



Photo provided by Adam Meyer and SA Water

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I'd like to start by thanking Kristan Every for her excellent work during her tenure as President of the Port Vincent Progress Association, and look forward to her ongoing contributions as a member of our committee. Following a year away from the Port Vincent Progress Association, I'm very pleased to be back, and to be given the opportunity to lead this wonderful committee of hardworking residents.

I've been happy to see the progress of a number of projects in my absence, and moving forward, we will be concentrating on: -

- The shade sail over the foreshore playground
- The verandah at the Visitor Information Office to house the historic dray
- Any other available grant funding we can access for town projects

As one of our members wrote to the A Focal Point 'Letters to the Editor' recently, we are very keen to welcome additional members to our committee. The benefits to working with our wonderful committee include:-

- Getting to know members of the local community to help you feel more connected and valued
- Sharing your ideas, talents and skills
- Giving you a sense of achievement and purpose

We have become aware of a particular need for community members to join the committee for the biennial Saltwater Classic (our very own wooden boat festival). The 2024 event was a huge success, but unfortunately the 2026 event is at risk of not being able to proceed.

***Thanks to the knowledge and expertise of the previous co-ordinator Doug Le Feuvre, alongside his enthusiastic committee, there is full funding available to run this event.***

Should you be interested in joining this committee, please contact: - [secretary@portvincent.org.au](mailto:secretary@portvincent.org.au) for further information.

Our dynamic and energetic Gala Day committee is working tirelessly behind the scenes to put together another stunning event. Page 3 has a flyer outlining the activities that have been organised, with Page 4 highlighting the Home Brew Competition - yes, it's back - and also our Gala Day raffle with cash prizes.

**A programme of events/times will be in the 1st December edition of the A Focal Point.**

Gala Day doesn't just happen, it takes months of planning, and many hours of phone conversations, emails and meetings organised by this committee. There is also a need for sponsors and donations, so if you would like to contribute to this wonderful event, **please complete the form on Page 5.**

**Pam Hickman - President**

## [LETTERS TO THE EDITOR - please email afocalpoint@portvincent.org.au](mailto:afocalpoint@portvincent.org.au)

I am a member of the YP Ratepayers' committee. As such, I have been sending letters to the YP Country Times expressing dissatisfaction with several aspects of YP Council's policy and procedures. Although this is only a small gesture coming from an individual, it has been part of a larger strategy to raise public awareness of their maladministration.

An email concerning an official YP Ratepayer formal request for a review of the recent rates increases is (in part) below. The actual request can be accessed by clicking "Here is a copy" in the email below. It pulls no punches. I think you will find it a most satisfactory response. If you are not already a member of the Ratepayers Association- **please join**.

In addition, I have (as part of the strategy) written separately to the Minister for Local Government and the Shadow Minister protesting about aspects of S270, and in particular, about the abuse of its provisions in the Mayor's treatment of legitimate queries (called "Reviews") previously submitted by conscientious councillors and rate payers. This "abuse" results in requests for reviews never making it to the Council meetings, and others are tabled but treated with contempt. This is only one aspect we are concerned about. You will note that the Ratepayers Association formal letter mentioned above is another such request for a review. We wait to see how it is treated. It is very powerful. I think you will agree.

### **Peter Lehman - Email address supplied**

On behalf of Yorke Peninsula ratepayers, we have recently submitted a S270 request for a review of the rate increase decision made by Council on the 10th of July, 2024. We feel that how this decision was made, may not comply with the requirements of local government legislation. **Here is a copy** of what was submitted, both to the CEO of the Council and copied to all of the Councillors, so they are aware that it has been sent. Please send a copy of this document to all of the people in your network. Please ask them to: -

- send in a request for review themselves - they are welcome to use the wording in this document
- provide some feedback as to their feelings on the rate increase - they are welcome to utilise the ratepayers email address to provide this feedback - [yorkeratepayers@gmail.com](mailto:yorkeratepayers@gmail.com)

### **YP Ratepayers Association - Email address supplied**

A Yorke Peninsula Council spokesperson supplied the following in response to a request from the *A Focal Point*:-

"Thank you to the *A Focal Point* for offering Council right of reply to the letters to the editor in this edition.

Council can confirm that rates were increased by 4.8 per cent for residential and commercial properties on average. If rates for your home or business rose by more than 4.8 per cent, that means someone else's rates increased by less or in some cases even stayed the same/decreased. This all depends on your property valuation – which is determined not by Council but by the independent Valuer General. Primary Production ratepayers experienced higher rate increases than home and business owners et cetera. This reflects the continuing increases in value for farmland. Even after this latest rate rise, Yorke Peninsula Council Primary Producers continue to pay the lowest rates of any farmers in the wider region, less than half what is paid in the Copper Coast. For residential, commercial and primary production properties, Council reduced the rate-in-the-dollar charged. This was to soften the blow of rising property values for our ratepayers.

The rating process used is currently subject to a Section 270 Review and therefore Council cannot offer comment."

### **YP Council Spokesperson - Email address supplied**

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2PM  
TIL  
10PM

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MONKEYS

SILVER SHARKS  
AEROBATIC SHOW

FIREWORKS  
DISPLAY

AND MUCH  
MORE

1ST JANUARY 2025

RIDES

MARKETS

FACE PAINTING

FOOD VANS

FREE CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES

# GALA DAY 1st JANUARY 2025



## Port Vincent 2025 Gala Day

### Home Brewing Competition

Entries are invited for the 2025 Home Brewing Competition

#### Categories

Ale Light/Dark

Draught

Lager

Stout

Registered entries are to be clearly labelled and lodged at a cost of \$3.00 per bottle at the Port Vincent Institute Supper Room Kitchen between 3.00pm to 4.00pm on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> of December

Judging will occur during Gala Day and the winners announced after 4.00pm

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Any queries contact Greg Shaw at [events@portvincent.org.au](mailto:events@portvincent.org.au)

## Planning for 2025 Gala Day

Building on this year's success, preparations for the 2025 Gala Day are already underway. The planning committee aims to make the event even bigger and more inclusive while maintaining its family-friendly ethos. Page 5 outlines how you can help support the event with sponsorship or donations.

*Please watch our town's notice boards and our Port Vincent Facebook page*

<https://www.facebook.com/portvincent/>

*and website,*

[www.portvincent.org.au](http://www.portvincent.org.au)

*for further details as the next event on*

*1st January, 2025 draws closer*

**KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR OUR GALA DAY RAFFLE TICKETS  
THESE TICKETS WILL SELL QUICKLY!!**

PORT VINCENT PROGRESS ASSOC

**\$ CASH RAFFLE \$**

Name.....

Address .....

Phone.....

To be drawn on  
1st January, 2024 before the Fireworks

**Ticket No 0001**



2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE:  
**\$500<sup>00</sup>**

**Ticket No 0001**



**\$ CASH RAFFLE**

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE:  
**\$250<sup>00</sup>**

4<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE:  
**\$250<sup>00</sup>**

**3000 TICKETS @ \$2 EACH**

Prize winners will be notified by phone.  
To be drawn on 1st January, 2024 before the Fireworks.

*Photos by Lauren Clift Media.*



# 2025 Gala Day Sponsors Needed!



Dear Residents and Friends of Port Vincent,

Our committee is working tirelessly to organise a spectacular event, but we need your help to cover essential costs such as permits, entertainment, and equipment hire. We are kindly asking for donations of \$50, or any amount you can contribute. Every bit helps and will make a significant difference in keeping this event fun and free for everyone.

## How You Can Help: -

- To make your contribution, please complete the donation form on the bottom of this letter and return it to us, via post or email to [treasurer@portvincent.org.au](mailto:treasurer@portvincent.org.au)
- **For businesses and individuals interested in making a larger impact, we offer sponsorship packages that come with special recognition and benefits. For more details, please contact us.**

We welcome all forms of support, and recognise monetary sponsorship is not appealing to everyone. ***If your support comes in the form of donating your time, please tick the “I want to volunteer” box on the form below and we will share our online volunteer signup link with you later in the year.***

Thank you! Your generous support will help fund the planned celebrations and ensure their overall success. Whether your donation is big or small, it contributes to making Gala Day 2025 the best yet!

Warm regards,

The Gala Day Committee (A Sub-Committee of the Port Vincent Progress Association)

*Please complete the following details and return to the Port Vincent Progress Association.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount:     \$50             \$100             \$150             Other \$\_\_\_\_\_             I want to volunteer

Payment can be made to the Port Vincent Progress Association by Direct Debit or in branch using the following details.    Bank: Bank SA    |    Branch: Minlaton    |    BSB: 105 064    |    Account Number: 260 097 440

**Please use your name as reference/funds transfer description.**

**A Tax Invoice can be provided on request - email - [treasurer@portvincent.org.au](mailto:treasurer@portvincent.org.au)**

Alternatively, cheques can be mailed to the Port Vincent Progress Association

C/- Post Office Box 92, Port Vincent SA 5581

**PORT VINCENT RSL INVITES EVERYONE**  
**TO OUR REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE**



**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE REMEMBRANCE  
DAY SERVICE**

**To be held at the Port Vincent War Memorial,  
corner Parsons & Kemp Street, Port Vincent.**

**MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024**

**Arrive 1025 for Service**

**ALL WELCOME**





# TIDY TOWNS REPORT



For what is supposed to be our quieter months of the year, this certainly wasn't the case at Tidy Towns. Weed spraying has now been completed, and hopefully we got all the weeds.

Bennett Park is starting to look much better, the plan being to open up the park by removing some of the "jungle" in the park to give it a more open look.

I was talking to Jan Le Feure from the VIO, when she mentioned that the old rainwater tank at the VIO no longer held water. After talking to the Tidy Towns committee, it was decided and approved that Tidy Towns would pay for a new tank and pump. This was duly purchased through Merv Camp at the local pump shop. The tank arrived, and when Treasurer Trevor Thomas went to pay for the tank and pump, Merv informed Trevor that he would pay for HALF the amount. What a wonderful gesture; it's what you get when you shop local. **Well done Merv from all at Tidy Towns and the VIO committee.**

A review is underway on our petrol operated equipment. Whipper snippers, chainsaws, all petrol operated. Now that we have moved to electric operated tools, these are surplus to our requirements. *Watch this space - further information will be available in the next edition.*

Our AGM was held this week. Thank you to all those who volunteered for our positions: -

- President:** Des Chambers
- Vice President:** John Francis
- Secretary:** Eric Smith
- Treasurer:** Trevor Thomas



**Our new committee:** Charmaine Kimber, John Buttfield, Ian Bain, Brian Tuttle, John Hallas, John Curnow

**JOHN FRANCIS - Outgoing chairperson, Tidy Towns - 0409 323 841**



## PURE ESSENTIAL OILS MAKE AND TAKE

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**When:** Thursday 21st November, 10am

**Where:** Pt Vincent Town Hall,

**Cost:** \$30 payable on arrival Limited to 20 people

**Morning Tea provided**

**RSVP: Anne-Marie 0419 867 011**



Congratulations to Cara, Kyle & Staff - Port Vincent Foreshore Caravan Park - for making the 2024 Gold Star Ratings list.. AGAIN!

**Best Independent Rated Accommodation Voted By Travellers.**

The Gold List is exclusive to Star Rated properties and recognises those properties that have achieved the highest Travellers Rating using Review Pro's guest intelligence.

# CORMORANT EXCREMENT IS A HEALTH HAZARD

Cormorant excrement has become a significant health hazard at the BBQ areas near the wharf. It is posing risks due to its bacteria and foul odour. The buildup on the public tables was recently addressed by our Tidy Towns volunteers. As you can see from the photos below, it was certainly not an easy task! They literally spent hours removing the distasteful mess from the tables and chairs.

YP Council has performed Scare Shoots over past months, but unfortunately the cormorants return to the area within days of these shoots. A suggestion was made to remove our beautiful and significant trees from the area. ***However, it has been pointed out that the problem will just move elsewhere in Port Vincent if that occurs.***

The excrement from the cormorants is extremely acidic and not only deteriorates the environment, but also endangers the health of those who frequent these spaces.

**It's crucial for you, the public, to voice your concerns by writing to the council, urging them to address the issue and find effective solutions for this ongoing problem.**

**A huge thank you to the Tidy Towns volunteers who cleaned the tables and chairs, and also to our YP Council for loaning them the pressure sprayer (which was definitely required).**



Email Fraser McEvoy at:  
[admin@yorke.sa.gov.au](mailto:admin@yorke.sa.gov.au)

or write to:

PO Box 57

MAITLAND SA 5573

or ring

(08) 8832 0000





# DUNG BUSTERS AT WORK

**We are very fortunate to have two Telstra Free Payphones in Port Vincent (one is opposite the Port Vincent Motel and Apartments on Main Street and the other is opposite the Foreshore Caravan Park on Marine Parade).**

***Unfortunately, during the recent school holidays, someone used the telephone opposite the motel as a toilet!***

Using a public telephone box as a toilet shows a complete disregard for public property and the community that shares it. Such behavior not only vandalises shared spaces, but also creates an unsanitary and unpleasant experience for others who might need to use the phone. Individuals who act in this way demonstrate a lack of respect for their surroundings as well as the efforts made to maintain public amenities.

Fortunately, our town had two volunteers who were prepared to remove the mess created by these unsavoury individuals. *A huge thank you to these two men who cleaned the mess.* Photos of the sickening incident are below.

As a community, we should always be vigilant and notify authorities about any damage done to public facilities.

**If you see any damage at all to these payphoneses, please ring Telstra on 180 2244.**

## [Telstra - Payphone services - Consumer Advice.](#)

The following quotes are on the Telstra website and were written by Andrew Penn :-

*"...payphones are part of the fabric of Australia and how important they are in good times, and bad. I've seen queues of people waiting in line, coins at the ready, to use a payphone to call home and tell their family and friends they're safe after a bushfire, a cyclone or some other natural disaster has taken the mobile network down. I know payphones are also a lifeline for thousands of vulnerable Australians – the homeless, the isolated, those escaping domestic violence – and often provide their only link to critical support services and those that care about them. In 2022 Australians made 11 million calls on payphones, including more than 230,000 calls to vital services like Triple Zero, so there's no doubt payphones are already often the lifeline that's there when it's needed most. Telstra's purpose is to build a connected future so everyone can thrive. To deliver on this ambition we want to contribute to a better, more caring and more inclusive Australia, an Australia where people can reach out for help if and when they need to, or just connect if they feel like it.*

***The payphone network that we've been maintaining since the 1880s is a key part of that, and I'm delighted it's now free for everyone to make calls anywhere in Australia.***

**Telstra are committed to providing these free payphones (a bit of an oxymoron there?).**

**Enquiries to Telstra have revealed that general cleaning and maintenance is provided by Telstra on a quarterly basis.**



**Any faults or damage  
can be reported by  
members of the public  
directly to Telstra on  
Phone 180 2244**



# Support your community with a Lions Christmas Cake.

900g Pudding \$16      1.5kg Cake \$20      1kg Cake \$16



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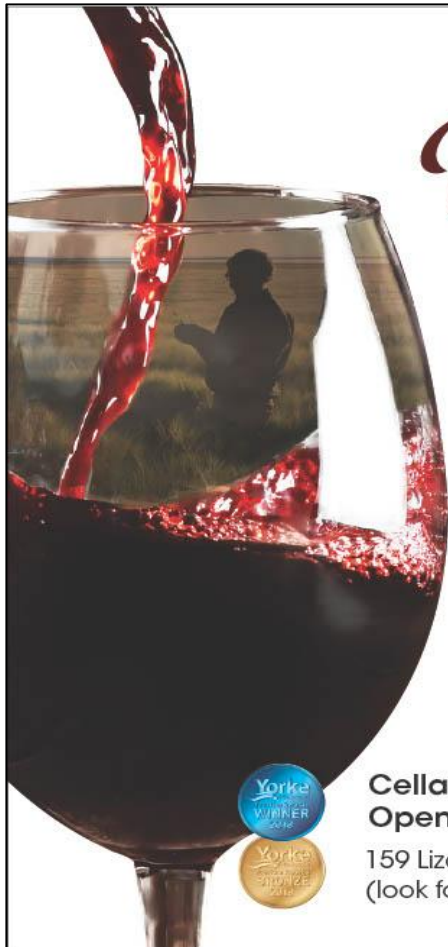
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Port Vincent Progress Association



! I arrived at a car dealership to pick up our car after a service, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the driver's side door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked. 'Hey,' I announced to the technician, 'its open!' His reply, 'I know. I already did that side.'



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# GYPSY COOKS



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY, 6th December

### CHRISTMAS ROAST

(Turkey, Beef, Baked Ham, Yorkshire Pudding + Veg)  
**& DESSERT**

(Pavalova, Xmas Pudding + Fruit Salad)

**\$35.00 per person**

\*\* no other menu items available \*\*

@ Port Vincent Bowls Club

5.30 - 8.00

26 Talbot Road, Port Vincent

**Bookings Essential 0428 746 018**

# GYPSY COOKS



## CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
14th & 15th DECEMBER

10.00 - 4.00

@ The Port Vincent Institute  
19 Marine Pde, Port Vincent

New items, Christmas gifts, toys,  
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## Yorke Peninsula Health Advisory Council Inc.

*Incorporating Maitland, Minlaton and Yorketown  
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The Yorke Peninsula Health Advisory Council  
Inc. will hold their

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Followed by a Forum on DEMYSTIFYING AGED CARE

**Wednesday 20 November 2024  
Minlaton Town Hall at 1.00pm**

The aim of the Forum is to provide information and support to families  
and individuals empowering them to independently navigate the aged  
care system, apply for approvals, and access resources.

There will be representatives from across the Yorke Peninsula  
delivering workshops and presentations.

All members of the public are welcome to attend.  
Light refreshments available.

#### For more information

Fraser Ellis                      Jo Bellingham  
Presiding Member              Executive Support Officer  
Phone: 8832 2465              Phone: 8832 0100  
Email: [HealthYorkePeninsulaHAC@sa.gov.au](mailto:HealthYorkePeninsulaHAC@sa.gov.au)

## FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES!



The King of the Gulf - KOG - Sailing Race  
Committee is looking for someone to provide  
breakfast at next year's event on the mornings of  
Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th February 2025.

The local Coast Guard previously catered for the  
KOG breakfasts as well as their Friday night BBQ  
tea, but has advised that they are no longer able  
to continue.

Is there a Community Group interested in this?

The Bowls Club will continue to provide the meals  
on Sunday and Monday evening, and has agreed  
to also provide the Friday night meal.

However, we are encouraging help from other  
Community Groups to "join in" with us as a way to  
earn some funds.

**If interested in either of these opportunities,  
please contact Vanessa Germein by email:  
[ness.germein@gmail.com](mailto:ness.germein@gmail.com)**





# Port Vincent Progress

## Christmas Lights

## Competition

ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE AT THE PORT  
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OR EMAIL:

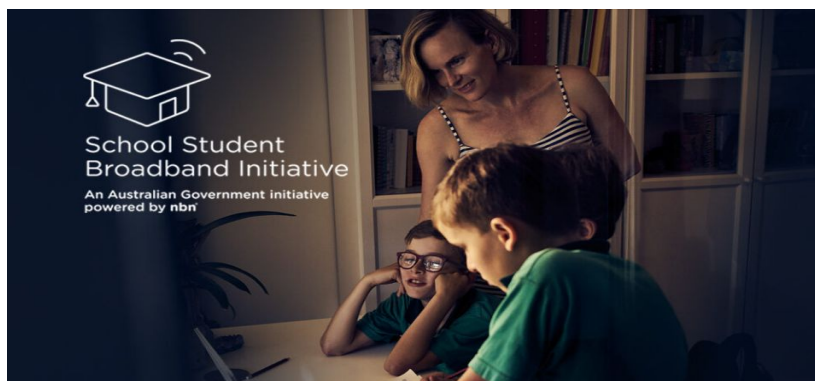
[secretary@portvincent.org.au](mailto:secretary@portvincent.org.au)

with your address and contact details

### Categories and Prizes:-

1. Novelty - \$100
2. Kids' Choice - Novelty Prize
3. Community Category (Business/ Churches) - \$100





## National Referral Centre

We can support your child's education with free internet at home. Contact our team to check eligibility and for help getting your family connected.

The program is primarily intended as an affordability measure to help those with school-aged children who may be experiencing financial hardship.

### School Student Broadband Initiative: Free nbn internet until December 2025!

To boost education opportunities and narrow the digital divide, the Australian Government is providing up to 30,000 eligible families with no internet at home a free National Broadband Network (nbn) service. Access to fast internet at home supports children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and participate in a world that is more dependent on digital technology. Children are also more likely to engage in classroom activities when they can access online learning at home as part of their education.

Check your eligibility for **free nbn broadband** up until the end of 2025 now:

**Contact the National Referral Centre on 1800 954 610 (Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm AEDT)**

**or by visiting [www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet).**



## THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC

### Central Yorke Peninsula Branch

(Amalgamating Curramulka, Minlaton & Pt Vincent Branches)

Members were most interested in the information about the recent and ongoing activities of the Port Vincent Progress Association, as outlined by speaker Jan Le Feuvre at the October meeting. We were pleased that Jan then joined us for lunch.

Being so close to the Melbourne Cup, our November meeting will have a Cup theme, with the current closure of the Watsacowie Brewery necessitating the change of venue, back to the Minlaton rooms. It will be interesting to see which aspects of Cup Day members choose to celebrate.

The branch delegate will attend the SACWA Annual General Meeting and State Council, being held at the Royal Coach Motel on 6 and 7 November.

With Christmas not being far away, branch members will celebrate at Ardrossan Hotel on Monday 2 December. Apart from festive food, the usual entertaining Kris Kringle will be part of the festivities.

The branch will then be in recess until Monday 3 February. Where did the year go?

**Any readers who are interested in joining in the fun and sharing lunch with us should call Helen Joraslafsky on 0419 001 420.**

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**SWAP & GO AVAILABLE MONDAY TO FRIDAY BEFORE 8AM**

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3 Ventnor Street Port Vincent**





# COASTGUARD SAF10 PORT VINCENT

Two assists to date:-

A call out to assist boat, 2 pob, lost drive function. Seahound and 2 crew prepared and despatched when call received to notify boat towed in by public. Stood down after checking arrival.

A boat, 2 pob and a dog with life jacket on required a tow in. Seahound and 2 crew despatched and assisted. All okay.

SAF10 members attended 4WD & Boat Show at Wayville on Saturday and Sunday.

Yacht patrol have commenced on Sundays for P.V. Sailing Club.

SAREX Exercise (SAPOL) will be held at Edithburgh on Nov 1st and 2nd for Coast Guard, Sea Rescue and Royal Coastal Patrol.

Remembrance Day will be held at War Memorial on 11th November. Coast Guard members will be in attendance with CFS.

The warmer weather will see more boats on water for fishing. So check that your fuel, battery and safety equipment is on board.

SAF10 has had 17 rescues to date this year.

Our truck driver assessor Adam Polkinghorne took 2 members out in truck with Vincent Star on trailer for test manoeuvres. Both drivers passed and they each hold 'MR' licence. This gives us 9 truck drivers for 'call out' rosters.

## Safety By All Means Bill Taylor

**Top Right:**  
Greg Shaw receives a Certificate for Administration from Bill Taylor.  
**Right:** Paul Crocker receives a Certificate for Operations from Bill Taylor.



**!** We had to have the garage door repaired. The repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a 'large' enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower. He shook his head and said, 'You need a 1/4 horsepower.' I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4 and he said, 'NOOO, it's not. Four is larger than two.' We haven't used that repairman since...

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people. Give Jenny a ring.**



# \*\*\*FISHING REPORT\*\*\*

Well, the crab season has started, and from what I have seen, it is a great start! There are plenty to be had by netting and raking. But, once again, take a measure and only gather what you need.

Garfish are starting to appear. The oyster lease area is a good place to try, but please give the oyster lease owners the courtesy they deserve by caring for their product, which is an asset for our town.

Yellowfin have not schooled up as yet, but hopefully they will do so with some good, warm weather.

There are still tommies to be had at the wharf for those who put in the time at night, but squid have gone quiet.

King George are still being caught on all the regular grounds, and most boaties are catching a good feed.

**Tight Lines**  
**Wayne Crouch**



## PORT VINCENT VISITOR INFORMATION OUTLET

After the school holidays, visitor numbers dropped off. However, activity around our little office didn't. We had a clean out and reorganised our space, and it looks tidier and more presentable. We have also had a water tank installed. Tidy Towns offered to replace the old leaking tank with a shiny new one. The old one has been removed and the new one is in. Big 'thank you's go to Tidy Towns who paid for half of the new tank and pump, **Merv Kemp of YP Pumps, Port Vincent**, who organised supply and delivery of the tank and pump, **and more importantly, paid the other half of the invoice!**

Recently, John Buttfield (Tidy Towns), Doug Le Feuvre (ring in), and Greg Hall spent Saturday morning installing the tank and cleaning gutters etc. It now means we can have water to look after plants, and the plan is to "landscape" around the dray when it arrives. We can now beautify our little building.

Plans for the disability access are progressing with Council, and plans for the verandah for the dray are also with Council.

**Jan Le Feuvre - VIO Co-Ordinator**

**Below: The new tank is installed. Thanks to Doug Le Feuvre, John Buttfield and Greg Hall**



**Above: VIO Secretary Susanne Lands working at the VIO.**

**Below: VIO volunteers check out the information available to visitors.**





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# PORT VINCENT MEMORIAL BOWLS CLUB

## **Bowls Pennants**

Pennants have begun for season 24/25, and the Open Division 1 are sitting 5<sup>th</sup> on the ladder after having broken through for their 1<sup>st</sup> win of the season (of three games) against Edithburgh on Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. In Division 2, both the Black and Gold teams have won a game each, with Black also having a draw. In Men's Wednesday Pennants, both the Black and Gold teams are mid table with a win each from the two games played. The Ladies Div 1 side are sitting 2<sup>nd</sup> having won all three games, and are off to a great start. Div 2 are currently 4<sup>th</sup> with one win from their three games. It is good to see our Club fielding a Ladies Div 2 side and a second Open Div 2 side again this year. This has been made possible by the addition of new players in Julie Darling, Janet Gibson, Robyn Delaney, Wayne Hickman, Mark Henderson, and the return of Greg Hall and a long time member Paul Stubberfield. The Club appreciates the assistance given by members willing to help out the numbers for opposite gender games.

## **Friday Night Meals**

Friday Night Meals continue to be provided each week by Kathleen of Gypsy Cooks. These are popular, but bookings are generally not required except for long weekends. The bar is open and patrons are regularly served by our esteemed bar staff, Janine Humphrys and Des Chambers. All welcome from 5.30pm.

On Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, a Christmas Roast and Dessert will be provided for \$35 (no other menu items available). Bookings to Kathleen on 0428 746 018.

## **Tournaments**

Preparations are being made for our upcoming tournaments – Women's on Tues Nov 19<sup>th</sup> and Open Triples on Sun Nov 24<sup>th</sup> under co-ordinators Vanessa Germein and Tom Salmon, respectively.

## **Patroness Shield**

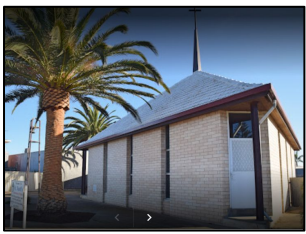
The ladies held their annual Patroness Shield day recently with new Patroness, Shirley Wakefield. The winners were Trish Baum (left) and Julie Darling (right).

Many thanks to Phyl Clayton for her long standing Patroness role and for contributing again this year.



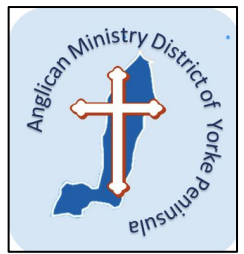
## **Upcoming Events**

Twilight Bowls will be returning on Thursday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 7pm, and Bingo will again be held over the Christmas/New Year period starting on Boxing Day, so look out for signs around the town advertising these events.



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November is a month that winds down to Advent and to Christmas. It also brings the Christmas Pageant, the Melbourne Cup and cricket.

Mother Sorrel's time as locum will end on Christmas Day. In the meantime, another locum will be appointed as we still seek a District Priest. Synod is on October 27th weekend. The roster of Church Services for November and December given may be revised again as this goes to print, so do watch the church door for any changes.

**CHURCH DATES FOR NOVEMBER:-**

10th.....9am.....

**HOLY COMMUNION** with Father David Emery. Prayers for the Defence Forces of Australia may be offered that day, being the nearest to Remembrance Day on the 11 day 11th hour of 11th month.

**Trash/Treasure:-**

Saturday 9.30am - 12.30pm.  
Tuesdays 10am- 12 noon.

Plenty of goods keep coming in, and soon the Summer stock and Christmas gifts will appear. We welcome all to come and browse for that elusive treasure.

**Community Garden:-**

We are still looking for that elusive rain to help water the plants. Anyone with spare time, please do drop by and water the plants.

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**TWO GOLDEN DAYS**

There are two days about which I never worry,  
Two carefree days, kept sacredly free from fear and apprehension.  
One of these is **YESTERDAY**, and the other day I do not worry about is **TOMORROW**.  
Tomorrow, with all its possible adversities, its burdens, its perils, its large promise and poor performance, its failures and mistakes, is as far beyond the reach of the mastery as its dead sister - **YESTERDAY**.  
There is left for myself then, but one day of the year - **TODAY**.  
With faith and trust in the Lord, anyone can fight the battles and carry the burdens of just one single day.

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**TOMORROW**

Tomorrow is a day of God's.  
Its sun will rise in roseate splendour, or behind a mask of weeping clouds.  
But it will rise. I have no possession in that unborn day of grace.  
All else is in the safe keeping of God who holds for me the treasure of yesterday.  
His love is higher than the stars, wider than the skies, deeper than the seas.  
Tomorrow — it is God's day, eventually it will become mine.

(These verses from the Sunday Journal)

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## Busy sitting weeks continue

October in the chamber has been very busy and looks set to continue this week as there are now only two more sitting weeks left until the end of the year.

In the last month, I have been pleased to contribute to legislative debate, grieves and Question Time on a diverse array of topics – among them climate targets, the roll out of the ban on single use plastics, emergency department upgrades, local events, road upgrades and maintenance, tourism needs, lifeblood services, impacts of beach camping, retirement villages, waste levy subsidies for charitable organisations, unpaid COVID-19 quarantine Medi-hotel invoices, and water infrastructure shortfalls in our electorate.

All that I do relies on the input and feedback I receive from constituents and community groups and leaders, and I thank all who contact me and who work with me to ultimately, improve the way of life for us all here in our patch of the world.

Legislation under current debate, or soon to be, offer topics as varied as ever – from Return-to-Work employment law, offenders' registration, transplants and anatomy, and passenger transport, to native vegetation, dog and cat management, early childhood development and political donations law reform.

Anyone wishing to share any feedback or experience on any aspect of state law and regulations that impact our lives are always welcome to contact my office. Your input is vital guidance on how I vote on bills and motions before the House on behalf of our community.

## Grants open

There are various grant programs currently open for community groups planning projects.

These include Grants SA Digital Inclusion Funding; Ageing Community and Seniors grants; the Small Business Energy Efficiency program; the 2025 Playford Trust First Year University Scholarships that may interest current Year 12 students; Youth Week funding; and three popular programs from the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing--Active Club (Round 53), The Power of Her infrastructure and Participation Program, and the 2024-25 Community Recreation and Sports Facilities Program.

Please visit [www.fraserellis.com.au](http://www.fraserellis.com.au) (Grants tab) for further information and guidelines for all of these programs or call my office for assistance.

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# Port Vincent Sailing Club



The Season is finally underway. **October 13** saw several boats on the water in light conditions. But the wind was good for a shakedown cruise and to iron out any bugs. In the end, the race was abandoned due to lack of wind! Commodore Alan Rushbrook welcomed club members and visitors, and during his speech, he announced Life Memberships for two long serving club members, **Graham and Joey Butler**. The brothers have been active club members for many years. Graham ended his sailing career on Proteus and Joey on Xtremist. Both have retired from sailing, but are still valued members of the Club. The announcement was followed by **Colin Germein**, another long term member, who reminisced about the early days of the Club and declared the Season open.

## 20 October Cup Race

Good racing, gentle breezes and 9 boats on the water. Vostok, K.Campion was first over the line, followed by Stormbird, B.Travis, and Chameleon, A. Rushbrook. There were 5 Mossies racing. First place was Curlew, G. Illman, second was Grinch, A. Van Arend, and 9 Lives, S. Slater was third. Sailors enjoyed a sausage sizzle after the event, thanks to Tony Bates.

**27 October**, Series 1, Race 1, Port Vincent Kiosk sponsored.

It was forecast to blow, so the big boats didn't go out. 4 Mossies braved the conditions, including Splashes of Brilliance, Dan Le Feuvre, who we haven't seen racing for some years.

He is obviously out of practice as early in the race he cartwheeled the boat and broke equipment. However, he did manage to finish the race. Shaun Slater is also back on deck after a year off with an ACL injury.

Obviously the lay off worked, as he won. Results were 9 Lives, S. Slater, 2<sup>nd</sup> both Barrels, M. Young, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Splashes of Brilliance, D. Le Feuvre. The day finished with socialisation in the Club with nibbles and cuddles with Owen, our newest and youngest member.

So our Sailing season is underway, and visitors are welcome to come and join us for drinks and nibbles on Sundays in the Club rooms and to watch the sailing.

## Jan Le Feuvre

Photos top to bottom:

- Colin Germein opening the sailing season
- Chameleon and Xtremist
- Graham Butler being presented with his life membership by Commodore Alan Rushbrook









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God and Father, your work  
produced by faith, your labour  
prompted by love, and your  
endurance inspired by hope in our  
Lord Jesus Christ.  
(1 Thessalonians 1:3)

***May the God of hope fill you with all  
joy and peace in believing, so that by  
the power of the Holy Spirit you may  
abound in hope.*** (Romans 15:13)

***Rejoice in hope, be patient in  
tribulation, be constant in prayer.***  
(Romans 12:12)





**A priest, a rabbit and a minister walk into a bar.  
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## MONDAY :

**RSL Meeting** -in RSL room at the Memorial Bowling Club  
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**SACWA Meeting** - Monday 4th November 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)

**Bowls** (Winter) - 12:30pm for 1pm start

**Port Vincent Uniting Church**

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

**Exercise Classes** - Institute Hall - 10:30am

## THURSDAY:

**Progress Assn meeting** (normally 1st Thursday) at 7.30pm  
8th November in the Institute Supper Room

**Ladies' Bowls** (Summer)

**Library** - 9.30am - 11.30am in Institute

**Meals on Wheels** - delivery day

**Coast Guard Flotilla** - Meetings 3rd Thursday of month

**Twilight Bowls (Summer)** - refer bowls articles

## FRIDAY :

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**Drop-in Centre** - 10am - 12noon

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## SATURDAY:

**Men's Golf** (Winter)

**Open Gender Bowls** (Summer)

**Coast Guard Training** - 1st Sat of the month 9am

**Trash 'N Treasure** - St Neots (refer **Page 20** for dates)

## SUNDAY :

**Port Vincent Uniting Church**

(affiliated with Generate Presbytery) - 10:00am

**St Neot's Church** - see church door for times

**Sailing** (Summer) - 2:00pm - 5.30pm

**Social Bowls** (Winter) - 1:00pm for a 1:30pm start

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