

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Saltwater Classic committee has been buzzing the last couple of months with the planning and preparation for the event in Port Vincent on Sunday the 14th of April - only a few weeks away!

The committee is looking for volunteers to help out on the day. If you are available, can you please have a look at our volunteer roster and sign up for a job. The committee appreciates any help they can get. *Thank you in advance.*

The PVPA has been busy the last few months looking at community consultation and future projects - as well as looking towards smaller grants that support our programs and meetings.

We are currently looking at grants to improve our communication technology in the hope to have our meetings on Teams video conferencing, to make our committee more inviting to those who are not permanently in Port Vincent. *Please watch this space, we hope to have it up and running shortly.*

We have been blown away by the increase in attendance to our meetings, and we encourage any community members to come along. Generally they are held on the first Thursday of the month. If you have a particular agenda item you would like the committee to discuss, please email:-portvincentprogress@gmail.com prior to the meeting.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Easter, and enjoy the fine weather and activities the Yorke Peninsula has to offer this weekend.

Kristan Every Port Vincent Progress Association President



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Letters to the Editor

Can I start by saying, as a relatively new resident of 5 yrs, I very much appreciate and enjoy your monthly newsletter. Always interesting and covers such a diverse number of local interests. My comments cover 3 topics:-

- Firstly, I must add my personal approval for a 'safety' turning lane into PV. Being a caravaner myself, such a safety feature really is a must. To turn safely into PV towing a caravan requires a very slow speed, which can and sometimes does catch other motorists by surprise. A 'no-brainer' I would have thought.
- Secondly my issue revolves around dogs, resident and visitors alike. Having become owners of a 2yo cocker spaniel (1 year now), I am constantly dismayed at the number of dogs off their lead. My dog is always on a lead, and we have now had quite a few nasty encounters with dogs becoming aggressive off their lead. People really do need to be accountable for their dogs behaviour, and keeping them on their lead ensures greater control!
- Whilst on the subject of dogs, why oh why hasn't there been consideration given to build a 'dog park'? They are pretty much nonexistent on the YP. It would certainly make sense and give residents and visitors to our beautiful town better choices for owners to exercise their pets. The footy oval redevelopment would/could be the ideal location and opportunity to build one.
- Thirdly (and finally), could it maybe be worth considering 'workout' apparatus (suitable for all ages) either within the oval redevelopment, or even better, staggered along the foreshore footpath? Fitness at any age is so beneficial, and the encouragement of these machines could certainly help.

Thanks again for your great efforts at the PVPA.

Trevor Jarvis (email address supplied)

I have fished from the Port Vincent wharf and fisherman's jetty for the past 40 years. Over this time I have met many fellow fisherman from Port Vincent, the Yorke Peninsula, intra state, interstate and even overseas. Fishing is an integral part of Port Vincent's lifestyle and has always been a great way to meet people from all walks of life, both young and old. Fishing is also a great attraction for Port Vincent, drawing many visitors to our town. The wharf, and in particular, the fisherman's jetty, have always been safe places to take young children to have family fun times. The wharf itself has huge historical value for Port Vincent and must be retained.

We have been advised by council that repairs are urgently needed to ensure the safety of those using the wharf. However, the expense is too great for the council to find the funds alone. State government assistance is urgently required. Banter back and forth from council to state government, and the blame game for past indiscretions will not get us anywhere. It is important that all users of the wharf join forces and make their voices heard.

We need our wharf repaired, and urgently.

Greg Hall (email address supplied)

Editor's Comment: Please see Page 6 for further information.

Thank you to Trevor and Greg for their letters. I urge readers to email afocalpoint@gmail.com with any suggestions or comments.

Sue Hall - 0413 057 992 - afocalpoint2@gmail.com

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YP SALTWATER CLASSIC

13th and 14th APRIL, 2024

Boats, as well as person powered vessels, will travel from Stansbury to Port Vincent on Saturday, 13th April (weather permitting). Brindabella and The One and All will arrive on Saturday afternoon. Bookings for this once in a lifetime experience are available at One and All or Brindabella.

Port Vincent will come alive on Sunday, 14th April

This event will offer community members and visitors alike an amazing experience.

Check the programme of events for the Port Vincent leg (below).

You don't have to be a boatie to have some fun!

Tel: 0438 524 243 or 0417 559 046 E-mail: ypsaltwaterclassic@gmail.com

Book your accommodation now!

Program of events and activities Sunday 14 April 2024 at Port Vincent

Brindabella and The One and All arriving Saturday afternoon. (anchored in the bay overnight)

0830 Hrs Marina open to the public for viewing of boats.

0900 Hrs Foreshore display of classic cars and motor bikes, Hot Rods,

vintage caravans, stationary engines and Blacksmiths.

Institute opens 9 am to 4pm with display of Mission X story banners from the Australian Maritime Museum, display of the construction of wooden boats and other maritime connected

displays.

Art display, Marine themed artworks

0930 Hrs Navy Band playing live music at the wharf area throughout

the day.

Model boats, both sail and power on water display.

Food stalls and Watsacowie Brewing Co.

1000 Hrs Human powered boats move to the beach area south of the wharf,

various on water activities including kayaks etc.

On water display of speed boats.

Rowing demonstration by the St Ayles Skiffs.

1030 Hrs Entrants to receive the" Blessing of the fleet" as they depart the

marina. Piper to accompany the Blessing. Boats will be escorted around the 'One and All ' and Brindabella before

assembling in the bay.

1200 Hrs On water demonstration at the wharf, kayak Eskimo rolls, capsize

and righting dinghies, retrieval demonstration.

1300 Hrs Grand Parade of boats to proceed in the main channel to pass in

front of the wharf and then passing back out the channel while

smaller boats head to the beach area for viewing.

1430 Hrs Presentation of trophies at the Wharf area.

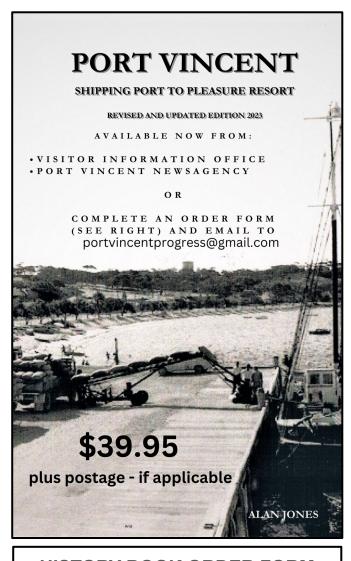












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PAY CASH

For readers who are not permanent residents of Port Vincent, there is an opportunity to pick up the history book from Unley.

Please contact Alan - Phone 8272 7519 or 0448 527 508 to arrange an appointment time.



Above:

Margaret Wellington receives a signed copy of the Port Vincent history book, on behalf of her husband Brent Wellington, who was a member of the 1994 Progress Committee.

Editor's Comment:

Thank you to those readers who contacted me regarding the whereabouts of Margaret Wellington.

As a result, Margaret, who now lives in Hope Valley, was presented with a copy of the Port Vincent history book, signed by the author Alan Jones as an acknowledgement of her husband Brent's contribution to the 1994 Progress Committee. Over the Easter break, another signed book will be delivered to Barmera, to the family of Ralph Munro, who was also a tireless worker for Port Vincent's 1994 Progress Committee.

JULIE AND ROB SEARLE **FAREWELL, BEST WISHES AND THANK YOU**



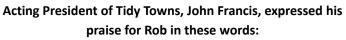


Above Left: Julie Adams (VIO) and John Curnow (Tidy Towns) present an award and history book to the happy couple. Top Right: Carolyn Jansens (Progress Treasurer) says a fond farewell to Rob.

Right: Pam Hickman and Julie (both former Progress Association Secretaries) share their experiences.



Right: Greg Shaw, Vice-President of Port Vincent **Progress Association with** (from left) Julie Adams, Julie and Rob Searle and John Curnow (Tidy Towns).



"Rob was always ready to offer a hand with anything. His input into new ideas was invaluable. He was always very approachable on any subject.

Rob will be greatly missed at Tidy Towns.

There are not many like Rob!"



Rob's work with Tidy Towns, and his "can do" attitude, was praised by John Curnow at the farewell. John stressed that they will need five people to replace Rob!



EASTER ART EXHIBITION

PORT VINCENT INSTITUTE HALL 19 Marine Parade, Port Vincent

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Above:

Members of the Port Vincent YP Saltwater Classic committee meet at the wharf area to finalise the positioning of food and drink stalls for the Port Vincent leg of the event on Sunday, 14th April.



Left:
These DIY model boats will be available for purchase in kit form at the Port Vincent Institute on Sunday 14th April.
Large \$15, Small \$10.
Take them home or construct at the Institute, paint it and/or sail it!



TIDY TOWNS REPORT - MARCH 2024



Having been Vice Chairman for Tidy Towns for the last several years, with our elected chairperson Rob Searle now having moved to reside in Adelaide, I have stepped up to fill his position until our A G M.

A function was held at the bowling club recently to farewell both Rob and Julie. We all wish them well in their new home.

Tidy Towns were very busy with our bottle and can recycling after the long weekend, with our members kept very busy. Several ute and trailer loads were taken to Stansbury, together with our glass crushing of wine bottles. It is a very good income earner, with these funds being used for projects for the betterment of Port Vincent.

Other work being carried out by our volunteers is the upkeep of Bennett Park, tree watering, weed control on walking trails, painting of playground equipment, keeping the cemetery and surrounds in pristine condition, and the daily cleaning of BBQs at the wharf and kiosk areas. These are just a few of the jobs carried out by our volunteers.

We are always looking for new members, so if you are new to town, or looking for social activities. We invite you to come along on Tuesday mornings - you will be most welcome.

My next report will be after Easter, which once again will be a very busy time for Tidy Towns.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND PORT VINCENT?

Easter and school holidays will mean an influx of visitors to our town. Hopefully it will be beach weather, but if not, there are loads of other activities available. Please visit the Visitor Information Office (opposite the wharf) to get some ideas of what to do and see around Port Vincent and on the Yorke Peninsula.

The Port Vincent tennis courts are for hire at a very reasonable rate - please see below right for details of how to hire the courts. The courts are on Talbot Road. The basketball and netball court is open all year round and can be used at no cost.

The Progress Association has heard from Nick Perry from the Yorke Peninsula Council regarding the situation regarding our jetty. This is a portion of Nick's letter:

"The Local Government Association (LGA) is pushing for the State Government to put money toward jetties, which are State owned and leased to Councils. Our region has 12 State-owned jetties (1/3 of all State owned jetties in South Australia)."

The LGA is conducting a campaign to urge the state government to look at the funding structure for any repairs required, in particular, noting the importance to regional areas and our Yorke Peninsula towns.

Nick mentions that:

"Our Council has been on the front foot with this push, including starring in the LGA's jetty video (LGA Value of SA Jetties social video (youtube.com))."

If you could help support our council's efforts in any way, that would be absolutely fantastic. Can I suggest that you check out the following website - it has heaps of information!

Our jetties are worth saving | LGA South Australia.

On a brighter note, the Port Vincent Golf Club's season opening is happening on **Saturday**, **13th April**! 10:30am names in to have a social hit at 11am. It's a fun game - even non golfers could come and "have a go". The fun is followed by chicken and salad lunch afterwards! Watch out for flyers around town with the details. *All players and visitors are welcome to join in*.

Cormorants continue to be an issue around our town. If you have any issues, or solutions, please contact the council and/or the Port Vincent Progress Association Secretary at:-

portvincentprogress@gmail.com

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy Easter.

Editor's Comment: Thank you to Rob for his suggestion of printing the recycling and green waste calendars. These are on Page 24.









FISHING REPORT



With Easter fast approaching, fishing usually picks up with the good tides.

Blue crabs are still quite thick for both boat and rakers, and most are in prime condition.

Garfish are also still thick, and hopefully stay around for a few more weeks.

Yellowfin whiting are still very hard to find, and this season has been very disappointing, as has the last 2 or 3 years. This is not a good sign, and is quite concerning.

King George and squid are around, but you have to put in the time to be rewarded.

There are tommies at the wharf, but mainly at night. Also snook have been chasing them, so take a lure with you.

Have a great Easter!



Tight Lines, Wayne Crouch





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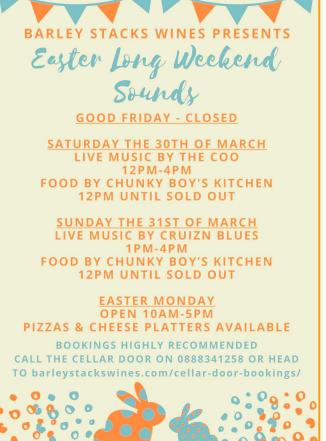


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ANZAC DAY



THURSDAY 25TH APRIL 2024.

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CLUB OPENS AT 0600 FOR FORMUP AND GREETINGS PRIOR TO MARCH FROM CLUBROOMS AT 0645 SHARP –ALL RSL MEMBERS, EXSERVICE MEN AND WOMEN ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.

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Inside History magazine talks to Richard Wood, United States of America Gallery at the Australian National Maritime Museum

This ragtag collection was the 'US Army Small Ships' section. Australian and New Zealand boats purchased, hired and requisitioned by the American Army to carry the troops and materials needed to meet the Japanese advance along the north coast of Papua New Guinea.

They probably seemed like an ordinary part of the hustle and bustle of Sydney Harbour during World War Two. Docked at Pier 10 of Walsh Bay, they may have gone completely unnoticed by most Sydneysiders. After all, Walsh Bay was a very rough place and not for sightseeing. They were the first of more than 3000 small ships assembled in Sydney from March 1942 to be stripped, reinforced, and fitted with machine guns, painted grey, given an S number ... and an American flag.

Of every imaginable shape and size, the fleet included elegant barquentines, ketches and schooners; solid fishing trawlers, tugs and barges; launches and speedboats; ferries, coastal freighters, the motor yacht of a Los Angeles entrepreneur, and even the Sydney showboat, Koondooloo (S181). The crews were similarly irregular, made up of men unfit, too old, or too young for regular service in the Australian armed forces, all paid by and working for the US Army on 6 to 12 month contracts. Owner skippers often came with their vessels and collected crew along the way. Usually older and experienced, they had the know-how (and bravery) to keep their vessels going, and to navigate the shallow bays, reefs and estuaries of the tropics.

Vi Miller was the only woman in the fleet. She joined as a paid cook and deckhand on her husband's 15m fishing launch Sunshine (S67) when it was hired in Mackay QLD in July 1942, but was put off before leaving Australian waters. There was a scarcity of trained crew. The Australian government allowed the US Army to employ men over 45 years of age and 15-17 year old boys as crew, and the Americans opened the Apprentice Seaman's School at Walsh Bay in 1943, specifically to train 163 boys in sea craft under the tutelage of Arthur Morgan of the Volunteer Coastal Patrol. The fleet was eventually supplemented by another three thousand new vessels ordered from Australian boatyards by the US Army, but these first boats became the supply lifeline to the first American military action in New Guinea.



Typical craft - trawlers, cabin cruisers, schooners, interisland steamer

Learn more about this amazing part of Australia's history. Visit the Port Vincent Institute on Sunday, 14th April and check out the amazing displays, which will include Mission X banners from the Australian Maritime Museum. A video will also be available with footage from the second world war.

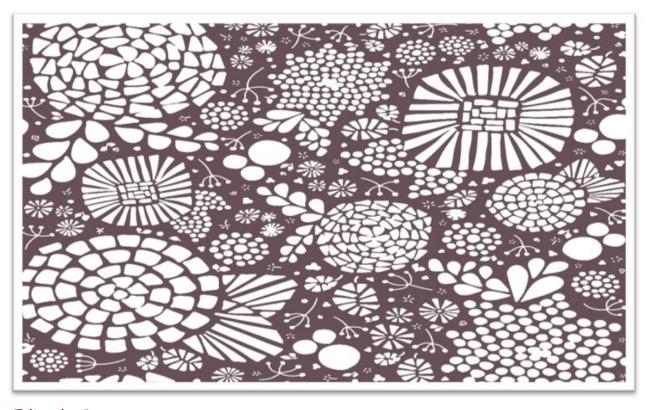
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Editor's Comment:

A huge thank you to Jenny Tuttle from Unique for her generosity with supplying our artist's prizes for the upcoming Saltwater Classic art display on Sunday 14th April.

Holiday season has finally arrived, with Easter and school holidays upon us

Rather than being all hot cross buns and chocolate eggs, as we celebrate this Christian festival, we thought we would try to promote your health (or minimise the damage!).

So here goes:-

- 1. Balance your meals: Include a variety of foods from different food groups, such as fruits, vegetables, lean proteins, whole grains, and healthy fats.
- 2. Practise portion control: Enjoy your favourite Easter treats in moderation and be mindful of portion sizes to avoid overeating.
- 3. Stay hydrated: Drink plenty of water throughout the day to stay hydrated, especially if you're indulging in salty or sugary foods.
- 4. Include fruits and vegetables: Choose healthier options. Aim to fill half of your plate with fruits and vegetables to increase your intake of vitamins, minerals, and fibre.
- 5. Practise mindful eating: Take your time to savour and enjoy your meals, paying attention to hunger and fullness cues, and avoiding distractions while eating. Be mindful of snacking.
- 6. Don't skip meals: Skipping meals can lead to overeating later in the day, so aim to eat regular, balanced meals to maintain energy levels and prevent excessive hunger.
- 7. Enjoy treats in moderation: It's okay to include in Easter treats, but try to balance them with healthier choices and enjoy them in moderation to maintain a healthy diet.
- 8. Engage in physical exercise. Stay active, move regularly and often. If possible, choose a variety of activities to engage the mind as well as the body.

Have a wonderful, safe and healthy Easter and holiday season



Dr Barry Steele, Chiropractor
Port Vincent Natural Health Centre



SPIDER MAN VISITS PORT VINCENT - MARCH 2024

Rodney French (aka Spiderman) walked the Yorke Peninsula to raise funds for his friend's son, Sam Scully, who is eight years of age. Sam was diagnosed with Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Cancer in early 2023. The devastating news is that there is currently no cure, and Sam's illness is progressing. Rodney has a history of philanthropic works, and is passionate about raising awareness of all forms of cancer after losing his father to the disease in 2015.

Rodey went to great lengths to gain attention for this worthy cause.

If you would like to support Sam, please visit gofundme.com and search Help Sammy Battle Brain Cancer.



Left and Right: Spiderman in action on the Port Vincent foreshore.

A huge thank you to Julie Searle for these amazing photos. Unfortunately this was Julie's last assignment for the A Focal Point.

Please contact Sue Hall on 0413 057 992 if you would like to take on the role of the A Focal Point's roving reporter.





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THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC



Central Yorke Peninsula Branch



(Amalgamating Curramulka, Minlaton & Pt Vincent Branches)

We are excited that the seat donated some years ago be SACWA Port Vincent branch has been reinstalled on the foreshore, the first on the northern side of the wharf. Our thanks to YP Council and Port Vincent Tidy Towns.

At the recent SACWA March State Council, Helen Joraslafsky was announced as the elected 2024/25 SACWA Spencer Group President.

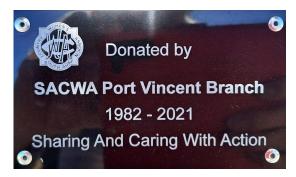
A well attended meeting of the SACWA Spencer Group Branch Delegates was held in the Minlaton rooms on Monday, 18 March. It began with a workshop on the duties and responsibilities of presidents and secretaries at all levels in SACWA, presented by Mrs Roslyn Schumann (former SACWA State President), and was most educational.

The 8 April meeting will have an Easter theme, a guest speaker and the usual pooled lunch. Visitors are most welcome.

A mystery trip is planned for May.

For more information, call Helen.

Helen Joraslafsky Branch Secretary 0419 001 420









PORT VINCENT SAILING CLUB

March started with the State Titles weekend. 23 boats competed, including Sharpies, NS14s and 505s. The weather was great and competition fierce. A really good weekend.

There was no official racing over the long weekend. The race on 17 March was a Cup race, and with only 2 more Cup races to come, competition was strong. First was Vostok, K. Campion, second was Amante, A. Slater. Multihulls saw Nautical Nut (G.Illman) cross the line ahead of Epimagic, T. Polkinghorne.

And the last race for March was a race for the ladies! Alan Rushbrook's Chameleon was skippered by Adrianne Ralph, Amante, A. Slater, was skippered by Simone Cameron, and Joe Butler's Xtremist was skippered by Jan Le Feuvre. Perfect conditions and a great race. Unfortunately Cripple Creek Ferry (R. Cook) won the race, but the female skippers disqualified him as he had no female crew, let alone a female skipper. So, on that basis Amante, helmed by Simone, was second (in reality first) and Xtremist helmed by Jan was third (2nd)! All good fun although *Xtremist's* skipper is suffering a bit afterwards!

We have no racing over Easter although Port Vincent is hosting the Royal SA Yacht Squadron, and boats will be racing over the holidays. And then we have the Saltwater Classic which will be very exciting. Please check our Facebook page for details and program of events.

Jan Le Feuvre

Top Right: NS14

Right:

Race Officer (Andrew Slater) and Start boat crew (Amy Howe) conducting the races from Committee

Boat, Zoe.





Left:

Sharpies heading for the start line

PORT VINCENT UNITING CHURCH

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Every Sunday at 10am ALL WELCOME

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AUTUMN

Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness....James 3:18

Yes, the Lord will give what is good and our land will yield its increase. Psalm 85:12

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever....Isaiah 40:8

Dear Father God, Thank you for your unfailing love for me, your blessings and goodness. Thank you for your faithfulness to guide me and see me through times of uncertainty, for lifting me up, and setting me oDn high. Thank you for scripture that comforts and reminds me of your promises, plan and provision. Thank you for taking away my fears and worries, the what-ifs and reminding me that my help comes from you. Help me be a good steward and to sow wisely in Christ's name. Amen





ST NEOT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH (Ministry District of Yorke Peninsula)



Easter Day Service will be held at 6.30am at the foreshore opposite the church, same as previous years, and the service will be led by Mother Sorel. The Royal Yacht Squad will take part in the tradition of doing the readings. Easter is a special time in the Church calendar.

The nomination committee is still in the process of a new ministry District Priest, so keep an eye on the door for services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, until we are sorted.

Mother Sorel duty as Locum will be available up to the end of May.

Trash/Treasure has been doing well, thank you to people leaving things at the front door.

Welcome to all to come and browse for that elusive treasure, Saturdays 9.30am—12.30pm and Tuesdays 10am—12 noon.

SUNDAY
14 APRIL 2024

Marine

Art

Exhibition

Port Vincent Institute

Open 09:00am - 04:00pm
19 Marine Parade
Port Vincent

Att age groups welcome to register

Download your registration form from the YP Saltwater Classic website

www.ypsaltwaterclassic.org.au
Entries close on 31st March 2024

For More Details
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We still need people to water the garden when you have a moment to spare, thank you.

Every morning, God gives us the gift of comprehending anew his faithfulness of old;

Thus, in the midst of our life with God, we may daily begin a new life with him.

(by Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

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Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding:

In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your path straight.(Proverbs 3.5,6)









COASTGUARD SAF10 - PORT VINCENT



2 calls to assists since last report.

The first – Fire boat "Gallantry" called C.G. Ardrossan radio for assistance, as one of two diesel motors had seized. Vincent Star and 3 crew despatched to north of Rogues Point then on to Ardrossan, to lend assistance.

Arriving at Ardrossan with Gallantry, Vincent Star was able to take 3 firemen on board with their gear and into Ardrossan.

Skipper on Gallantry and 2 remaining crew followed in by life raft. All okay.

Second call out to assist vessel 2 pob off Rogues Point. Unable to tow in to Ardrossan ramp due to very low tide. Decided to tow boat South to Port Vincent. SAF10 skipper Perry Woodward then drove boat owner back to Ardrossan to collect his car and boat trailer for return to Port Vincent to pick up his boat.

Yacht Patrols attended State Heats: 505's & NS14 Sailing over 2 days.

Vincent Star and 3 crew attended and performed Safety Patrols for 27 sailing boats.

Two SAF10 members went to North Haven for their 4S Life Saving and Survival at Sea Raft Exercise in water, to complete their Certificate.

A get together/social lunch was held at base shed for SAF10 members and partners."

'Thank You' to all who supported our Coast Guard raffle, results being:-

- 1st Weber BBQ DOROTHY
- 2nd Lounge Table Lamp— KAREN ELDRIDGE
- 3rd Pop Cake Maker– NOEL FLOUNDERS
- 4th Hanging Snow Light FIONA HART
- 5th 2 Wines ELINOR
- 6th 2 Wines SUSAN POPE

SAF10 members wish you all a "SAFE AND HAPPY EASTER".

Safety By All Means,

M. Taylor FAO SAF10





SHOP LOCAL

2 Main Street Port Vincent

Exciting roads announcement

After imploring in the chamber on 7 March the need for a proper fix of Upper Yorke Road rather than a \$600,000 patch job, I was thrilled to be advised on 17 March that a major rebuild of both the Arthurton to Kulpara and the Bute to Port Broughton sections of this road are now imminent, with tens of millions expected to be announced nearer to budget time.

Both these sections of Upper Yorke Road featured in my State Budget formal submission lodged in February, which included the call for a dedicated Turning Lane Fund to improve safety manoeuvring on and off our highways into coastal townships such as Port Vincent. Fingers crossed more roads funding is coming our way.

Call for improved essential services for SYP

Topics I spoke about in the chamber last sitting week included welcoming the above roads funding; the need for more help for the homeless; and the impact of frequent power outages on Southern Yorke Peninsula, the latter after a high number of calls from constituents at Wool Bay and Stansbury. I am aware SA Power Networks undertook works at Wool Bay late last week so am hopeful improved services will be the result.

Ferry update

Also, in the chamber on 7 March I sought an update on progress of any plans for a vehicular/passenger ferry from Glenelg to Yorke Peninsula. Minister for Tourism Zoe Bettison informed she has spoken with SeaLink about the prospects of a ferry to Pt Vincent (as have I) and that further discussions are planned. I will keep you updated on any developments on this topic.

Grants

My website features news, speech videos and also has information about the latest in grants opportunities (refer Grants tab). Of the latter, currently open programs include the Regional Events Fund, SA Heritage Tourism, The Power of Her –Infrastructure and Participation program (office of Sport and Recreation), and Round 2 of the Grants SA Social Impacts.

Re the latter Grants SA program, I was pleased so many local organisations were successful in Round 1 including from SYP the Community Hub at Yorketown, Warooka Progress Association, and the Western United Sports & Community Club.

I commend all committee members involved in these application submissions, on their dedication to community and time and effort taken in securing such funding.



PORT VINCENT INFORMATION OFFICE NEWS

It was with huge sadness that the Visitor Information Office farewelled Julie Searle from Port Vincent.

Julie has been our VIO secretary for over 4 years. As the Secretary, she has been a great organiser, always energetic and hardworking. Julie's knowledge of our area and beyond has been much appreciated by all members and visitors. Anything required for the VIO, whether it be picture rails, brochure holders, pin up boards, hose holders, have been very graciously done by Rob, with Julie's guidance. Julie has promoted Port Vincent and the Yorke Peninsula on Facebook, using her excellent photographic skills.

Julie was a key member of the Water Tower Mural Committee, and the fairy garden on the tower walking trail is thanks to her inspiration.

Julie's sense of humour and genuine caring and energetic commitment to all tasks will be greatly missed.

The Water Tower Committee (now under the VIO) would like to express our thanks to Tidy Towns volunteers for removing the branches and tidying up the tower trail path. This short walk along the Lime Kiln Road fence line includes story boards with QR codes and the fairy garden. It is well worth a look.

Discussions are still underway with SA Water to organise safe access to the water tower for close up photography.

Over the past month we have welcomed visitors from England and several interstate travellers who are enjoying travelling around the peninsula.

Welcome to Tony Bates, our latest VIO member.

Julie Adams - VIO Co-ordinator

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EASY MOVES EXERCISE CLASSES - PORT VINCENT INSTITUTE WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30am ALL WELCOME

Yorke Peninsula

Port Vincent is very lucky to have Jo Minks conducting our exercise class each Wednesday.

Our community (and visitors to our town) have embraced the opportunity to meet once a week at the Institute Hall to exercise with a professional instructor.

These classes, and the equipment used, is a result of grant funding provided by the Rural Health Innovation Fund. We are very grateful for the financial support they have provided to our community.





Port Vincent Progress Association is currently preparing a grant application to ensure that these classes can continue for another 12 months.

If you would like to support this grant application, please email your letter to afocalpoint2@gmail.com

Jo has been an inspiration to all attendees. She has recently written an article for the Country Times on Preventative Health. This article should be published in the coming weeks.

We are extremely lucky to have Jo working in our community! 22

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY, 21st APRIL, 2024 11:00am

AT THE CLUBHOUSE

There will be a full wrap up of the 2023/24 bowls season in the May edition of the A Focal Point.

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GARDEN ORGANICS CALENDAR





Port Julia, Sheoak Flat, Port Vincent, Stansbury

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Thursday

4th April 9th May 6th June



Port Vincent, Stansbury Way Point I

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Tuesday

9th April 23rd April 7th May 21st May 4th June 18th June

Bins are collected as follows:

- red-lidded waste bin collected weekly
- yellow-lidded recycling bin collected fortnightly
- green-lidded garden organics bin collected monthly

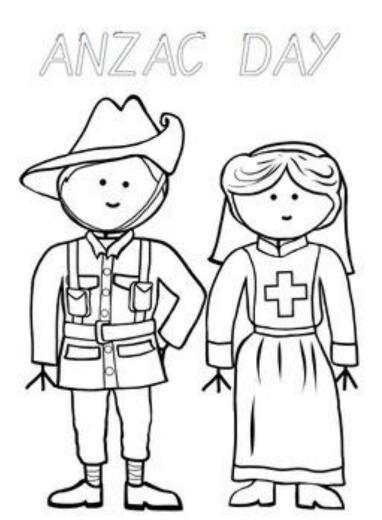
Bin Collection - Yorke Peninsula Council

For all enquiries regarding kerbside waste and recycling services, please contact: Veolia on 1800 411 783

For all enquiries regarding waste, recycling and garden organics collections, please contact SUEZ Recycling & Recovery on 1800 411 783.







Please submit all entries to the Port Vincent newsagency before 4pm Tuesday, 23rd April .

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

MONDAY:

Monday's Fellowship Group - Uniting Church Hall 4th Monday of each month 9.45am—1:15pm Lunch provided - all welcome.

RSL Meeting -in RSL room at the Memorial Bowling Club 2pm on 4th Monday of each month.

SACWA Monday 8th April 9:30am- Minlaton

TUESDAY:

Tidy Towns - working bees 8:30am - 12noon **Ladies' Golf** (Winter)

Trash 'N Treasure - St Neot's

Senior Citizens each week 1:30pm BBQ lunch 1st Tuesday of the month 12:30pm February-December

WEDNESDAY:

Men's Golf (Winter)

Port Vincent Uniting Church

(affiliated with Generate Presbytery)

Drop-in Centre 10am - 12noon - Uniting Church

Exercise Classes - Institute Hall

THURSDAY: Progress Assn meeting at 7.30pm

4th April - Institute Supper Room

Ladies' Bowls (Summer)

Library 9.30 - 11.30am in Institute

Meals on Wheels delivery

Coast Guard Flotilla Meetings 3rd Thursday

Twilight Bowls (Summer) - refer bowls articles

FRIDAY:

Port Vincent Uniting Church (affiliated with Generate Presbytery) Drop-in Centre 10am - 12noon Podiatrist in Dr's rooms, Senior Cits Hall— by appointment. Contact Paul Cremers 0439 407 976 for appointment days/times

SATURDAY:

Men's Golf (Winter)

Open Gender Bowls (Summer)

Coast Guard Training 1st Sat of the month 9am

Trash 'N Treasure -St Neots

SUNDAY:

Port Vincent Uniting Church

(affiliated with Generate Presbytery) - 10:00am

St Neot's Church - see church door for times

Sailing (Summer) 2pm - 5.30pm

Social Bowls - Winter - 1pm for a 1:30pm start

If the time, day or venue for your meetings has changed, or if your club etc has ceased to meet, this page will need to be updated.

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