

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

August saw our AGM occur with new members joining. A big *Thank You* to Michelle for her years of leadership and guidance as President. I certainly have big shoes to fill. Our committee is currently still looking for members, we urge anyone who would like to volunteer to come for a chat.

Our Progress Association is made up of many sub-committees and volunteer opportunities. So, if you have time to spare and would like to volunteer, please reach out.

The October holidays saw the town buzzing again, and it was lovely to see people at the beach and out and about once again! The pontoon has been put into the water ready for summer. Thank you to the volunteers that manoeuvre this each year.

A big congratulations to our Vincent Vitality Team who organised and ran a brilliant event! It was fantastic to see a great attendance at the event and so much information on offer. Further details are on Page 3.

Harvest is back! Much earlier this year. I urge everyone to travel safely on our roads and be vigilant as we share the roads.

Kristan Every President

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Over the June long weekend in Port Vincent there were numerous incidents of people burning rubbish etc.in their backyards. Due to the prevailing weather conditions (humid with light winds) the smoke from these burnings drifted over neighbouring houses causing a nuisance.

We were originally from Adelaide where backyard burning has been banned for 40 odd years I checked with the YPC to see what rules apply to burning in non fire ban season. I was advised by council that the material to be burnt must be dry, and it is not damp or wet from any rain. They also advised that "the burn should be a quick clean burn and the smoke should not annoy anyone, a bit similar to someone having a combustion heater. People burning should also have regard to the time of the day and the prevailing weather conditions. A lot of people think that they can burn their vegetation in non fire ban season. But, the smoke can become very offensive to others. Council also mentioned that it was against the Air Quality Policy of 2016 to burn green matter, which is deemed a prohibited substance. When a person burns a prohibited substance or the smoke becomes a nuisance, they may be issued with an Expiation Notice varying from \$300 to \$500, depending on the situation."

It is my opinion that the important thing is to assess the weather conditions and consider your neighbours.

Chris Opie - Port Vincent

The Fire Danger Season(FDS) commences this year on 1 November. During the FDS the burning of vegetation on the ground is prohibited. Also prohibited is the use of above ground fires such as chimineas, fire drums and braziers. Gas and electric BBQ can be used during the FDS within 15 metres of domestic or commercial premises. Residents should be prepared for a Bushfire and Port Vincent residents are very fortunate that a large portion of Port Vincent is designated a Bushfire Safer Place - which is an area designated by CFS to be considered safe from the direct effects of a bushfire, the area still may be subject to sparks, embers and smoke, but is considered safe. ΑII residents should make themselves aware of the Port Vincent Bushfire Safer Place, which may become part of their plan if Port Vincent is under siege from a bushfire.

Phil Herrmann | Senior Compliance Officer Yorke Peninsula Council | Maitland

FOR FURTHER DETAILS ON FIRE DANGER SEASON PLEASE REFER TO PAGES 4 AND 5 OF THIS EDITION.

Phil has also advised that council will recommence the cormorant shoot in the first week of November, and that council will actively scare the cormorants until mid-December.

They will then stop when there are too many tourists about. The program will then recommence in early February.

Apology: In the October newsletter Beth Fairlie's name was spelt incorrectly. Our sincere apologies for this error.

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VINCENT VITALITY DAY

Saturday 21st October 2023 - Port Vincent Institute







The hall was abuzz with stall holders setting up and preparing for what turned out to be a very positive and engaging day on Saturday Oct 21 at the Vincent Vitality Event. There was a diverse range of organisations and groups with information and connections for everyone who came through the door.

The kiosk across the road kept the people fed and watered and with around 140 community and 40 stallholders and workers in attendance, it was much appreciated.

The Friends of Greyhounds were popular and they were amazed at the amount of information they were able to give people about the value of a pet and the type of pet which best suits them.

The SA Women's Fishing Group also had a very strong interest with people wanting to engage again in their fishing interest with like minded people.

Red Cross's Matt Brice was pleased to have several people indicate an interest in volunteering for them. RSL, DVA and Legacy both put out huge amounts of information to assist those families impacted by service to our country.

We were fortunate to have Wendy Hall from Dementia Doulas International with us, but even more so to have our local dementia doula Lisa Hendry as a local contact for those on the dementia journey. Another interesting outcome to Wendy's attendance was a local person who was able to put Wendy in contact with New Zealand people looking for just such training. You just never know how far reaching the effect will be.

The other speakers were Matt Brice from Red Cross, and the YP Council's Marlee Rose, a Nutrition and Dietetics student from Flinders University. They were both well received with questions coming thick and fast at the end of their presentations.

We were very grateful to the many stall holders who attended the day and contributed to such a great event after several years of covid hiatus.



We look forward to the next event















COUNTRY FIRE SERVICE ADVICE

Please check out the CFS website for additional information

https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/restrictions/total-fire-bans-ratings/

Fire regulations – what can I / can't I do?

Restrictions are in place during the Fire Danger Season and on Total Fire Ban days. Your local council can tell you what restrictions are in place at other times.

	Fire [Danger Season	Total	Fire Ban Day
Can I light a fire without a permit?	NO	Fires are <u>NOT</u> permitted.	NO	Fires are <u>NOT</u> permitted.
Can I burn- off on my property?	NO	Unless you have obtained a Schedule 9 Permit from your local council. Check with your local council for conditions.	NO	Fires are <u>NOT</u> permitted.
Can I burn rubbish or grass clippings?	NO	For any burning of rubbish or vegetation clippings, a Schedule 9 permit is required from your local council.	NO	The lighting of any fires are not permitted.
		You must check with your local council for compliance with Enviro councils have totally prohibited the use of incinerators and open fi		
Can I have a fire in a forest reserve?	NO	No fires, including barbecues and campfires, are permitted in forest reserves between November 30 and April 30 each year. Gas barbecues may be permitted in designated areas in the Mount Lofty Ranges forest under certain conditions. For enquiries, contact the Forestry Reserve office.	NO	Fires are <u>NOT</u> permitted.
Can I have a fire in a National Park Reserve?	NO	Strict regulations apply to all fires, including barbecues, in National Parks and Wildlife Reserves. Signs are placed at the park entrance when fires are permitted, but they can only be lit in designated areas. Many National Parks and Wildlife Reserves have total bans on the use of wood fires. For further information, contact the Park Office.	NO	Fires are <u>NOT</u> permitted.
Can I use a gas or electric barbecue or cooking appliance?	YES	Providing: The barbecue or cooking appliance is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least 4 metres A person who is able to control the fire is present at the site of the fire until it is extinguished An appropriate extinguisher is at hand	YES	A gas or electric barbecue or cooking appliance can be used: • Within 15 metres of a domestic or commercial premises OR • On a coastal foreshore Providing: • The barbecue or cooking appliance is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least 4 metres • A person who is able to control the fire is present at the site of the fire until it is extinguished • An appropriate extinguisher is at hand
		Some local councils allow gas or electric barbecues in carav Look for signs or contact the council		
Can I smoke cigarettes?	YES	But you must not: Smoke within 2 metres of flammable bush or grass outside of a township (penalties apply) Throw a cigarette butt from a vehicle (penalties apply) Drop or throw a cigarette butt where it will come into contact with flammable vegetation (penalties apply)	YES	But you must not: Smoke within 2 metres of flammable bush or grass outside of a township (penalties apply) Throw a cigarette butt from a vehicle (penalties apply) Drop or throw a cigarette butt where it will come into contact with flammable vegetation (penalties apply)

Disclaimer: These regulations are accurate at the time of print but may change. For the most up to date information visit the CFS website.

	Fire Da	anger Season	Total I	Fire Ban Day
Can I use a solid fuel (wood/ charcoal) barbecue?	YES	Provided that: The barbecue is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least 4 metres A person who is able to control the fire is present at the site of the fire until it is extinguished An appropriate extinguisher is at hand	NO	A solid fuel burning barbecue (one that uses fuel such as wood, charcoal or heat beads) cannot be used unless you obtain a Schedule 10 Permit from your local council. These permits are generally only issued for emergency purposes. A gas-fired barbecue can be used if used within 15 metres of a domestic or commercial premises, or on a coastal foreshore, providing that: The barbecue is clear of all flammable vegetation to a distance of at least 4 metres A person who is able to control the fire is present at the site of the fire until it is extinguished An appropriate extinguisher is at hand
Can I use a pizza oven?	YES	Provided it is a gas or electric – see above for barbecues. Wood fired ovens should comply with CFS Code of Practice and must be in a properly constructed fireplace, have a 4m clearance from flammable vegetation, someone in attendance while it is lit and an adequate extinguishing agent at hand.	NO	Unless it is gas or electric — see above for barbecues — or you have obtained a Schedule 10 Permit from your local council. All wood fired pizza ovens need a Schedule 10 Permit.
Can I use a chainsaw, brush cutter, mower or slasher?	YES	Providing: A shovel or rake and portable water spray are at hand, and additionally: All engine exhaust exits through the exhaust system, and The exhaust system prevents the escape of burning material Heated parts of the exhaust system are prevented from coming into contact with flammable material / vegetation The exhaust system is in good working order	YES	Providing: A shovel or rake and portable water spray are at hand, and additionally: All engine exhaust exits through the exhaust system, and the exhaust system prevents the escape of burning material Heated parts of the exhaust system are prevented from coming into contact with flammable material / vegetation The exhaust system is in good working order.
Can I use an angle grinder, welder or any other cutting tool that produces sparks outside?	YES	Providing you have a 10-metre cleared space to any flammable vegetation, and water or an extinguisher is at hand. A person able to control the device is present at all times while the activity is being undertaken.	NO	Unless you have obtained a Schedule 10 Permit from your local council. These permits are generally only issued for emergency purposes.
Can I have a campfire, bonfire or light a fire for warmth or comfort?	YES	Providing: The fire is in a 30 cm deep trench (below ground level) and no more than one square metre in area You have a four-metre cleared space of flammable vegetation around and above the fire A responsible person is in attendance at all times with water and / or an extinguisher Please note that only charcoal is allowed to be burnt for comfort fires within a metropolitan area or within township boundaries by the EPA Legislation. Check with your local council before lighting a comfort fire. The use of above ground fires such as chimineas, fire drums, braziers are only permitted with the use of permits.	NO	Unless you have obtained a Schedule 10 Permit from your local council. These permits are generally only issued for emergency purposes.
Can I use fireworks?	NO	Private use of fireworks is banned. Licensed pyrotechnicians may conduct public fireworks displays providing a Schedule 9 Permit has been obtained from CFS.	NO	Private use of fireworks is banned. Licensed pyrotechnicians may conduct public fireworks displays providing a Schedule 10 Permit has been obtained from CFS.

Bushfire Season on the Yorke Peninsula is from 1st November 2023 to 30th April 2024.

The information above has been kindly provided by Alexandra Neailey, the Project and Program Development Officer at CFS headquarters. Booklets on preparing for bushfire season are available at the Port Vincent Information Office, Marine Parade (opposite the wharf).

Thank you to our local brigade, in particular to Krysia George (Admin and Finance) and Steve Kolla (Port Vincent Captain) and to all our local CFS volunteers for their incredible work.

The very clear message from all parties is to be prepared.

Exercise Class meet up

WEDNESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER







On Wednesday 27th September Trudi Penrose-Starr (above right), Rural Health Innovation Fund Coordinator with Country SA PHN, joined the Port Vincent exercise class at the Port Vincent Institute.

This was an opportunity for Trudi to meet both the exercise co-ordinator, Jo Minks (above left), and the participants who attend this class every Wednesday morning at 10:30am.

Attendees shared morning tea and socialised after the class. Attendees thanked both Country SA PHN and the Rural Health Innovation Fund for their support of this valuable community project.

Trudi's comment was "I had the absolute best day, everyone was so friendly and welcoming. It was so nice to hear from the participants and how important the classes are to them. Jo Minks, the instructor is incredible! You have a very special community and the Rural Health Innovation Fund is very proud to have been able to support you with your grant."







PORT VINCENT INFORMATION OFFICE NEWS

It's been a busy month with the finalising and hosting of the Vincent Vitality event - see the full report on Page 11.

The committee, along with the husbands we couldn't do without, got together to clean out the shed so it is ready for the new Gala Day committee. A good sized trailer went to the dump - thanks to tidy towns. It's always good to see everyone working together.

Thanks must go to Greg and Sue Hall who have repainted the boat ready for some new plants, thanks to Jan Le Feuvre (once Tidy Towns volunteers have made the platform for the pots).

Jan and Noel Polkinghorne are landscaping the area around the boat to improve the look of that area. Thanks to them also.

During school terms our opening days are Friday, Saturday and Monday 10.30-12.30 with Friday, Saturday, Monday and Wednesday during school holidays also 10.30-12.30.

We've got new stock of the navy T-shirts if you need one, so drop in and have a chat on any of our open days.

Julie Searle - Secretary

Editor's Comment:

Thank you Julie for organising and coordinating the working bee.

	ours - School Terms
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	10:30am t0 12:30pm closed closed 10:30am t0 12:30pm 10:30am t0 12:30pm closed
<u>Opening Ho</u>	urs - School Holidays
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Our Changing Coast - Elinor Alexander

The modern coastline of Yorke Peninsula is a product of geological forces, sea level changes and modern winds, swells, waves and tides which drive erosion, as well as deposition of sediments. These natural processes are ongoing, so the coastline will always be changing. The current SA coastline formed 7,700 years ago, however it was 'only' around 20,000 years ago when sea level was 125 metres lower and Kangaroo Island was joined to mainland SA! Gulf St Vincent was dry (Fig. 1) and streams from the Adelaide Hills flowed across the exposed sea bed. Port Vincent only became coastal around 7,700 years ago! The Narrunga people have witnessed these dramatic changes and their knowledge has helped build these amazing reconstructed coastlines.

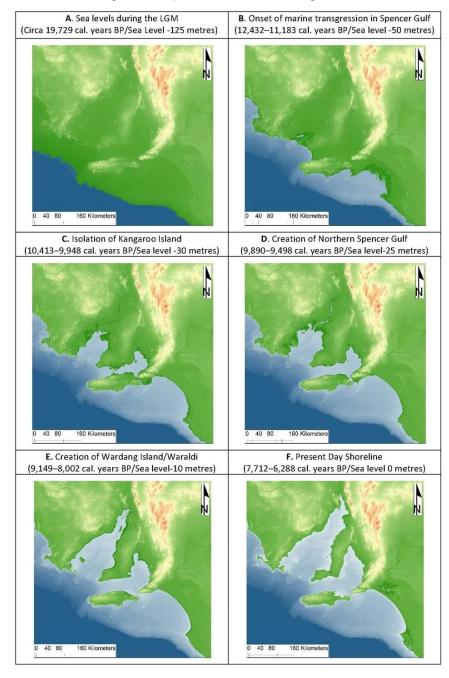


Fig. 1 Reconstructed coastlines over the last 20,000 years showing the impact on the land of rising sea level (from 'Sitting on the seashore between Cape Spencer and Port Lincoln: Marine transgression and the creation of Yorke Peninsula/Guuranda, South Australia', 2019).

So, what has shaped the geography of Port Vincent – why is there a back beach and a front beach, what formed the cliffs and the ridge or hill along the western side of the town? To understand this we need to look back through billions of years of geology to modern coastal processes.

Most of Yorke Peninsula is covered by a blanket of relatively young Cenozoic and Quaternary sediments (56 million years modern) which cover older rocks. The Peninsula's rock record goes back ~2 billion years at Corny Point! These older rocks tend to be exposed along the coast with only patchy outcrops inland. At Pt Vincent, the oldest rocks are the ~300 million years old glacial deposits north of the marina which have been described in a previous edition of A Focal Point. These glacial deposits have been eroded and are feeding sand into local beaches - you may have noticed the pinkish sand on the back beach - that's garnets reworked from the ancient deposits.

The crystalline basement rocks on Yorke Peninsula have been heated, folded and faulted by multiple phases of tectonic stretching (extension) and squeezing (compression) over 1.3 billion years. These ancient faults are zones of weakness which have been reactivated by recent tectonic events 800,000 - 100,000 years ago ('neotectonics'). This caused uplift and formed the hills and valleys we see on the peninsula today (Fig. 3). The Pine Point Fault Zone has shaped much of the eastern side of Yorke Peninsula, and is inferred to occur at depth along the coastline around Port Vincent. Movements along the fault zone have uplifted the land, forming the coastal cliffs.



Figure 2. Pinkish sand on the back beach containing garnets that have been eroded from nearby glacial deposits.

Port Vincent township is built on ancient shoreline deposits laid down when the seas were at least 2 metres higher and the climate was warm and wet ~125,000 years ago. These shoreline sands have been sculpted by wind, waves, tides and currents into that familiar triangular shape called a *sandy cuspate foreland*. Stansbury, Black Point, Coobowie and Sultana Point are also cuspate forelands. Cuspate forelands have built up over thousands of years and stranded what used to be coastal cliffs on the western edge of both Pt Vincent and Stansbury. It's likely that neotectonic uplift of the land prevented the sea reaching the stranded cliffs. The Google image of Port Vincent shows the modern cliffs with the stranded cliff line forming the high ground west of the town (Fig. 3). The back beach and front beach form sides of the roughly triangular cuspate foreland.

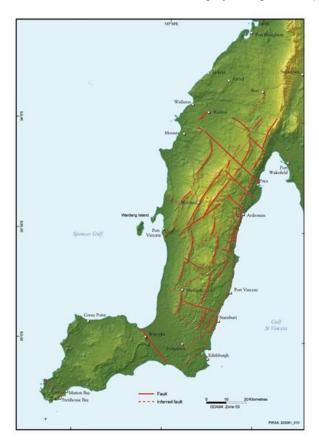




Figure 3 Left: Neotectonic faults and topography (MAITLAND 1:250,000 geology map Explanatory Notes).

Figure 4 Above: Google image of Pt Vincent showing the stranded cliffs and cuspate foreland

So, when you drive, ride or walk into Port Vincent and head down the slope into town you're crossing the stranded sea cliffs onto the cuspate foreland laid down along ancient shorelines!

This article contains information from these excellent references which can be downloaded for free:

'Coastal landscapes of South Australia' (2016): https://doi.org/10.20851/coast-sa

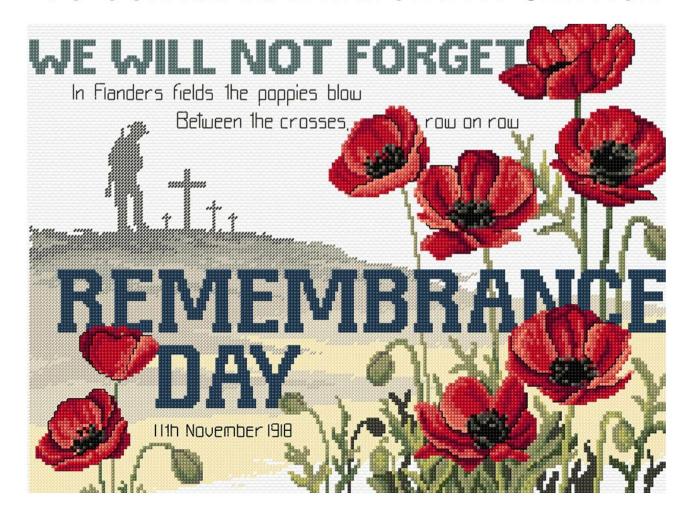
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'Sitting on the seashore between Cape Spencer and Port Lincoln: Marine transgression and the creation of Yorke Peninsula/Guuranda, South Australia' (2019): http://eprints.whiterose.ac.uk/145862/

PORT VINCENT RSL INVITES EVERYONE TO OUR REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE



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Narungga electorate update

Only 250 signatures to go for health petition

With more signatures collected at the YP Field Days, I can advise we are now only 250 signatures short of reaching our target of 10,000 signatures for the health petition we launched last year.

I urge businesses with sheets on their counters to please return them to the electorate office (or give us a call and we will come and collect them), and I also plead for anyone who hasn't yet signed a petition sheet and wishes to do so to please do! You only need be a South Australian citizen over the age of 18 to be eligible; contact my office if you need further information.

Reaching the 10,000 signatures tally by law forces referral to Parliament's Legislative Review Committee to investigate the actions sought on the petition, namely improvements to our local health services and resourcing systems that are urgently needed, and addressing ongoing impacts of doctor shortages.

Parliament activity

With Parliament sitting every other week from mid-October and throughout November, it has been a busy period.

News of interest includes the change of default speed limit on beaches that allow vehicles to drive on them. From 1 December 2023, unless otherwise signposted, the speed limit on such beaches will be 40 km/h, and 25 km/h when within 50 metres of a pedestrian.

Topics I have spoken about in the chamber have included the need for a replacement rescue vessel for Pt Turton Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol; calling for a different fee structure for commercial fishers; querying the delays in roadworks pledged by Rex Minerals; congratulating organisers of the YP Field Days and recent 150th celebrations at Stansbury and Edithburgh; and seeking an update on planned measures to address environmental damage occurring from huge tourist numbers at Wauraltee Beach. To view any speeches, visit www.fraserellis.com.au (refer Parliament tab).

New Active Club round opens 23 October

Round 52 of the popular Office of Sport and Recreation's Active Club Program opened on 23 October (closing 4 December), inviting local recreation and sports clubs to apply for up to \$3,000 for new equipment or program support. Guidelines and application details are under Grants on my website.



FISHING REPORT

Well, with the summer rapidly approaching the operative word for all fisherpersons should be "return". By that I mean do not keep any sea creature out of the water any longer than it takes to measure.

King George whiting are still around in good numbers, with most catching their bag limit.

Sadly the same cannot be said for yellowfin. They have not shown up in any numbers, but hopefully this will change with a few days of warm weather.

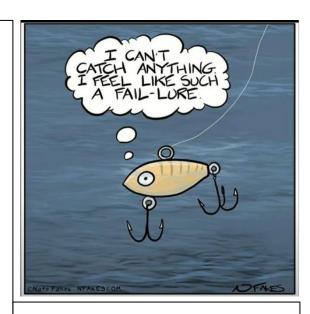
Garfish are slowly starting to build up in numbers and hopefully they will be as thick as last year.

Blue crabs are starting to move in around the oyster lease patches, but quite a few are undersize and females with eggs.

There are still quite a few squid to be had and also tommies at the wharf.

Tight Lines - Wayne Crouch

Editor's Comment: Congratulations to Wayne on his milestone birthday!



PORT VINCENT HAIKU

Port Vincent's embrace. Where the sea and sky converge. Peaceful coastal grace.

Support your community with a Lions Christmas

The Lions Club of the Stansbury Dalrymple has been a The Lions Citio of the Stansbury Dairympie has been a pioneer in the sale of Lions Christmas cakes on the Yorke Peninsula for some years now and the sales from our Christmas cakes and puddings see the profits going towards our community projects and donated to local charity organisations each year.

900g Pudding 1.5kg Cake



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NO BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE **EXERCISE CLASSES. JUST TURN UP AND JOIN IN!**

Editor's Comment:

I have been told that the coffee get together afterwards is just as enjoyable as the class!

CURRAMULKA SCHOOL UPDATE



3-5 Camp - Arbury Park

Our 3-5's had the wonderful opportunity to join Minlaton District School and Stansbury Primary School for a 3-day camp to Arbury Park in Week 4. They enjoyed activities such as hiking, orienteering, team challenges, building nesting boxes and collecting freshwater invertebrates and studying them under microscopes.



Welcome to Curramulka's School Page. Here is an overview of the happenings during Term 3.

The Greenhouse Project

Our older students have spent this term engaged in an Integrated Project that culminated in the design and construction of a greenhouse. This endeavour provided an opportunity to explore various aspects of food technology and its impact on their lives.





Healthy Salad Creation Our young students took on



Our young students took on the exciting challenge of creating healthy salads that not only tasted delicious but also showcased the vibrant colours and flavours of nutritious foods.



Cook - Out and Tree Planting Day

The Day was once again a huge hit with our school community with parents, grandparents and future reception students coming along. A special thanks to Jo and Paul for their help with the fire. Our school is committed to providing opportunities for our students to experience first-hand ways to be sustainable and independent resilient people.





Orienteering





In Week 2 we had a visit from Orienteering SA and students had an exhilarating day of learning and adventure as they delved into the world of orienteering. Armed with maps of our school and the parklands, the young explorers teamed up in pairs to navigate their way through ten carefully crafted courses.

Book Week -Read, Grow, Inspire

Our Book Week parade was again a huge hit and everyone's costumes looked amazing! They all had to show which book their character was from.





SAF10 COASTGUARD REPORT



At time of writing there has been one (1) assist for the month. A boat with 2 p.o.b. off Sheoak Flat had a flat battery. Phoned Coast Guard and Seahound and 2 crew were despatched. Vessel located and towed back to Port Vincent marina.

SAF10 "Grand Final Big Long Breakfast" was a success at the wharf lawns. Our 8 members enjoyed the event with a steady stream of customers for food. Dads and children getting the opportunity to board Vincent Star for an inspection. Recruiting drive was a successful week.

We are pleased to welcome new members to C.G. SAF10 in Dylan Humphrys and Michael Zeller. Both local boating enthusiasts and truck drivers. They will be a great asset to our duty team.

Dylan and Michael will join Jack for their Swim for Safety (SSSS) and Flare Training.

At the recent SES/VMR "Emergency Service Awards" presentation at SA Surf Life Saving, SA Commodore Bill Taylor was presented with the ESM "Emergency Service Medal".

4WD and Adventure & Boat Show was held 27/28/29 October at Wayville. Coast Guard members attended at their stand. PVSC Yacht Racing commenced on Oct. 15th, with CG SAF10 "Vincent Star" and crew on water for yacht patrols. A good training event for members each weekend until April 2024.

With boating/fishing season well and truly upon us now, the marine traffic gets busier with CG on standby around the state, together with SAPOL Water Ops for your safety at sea. Be safe by having all your "safety gear", life jackets, radio, flares etc. Safety By All Means - Maxine Taylor - SAF10 FAO on board for your trip.

It is with deep sadness that we say farewell to a long time member of Coast Guard - Gordon Stone. Gordon joined on 21st December 2000, offering 23 years of dedicated service to our Flotilla. Over the years he held positions of Deputy Commander and Skipper, and he was always happy to assist new members with rope knots and safety advice.

> He will be sadly missed by all the crew Vale Gordon

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November brings the Melbourne Cup, bowling and sailing season..

Christmas creeping upon us.

Trash/Treasure has a range of Christmas gifts as well as plenty of other goods to browse for that elusive item. Thank you to those who donate goods throughout the year, keeping our stocks up.

Thank you to those who attend to the community garden while we are unable to, there is plenty of silver beet for all..

CHURCH DATES FOR NOVEMBER:-

12th......11am......HOLY COMMUNIONwith Venerable Andrew Lang

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Let me not so much ask where I am going, as how I may stride out for you.

Let me not ask so much for firm data, conclusions, assurances, as for the courage to move ahead in faith.

Let me not ask so much for myself, as for others.

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THE GATE OF THE YEAR......

By Minnie Louise Haskins (1875 - 1957)

I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.'

And he replied — 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way!'

So I went forth and finding the hand of God, trod gladly into the night.

And he led me towards the hills and the breaking of day in the lone East.

Pam Biggs - 8853 7340





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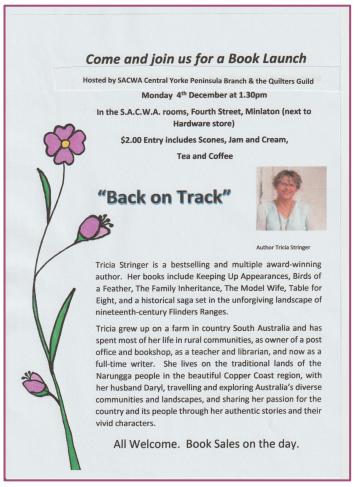
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playing cards chequers or chess other board games

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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.

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PORT VINCENT TIDY TOWNS REPORT OCTOBER 2023



Well, the pontoon has been cleaned and painted and is back in the water. Sorry that it was just after school holidays, out of sight out of mind. But it's there now, and it is a new colour of yellow, a little bit lighter than the previous yellow.

We thank Port Vincent Auto & Tyre for the use of their forklift over the years, and wish them well in their retirement.

Things are starting to get busier now as the weather warms up. Still no word on the native well signage or the sand erosion down by the cemetery.

The Northern walking trail has been weed spayed for the onion weed, and the seat top about half way along the trail has been repaired.

Cans and bottles continue to be busy as the weather warms up.

By the time you read this we will have had our AGM, which is to be on Tuesday 31st October. No doubt there will be a few new faces on the committee.

A big thank you to all those who are standing down or changing positions, a job well done.

Cheers for now,
Rob Searle Chairman
Port Vincent Tidy Towns

Editor's Comment: Thank you to Julie Searle for this great photo.





Stansbury Primary School Stansbury 150th celebrations

Our school enjoyed being a part of the town's 150th celebrations.

We linked our curriculum learning for the term into this by exploring the past, present and future. This started with a visit to the museum, where the children loved looking at the history of Stansbury.

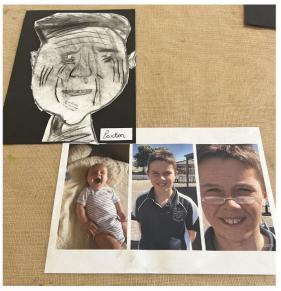
The children wrote letters to themselves to put in the time capsule and answered the question what will the world look like when you are 50 years old? Wonderful creative ideas shone through their responses and paintings. We even drew a portrait of ourselves at the age of 50.

The progress committee placed a large rock at the front of the school, a place to mount plaques to remember staff members who are no longer with us. As a school we wrote a message to acknowledge the 150th celebrations. Thankyou to McQueen Funeral Services for donating the plaques.

We were very honoured to be asked to give the acknowledgement of country at the opening of the celebration on Friday night. Ten of our children including the school captains confidently shared our acknowledgment to over 100 people.

On Saturday, our school was open for visitors to browse through and a large display of old photos and memories was created in the activity room. We created a visitor's book for comments, which is now in the time capsule. Lots of stories from old scholars were shared including how our store room was the principal's office, where they used to get the cane! There were lots of lovely comments in the visitor book about the displays and memories from their time at SPS but there was one comment in particular we appreciated... "the children who go to this school now, are very lucky"!









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7pm - 8:15pm - GERMEIN

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

9:15pm - FIREWORKS



















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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.



MONDAY'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

November 13th and 27th



Sermon on the Mount (found in the book of Matthew) Don't hide your light.

Jesus' words remind us that our good deeds should be done in an effort to glorify God and that, through our conduct, people will see Him.

Lessons to be learnt...

- Possessions on Earth are not important.
- People should not worry because God will take care of them.
- People should not judge each other.
- God will help people who seek His help.

Remember... Righteousness. Compassion. Justice.

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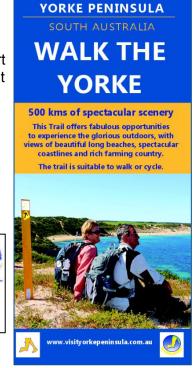
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Thanks to photographers - Vicki Freer, Earth Art, and Inspired Photography Collective





MONDAY'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

September 25 - Six members and two guests (Phyl and her daughter Kay) attended today's meeting. It was a little different today as the meeting was held in Jeanette's garden.

Members started the day with morning tea and lots of chatter.

Members then viewed the garden (front and back) and the fern-house, and all agreed it is a lot of work to keep it looking great.

The front garden consists of a rockery complete with pond and waterfall and two baby goldfish. Plants galoresucculents, pansies, petunias to name a few.

On to the back garden, and into the fern-house, which also had a water-pond and goldfish. Lots of plants including many ferns, camellias, clivias in flower and miniature orchids in full flower, old man's beard and air plants.

Members enjoyed lunch indoors consisting of salad platters, devilled eggs, ham and chicken and egg sandwiches. Dessert was strawberry sponge made by Jeanette.

After lunch Jeanette showed members some of her china painting and lace draped dolls and repair work of some of her antiques (her pride and joy). Members were fascinated with her displays and everyone enjoyed the day. As a surprise on leaving each member was given a hand-painted pet rock. Thanks to Jeanette for opening up her garden and home to all.

October 9 - Seven members and one guest attended today's meeting and started the day with an early morning cuppa. Jude and Perry then spoke on their recent holiday to Ireland, displaying lots of photos. It was really enjoyable and interesting.

A meeting followed, then Janice showed us a sign "Yes Dear" and explained how this was a phrase often used by her late husband Robin. It was a good memory to hold dear and the saying is the smartest saying a man can use to keep his wife a happy one.

Five members stayed for a pooled lunch and enjoyed Jude's ginger kisses and jelly cakes for dessert.

Thanks to Muriel for washing up with others helping.

October 23 - Nine members and one guest attended today's meeting. Minutes were read and some gentle exercises were done while singing our Greeting Song.

Next meeting was discussed, and it was decided to make some handmade Christmas cards and table decorations. Janice talked more on the "Yes Dear" sign and members engaged with Brian (Jane's husband who is in hospital) on the phone discussing his morning tea compared to theirs.

Discussion was held regarding our Christmas breakup, and members decided to spend a day in the Copper Coast, with lunch at the Kadina Hotel.

Morning tea was enjoyed and Jenny O then talked about quilt making. Jenny showed us her latest quilt based on unicorns with a castle. Jenny has 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, all of whom have received a handmade quilt from Jenny.

Members then played games of hoy with chocolate treats for prizes.

While lunch was being arranged, Jane entertained us with comical newspaper snippets.

Lunch was a great variety of savouries. For dessert members shared a chocolate birthday cake with Jane and cream puffs made by Jude. Jane was also given a posy of flowers, and a signed handmade card provided by Jeanette.

A busy morning filled with lots of chatter and laughs and good food.

Geraldine, Muriel, Jude and Jeanette helped with dishes and tidying up. Great again to see Phyl who is looking so well.

Club members would love to welcome newcomers to meetings held every second and fourth Monday of the month at the Port Vincent Uniting Church hall starting at 9.45am and ending around 1pm with lunch included.

Below: Jane celebrating her birthday





PORT VINCENT SAILING CLUB



The sailing season has started with a whimper rather than a bang! The shakedown day on 8 October was supposed to iron out any wrinkles that had appeared over winter. But most sailors didn't find any!!! Looks good for fast boats?

October,15 was the official Opening Day. It was the Commodores Trophy but there were no Mosquitoes as most of the crews were either wounded or working! Fluky winds made for interesting results.

1, Xtremist, J. Butler. 2, Vostok, K. Campion. 3, Stormbird, B. Travis. 4, Half Fast, G. Hackett.

After the racing, Robert Cook opened the season and everyone enjoyed the afternoon tea and lots of discussions.

October 22. series 1, Race 1. Port Vincent Kiosk

- 3 trailer sailers and 1 mosquito braved the gusty, fluky winds. But they had a good race.
- 1, Cripple Creek Ferry, R. Cook. 2, Elementary, G. Hackett.
- 3, Xtremist, J. butler.

We did have a Mosquito, Grinch, A. Van Arend which finished first on the water.

A good day although windy and cold.

December will see more racing but as most of our sailors are farmers I don't expect the sailing to hot up till January. But then we will have quite a bit of sailing with the Vincent Open Classic over the long weekend 26 to 28 January, King of the Gulf the week of 9 - 13 February and State Titles in early March.

Don't forget, the Club is a social club as well as a sporting club. Visitors are always welcome to join us to discuss the finer points of sailing any Sunday.

Right:

Robert Cook opening the sailing season.





THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC



Central Yorke Peninsula Branch

(Amalgamating Curramulka, Minlaton & Pt Vincent Branches)

Unfortunately, illness of branch officers resulted in the cancellation of the October meeting, but postponed business will be discussed at the November meeting.

Meanwhile SACWA CYP Branch was represented at the recent Vincent Vitality Day, with a constant stream of interested visitors learning more about SACWA, and plans for the launch of Tricia Stringer's latest book, 'Back *on* Track', in the Minlaton rooms on Monday 4 December continue.

Our involvement in 2024 Port Vincent Gala Day is still to be decided.

The next CYP Branch meeting will be held in the Minlaton rooms at 9.30 am on Monday 6 November with guest speaker, Bianca Brook from *Must Love Dogs*. Members from Maitland and Moonta branches have been invited to join us. As usual, the meeting will be followed by a pooled lunch. Visitors are most welcome at all Branch meetings.

Three members will attend the SACWA State Council at the Royal Coach Motel, 9 and 10 November.

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For more information call Helen Joraslafsky on 0419 001 420.

Helen Joraslafsky Branch Secretary







Above Right: Vitality Day stall

Helen Joraslafsky and Marilyn Camp (branch members), Sheila Wiltshire (SACWA Spencer Group President).

Above Left: Vincent Cottage

Left: CWA Cottage 150 steps from the beach



PORT VINCENT MEMORIAL BOWLING CLUB

Bowls Pennants

Pennants have begun for season 23/24 and both Division 1 and 2 Open teams are undefeated after the first three games and are currently sitting on top of the ladder. Unfortunately the Ladies are yet to open their account after some narrow losses, and hopefully will turn things around soon. We are pleased to see new players Angela Bruhn, Jane Klaebe, Alisha Wiese and Shane Farley and a welcome return of Nathan Marks to the Club.

Friday Night Meals

Friday Night Meals continue to be provided each week by Kathleen of Gypsy Cooks. These have been well supported, and bookings are generally not required. Cocktails prepared by our esteemed bar person Janine Humphrys are proving to be popular. All welcome from 6pm.

Milestones

Some significant 80th Birthday milestones have been celebrated at the Club recently for bowls members Roger Underwood and Wayne Crouch. Congratulations to both.

Tournaments

Preparations are being made for our upcoming tournaments - Ladies Invitation on Nov 14th and Open Triples on November 26th under coordinators Vanessa Germein and Tom Salmon respectively.

Upcoming Events

Twilight Bowls will be returning soon on Thursdays and Bingo will again occur over the Christmas period so look out for signs around the town advertising these events.

Wayne Proctor Treasurer 2023 PVMBC



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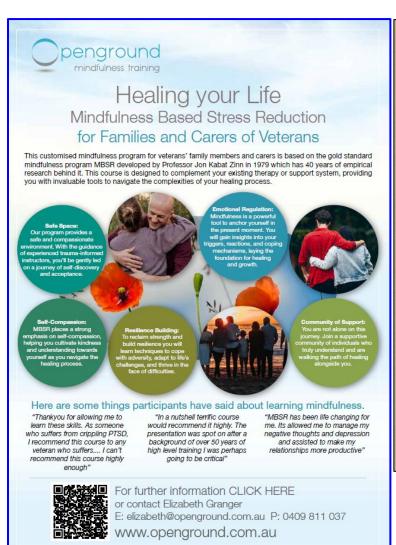


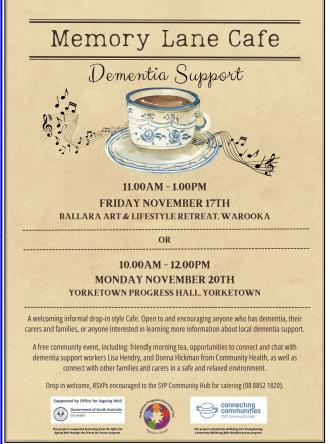
PORT VINCENT - SUNDAY 14TH APRIL 8:00 am Breakfast at marina hosted by the Coastguard. Briefing for boat entrants. 8:30 am Marina open to the public for viewing of boats. 9:00 am Foreshore display of cars and motor bikes, Hot rods, vintage caravans and stationary engines. Institute opens with display of maritime story banners, maritime art exhibition, display of the construction of wooden boats and other maritime connected Model boats on display, and on water in front of the sailing club. Navy Band playing live music at the wharf area (TBC). 9:30 am 10:30 am Human powered boats move to the beach area south of the wharf. Various on water activities, dragon boats, kayaks, etc. Possible on water display of speed boats. Rowing demonstration by the ST Ayles Skiffs. 11:00 am Entrants to receive the blessing of the fleet as they depart the marina. Boats will be escorted to pass around the "One and All" before assembling in the bay. 12:00 pm On water demonstration at the wharf. Kayak eskimo rolls, capsize and righting dinghies, retrieval demonstration. 1:00 pm 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. 2:30 pm Presentation of Trophies

Provisional Programme of Events and Activities

Boat Registrations are now open! Check out the website for more details.

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Thank you to Trevor Clerk (Port Vincent RSL) for emailing the information on assistance to veterans, and to Jo Minks for emailing the above information.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Well, what a bumper edition this month!! If you have read this far you have done extremely well!

Congratulations to the Vincent Vitality team for an amazing day on 21st October. This team was made up from Visitor Information Office volunteers, led by Julie Searle (VIO Secretary), Julie Adams (VIO Assistant Co-Ordinator - who had held a similar event in 2019), and Jan Le Feuvre (the VIO Co-Ordinator). You have probably noticed that this edition has some interesting articles from some of the community groups that attended the event. I will endeavour to use some of the information gleaned at this event and include this information in future editions of the A Focal Point.

Thank you once again to Elinor Alexander for her interesting and informative article on Pages 8 and 9. If any readers have information that they would like to share please do not hesitate to email me or ring me to discuss.

AUSTRALIA DAY CITIZEN AWARDS

Nominations for the Citizen of the year awards are now open.

Nominations close on 17th November

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https://citizenoftheyear.com.au/nominate/

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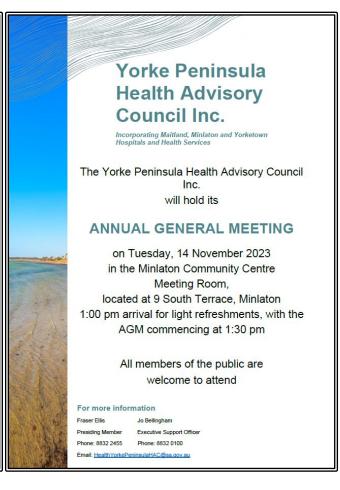
PORT VINCENT HISTORY BOOK UPDATE

The Port Vincent Progress Association are working with Alan Jones to assist with the finalisation and publishing of the updated history book. Further details will be in the December edition of the A Focal Point.

Elinor has also contributed a haiku poem compiled by Artificial Intelligence - Chat GPT (refer Page 12). Al has both positives and negatives, and may require further research before it is widely used. Do any of our readers have opinions on its use? I would love to hear from you!

Sue Hall - Editor Phone: 0413 057 992





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 6th November - 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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