

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

December is now upon us and we are getting closer to our festive season.

Gala Day (New Year's Day) is approaching quickly, and the committee has been chipping away to make the 2024 Gala Day a great comeback for Port Vincent.

I would like to thank the following people for volunteering their time and efforts - Mary-Jayne Hickman, Liv Trembath, Cara Mullen, Carolyn Jansens, Sharni Humphrys, Kelly Gibson, Alisha Weise and Kaitlin Hughes.

Gala Day is now shaping up with a few changes to previous years. In 2024, we will be starting at 2pm with music and children's entertainment (including sand castle competition and plaster funhouse stall), market stalls, food stalls and activities throughout the day.

We have had a private sponsor come through to organise the fireworks to start around 9.15pm! Thank you to those who have been involved in this process. We are looking forward to seeing these return and light up our sky.

We welcome back Germein and Gumbo YaYa to our stage, after Germein's international and national tour. We are looking forward to dancing and singing along. How lucky are we to have such wonderful talent available on Gala Day.

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Editor: Sue Hall - Ph 0413 057 992 Email: afocalpoint2@gmail.com We are looking for volunteers for Gala Day. If you have an hour or two to spare on 1st January, you can register electronically. Please click on the link below for the sign up sheet (this link will be active after 5th December), or alternatively, please come and see us at the Port Vincent Institute Hall on Sunday the 10th of December between 10-12pm.

https://volunteersignup.org/7JED4

Please see our Christmas Light competition on page 20! We are looking forward to seeing our town sparkle. Have you got your lights out yet?

I would like to wish everyone a safe and merry festive season.

Kristan Every PVPA President



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



THANK YOU

I would like to firstly thank the Kilpatricks and the Stantons for their many years of service and contribution to our community over the years. The impact of losing fuel was devastating to the township, and the tourists in particular. So, a big thank you to the Humphrys and Stantons for navigating the mountain of red tape and the cost, which is significant, to see fuel supplies once again a probability for our town.

Thank you,

Julie Searle

Editor's Comment: I have been advised by Kym H. that he will provide further information as soon as he is able.

PORT VINCENT HISTORY BOOK UPDATE

FROM ALAN JONES

Work is still underway on the updated Port Vincent history book with the view towards having books ready for purchase in late December. However, this may need to be pushed out to ensure a quality product.

A letter to the local and visiting fishermen

We have been farming the northern 10 HA site of the oyster lease at Port Vincent for two and a half years. We have settled in Port Vincent and are working on becoming 'locals'.

We are very aware that the fish and crabs like to live around the lease, and have no issues with the boats around the lease. We do ask, however, that everybody please respect the boundaries.

They are clearly marked with St. Andrew's crosses on each corner and white buoys on all sides.

Inside the leases, there may be submerged hazards that will both damage your boat/motor and the lease.

It is also painful when we get fish hooks or squid jags in our hands when they have become caught up on our lines and baskets.

Oysters 'taken' out of the water are very temperature critical and can make you really sick if not handled correctly. If in doubt, think back 2 years to the Coffin Bay disaster or Google Vibrio parahaemolyticus. So, we urge you to leave the handling and harvesting of the oysters to us, as we have the experience and the knowledge.

We look forward to providing great oysters and promoting Port Vincent in the future.

Judy and Jack Degiglio Port Vincent Oysters

Editor's Comment: Judy and Jack have very quickly become an integral part of our community. Please support their business by reporting any theft or damage.

Page 7 has details of their Summer Special offer.

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

What a wonderful time of the year! For we oldies, this time of the year conjures memories of Christmases past. For younger members of our community, it is the time of year for eager anticipation, with lots of school and club breakups and celebrations. More happy memories will be made and friendships consolidated over the coming weeks.

For those spending their first Christmas without family members, our thoughts are with you. Our community embraces you. Our two churches are offering services of worship and thanksgiving, highlighting the true meaning of Christmas, peace and love. See Pages 19 and 22 for details. 2023 has been a very busy year for our Progress Committee and the sub-committees (Tidy Towns, Visitor Information Office, Gala Day and Saltwater Classic). A huge thank you to all our community organisations for the tireless work they undertake, and in particular, for the articles they supply for the A Focal Point each month! We are so lucky to have so many active clubs. I am hoping to profile more of our volunteers in 2024. If you would like to nominate someone, please contact me with the details.

The free exercise classes on Wednesday mornings 10:30am at the Port Vincent Institute have been a huge success - thanks so much to Jo Minks for her enthusiasm and expertise. These classes have been provided by grant funding from the Rural Health Innovation Fund.

A huge thank you to all the businesses who support our newsletter, through advertising, providing vouchers, general support for events, etc. In particular, to Meredith Taylor from the Port Vincent Newsagency for her work behind the scenes, and to my roving reporter, Julie Searle. Thank you also to Fraser Ellis and his staff for their support of our town and of our newsletter.

A long standing supporter of our town, Peter Goers OAM, has retired after 20 years at the helm of ABC Radio Adelaide Evenings. Thank you Peter for the promotion you have given to Port Vincent over the years. We hope to see you in Port Vincent in the near future (see page 23).

The new projector has been installed in the Institute Hall. The purchase and installation was very capably organised by Tyson Matthias from Clearview and Sound, with funds provided by the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) and the Port Vincent Progress Association.

The Progress Association is therefore thrilled to announce that the Scripture Union will be running a family film night at the Institute on Sunday, 7th January. Please see Page 4 for details of the movie night, and the children's activities that will be happening at the Institute from 8th to 12th January.

A huge thank you to Charmaine Kimber and her willing band of helpers for arranging the Christmas Carols nights over past years. The carols will be in recess this year, but hopefully they will be back, bigger and better next year. If you would like to be part of this event in 2024, please contact the Progress Secretary or Charmaine.

With the New Year around the corner (and the next edition of the A Focal Point not due for release until after 1st January), I would like to wish all our readers a safe and healthy 2024.

I am sure that our community will be looking forward to celebrating the New Year at Gala Day!

CORMORANT ISSUES CAN YOU HELP US??

Council is currently organising membership for the Cormorant Management Coordination Group.

Port Vincent Progress Association has been asked to nominate a representative to be a member of this group.

We are looking for a member to represent the Port Vincent community and businesses.

The first meeting date has not been determined yet, but likely to be early 2024. The initial meeting will be determining the Terms of Reference for the group.

If you would like to express your interest, please contact Kristan Every, Progress President, on 0427 839 695.

or pvpaevents@gmail.com



I urge community members to express their interest in being on the Cormorant Management Coordination Group (details are above).

The Letters to the Editor have allowed readers to voice their opinions. Thank you to those who have contributed.

As always, if anyone has any information that they would like to pass on, or to voice an opinion, please do not hesitate to email me.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!

Sue Hall afocalpoint2@gmail.com



VacSwim dates for Port Vincent are 2nd-6th January

Bookings are available on the VacSwim website

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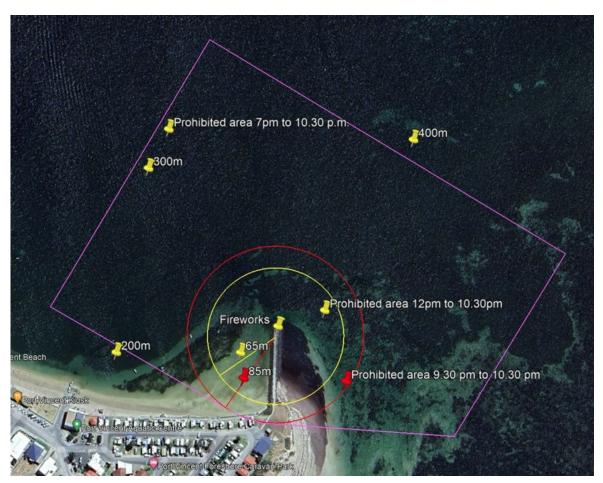
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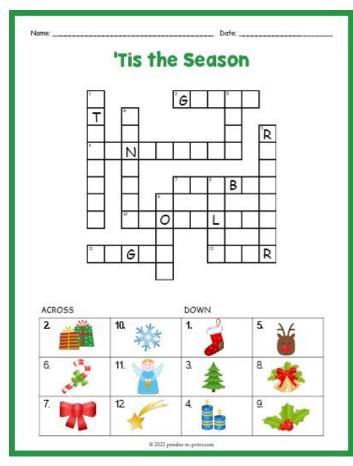
- Borrow Money from pessimists they don't expect it back.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
- How do you tell when you are out of invisible ink?
- 99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
- A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.
- OK, so what's the speed of dark?
- A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.

GALA DAY FIREWORKS - EXCLUSION ZONES

In order to ensure community safety, there will be exclusion zones in place on 1st January.

Please refer to the map below which outlines the Foreshore Caravan Park and groin area and the times and distances.





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2:30pm-5:30pm - JR Acoustic

5:30pm-6pm - Amazing drumming monkeys

6pm - 6:45pm - Gumbo Ya Ya

6:45pm - 7pm - Silver Sharks aerobatic show

7pm - 8:15pm - GERMEIN

8:15pm - 9:15pm - Gumbo Ya Ya

9:15pm - FIREWORKS

Childrens Activities

3.00-4.oopm Sandcastle Competition Main Beach at the Kiosk

> 4.00pm-5.30pm Plaster Fun House Wharf Location

Facilites

Parents Room and Facilities Supper Room - Port Vincent Institute Hall

Major Sponsors













PORT VINCENT RSL REMEMBRANCE DAY 2023

November 11th 2023. What a morning, the sun came up but it also brought gale force winds along to assist with the flying of flags, laying of wreaths but especially with the service sheets of the President Barry Tozer and our Chaplain The Venerable Andrew Lang. The pedestal was laid down upon the ground so that it didn't disappear down the road and/or hit anyone.

Once the wreaths had been laid and the service completed a rope was passed through the wreaths to keep them on the memorial and not over the road.

As usual modern technology let us down and all the Bluetooth signals swamped the PA and music signals. The instruction was "go get some better player "to replace unreliable phones as players". The new player has arrived, and the operators have started getting familiar with it.

We wish to thank the people of Minlaton and Port Vincent for their donations and purchases that go towards the Veteran Health Programme.

For the organisations that have a representative lay a wreath, thank you.



'Community Care and Transport Incorporated' is better known as Care in Motion

Editor's Comment: Thank You to Tahlia Mason for providing this valuable information

The additional Centrelink support services available through their Minlaton Office are also very useful (see below)

We provide critical support through our Community Transport Service, Community Visitors Scheme and Services Australia. We now provide our services to 9 council regions within South Australia. This represents just over 13% of the 68 council regions within the state. The council regions we now cover include Copper Coast, Yorke Peninsula, Barunga West Council, Mount Remarkable, Port Pirie, Northern Areas, Orroroo/Carrieton Council, Peterborough Council and Flinders Ranges. We actively seek involvement with wider industry groups and our local community.

Through our community transport service, we provide a most valuable and personalised transport services, supporting our valued clients. We attend medical appointments, social engagements or help with weekly grocery shopping. Through our Aged Care Visitors Scheme (ACVS), we manage/train/approve volunteers to visit older people who are socially isolated. We match up new clients with one of our volunteers who have similar interests etc who then become more like a friend. The volunteer will visit them regularly, at least once a fortnight, to have conversations and to help prevent loneliness. We are also a Centrelink Agent; where you can access and lodge forms, and access computers, fax & copying services. We exist to support our community and help prevent social isolation, and to transport disadvantaged people to help them obtain medical and social service needs.

The availability of reliable transportation has a direct impact on an individual's ability to access health care in both Adelaide and regional centers, purchase daily necessities, complete banking, collect medication from a pharmacy and engage in social activities or maintain contact with family and friends. We actively seek involvement with wider industry groups and our local community to ensure our goals are met.

Volunteers are an integral part of everything Community Care and Transport does, and is an experience which benefits both the organisation and the volunteer. **We are currently seeking more volunteers in Port Vincent.** Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and make new friends, learn new skills, remain active, share skills and knowledge, and contribute to the community. Please contact CC&T for more information about volunteering roles.

To increase the awareness of our services that help ensure our community members are connected and social engaged, Care in Motion presents as guest speakers to various community groups in the region.

If you would like Care in Motion to visit and present at one of your community groups or organisations, or are interested in finding out more about volunteering, we can be contacted on 1300 132 932 (option 2) or via our website www.communitycareandtransport.org.au. We do not wish for anyone to be transport disadvantaged or left behind.

We are Care in Motion!



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Staff assistance is also available for Centrelink between 1:30pm – 3:30pm daily to assist with mygov access, setup and any IT support.



Narungga electorate update

Health Petition target of 10,000 signatures reached

With pride I presented to Parliament on 15 November the Health Petition we have been circulating since last year, very pleased to reach the tally target of over 10,000 signatures required to formally trigger its referral to the Legislative Review Committee for investigation. What a momentous effort by our community and in a Grieve Address (15 Nov) I thanked the very many individuals, groups and businesses who assisted to collate, ultimately, a total of 10,752 signatures – an appropriate demonstration of the magnitude of concerns felt by constituents when it comes to local health care.

There is no more important issue in our electorate (or across rural SA) thus I have urged the Legislative Review Committee to now conduct a considered, forensic and thorough examination of the five specific requests petitioned. I also implore constituents to participate in the Inquiry process when details of how to provide submissions are announced (watch this space).

Local impact of announced ban on aquatic activities

Among topics raised in Parliament of late (refer www.fraserellis.com.au/Parliament to view all my speeches) was the merit of compensation for Port Vincent businesses impacted by the Education Department's recent snap decision to ban school water activities due to perceived rising numbers of sharks. Whilst this decision was ultimately overturned, as locals would be well aware, Port Vincent Aquatics and associated accommodation and catering providers have faced significant financial loss due to cancelled school excursions, and at time of writing I await a formal Ministerial response to my concerns raised.

Grants

Whilst Round 52 of the popular Active Club Program closed on 4 December, the SA Football Facilities Fund (a collaboration of SA Government, AFL and SANFL) opened on 20 November offering grants for football clubs of up to \$150,000 for projects from changeroom upgrades, new ovals and lighting to new goal posts, electronic scoreboards and irrigation works. More info at www.fraserellis.com.au/grants, or call the electorate office 8832 2455.

Merry Christmas

My staff and I take this opportunity to extend best wishes to all for the festive season. It is unbelievable how quickly another Christmas has come around! Our office will be closed from Friday 22 December for a break, reopening again on Wednesday 3 January 2024. Thank you to all for continued support.



PORT VINCENT INFORMATION OFFICE NEWS

The town has continued to have a great number of visitors looking for things to do around the town and further afield. It's great to be able to share the local secrets to improve people's experiences on the peninsula.

Volunteers have taken a well earned breather after the very successful Vincent Vitality event, so we will be ready for the upcoming school holidays and the return of Gala Day. We are very much looking forward to that.

SA Water are planning to return towards the end of November to complete their work up at the tower. At this stage, we anticipate the walkway to be completed in time for the Christmas season which will enable people to walk up along the walkway to see all the way around the artwork. With the addition of the Wool Bay and Minlacowie art work, the art trail continues to draw interest with a fresh aspect. Warooka is undertaking the artwork on several tanks and 'blank canvases' around the area which will be finished in 2024 - continuing to keep this tourist attraction appealing. We are very fortunate to be the beginning of this growing silo art trail.

From all the volunteers at the Visitor Information Centre, we hope you have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

Julie Searle - Secretary



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FISHING REPORT

Well, the fishing for the last month has been very ordinary, to say the least. This is due mainly to the weather conditions which have been windy most days.

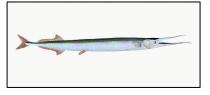
I have heard there are a few whiting and garfish around when boats can get out.

The tides have been good for crabbing, and rakers have been getting a feed, however, there are still a lot of undersize ones. Make sure you measure!

Tommies are still at the wharf, but mainly after dark.

Well, it is that time of the year when I get to wish you all good fishing and a Merry Christmas and a great New Year.







Tight Lines Wayne Crouch

Be sure to check out the website below for current size and bag limits of species, and all the current fishing rules in South Australia. https://pir.sa.gov.au/recreational_fishing/rules





Curramulka School News



On World Teachers' Day, our school had the pleasure of taking part in a lovely morning tea provided by the United Church Guild. Their generosity and company added a special touch to the day, as we celebrated and recognized the dedicated efforts of our teaching staff. It was a heart-warming gesture that truly exemplifies the strong community spirit we have here at Curramulka.



Once again, the Curramul students are creating a book reflects which their involvement and learning at the Parklands. Siblings work together to create the pages. the on new Curramulka **Parklands** Book with Hansen





As we near the end of 202 we begin the transitioning period for 2024. Our Year 6 student, heads to Minlaton, and the kindergarten children to school, one day a week. This is done with a little trepidation but with a lot of excitement as well.

Three students, Lexi, Zoe and Lila took part in the Hot Shots tennis day in Minlaton. Miss Premrl is also providing tennis lesson this term as part of the students' PE lessons and has been supported by Lyndall Short. The students' engagement is shown at recess and lunch times when many are out with a racquet hitting a tennis ball.



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 your bank/financial institution directly if you are concerned. Banks will NEVER put a link in a legitimate text advising
 you of suspect activity.
- DO NOT transfer your money to an account opened by someone you have only spoken to on the phone to 'keep it safe'. Vast sums can be lost that way.
- Never allow anyone to remotely access your computer/phone/tablet. Don't install software on your device at someone else's direction unless you are 100% sure of their identity. A random somebody claiming to be from your bank is not that person!
- Set up two factor authentication on your accounts, learn how it works and NEVER provide the authentication codes to anyone else.
- Treat with great, huge, massive (am I making the point here?) suspicion any calls or Facebook ads that tell you that you can make easy money by investing in share trading/crypto. They lie!! If you wish to invest, research a legitimate share trading/investment platform.
- If you are buying/selling online in forums such as Gumtree/Marketplace, contact your bank and learn about Payld. It's a scam prevention tool that is worth knowing about. DO NOT let someone online "help" you to do this. PayID is FREE, don't let anyone tell you differently.
- If you use online selling forums, be very careful about payments. Screen shots of payment details should be treated like mirages. Check your own account before releasing goods.
- Pet Scams are highly prevalent. Contact breeders' associations to find legitimate breeders.
- Never transfer money to random bank accounts as a result of receiving a text message from a supposed loved one who's lost a phone or left a card at home. Hey Mum, it's A SCAM!
- Transferring a large sum to a third party you don't commonly transact with? Make a phone call to check the payment details on any emailed invoice. This prevents email interception scams.
- Romance scams the hardest of all to prevent. We all want to be loved, and love can be blind (and deaf and wilfully self-deceptive), but if your new online romantic interest starts asking for money, then you deserve better. Move on to someone who genuinely wants you, and is not just saying what you want to hear to get your money.
- Be Scam Aware The weak link in any protection system is likely to be a human being ... by staying aware, you reduce the chances of losing your money.

Editor's Comment: Unfortunately there has been an increase in spam and scam emails over the past year. These emails can look very realistic, and sometimes the email address can be very similar to a legitimate email address. Always check the email address, even if the subject says "Telstra" or "Bigpond" or "Optus", or any other major companies. If in doubt, do not click on any links. These are examples I have received recently:-

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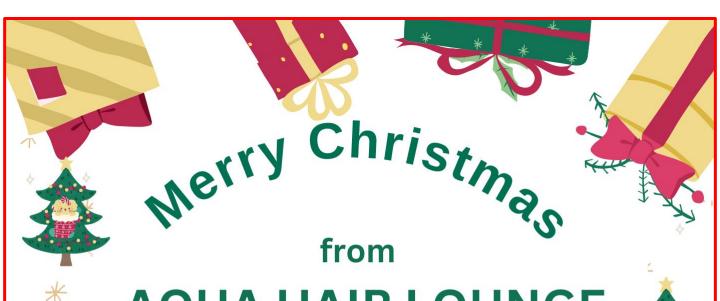
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Also, <u>please be aware of hackers</u> - if you receive an email from an email address that <u>is</u> in your address book, and it addresses you by name, but seems strange in content, this may be due to the sender's email being hacked. Examples of these emails are:-

"I am so sorry to ask, do you have a free moment over email? Please let me know!! I want you to do something for me.

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PORT VINCENT TIDY TOWNS REPORT DECEMBER 2023

Well there isn't a lot to report this month. We had our AGM this month, and the only changes to the committee were John Curnow stepped down as Treasurer. He was replaced by Trevor Thomas. Chris Schirpig stood down as a committee member. He was replaced by John Hallas. So, a huge thank you to all for your work done and for our new committee member, a big welcome aboard. We certainly appreciate all of you for what you have done and for what you're going to do in the New Year.

The playground will be closed for a couple of days in the next week or two as we are going to paint it, weather permitting, so apologies to the mums and dads who will have to find something else to do with the children.

One of our volunteers went along and hammered down all the nails that had worked their way out on the beach access walkways, a real tripping hazard. A couple of our guys also went down to the southern walking trail and cut back some trees that were encroaching on the paths.

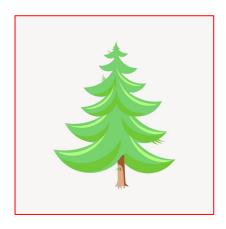
I think that's about all to report for this month. The cans and bottle collection will start to increase in the coming weeks as the weather warms up and the school holidays and the Christmas New Year holidays begin.

Cheers

Rob Searle, Chairman Port Vincent Tidy Towns.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all, and may you all keep safe and well.





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Three of Yorke Peninsula's well known and accomplished musicians coming together for the first time on the lawn at Barley Stacks Wines as the sun sets and the stars come out.



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Christmas is often a confusing mixture: Nativity plays and Santa Claus; 'Silent Night' and 'Jingle Bells'; news of God's love and voices telling us to indulge ourselves. It is also a time of mixed feelings and memories of Christmas past. In all this, we may miss the message God wants us to hear.

'Bless us, Lord this Christmas with quietness of mind, Teach us to be patient and always to be kind; Give us reassurance when everything goes wrong; So our faith remains unfaltering-our hope and courage strong;

And show us that quietness; we can feel your presence near:

Filling us with joy and peace all seasons of the year.'

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Jesus In Love, he came to teach the world.

In Peace, He walked the earth.

In Hope, He gave us all a chance to choose a second birth.

In Joy, He used his holiness To be our Christ and Lord,

In Spirit, He's forever near to be or true reward.

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Bishop Jeremy has appointed The Rev Venerable Andrew and Rev Louise Lang as new parish priest of Bungaree, Clare and Balaklava. Andrew and Louise will move to reside in Clare in the middle of December.

There will be a combined Farewell Service followed by a share luncheon at St Benedict's Minlaton on Sunday, 3rd December at 10.30 am.

Our new Bishop, Jeremy, is relocating priest throughout the Diocese to where best they will serve, and in the meanwhile, he will appoint a locum to our District,

Fr Andrew may still need to finalise some commitments here over the next few weeks.

CHURCH DATES FOR DECEMBER:-

3rd....as mentioned above.

25th......CHRISTMAS DAY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE...8 a.m. with Locum.

14th January 2024.....Holy communion with Christine.

Watch the church door for any changes to services.

Trash /Treasure has Christmas gifts and plenty of stock to browse through for that elusive item. We will close the week before and over the Christmas period, and will resume on Gala Day 1st January, 2024.

Thank you to everyone who is looking after the community garden.

Pam Biggs - 8853 7340



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WORSHIP SERVICES DECEMBER 2023

Every Sunday at 10am
ALL WELCOME
Please refer to noticeboard
at the front of church

DROP-IN CENTRE/CRAFT GROUP and OP SHOP

Everyone is welcome to call in on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am to 12 noon for a chat, hot drink and a browse. Check out our craft section.

Drop-in/Op Shop is open all normal hours during January.



MONDAY'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

December 11th (Christmas get-together)

May all that is beautiful, meaningful and brings you joy be yours this holiday season and throughout the coming year!

Merry Christmas!



Christ is born
Mary and Joseph travel from
Nazareth to Bethlehem. Because
there is no room in the inn, the
baby Jesus is born in a stable and
placed in a manger. An angel
declared to the shepherds, "I bring
you good tidings of great joy which
will be to all people." "There is
born to you this day in the city of
David a Saviour, who is Christ the
Lord." His humble birth is
celebrated by choirs of angels and
shepherds, and he is given precious
gifts from the three Wise Men.



Joy to the world the Lord is come Let Earth receive her King Let every heart prepare Him room And Heaven and nature sing



MONDAY'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

November 13 - Six members attended today's meeting. A few regulars were unavailable for today's activities. Hope to see them back for the next meeting. Minutes were read and morning tea was enjoyed.

Christmas card making was the task for today, and under guidance from Geraldine, most of us tried to create some interesting, glittery and individual greeting cards. We had a great time inventing new ways to make a Christmas card look special, with lots of laughter along the way.

Regrettably, we had to stop our creations and let the cards dry as it was lunchtime.

Members enjoyed lots of special things for lunch and Jude's yummy treats of cream puffs and meringues for dessert.

Thanks to all who helped with setting up and cleaning up, and for another fun day.



Above: Geraldine and Jude sharing ideas on Christmas card making

FAREWELL PETER GOERS

After 20 years at the helm, ABC Radio Adelaide Evenings presenter Peter Goers OAM has made the decision to retire from broadcasting and will not return to the program in 2024.

His final show from the Studio 520 Auditorium at ABC Collinswood took place on Thursday, 30 November in front of a live studio audience.

Peter joined the ABC in 2003, and has been presenting the Evenings Program since that time. Regional audiences, in particular, have made Peter's show part of their nightly routine, and his commitment to regional South Australia and his beloved Broken Hill are legendary. During his 20 years with ABC Radio Adelaide, Peter has attended more than 1000 community events in Adelaide and regional SA, often as MC, host or simply as a much-loved part of the local community.

Peter said: "This decision has been some time coming, and it feels like the right time for me to take a step back to focus on my writing, theatre and community connections."

"I'm incredibly grateful to the listeners. There is so much to celebrate locally and I'm proud to have spent the last 20 years doing just that."

Manager of ABC Adelaide, Graeme Bennett, said: "For 20 years Peter has been a familiar voice on our airwaves and in the ABC office. Over that time, he has developed a strong connection to audiences in Adelaide and South Australia and in particular, our local arts community."

"Peter's passion and unparalleled knowledge and experience will be missed by everyone at the ABC and our loyal audience. We wish him all the best in the future and have no doubt he will remain a colourful part of South Australian life for years to come."

The new presenter for ABC Adelaide Evenings will be announced as part of the ABC's commissioning announcements later this year.

Media contact Laura Todd, ABC Communications



PORT VINCENT SAILING CLUB - NOVEMBER 2023



Racing has been mixed in November. Harvest and wind has depleted our fleet this month, but nearly all our farmers are finished now, so the sailing season should be competitive from here on.

5 November saw 2 trailer sailers and 2 Mosquito races. Race 2 Port Vincent Kiosk. Trailer Sailers: Cripple Creek Ferry, R. Cook, 1st; Xtremist, J. Butler, 2nd. Mossies: Grinch, A. Van Arend, 1st, Curlew, G. Illman, 2nd.

The racing over the next 2 weeks was abandoned due to harvest and/or wind, so the next race was a Cup Race.

26 November, Cup Race 2

Cripple Creek Ferry, R. Cook, 1st; Stormbird, B. Travis, 2nd, Elementary, G. Hackett, 3rd. In the Mossie class, Grinch, A. Van Arend, 1st, Curlew, G. Illman, 2nd.

Coming up are regular club races in December. January will see the Commodore Trophy, which will be short courses and will be easy to see from the beach. January 14 will be a Womens' Skippers race which should be interesting. The Vincent Open Classic is on the January long weekend. Plenty of boats to see on that weekend.

Also, the Sailing Club is conducting a program called Iwannasail. The group meets on a Sunday morning before regular sailing and is open to anyone who is interested in trying sailing. Qualified instructors show students the ins and outs of dinghy sailing and water safety. Details are on the Port Vincent Facebook Page.







Whatever on Tuesdays

Come and join us on Tuesdays between 1-3pm

at the Curramulka Institute for a cuppa and whatever you may want to do you may be interested in aying cards chequers or chess other boa

playing cards chequers or chess other board games

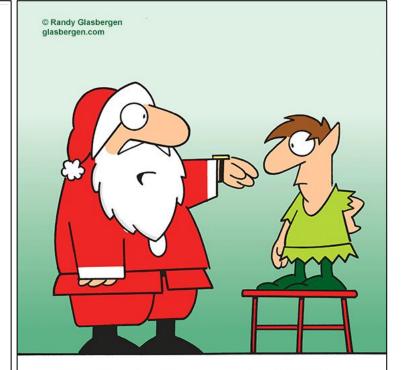
quilting knitting crocheting cardmaking help with a project or something else



Maybe you just want to pop down and get out of the house for a change of scenery

Whatever you would like to do you are more than welcome.

For more details contact Patsy 0417824571 or Kaz 88542226 or 0439710323



"Mrs. Claus bought me a smartwatch! It knows when you are sleeping, it knows when you're awake, it knows if you've been bad or good..."

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC



Central Yorke Peninsula Branch

(Amalgamating Curramulka, Minlaton & Pt Vincent Branches)

As we always say: "where has the year gone?"

Our last business meeting for 2023 in November was a busy one; catching up with SACWA business and planning to end the year with a **bang:**-

- we are still eagerly awaiting the replacement of the SACWA Port Vincent Branch seat on the foreshore near the wharf, with a new plaque noting the amalgamation of the three branches as Central Yorke Peninsula Branch
- we have approached SACWA Gawler Branch to become our Home Link, for sharing of ideas and fellowship
- information about our baby parcels for new mothers in need has been supplied to Southern Yorke Peninsula Community Health Midwife Team and CAFHS nurses
- further planning for Tricia Stringer's book,
 "back on track' on 4 December see below more details
- the branch Christmas Lunch was held on 1 December, with members enjoying food, fellowship and Kris Kringle
- several members plan to attend the Port Victoria Branch Christmas Lunch on 12 December.

Guest speaker at the November meeting, Bianca Brook from 'Must Love Dogs', kept us interested and entertained with her vast information about (it seemed) everything canine – rescue dogs, breeding, feeding, training, exercising, boarding facilities, and her knowledge about a wide variety of breeds. We were joined by members from Maitland Branch who shared lunch following the meeting.









SACWA CYP Branch is participating in **2024 Port Vincent Gala Day**, with our traditional Trading Table selling baked goods, produce, preserves, handicraft and SACWA merchandise. We expect that it will be well patronised, so be early to avoid missing out!

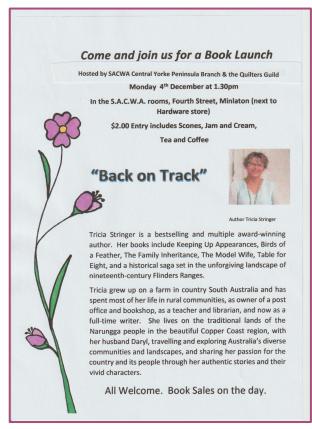
After the holidays, our next meeting will be held on Monday 5 February, 2024, in the Minlaton rooms, at 9.30am, followed by a pooled lunch.

For more information, call Helen Joraslafsky on 0419 001 420.

Members of SACWA Central Yorke Peninsula Branch wish readers the Compliments of the Season.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL

Helen Joraslafsky Branch Secretary







PORT VINCENT MEMORIAL BOWLING CLUB



Bowls Pennants

Saturday's Open Division 1 and Division 2 pennant sides have had excellent starts to the season, both sitting second on the ladder after stints at the top. In Men's mid-week, Port Vincent Black are 4th, but Gold are not faring so well as they are yet to win a game. The Ladies Thursday Division 1 have improved to sixth after a slow start to the season.

During November, Southern Yorke Peninsula teams supported Men's and Women's Health Awareness through a "Pink" and a "Blue" Day, with a total of \$536 raised by our Club to be donated to the respective charities.

Twilight Bowls

Twilight Bowls have now commenced on Thursday evenings for the summer period. All are welcome for a fun night of social bowls. Just turn up for a pre-game BBQ at 6.15 pm, with names in by 6.30pm, to commence bowls at 7.00pm. Teams will be formed on the night.

Friday Night Meals

Friday Night Meals continue to be provided each week from 6pm by Kathleen of Gypsy Cooks. These have been well supported, and while bookings are not necessary, it is best to be there early.

Tournaments

Our Ladies Foursomes were held on 14th November, and a good day was had by all, with the winners being a team from Edithburgh. The Open Triples were held on Sun 26th November with the winning team being one of our own – Bryan Tuttle, John Curnow and Jim Cameron.

Representation

Congratulations to Port Vincent players who are representing the Club in State Competitions - Tom Salmon, Wayne Crouch and Shane Farley are into the finals round of the State Triples, to be played in April 2024. Greg Parsons has been selected in the Men's Yorke Peninsula (Region 2) side, playing Region 3 at Laura on Jan 14th. We are still awaiting final selections for the Women's competition.

Bingo

Bingo will be held again over the Christmas/New Year period, commencing Thurs 28th December and continuing on Tuesday January 2nd, Thursday 4th, Monday 8th and Thursday 11th of January.

Wayne Proctor, Treasurer 2023 PVMBC

Merry Christmas from Dr Barry Steele, Chiropractor, and Maureen at the Port Vincent Natural Health Centre

As we farewell 2023, we would like to thank the community for their continued support of our services and commitment to their health. We really appreciate your support.

The relentless march of time and consistency of change was no different in 2023. 2024 will also pass quickly and bring many changes. We look forward to helping you tackle those changes.

Your health will respond best to eating well, exercising regularly, getting good sleep and promoting good neurological health. Fail to do these things and you can expect to pay a price. Fortunately, our bodies can heal themselves. We see our body's amazing healing capacity everyday. Bandaids and painkillers mask problems, not fix them. That is what our amazing bodies do, controlled and coordinated by our nervous system.

Consistency is vital for your health and allows you to be ready for new challenges. Teeth don't get cavities overnight, so we need to care of them consistently. Back and neck pain are usually long term problems which respond well to management. Weight gain or lack of fitness occur gradually. Diet and exercise remain key pillars in managing them. Can you see New Year's Resolutions already?

We wish you and your family a safe, peaceful and joyous Christmas. We look forward to welcoming 2024 and the opportunity to serve the community's health needs. We know it will bring new challenges and adventures. I hope you are up and ready for them.

Yours in health,

Dr Barry Steele Chiropractor Port Vincent Natural Health Centre 33 Marine Parade Port Vincent 88537150









SAF10 COASTGUARD REPORT





A call out about a floating 'blow up' item near the Oyster Lease Port Vincent.

Crew prepared to go from shed, when a fisherman found it and assessed as okay. No one reported missing. Crew stood down.

Another call from a boat at middle spit, Port Vincent. Seahound and 2 crew despatched, located boat with engine failure, towed into PV marina.

November was a busy time for SA members with a Squadron Board Meeting and a National Board meeting over 3 days for 3 State's Commodores & Commanders all at North Haven headquarters. Also included are 2 sessions for Leadership Course which will be attended by many members over 2 days.

Eleven SAF10 members attended Funeral Service at Curramulka for long time member Gordon Stone. A guard of Honour presented in uniform. Vale Gordon. Letters from SES, VMR and Coast Guard were read at service.

Gala Day on 1st January will be celebrated by all. Coast will have Vincent Star on display at their information stand.

SAF10 MEMBERS WISH YOU ALL A "MERRY XMAS and a SAFE TIME ON WATER"







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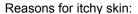


Itchy Skin Season

As the warm weather begins, so too does the allergy season. Itchy skin in your pet is irritating for both your pet and you. It causes discomfort for your pet, reducing their wellbeing, and can keep you up at night with constant scratching.

Signs that your pet has irritated skin:

- Hair loss
- Redness (erythema)
- Itching
- Sores, scabs, crusting
- Bleeding
- Thickened skin
- Change in skin colour
- Secondary skin infections





- At this time of year, we see a lot of pets with seasonal allergies which may require more regular bathing with a special shampoo and conditioner. They may need something stronger an ointment to help soothe the skin, or they may even require medication to get that red, hot itchy skin under control. Whatever the requirement, we are here to help!
- Eliminating ectoparasites as a cause of itching at this time of year is very important. We have already seen large flea infestations without too many warm days. A monthly flea treatment is recommended, whether it be via a tablet or liquid application on the back of the neck. Come in to the clinic and we can help you find the product that is best suited to your pet. Do not use dog products on cats as they are extremely sensitive to some medicines, and it can make them very sick and require hospitalisation!
- Please know that you are not alone if you have an itchy pet. It can be controlled to give your pet more comfort –
 and help you to get a better night's sleep!
- With the warmer weather, it has been a busy time at the clinic with the itchy scratchies.

Give us a call to book an appointment if you notice of these signs in your dog!

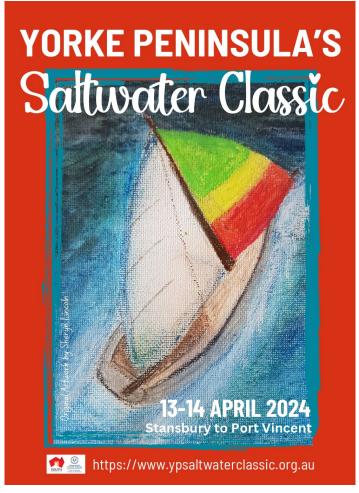


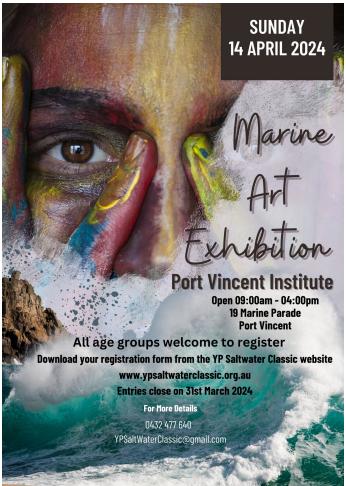












2022



PORT VINCENT VENTNOR HOTEL SOCIAL CLUB INC.

President: Wendy McDonald, Vice President: Karen Waller,

Secretary/Treasurer: Trish Smith .
PO Box 277, PORT VINCENT. S. A. 5581
Email: secretaryventnorsocialclub@gmail.com

Just a quick note detailing the commitments of our club. Not only do we have functions for our members with the money we get from yearly subs, raffles and also from the Instant Ticket machine at the hotel, but we also donate amounts to charities. So far this year, we have donated to Beyond Blue, the Royal Flying Doctor Service, Ardrossan Community Hospital and also Friends of Yorketown Hospital, for a grand total of \$3000.

These charities, we think, are so important to our community.

We also thank you for your support by coming to the pub on Friday nights, joining in our club and buying raffle tickets and instant money tickets so that we can keep on supporting these charities.

The aim of the Social Club is not only for our members to enjoy a great social club, but it is also the aim of the club to help our community by donating to different events and charities, not only in our town, but also where we think that our donations are needed. Since the inception of the Social Club in 1986, we have donated over \$100,000 to a whole range of charities and local community events. Below is list of donations for 2022 & 2023 to date. We appreciate all our members, and also the hotel patrons, for purchasing the Instant Cash Bingo Tickets, as the proceeds of these are donated to the list of organisations listed below.

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	2022	2023
Royal Flying Doctor	250.00	500.00
Ardrossan Hospital	250.00	250.00
Friends of Yorketown Hospital	250.00	250.00
Variety Bash	520.00	500.00
Port Vincent Progress	250.00	500.00
Zeller Family		225.00

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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.

SACWA Monday 5th February 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 **Winter Bowls** - BBQ lunch at 12, bowls to follow

THURSDAY: Progress Assn meeting at 7.30pm on 1st

Thursday of the month - 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)

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

Water Tower Mural Tours - currently in recess

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 **Water Tower Mural Tours** - currently in recess

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