented South Australia in the Pairs discipline. We played 3 sectional games beating NT, drawing Western with Victoria and beating Australia. Qualifying top of our section saw us through to the gold medal game against Queensland. It was a great contest with some fantastic bowls played. However, despite our best efforts we came up 2 shots short with the final score 10-12 in favour of the Queensland pair. It was a wonderful experience and Jodi and I will be working hard to see if we can secure a place in next year's championships,

Cath Greenslade



ALL PROCEEDS TO TRAIN VETERANS' DOGS

SWIM FOR OPERATION K9

Swim 2 or 4km to raise funds for Operation K9, a charity that provides dogs for veterans with PTSD. Celebrate summer, health and fun!

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25
REGISTER YOUR TEAM OR AS AN INDIVIDUAL

BOOK: thevalleys.com.au/k9

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Cuzz's Corner

I am hoping for a white Xmas, and when that runs out I will start on the red.



Waiter says to the customer on Christmas Eve, "How did you find the steak, sir?"

The man replied, "I just lifted up a potato chip, and there it was."

To everyone that received a book from me for Christmas...They're due back at the library next Monday.

What do sheep say at Christmas? Merry Christmas to ewe!

My husband is a man of rare gifts. I haven't received one in years.

CHRISTMAS FOR KITTY AND THE CAT

Kitty had run out of friends with whom

She could spend Christmas Day. After wearing out her welcome, They would send her on her way.

You see, Kitty had a tendency To eat her friends out of house and home, Never thinking to prepare something tasty, So she could share some of her own.

After sending emails to some friends Who both lived by the sea, The response was, 'No, not this year Kitty.' She sighed, 'Well, it's just the cat and me!'

She bought a tin of spicy ham That she didn't even like, And some of those silly little dinner rolls, With the hope they'd be alright.

The cat could have some dried cat food,

Cheap because it was almost out of date.

And to make everything look Christmassy, She tied some tinsel to the gate.

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Seasons Greetings to all.

KERBSIDE COLLECTION CALENDAR

STEP 1

Locate your suburb to determine your collection day.

Clare North (North of and including Victoria Rd and Lennon St) Clare South (South of Victoria Rd and Lennon St)

FORTHIGHTLY GENERAL RUBBISH COLLECTION Small 140L bin	TUE	Clare North, Armagh	
	WED	Clare South, Leasingham, Sevenhill, Mintaro, Auburn, Watervale, Penwortham	
	THU	Manoora, Marrabel, Rhynie, Riverton, Saddleworth, Stockport, Tarlee, Undalya, Waterloo	
FORTNIGHTLY RECYCLING COLLECTION 240L black body bin	FRI	Clare, Sevenhill, Armagh	
	FRI	Auburn, Leasingham, Manoora, Marrabel, Mintaro, Penwortham, Rhynie, Riverton, Saddleworth, Stockport, Tarlee, Undalya, Waterloo, Watervale	
FORTNIGHTLY GREENWASTE COLLECTION 240L green body bin	MON	Clare North, Sevenhill, Mintaro, Leasingham, Penwortham	
	TUE	Clare South, Auburn, Watervale	
	WED	Saddleworth, Riverton	
	тни	Manoora, Waterloo, Marrabel, Undalya, Tarlee, Stockport, Rhynie, Armagh	



FOOD SCRAPS FROM YOUR KITCHEN CADDY GO IN THE GREEN BIN

All food scraps including fruit and vegetables, coffee grounds, dairy products, egg and oyster shells, bones, meat and seafood, as well as small amounts of paper, shredded paper, paper towels and tissues must now be placed in the FOCO (Food Organics Green Organics) bin.

You can purchase compostable liners for your kitchen caddy or line the caddy with newspaper to contain the scraps before placing them in the green bin.

WHICH BIN? THE BLACK BODY RECYCLING BIN 1007 Class b and 2401 NO ols NO NO NOF NO Aerosots Jemptyl WHICH BIN? THE GREEN BODY FOGO (ORGANICS) BIN 2401 WHICH BIN? THE SMALL WASTE TO LANDFILL BIN 140L

STEP 2 Check the calendar below to determine which bin is collected on your collection day.

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SPECIAL COLLECTION DAYS 2024

COOD FRIDAY NO RECYCLING COLLECTION Collection will be Thurs 28 March CHRISTMAS DAY NO GREEN WASTE COLLECTION Collection will be Thurs 26 December

BIN USE Clare Valley Waste will pick the 240L bins up according to body colour. The colour of your bin lid does not impact in any way.

Black body bin = recycling

Green body bin = green FOGO (organics) Green body 140L bin = general waste

2024 KERBSIDE **BIN COLLECTION** CALENDAR

COLLECTION ENQUIRIES If your bin was not collected, ring Clare Valley Waste on 0438 884 340

ALL OTHER ENQUIRIES Contact Council on 8842 6400 or visit claregilbertvalleys.sa.gov.au

E-WASTE, X-RAYS AND BATTERIES

E-waste, x-rays and batteries must not be placed in any bin and can be taken to: **Clare Waste Transfer Station** Benny's Hill Road

RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE

items not accepted through the kerbside collection (with the exception of building materials dirt and rubble) can be taken to:

Clare Waste Transfer Station

Benny's Hill Road or **Riverton Satellite Waste**

Transfer Station 15 Bruce Road, Riverton

OLD 120L BINS

Green bodied 120L general waste bins will not be replaced for damage due to the age of these original bins. Residents are required to purchase a 140L bin from Clare Valley Waste if their 120L bin is damaged.

NEW SINS

New bins can be purchased from Clare Valley Waste, ring 0438 884 340.



CLARE & GILBERT VALLEYS COUNCIL

KERBSIDE BIN PLACEMENT

Bins should be placed at the kerbside by 6am on the collection day. Keep a minimum distance of 1 metre between bins, parked cars, street trees and infrastructure. Bins must be brought in on the day they are emptied. Your bin will not be collected if it is:

- packed too tightly and will not empty - too heavy
- aver-full.





Health Service Planning for Burra, Riverton and Snowtown

Call for Consumer Representative Expressions of Interest

The Yorke and Northern Local Health Network is calling for expressions of interest from community members to be involved in codesigning a health service plan for Burra, Riverton and Snowtown.

As the Consumer Representative, you will be an important member of the Health Service Planning Steering Group. This steering group will come together regularly for six to nine months to lead the co-design health service planning process. The first meeting of the steering group will be held in December 2023.

The intention of the service planning process is to enable open and frank conversations between clinical leaders, the Health Advisory Council, the community and other key stakeholders about the challenges faced by our services and genuinely explore opportunities to co-design future services. A similar co-design approach has been successful in other areas of the YNLHN. Community members provide us with an important consumer viewpoint in new ideas that impact upon the care provided to you and your family through our hospitals and health care services.

If you or someone you care for lives in Burra, Riverton and Snowtown and have received care from a hospital, community, or residential aged care service we would love to hear from you! Your ideas and innovative solutions will assist us in creating a vibrant place to live and work and in co-designing modern, sustainable future services that best meet the needs of our local community.

Being a consumer representative is a fantastic way to be involved in what is happening across the hospital and health care services as well as providing an opportunity for you to tell us what is important to you and your community.

Commitment

The steering group will meet for six to nine months with meetings held monthly or bi- monthly.

Requirements

- Provide a consumer perspective on matters that relate to consumer experience and engagement.
- Have experience as a patient, carer, or client of our services.
- Be a listener and understand the diversity of healthcare experiences.
- · Work well with others and communicate clearly and give unbiased information.
- Provide information and feedback to be considered in the development of the plan.
- Advise and support strategies to encourage and promote consumer and community participation and consultation.
- · Attendance at monthly or bimonthly meetings (face to face and online), and consider information presented.
- Time commitment is 1.5 to 2.5 hours per month with some pre-meeting reading time.

Skills and experience

No prior skills or experience required. Training and support will be provided. Sitting fee reimbursement in accordance with SA Health's Sitting Fees and Reimbursement for External Individuals Policy Directive will be offered for approved activities.

Join us today - Expressions of Interest close Thursday 30 November 2023

Complete the Expression of Interest form here: https://bit.ly/BurraRivertonSnowtownCommunityEOI

or scan QR Code, or please contact us on the details below if you would prefer to complete the application in hard copy or over the phone. Or if you have any questions or would like to find out more!

For more information

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Tracey Stringer

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Health Yorke and Northern Local Health Network Riverton Community Management Committee

Chairperson - John Glistak Vice Chairperson - Gary Davis Secretary - Cassy Griffiths Treasurer - Ruth Stevens Public Officer - Jackie Bruce

Committee Members -Gaynor Bottcher & Di Schwarz

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month currently in the supper room of the town hall on Torrens Road.

All community members are welcome to attend these meetings as an observer. For more information please contact a committee member.

RCMC would like to acknowledge and thank ValleyTech for ongoing help and support with the publication of **The Local Rag.**

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THE LOCAL RAG

The Local Rag is produced every other month.

Any articles or information from Community Groups, Local Schools, Sporting Clubs or other points of interest are welcomed.

All articles & information is required by the last Friday of January, March, May, July, September & November.

If you have something you would like to be included contact details are below.

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On behalf of Riverton Community Management Committee.

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