

PORT VINCENT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION — South Australia

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PROGRESS ASSOCIATION REPORT - AUGUST 2022

It's been a very cold winter so far; I think one of the coldest we have experienced for a while if the amount of firewood I've been going through is any indication.

It seems Covid and the flu is spending some time amongst our community.

Please look after yourselves, and look out for your family and friends.

Shout Out to Roya, at our local pharmacy, for all her work with vaccinations and flu shots, on top of running the pharmacy day to day. *We are very lucky to have Roya servicing our community.*

The Port Vincent Progress Association has been especially blessed in recent times, with having a talented grant writer amongst the committee, *Sue Hall*, who works tirelessly, applying for any relevant grant funds that may assist us in any way, big or small! We are very grateful for the many hours of work that she commits to our town, on top of her role as the editor of this local newsletter 'A Focal Point'.

We have this last month been notified of another funding win, through FRRR Strengthening Rural Communities, for the amount of \$10,000. This will assist with upgrading the projector system in the Institute, as with the passing of time, technology has changed, and the majority of presentations are now wireless or through USB connection, and our current system is a tad outdated.

So, this is exciting moving forward. We hope to be able to host some movie presentations, and make the facility available for hire, with the upgrade making it more user friendly.

Port Vincent Progress will be hosting its Annual General Meeting in the coming months, with a date to be confirmed, but this will likely be held in September.

If you are looking for something to do with some spare time, or feel that you could be an asset to the Progress Association, contact us now! Come and have a chat for more information of what's involved.

Without volunteers, we don't have a committee, and the more hands on deck the better.

We understand that 'time' is a precious commodity..... but it can be as little as a couple of hours a month, or more if you are able. Many jobs and projects can be completed from home with online access.

Help Progress be progressive.... join us.

Michelle Twelftree

PVPA President

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Thank you to our local councillor, Leanne O'Brien who has been liaising between the Progress Association and the Yorke Peninsula Council regarding the ongoing cormorant problem at the Port Vincent foreshore. Leanne has advised that the council has announced the production of a Pied Cormorant Management Strategy.

The following email has been received from Dustin Guthberg, Manager of Building and Compliance:-

"We have today confirmed the engagement of Ecosure to undertake the study and produce a Management Strategy. I have attached their proposal document for your information. As you will note in the proposal, both Copper Coast Council and Barunga West Council have agreed to partner us in the project which will allow the Management Strategy to cover the Yorke Peninsula holistically. Both Councils are contributing toward the costs of the study with invoices to be raised in due course. We are all looking forward to finding some long term solutions to the current impacts so will be commencing as soon as possible."

This is a 41 page pdf document, so quite obviously it can't be reprinted in the A Focal Point. But, if you would like to receive a copy of the pdf please email me on afocalpoint2@gmail.com and I will email it to you. Alternatively you can use this link, which will take you to the Port Vincent website:

<https://portvincent.org.au/admin/uploads/file/yorke-peninsula-council-op-pied-cormorant-management-strategy.pdf>

In the July edition of A Focal Point I asked for information on who named the *A Focal Point*. Thank you to Pam Biggs, who has given her account of the naming of our newsletter. Pam's letter is on Page 21. Pam feels very strongly that we should leave the name as it is, stressing that the "A" should be retained. What are your thoughts? I would love to hear from you!

Over the past couple of years the Progress Association has been in discussions with council regarding the toilet facilities on the foreshore. In particular the need to provide a facility that incorporates disability / carer facilities. Please refer to Pages 24 and 25 which outline the proposal Progress will be presenting to the Yorke Peninsula Council. Please address all correspondence to portvincentprogress@gmail.com

This information is also available on our Port Vincent website:-

<https://portvincent.org.au/admin/uploads/file/community-consultation-amenities-block-port-vincent-foreshore.pdf>

Budding photographers should check out Page 5 - an amateur photography competition is being held. Check out <https://www.seniorcard.sa.gov.au/benefits/through-the-lens> for details.

I hope that all our community members stay fit and well. It is very reassuring to know that we live in a town with so many caring and supportive residents. Muriel Bartley's thank you on Page 16 is testimony to the kindness of our community.

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

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Another Tidy Towns project—gardens at the Cemetery and Cemetery Reserve



Above: Rob Searle, chairperson of Tidy Towns, planting a Capital Pear Tree at the cemetery on 31 May

In April 2021 the request was made for the paving in front of the columbarium wall to be swept—and that led to a plan to tidy up the whole cemetery and the adjacent reserve. There is still a lot to do, but the project is progressing well. The cemetery garden had become a hotch-potch of untidy plants and the reserve was overgrown and full of weeds and rubbish. All plants were removed and most have been replanted. The two mop-top trees are now in the reserve, and had their first serious prune, done by Rob Searle and John Buttfeld using the miniature chainsaw donated to Tidy Towns by the late Rodney Button. The southern wire fence was removed and reinstated by John B and Iain, so it is now in a straight line and on the boundary. Rob Searle and I planted the new trees as soon as they arrived, despite the heavy rain that day, so they would receive an immediate good soaking—and also because it is said the best time to plant a tree was yesterday.

Appreciation to: YP Council and Nick Hoskin for the cemetery survey, geraniums, trees, golden wattle, and organising Dave F to remove and replant the mop-tops and remove some pavers; Nola Buttfeld, Ken & Dany Symons of Adelaide, and Dee Francis for donating plants; John Buttfeld, Nola Buttfeld, Rob Searle, Iain Burns, Rob Anderson and my grand-daughter Ariel Challenger for volunteering your labour whenever I've asked for help; and to all those who have assisted in so many other ways.

Charmaine Kimber.



Above left: Ariel Challenger
Above: John Buttfeld and Iain Burns
Right: John Buttfeld, Charmaine Kimber, Rob Anderson, Nola Buttfeld, Rob Searle
Left: Rob Searle and John Buttfeld



Left: the garden created by Tidy Towns members alongside the cemetery. Photo taken looking towards the bay.

FAREWELL

I wish to thank the Port Vincent Community for the wonderful farewell given to me on Sunday 3/07/2022. I was humbled by this honour.

Arthur and I came to live in Port Vincent 29½ years ago. Back then when this was suggested, I wasn't that keen. However, let me tell you now, this was the best thing I have ever done. I have been totally accepted by the community in whatever area I have wished to become involved in. I had never been to a meeting let alone been on a committee prior to coming to Port Vincent.

The people I have worked with over this period have welcomed and encouraged me to join in. I have enjoyed everything I have attempted, and I thank you all.

I leave Port Vincent with a lot of sadness, however my decision to no longer drive was the catalyst to this move. I will miss the many friends, the various committees I have served on, and just belonging to a caring community.

Thank you to all who have helped me over the years.

I wish you all the very best for your futures.

Good luck and God bless you all

Beth Fairlie



SAF10 PORT VINCENT - REPORT



ASSISTS: Nil since last report. The cold and wet weather keeping many boaties at home.

TRAINING: 5 members attended G.P.H. (General Purpose Hand) coursework. 7 member crew aboard Vincent Star, including Squadron Board Advisor/Training Officer Brian Robinson from SAF1 North Haven, practised Grid Pattern search style off Port Vincent. IT Manager Vice Captain Adam Schemeczko attended to install internet into SAF10 office for training and administration work.

SPAM: "Stress Prevention and Management" PRESENTATION was held at SAF10 recently, and will be presented again at North Haven in September.

COVID 19 Restrictions: Coast Guard SAF10 has reduced training and meetings in groups in line with the resurgence of COVID on Yorke Peninsula. Essential Search and Rescue will still be carried out as required.

BOAT SHOW: 4WD & Boat Show will be held at Wayville 21st, 22nd and 23rd October. Coast Guard members will be at our site to assist boaties.

Safety By All Means,

Maxine Taylor
FAO SAF10

21st July 2022



Through the Lens is part of International Day of Older Persons celebrations. The competition and exhibition promotes ageing well by celebrating the skills of older South Australians through the art of photography and demonstrates that people can learn and create at any age.

All South Australian Seniors Card members are eligible to enter by submitting up to four original photographs. Submit your best photos for a chance to receive great prizes! Judges are looking for good photographic technique, creativity and clear photographs.

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*****TRIBUTE TO BETH FAIRLIE*****

Beth's willingness to volunteer her time, and give selflessly to help within the community for over 20 years says a lot about her quality of character, and her passion for Port Vincent.

When people volunteer, they are making a commitment to share the most precious of resources, their time, which Beth has given to our community in bucket loads.

Beth was slightly embarrassed by the fuss at her farewell, which was held at the Bowls Club on Sunday, 3rd July 2022. But, the event allowed community members to show their appreciation of having Beth as a member of our community.

Beth chose to volunteer selflessly, without any expectation of being recognised. She will be remembered for her dedication to our community, and particularly for the wealth of information that she shared with others. Beth's meticulously kept records and her memory is to be commended.

Since her return to Port Vincent in 1993, Beth was involved in many community groups, committees and organisations. This included the Special Events /Gala Day Committee, the Port Vincent Progress Association, the Visitor information office, the Ventnor Hotel Social Club and the Port Vincent Bowls club, holding executive positions on many of these committees.

What is astonishing and inspiring is how long Beth held positions on these committees. Beth's involvement with the 'Gala Day' event started back in 1999, and continued on and off (but mostly on) through to 2020.

Beth held the Secretary and/or the Treasurer position for Port Vincent Progress Association for 15 years, in this time attending many extra meetings, liaising with the local council, and attending the access advisory meetings. Beyond holding executive positions, Beth remained a committee member until late 2020, making her a valued asset to the association.

Beth's outstanding service to Port Vincent was honoured by her receiving the Yorke Peninsula Council Citizen of the Year Award in 2009.

When I first became a committee member of the Port Vincent Progress Association, five and half years ago, Beth was welcoming and encouraging. And of course, when I fell into an executive role, she continued to be supportive of myself, and all new committee members, sharing her knowledge of the process and past committee activities, and at the same time always holding a progressive and open mind to the future.

We are so very pleased that Beth has been able to see some of her visions for the community come to fruition, including the upgrade to the Institute kitchen and the disability breezeway access on the side of the institute, which all began as a distant pipe dream. But, eventually they made their way onto the wish list and then to the exciting action list!

Those who have sat on any committee know many projects, especially infrastructure ones, take a long time to get off the ground. So, I am sure that Beth will have to come back to visit us in the coming months to see the completion of her final vision as a member of the Port Vincent Progress Association, the side access/breezeway at the Institute.

Beth's huge contribution as a volunteer in our community is recognised, appreciated, valued and cherished.

We wish Beth all the very best for her relocation to Adelaide.

Port Vincent residents will definitely miss her friendly, smiling face.

Goodbye and Good luck Beth.



Written by Michelle Twelftree - President Port Vincent Progress Association

Beth's

Farewell Party

Good Luck



Farewell PARTY

Good Luck



Farewell PARTY



Goodbye

VISITOR INFORMATION OFFICE NEWS

No-one could dispute that this has been one very cold winter, and as a consequence, many have gone seeking warmer climates. We've had very little activity at the Visitor Information Office over the school holidays, but we have continued to assist people wanting to take part in the Tower Tours, which is encouraging.

The new sign has gone up behind the flagpole, which makes it much easier for volunteers to indicate when we are open. The sandwich board used previously was heavy and cumbersome to move.

With the end of the school holidays, the VIO and the Tower Tours will now be in recess until the September school holidays.

Looking forward to some warmer weather and the return of the tourists.

Julie Searle - Secretary



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*****FISHING REPORT - WAYNE CROUCH*****

Well, the fishing report reflects the type of weather and tides we have been experiencing - very ordinary and unfortunately not great for fishing!

Tommies are still around at the jetty and along the beach from the caravan park to the marina. Also, there are mullet and salmon trout mixed in.

I have had luck catching tommyies using a little Halco lure (available at the IGA). It saves using bait. I am getting lazy in my old age.

King George are very spasmodic. One boat will bag out, and one 50 metres away will not get a bite! Red mullet are also quite prevalent, along with leather jackets, so they add to the catch.

Squid are around in the usual spots at the Gully and Sheoak, but the water needs to be clear.

I hope that the next report is more exciting, but in the meantime, just keep fishing, and avoid the Covid bug!

**Good Fishing - Tight Lines
Wayne Crouch**

**PS Pick up a tide chart from the local shops.
Thank you to all the sponsors who ensure that these are provided free of charge.**



Return Thanks - Vic Wheare

We would like to sincerely thank all the lovely, caring people of Port Vincent who sent flowers, cards, messages and phone calls on the passing of Dad.

Special thanks to all the people who supplied food and worked in the Bowling Club for the afternoon tea.

All the family really appreciated it.

Sincere Thanks

Merrilyn and Mick



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Week 1 is our annual tree planting week!

Watch this space for more photos of our tree planting and Cookout adventures in the next Focal Point.

Helicopter Tours

In week 9 of Term 2 we were fortunate to get an up close tour of the helicopters that were surveying the power lines around Curramulka. We learnt how to fly a helicopter, where the engines lived, and how to crash land a helicopter.



Playgroup and Kindergym

Playgroup is Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 11.00am. For the first 2 weeks of term, Playgroup will be held in the Gym. We will have the soft play climbing equipment out.

We invite all mums with babies/children from Birth to 5 to attend. We have a baby scale and measuring mat available to use, and coffee ready to go.



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PORT VINCENT MEMORIAL BOWLING CLUB

Our Club notes with sadness the passing of another of our past members, Adele Stubberfield. Adele contributed and served with distinction as a bowler, volunteer and staunch supporter of the PVMBC. The Administrative Committee extends condolences to Paul, family and friends on behalf of our members.

Club News

As a start to the formulation of a Strategic or Management Plan for the Club, a meeting to generate ideas for improvement was held in early July, and was particularly well attended, with further submissions being received from other members unable to attend. A total of 33 member responses were received. These were categorised under A Green: B Green: Club House (internal) Club House (external) Equipment: Financial and Other, and are presently being collated for member information and consideration by a Strategic Plan Subcommittee.

Other reviews, approved at the AGM, which include our Club uniform, sponsorship policies and our Club management structure will occur in the ensuing months. The absence of members who are holidaying, seeking warmer climes or on overseas trips, combined with present Club priorities, dictate the need for these reviews to be addressed later.

Winter Bowls on Wednesday and Sundays continue to be well attended, as do our Friday night teas. Any resident or visitor contemplating playing bowls, or wanting to learn, is welcome to join us on Wednesdays and Sundays. You will be received warmly and assisted by our Members to learn the fundamentals of bowling.

Despite the cold, our Friday Night Teas continue to be well-attended by regulars and visitors to our town. In recent times, we have had 22 join as Social Members, enabling them to participate in our Weekly Members' draw. Our newly introduced raffle following the draw has proven to be very popular as well. The recently installed air conditioners have been a boon in these colder months. They are efficient, and ensure the comfort of all as they enjoy the delicious meals prepared by Les and Donna, and the welcoming environment of the PVMBC.

Member News

The Community Farewell to popular Beth Fairlie occurred at the Club Rooms on Sunday, July 3rd, and was an event to be remembered for both the numbers in attendance and the accolades given to Beth. The PVMBC extends every good wish to Beth, and hopes to see her again on occasional visits to Port Vincent.

A farewell of sorts is extended to David Cowell who is spending a majority of his time in Adelaide, with occasional visits back to Port Vincent. Strut your stuff at the Grange Bowling Club, Dave, and we look forward to seeing you again in the near future.

DATES TO REMEMBER

WINTER BOWLS: Wednesdays: 12.30 registration for 1.00pm start. Barbecue beforehand.
 Sundays: Names in by 1.00pm for 1.30pm start.

Roger Underwood
President
PVMBC



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A surprised Barbara Buttfield was presented with her SACWA 50 Year and 60 Year Membership Certificate at the conclusion of business at the July meeting of the SACWA Central Yorke Peninsula Branch.

A member of the former Curramulka Branch, Barbara has served in many offices and capacities over the years, and remains an active member of the SACWA CYP Branch. Well done, Barbara.

The day started with the Branch Annual Meeting where Kathleen Smith was returned as President, Barbara Buttfield as Vice President, Helen Joraslafsky as Secretary and Jenny Highett as Treasurer, with Dianne Joraslafsky as Media Correspondent, Kathleen Smith becoming Floriculture Officer, and Margaret Rowley, International Officer.

This was followed by the monthly meeting, with business discussed including:-

- The acceptance of the 2021-22 Branch Report of activities to the SACWA Spencer Group President for inclusion in the Group Annual Meeting which will be held on Monday 15th August at Maitland.
- A Certificate of Appreciation to be presented to the Minlaton Hotel for their recent donation.
- The acceptance of a quotation for the repair of the roof of the SACWA Minlaton building.
- A Handicraft Day for the making of celluloid baskets (an old craft) on 11th July, three training days on the 2022 SACWA Crafts. Competition entries for the recycling of Royal Adelaide Show prize ribbons from the cancelled 2020 and 2021 Shows are still to be decided. They will be displayed and sold at the 2022 Royal Adelaide Show.
- Marilyn Camp and Helen Joraslafsky have volunteered to work for the SACWA Country Cafe and Marquee at the 2022 Royal Adelaide Show.
- Work continues on items to be sold at the Christmas Fair, to be held on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th December in the Port Vincent Institute.

We were joined for lunch by three guests and members of the SACWA Yorketown Branch.

The Annual Meeting of the Vincent Cottage Management Committee was held at the cottage on 18th July, with all committee members being returned to their previous positions.

The August meeting will be on 3rd August, with a pooled lunch and guest speaker.

For more information, call President Kathleen Smith on 0428 746 018, or Secretary Helen Joraslafsky on 0419 001 420.

Helen Joraslafsky
Branch Secretary



Above: Sharing lunch with Yorketown Branch guests, with special cake.

Right: President Kathleen Smith presenting Barbara Buttfield with her 50 & 60 Year Membership Certificates.

[PORT VINCENT TURNED 145 YEARS OLD IN JUNE 2022](#)

Editor's comment: Apologies to Alan Jones for not adding the heading to the July edition of A Focal Point.

This article has been reproduced in its entirety in this edition.

Construction of the jetty began early in June 1877, and was completed at the end of the month. Shipping operations – freight and passengers – began. The *Star of Hope* provided a weekly steamer service for about six weeks in July and August, and then at the beginning of September 1877, the *Ceres* began its 24-year association with Port Vincent. Allotments in the oldest part of the town were auctioned in Adelaide in September, 1877.

The 2020s (actually 2019 to 2029) is the decade of “150ths” on the leg of Yorke Peninsula. The 1869-1879 decade saw the peninsula transformed from a few big sheep runs (on leased land), to a region of grain farms (on freehold land), dotted with the towns and ports needed to provide support services to the farmers. The first land the government subdivided and sold for farming was around and inland from Edithburgh. Applications for this land, in the Hundred of Melville, opened on September 6th, 1869. The first grain farmers on YP took up their land late in 1869 or early in 1870, ready to sow the 1870 crop. In controlled stages, the colonial government opened up the rest of the YP for farming over the following decade.

Edithburgh celebrated its 150th in November 2019, the first town on the YP, apart from the copper mining towns in the north. *Sadly, the 150th of the first farmers and the first grain crops was not commemorated.*

This year, 2022, sees the 150th of farming settlement in the area between Stansbury and Wool Bay and around Maitland. Maitland town is now 150, and has events planned for around August. Yorketown, a privately-subdivided town, reaches 150 later this year.

Other forthcoming 150ths include:-

2023: Stansbury and Ardrossan towns, Edithburgh jetty,

2024: farmland around Minlaton and Brentwood,

2025: farmland in the Hundreds of Koolywurtie and Wauraltie (Port Victoria area),

2026: farmland around Curramulka and Port Julia, and around Ardrossan; Minlaton, Port Victoria, Wool Bay and Warooka towns,

2028: Curramulka town.

Farmland in the Hundred of Ramsay, inland from Port Vincent, was offered in several stages starting in 1872.

[Port Vincent reaches 150 in 2027 – just five years away.](#)

THANK YOU

I would like to thank the kind people of Port Vincent who rang me, picked up papers, prescriptions, shopping, and even delivered home-made soup.

This happened when I was in quarantine with COVID.

I'm sure that being fully vaccinated, and the kindness of friends, helped me to recover so well.



Thank you all

Muriel Bartley



Port Vincent now has a new Christian Radio Station that can be heard on the FM band on 88.0 MHz 24 hrs throughout each day.

The station takes a feed from Vision Christian Media in Queensland and relays it through a transmitter operating from the Uniting Church hall in Main Street Port Vincent. It will be very helpful for listeners who don't attend church, but may wish to hear God's Word regularly.

The following was received from Vision Christian Media:-

In accordance with the Radio Communications Licence Conditions (Broadcasting Licence) Determination No. 1 of 1998, made under the Radio Communications Act 1992, UCB Australia Ltd advises that it intends to commence broadcasting from Port Vincent on the 88.0FM frequency. Any member of the public who believes that this transmission is causing interference to services provided by other stations should contact the licensee at Locked Bag 3, Springwood, Qld 4127 or phone 1800 007 770.



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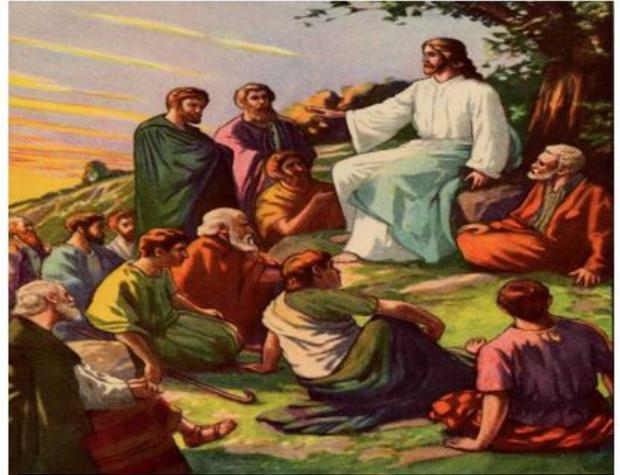


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Romans 15:13



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not be shaken. On God rests my
deliverance and my honor; my
mighty rock, my refuge is in
God. Trust in him at all times, O
people; pour out your heart
before him; God is a refuge for
us". - Psalm 62 5-8*





FRASER ELLIS MP

MEMBER FOR NARUNNGA



Grants for Farm Fire Units

The Regional Capability Community Fund (RCCF) will deliver \$2 million over four years for farmers and farming businesses to purchase equipment to create or support the safe use of Farm Fire Units (FFUs). The fund will reimburse approved purchases in full or a portion of, from \$200 to \$3000. One application per individual or business can be made and successful applicants must ensure their unit is registered with the CFS to be eligible for reimbursement. Proposed items under the scheme must be new and not second hand, be fit for purpose and demonstrate value for money. Applications for the 2022-23 (round one) are now open and will close on Sunday 21 August 2022. Visit <https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/farms/> to apply and for more details.

Riverlea development, Buckland Park intersection

During the last sitting week, I took the opportunity to question the Minister for Transport regarding the Buckland Park traffic lights. The Minister's predecessor previously confirmed the development was approved in 2010 and given the State Government has made significant infrastructure progresses to ensure the free flow of traffic from South Road to Port Augusta since then, it seems wildly counter intuitive to have these lights remain in place. In questioning the Minister I urged the Government to consider bringing forward the developers timeline to upgrade the intersection to alleviate the tremendous inconvenience now caused to motorists. The Minister agreed the interstation along Port Wakefield Road is inept, and whilst an 'a grade' separation is an expensive solution, it is something they are looking at, whilst closely monitoring traffic volumes. I will continue holding the Government to account and seek solutions to these inopportune traffic lights.

Solar feed in tariffs

Recently my office has received an influx of communication regarding residential solar feed in tariffs. The generalised complaint is that private providers have significantly reduced consumer's solar rebates. The Minister for Energy explained when questioned during the most recent sitting week that retailers are offering less to consumers due to an oversupply of electricity during the day, causing the energy price to go negative through the market. With the oversupply of solar generated energy causing the demise of consumer feed in tariffs, I have written to the Minister seeking clarification around the increased development of solar farms, especially within our electorate. I have also sought comment on how the government plans to better harness this oversupply and in doing so how this could possibly positively impact consumers feed in tariffs in the future. I look forward to the Minister's response in due course.

Parliament rose on the 7th July and commenced the winter break. Parliament will resume sitting in September. Please contact my office regarding any state issues on (08) 88322455 email narungga@parliament.sa.gov.au or call in to 37 Graves Street, Kadina.





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THE HISTORY OF THE NAMING OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Thank you to Pam Biggs for the letter below, which explains the origin of the A Focal Point name:-

"My journey to Port Vincent began at Walkers Flat when we were working at Sabaruma, SA Brewery Holiday Park. It was there that we met the Weddings, and Bruce Mundy, and that is the connection to coming to holiday at Port Vincent. Wayne was Bruce's brother. We came and stayed with Pat/Wayne Mundy for a weekend to buy a house to retire here when Bob's job was made redundant (when Lyon Nathan bought the brewery where Bob worked). We moved here in January 1994. The friendship with Pat/Wayne Mundy gave us the opportunity to have someone here to show us the ropes, and we came to love the town.

The main answer to the question about the origin of the A Focal Point name is as follows:-

Pat Mundy was the main co-ordinator for Phil Melling in 1997, and then continued the role under Ray Smith. Pat did all the write ups. I remember her asking me to do a piece for St. Neot's, and I was reluctant to participate, as I thought "what could I write?". Pat's reply was "If you can't think of anything, put a piece of verse or poem in". So, my format through the years has been just that. Pat had MS, but she had the pulse of Port Vincent at her fingertips, so to speak. She later passed the baton to Dorothy Murnane when her MS got worse, and she went into Melaleuca. From Dorothy Murnane, the baton was passed to Charmaine Kimber, then Sue Pike, and presently to Sue Hall.

The name came from Pat Mundy. I'm pretty sure we bandied around names at the time, but the "A Focal Point" was chosen. I feel that the name A Focal Point should stay in place, as the newsletter is the focal point of Port Vincent, highlighting the past, present and the future. I am sure that Pat would want that focus to continue to pinpoint and focus on Port Vincent and the community."

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BIGGEST MORNING TEA

I received the following email from the Cancer Council, and have copied it so that everyone who attended or helped can see just how a morning tea can contribute so much to a worthy cause..

Thank you so much for coming to my Australia's Biggest Morning Tea and helping to make it the special time that it was.

Together we contributed to the \$10,509,442 total raised across the country... amazing!

The team at Cancer Council have reached out and asked me to pass on their thanks too.

Your donations will go a long way to helping them provide vital support services to ensure no patient or family face cancer alone, and fund life-saving cancer research, prevention, advocacy and support programs (like Cancer Council 13 11 20 Information and Support Service) for people facing cancer.

Every donation counts, be it big or small. It's all to help create a cancer free future.

Thank you. I can't wait to do it all again next year!

Sue Pike



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August, and not far off to springtime, and perhaps warmer days and the football and golf season winding up. Trash/ Treasure has had steady winter trade, with the last winter trading days being August 20th and 27th. We are looking forward to springing in to September when Saturdays 9.30 am - 12.30 pm and Tuesdays 10 am - 12 noon will be the norm. Plenty of goods have been coming, in so come in a browse for that elusive treasure. The winter rains have kept the garden looking great.

CHURCH DATES FOR AUGUST:-

14th.....11am.....HOLY COMMUNION.....with Venerable Andrew Lang

28th.....11am.....MORNING PRAYERwith Pam



AGM Of Ministry District of Yorke Peninsula is due this month, and the date will be found on church door. As this goes to print, no other church news of a Bishop to Willochra has come in.

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“Life is a shipwreck, but we must not forget to sing in the lifeboats.” Voltaire

God’s centre is everywhere and his circumference is nowhere.

Prayer for guidance:-

Christ my Guide, be with me on my travels through life, when I falter, encourage me,
When I stumble, steady me, and when I have fallen, pick me up.
Help me to become, step by step, more truly myself, and remind me when necessary
That you have travelled ahead of me this way before.

Pam Biggs

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Concept plans for Foreshore Amenities Block

Background

The current public amenities block, located at the Port Vincent wharf precinct, needs major works to update it to meet the needs of both the community and visitors to our town. The best way to achieve this is to replace the current amenities block with a new purpose-built facility to incorporate disability / carer facilities, which do not currently exist in the wharf precinct.

Proposal

Port Vincent Progress Association (PVPA) is proposing an alternative site for the new purpose build amenities block to replace the current amenities located at the Port Vincent wharf precinct.

The proposed site is on the block of land adjacent to the wharf precinct, near the current Visitor Information Office. This proposed area has a huge potential to be developed into a functional community space. Progress proposes this would be best achieved in stages. The first stage of the development would be to remove the existing shed behind the VIO, then relocate the amenities block to behind the existing VIO.

The large unused area in front of the VIO is an unattractive space, which is less than inviting. PVPA's overarching plan is to develop this area into a more user friendly and inviting space.

The various stages of this development would be funded through grant and Progress Association funding.

Long Term Project Objectives

On the block of land adjacent to the wharf area we wish to create a space for recreational activity and community events, incorporating the existing wharf green space, linking the existing St Neot's community garden, Visitors Information Office with a new toilet amenity, green and shaded rest space with a community art display as the centrepiece for this space. Progress proposes that the old amenities site be developed into a green area, that would be incorporated into the existing wharf area.

Toilet amenities:

Construction of a new amenities block will incorporate a unisex disabled facility and carer's change facility. The amenities block would be positioned at the southern side of the community space, behind the Visitors Information Office (note that disability / carer's facilities do not currently exist in the wharf precinct). Waste from the block will be connected to the established CWMS that exists along Marine Parade. (Diagram 1 concept)

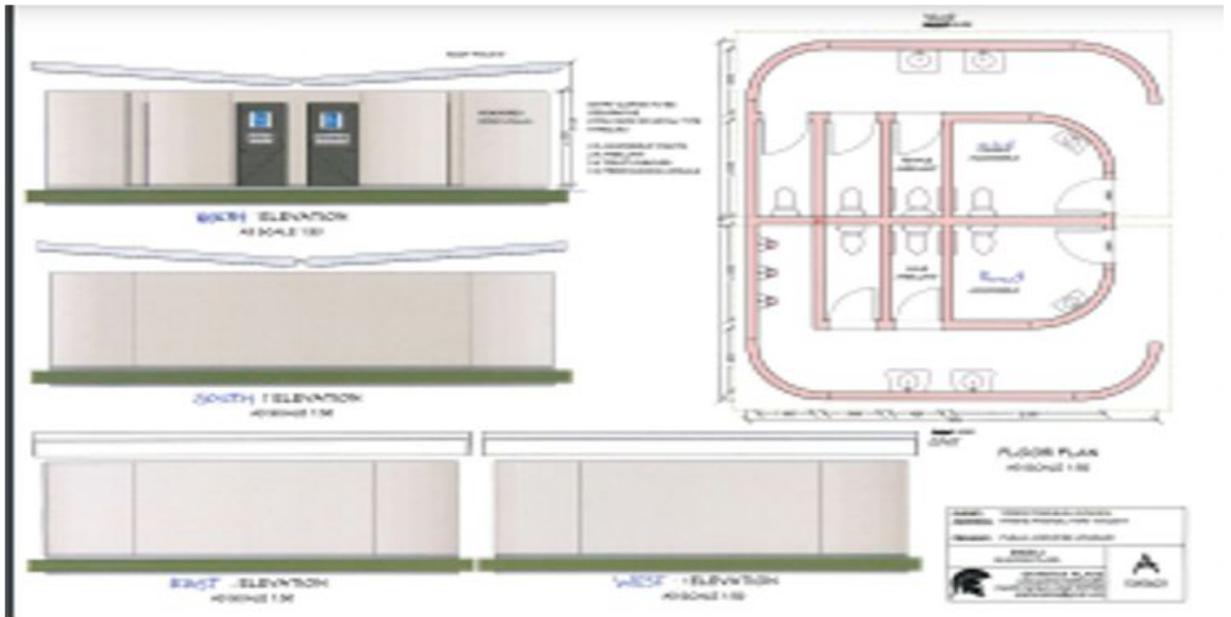
Shelter amenities

This zone provides a rest stop, and potentially a picnic area for community space users. It is planned to have shelters to provide protection for picnic tables and benches, and to include a drinking fountain, bins, and a possible BBQ area. This plan will develop, with consultation, over time taking into consideration the needs of the area. (Diagrams 2,3).

A community art display would act as a centrepiece, and like the picture frames on the foreshore would provide a unique photographic opportunity. (Diagrams 4,5).

Please see Page 25 for concept drawings

Diagram 1



Diagrams 2,3



Diagrams 4,5



Diagrams are concepts only at this stage.

You can make comments about the proposal on the Port Vincent email [address:- portvincentprogress@gmail.com](mailto:portvincentprogress@gmail.com)

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES - (SUBJECT TO COVID RESTRICTIONS)

MONDAY :

Monday's Fellowship Group - Uniting Church Hall
2nd & 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.

TUESDAY :

Tidy Towns - working bees 8:30am - 12noon

Ladies' Golf (Winter)

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

WEDNESDAY:

Men's Golf (Winter)

Winter Bowls (Barbeque - registration 12:30, 1pm start)

Port Vincent Uniting Church

(affiliated with Generate Presbytery)

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

Port Vincent Uniting Church-Adult Fellowship

4th Wed of month in Church Hall 2:00 pm (except
January)

SACWA Wednesday 3rd August - Minlaton

THURSDAY: Progress Assn meeting at 7.30pm on 1st
Thursday of the month - Institute Supper Room

Ladies' Bowls (Summer)

Meals on Wheels delivery

Coast Guard Flotilla Meetings 3rd Thursday

FRIDAY :

Port Vincent Uniting Church (affiliated with Generate
Presbytery) **Drop-in Centre** 10am - 12noon

Library 9.30 - 11.30am in Institute

Podiatrist in Dr's rooms, Senior Cits Hall- by appointment
Contact Paul Cremers for appt days/times 0439 407 976

SATURDAY:

Men's Golf (Winter)

Open Gender Bowls (Summer)

Coast Guard Training 1st Sat of the month 9am

St Neot's Trash'n Treasure 9:30am - 12:30pm

Water Tower Mural Tours - meet at the gate at 10:30 am

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

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

Water Tower Mural Tours - meet at the gate at 10:30 am

*If the time, day or venue for your meetings
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