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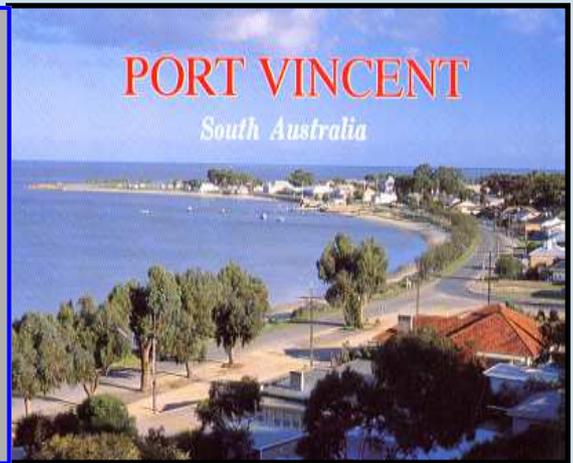
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## PORT VINCENT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION REPORT—MARCH 2019

It is hard to believe that March is knocking on our doors already!  
With a busy Holiday season behind us, it's time to get back into routine.  
The Port Vincent Progress Association has been quietly working away on their Major, Minor and Minimal Projects.

**For further information on these projects refer to page 3**

The PVPA Committee is an elected body of volunteer community members who work together to make decisions, prioritise and action a number of developments, repairs, upgrades and community activities that are important to the residents of Port Vincent.

For us to help achieve what is most Important to 'YOU' the residents, homeowners, and visitors of Port Vincent, we require your input!

It's not always possible to achieve everything that is suggested – But even if the project is not achievable in the immediate future, it may still be put on the action plan to assess again *in the future*.

We would like to start Planning for 2019/2020 and would like the Residents of Port Vincent to give us feedback on what your priority projects would be!

Some of the Suggestions are:-

- Marine Parade - Foreshore amenities upgrade
- Sunshade sails over the foreshore playground
- Marine Parade – Walkway between the wharf precinct & the Sailing Club
- Art projects – Such as Murals on the Sea Wall, Amenities Block & Water Tower

These are just some suggestions – we would love your support, suggestions and any concerns you have within our community submitted to us via

Email- [portvincentprogress@gmail.com](mailto:portvincentprogress@gmail.com)

Snail Mail- PVPA Po Box 92, Port Vincent SA 5581

OR via the suggestion boxes that are located around the community.

***Please send these submissions to the PVPA by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019***

Please understand that as much as the Port Vincent Progress would love to have a **Magic Wand** and **A Money Tree** – we unfortunately don't and we rely on being able to complete projects on a tight budget from fundraising, council allocations, grant applications, and of course many hours of *"hands on" volunteer hours*.

**Michelle Twelftree—PVPA President**

## Editor's Comments

Having read the articles submitted this month it seems that March will be yet another very busy month in Port Vincent! It is wonderful to read about the amazing courses, community groups, and sports that are available to both residents and visitors. Or, if you would rather explore the peninsula, walk the many trails in/around Port Vincent, look for bird life, go fishing, etc then, even if you are a resident you can pop into the Visitor Information Office (opposite the wharf) and get information and maps on places to go and things to see!

In a small town like ours we rely heavily on volunteers to run committees and to assist with planning events. I urge you to check out the list of projects that our Port Vincent Progress Association is currently overseeing—this is in addition to their “normal” everyday projects!

I urge those of you who have “holiday homes” in Port Vincent to consider assisting the Port Vincent Progress Association on Gala Day (or, if you are time poor perhaps you could offer donations towards the Gala Day raffle?). This is a great way to feel a part of this wonderful community. **Details on how to offer your services are on Page 3.**

Fishing is ‘front and centre’ in our house this month (or maybe every day, truth be told!). Nominations have now closed for the Recreational Fishery Advisory Council. Fishers throughout SA now have the opportunity to vote for those who they think will best represent their interests. You will find details on how to vote on Page 19 of this month’s A Focal Point. If you voted last year for the Government grants, you may already have a log-in to this website.

If you need assistance with this process please contact Sue Pike on 0448 853 742 and she will arrange a time for you to use the Visitor Information Office computer.



**Sue Hall—Editor**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS: MARCH 2019/APRIL 2019**

- 3rd March—Curramulka Farmer’s Market
- 3rd,17th, 31st March—Port Vincent Sailing Club Races
- 7th March—Bowling Club tea night—refer P 18
- 9th March—Stansbury Seaside Markets 9am-1pm
- 13-14th March—State CWA Council—Port Vincent
- 18th March—close off date for Recreational Fishery Advisory Council—refer Page 19
- 23rd March—Stansbury Seaside Markets
- 23rd March—Curramulka Speed Shear
- 23rd-24th March—State Titles—505,420, TASAR, NS14
- 7th April—Curramulka Farmer’s Market
- 7th,14th April—Pt Vincent Sailing Club races
- 19-21st April—Port Vincent Institute of Art
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## PVPA – Current Activity

### Your Committee working for you

#### Major Project – ‘Oval Rejuvenation’ Upgrade of the Community Green Space

The formal planning stage for this project is moving along nicely with the team from LCS Landscapes working hard on the special layouts and concept plans for this space. LCS Landscapes are a team of qualified Landscape Architects, Located in Largs North. The design team recently travelled over to Port Vincent to assess the space in person. We now eagerly await the formal plans! With inclusions of Low maintenance Landscaping, Parking, Re-Instating the RSL Walk of Remembrance, Irrigated Green Space, Nature Play, Exercise zone, Port Vincent Primary School Memorial, Walking Track, amenities and more. This project is not a one phase project – hence it is the major project that the PVPA have chosen to work on, this project will be broken down into achievable phases once the final plans have been assessed by council.

#### Minor Project – ‘Port Vincent Institute Kitchen Upgrade’

The plans for a new Kitchen have been drawn up and quotes have been received. We hope to see this project proceed once budget allocations from the local Council and the PVPA have been allocated. It will be wonderful for the institute to have a long-needed kitchen upgrade to provide a function facility that is of a high standard.

#### Minimal Project- ‘Port Vincent Institute Breezeway’

Building plans and quotes have been received to build a breezeway over the side entrance of the Institute on Curramulka street. This will provide a suitable disabled access to the property, shelter people from the weather when entering and exiting during events, provide amenities behind the institute and allow air flow. This project is awaiting development approval and budget allocation.

#### Special Events

After another successful year of events hosted by the Port Vincent Special Events Committee. The Committee, after discussion and consultation, has decided to dissolve the ‘Port Vincent Special Events’ as an independent sub-committee of the Port Vincent Progress Association.

This means that Fundraising events, such as the previously hosted ‘Wine & Dine’ Night and the annual Gala Day event will now be overseen by the Port Vincent Progress Association. ***This still means that community volunteers outside the PVPA committee will be required to assist with coordinating these events.*** Those that have been involved in the past, especially for Gala Day, know that this is no small task! Many hands make light work!

Please email [portvincentprogress@gmail.com](mailto:portvincentprogress@gmail.com) or contact PVPA Secretary Pam Hickman on 0409 537252 if you would be able to offer your services to help co-ordinate Gala Day 2020, or if you would like to know what is involved, and what you could assist with, as planning for this event will commence very soon.



#### Tidy Towns

Now that all households have been issued new bins, the Port Vincent Tidy Towns Group would love any of your Old Green Bins. If you no longer require your old bin please contact:- Rodney Button 0409333677, John Francis 0409323841 or Des Chamber 88537343 to arrange bin collection.



## U3AYP NEWS

U3AYP has started 2019 with a flurry of activities, with members returning to many of the ongoing courses and getting involved in new ones. I for one was keen to get back to our Sit and Sew group. This course started over 2 years ago with some small hand sewn projects in mind. Well there is no stopping this group! The ideas and creativity are amazing, with many bags, table runners and placemats completed, to name just a few projects undertaken.

### U3AYP in Port Vincent

We would like to hear from community members from Port Vincent and surrounds who are interested in attending MAH JONG or exercise classes called BALANCE AND BONES. At the Vincent Vitality Day there was a great deal of interest shown in these two courses on display by U3AYP. We would love to get some courses happening in the Port Vincent area. We currently have members in the district who are keen to be involved and other members who would come and assist in setting up these courses. BALANCE AND BONES is an exercise class which is run through a video. It is for people 50 or over who are retired or semi retired. Participants can decide on the level or amount of exercise which is undertaken.

Please contact **JULIE ADAMS on 0438322451** for further information regarding these or any other courses.

***Currently there is a special offer to join U3AYP for \$15 and be part of this organisation until June 2019.***

Contact Julie or any members listed at the end of this article for registration forms.

Further information about U3AYP is always available by phoning any of the following members.

Joyce 0427792271; Irene 0429805901; Sue 0429670738 or Helen 88322381

U3AYP WEBSITE: [u3ayp@wordpress.com](mailto:u3ayp@wordpress.com)

*Sue Mulraney,  
U3AYP Publicity Officer*





7 assists since last report:-

- Boat (3 pob) launched at ramp, stalled in marina, unable to restart. Luckily Seahound and 2 crew on way out to Yacht Safety Patrol noted the situation and took boat in tow back to ramp.
- After finish of PVSC races for Vincent Classic and Orontes Star berthed, a yacht was reported to be seen drifting, dragging anchor in Pt. Vincent bay area. Crew went to investigate and found the sole occupant sitting on yacht on his mobile phone. He waved us away and continued talking on his phone. Orontes Star stood down.
- After berthing in marina, a phone call from C.G. radio room to say a yacht (3 pob) one hour overdue and had not logged off after leaving North Haven in morning. SAF10 3 crew searched among the many yachts berthed in marina but unable to locate. CG contacted CYC to get a phone number, as no answer on radio. Yacht was outside, in the bay, had forgotten to log off.
- A boat (1 pob) at Orontes Bank 9 miles out, unable to restart motor. Called SAF10 for assistance. Orontes Star and 3 crew despatched, located boat and towed in to Port Vincent.
- Phone call at 2150hrs to CG Ops. Captain from boat (2 pob) at Barges off Ardrossan unable to restart motor. Orontes Star and 4 crew despatched on road to Ardrossan ramp. Assisted by John Heffernan, launched and headed out East to given boat co-ordinates. Took in tow for the long ride back to Ardrossan ramp. Returned to base shed at 0200hrs. All okay.
- Yacht overdue from Emu Bay, Kangaroo Island. SAF10 asked to check yachts in marina. The yacht was located (8 pob) at a berth. Had forgotten to log off, asked them to contact CG radio room.
- Boat unable to restart outside of marina (3 pob). Drifted to middle spit. Seahound and 2 crew located and towed in to marina.

The Vincent Classic was run by PVSC over the Australia Day long weekend. 3 days of 17 yachts racing NE of marina. On the Saturdays 2 races a southern breeze 12 to 15 knots gave some good racing conditions. Sunday & Monday also proved to be good events in similar conditions.

4 members attended the Officers' Training Course at Coast Guard headquarters North Haven 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. and prospective new member Robert Lincoln will be attending a 2 day 'Survival at Sea' course on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

A **SECURITE** (marine waters warning of hazard) was issued by Coast Guard at SAF10 request, after our member Eddy Kadlecek's boat struck a partly submerged wooden log in water. There was extensive damage to Ed's motor leg, a bent prop shaft and skeg.

Yours in Safe Boating,

**Bill Taylor,**  
**SAF10 Advisor**



# ST NEOT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

(Ministry District of Lower Yorke Peninsula)

Thank you all who participated in our Garden Raffle. We raised \$559 towards our raised garden beds.

The Raffle was drawn on the 9th February at 11am at Trash/Treasure.

The winners were:-

1st Prize....\$100 Voucher Accommodation donated by Country Getaways

June Harrison of Edithburgh.

2nd Prize.....2 Garden Themed Home Made Cushions donated by Sue Pike

Annie Johnson of Adelaide.

3rd Prize.....Gourmet Hamper donated by Rev'd Anne Ford

Rob Kidd of Minlaton.



March 3rd is the last Sunday of epiphany, the Transfiguration. The journey towards Easter with Shrove or Pancake Tuesday followed by Ash Wednesday the start of the Lenten weeks leads us forward.

## **CHURCH DATES FOR MARCH:-**

10th	11am	1st Sunday in Lent	MORNING PRAYER	with Pam
24th	11am	3rd Sunday in Lent	HOLY COMMUNION	with Fr. Andrew Lang
31st	Combine Service at Stansbury St. Augustine. 10am Ministry District Meeting. 11am Church Service followed by lunch at the Dalrymple Hotel.			

St. Neots has had repairs done on the church hall roof, fascia board and reinforced corners on the church roof and 2 neighbouring backyard fences. The work has now been completed by Tomas George. A new church sign with time, Sunday service, District Priest and contact number has been installed and donated by Paul Stubberfield.

## **Trash/Treasure will be opening at a new time as from Saturday 2nd March at 9.30am — 12.30pm.**

So come in and browse for that elusive item.

The ladies are now wearing name tags so you can receive more personalised service. We also have a jar on the table for donations towards our community garden *which is ongoing*.

The steering committee will be meeting (as this edition of A Focal Point goes to print) to organise our next step toward the raised garden beds being a reality. Keeping in touch with the public and community, Sue Pike and Pam Biggs are open to any questions as we seek help in anyway regarding the planning of the backyard, thank you.

**May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him,  
So that you may overflow with Hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Romans 15:13**

**Pam Biggs**



## King of the Gulf Regatta

Once again, this annual sailing event held over 3 days here in Port Vincent, has been deemed a huge success. With the various weather conditions ranging from no wind to high winds, the competitors on 26 Yachts were given a variety of challenges.

The overall winners in each class were:-

Multihull Division - Robert Remilton on Wilparina III (GRYC)

Monohull Division - Mal Denton on Blue Diamond (RSAYS)

Cruising Division - Brian Lawrie on Fifi IV (PVSC)



Once again it was great to see one of our local Sailing Club members, Brian Lawrie (Fifi IV) and his crew take out the Cruising division.

This regatta brings around 140 visitors to our town. During this time they support our businesses and enjoy our hospitality. We have had fantastic feedback from everyone involved and they are eager to continue this annual event.



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**Port Vincent**

### WORSHIP SERVICES

Every Sunday at 9.15am  
ALL WELCOME

### Speakers: March 2019

- 3 Leprosy Mission – **HC**
- 10 Congregation – AGM  
Harvest Thanksgiving
- 17 Max Pannell
- 24 TBA
- 31 TBA

### BIBLE STUDY

Lenten Studies - commencing  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2pm.  
Everyone welcome.

### CALL TO PRAYER

Every Friday at 9am in the chapel.  
Everyone welcome.

### THE DROP-IN CENTRE

Welcome all to call in on Wednesdays  
and Fridays from  
10 am – 12 noon for a cuppa, a chat  
and a browse. There are lots of bar-  
gains, a variety of goods and at a very  
good price.

**The Drop-in will be open on the last  
Saturday in March (30<sup>th</sup>) from 10am to 12  
noon.**

### ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting will be on  
27<sup>th</sup> March. The program for the year  
will be set at this meeting.

### THE SEWING GROUP

Meets every Friday from  
10am - 12 noon.  
There is a display of their work which is  
for sale. Funds raised will be sent to  
Uganda for the  
“Support-a-Teacher” Project.



### THE HAPPINESS WE GIVE

We know that life is never measured by  
how many years we live, but by the  
kindly things we do and the happiness  
we give.

*“A generous man will himself be  
blessed, for he shares his food with the  
poor.”*

*Proverbs 22:9.*

Today share a kindness – a telephone  
call, a ride, a loaf of homemade bread –  
with someone in need.



# THANK YOU



I, along with Kailan and family, would like to express my thanks to Robbie Hering, Jackie Way, and all those who made it possible for Kailan to be part of the South Australian Regional Boys Under 17 soccer team going to Fiji in December to compete in the 2018 Ultimate Fiji Cup.

Kailan had already accepted that he wouldn't go due to the cost (\$3,650), but when Robbie heard, she was adamant that he should and would go. Robbie, in her inimitable way, was insistent on organising fundraising, and, together with Jackie they made it happen. Kailan's schooling began at Port Vincent Primary, but a few years ago he moved to Murray Bridge so it was especially heart-warming the way the people of Port Vincent and beyond rallied together to fundraise for him.

Kailan's horizons were broadened, he formed some great new friendships, and the SA team members' skills were really put to the test when they played against the Fijian under 19 team. The SA team also enjoyed some recreation/team bonding time on a small island where they snorkelled over coral, enjoyed stand up paddle boarding and various other water activities.

The FIFA organised raffle, with trips for 2 to Fiji as prizes, was drawn in Fiji on 10 December, and the winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> 17590 Robyn & Janet Fielding, 2<sup>nd</sup> 19910 Raymon Coulthard,  
3<sup>rd</sup> 18600 Marko Catanzariti, 4<sup>th</sup> 17698 Renee Hronopolous.

*Charmaine Kimber*

Kailan Challenger is front left in the team photo below





Hi everyone! With the summer weather still upon us I thought it was good timing for a reminder about pet safety when you are out fishing; whether it be on the boat or off the wharf.

Our inquisitive furry friends often poke their heads into places they aren't necessarily wanted. One of the most frequent problems I would see in this area is dogs sniffing around the fish bucket or tackle box and coming out with some new bling! It is at this time of year that dogs commonly end up with fish hooks in lips, tongues, eyes and limbs!

Fortunately a lot of the time fish hooks can be removed safely with some local anaesthetic into the area where the barb is lodged. This is especially so when they are in the skin of the legs or torso. However, if in an eye, lip or tongue sedation is required as these are extremely sensitive areas. We don't want them to move while the fish hook is being removed otherwise more damage can be done. So, sedation has the benefit of keeping them still but also minimising any pain on removal of the fish hook.



On more than one occasion an x-ray has been required to find exactly where a fish hook is hiding. I have had situations where the fish hook was lodged in the tongue or mouth but is no longer visible. Fish hooks are easily identified on x-rays and this helps determine where along the gut they are stuck if they have been swallowed. If this happens the fish hook will need to be removed surgically under an anaesthetic before the gut is perforated.

If you ever suspect your pet has swallowed a fish hook please contact the vet as soon as possible. It is best to perform x-rays as soon as possible as the longer a hook is left in the stomach or gut the more likely there can be complications with removing the hook.

So lets all make an effort to keep our pets safe over summer and put lids on buckets, don't leave loose fish hooks lying around when fixing your line and close tackle boxes especially if there are dogs in the area. Also remember to have your dog on a lead so they don't pick up objects they shouldn't, like fish hooks on their daily walks.

I hope you have found this information useful and if you need to contact us please call Vet 2 You on 8853 7273

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# ANZAC DAY

## THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE SERVICE AT  
THE PORT VINCENT MEMORIAL  
Corner PARSONS AND KEMP STREETS**

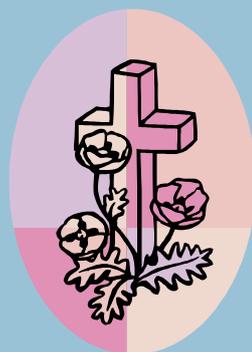
**CLUB OPENS AT 0600 FOR FORMUP AND GREETINGS PRIOR TO**

**MARCH FROM CLUBROOMS AT 0645 SHARP  
ALL RSL MEMBERS, EXSERVICE MEN AND WOMEN ARE  
INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.**

**SERVICE STARTS AT 0700 SHARP  
FOLLOWED BY A "GUNFIRE" BREAKFAST TO BE HELD AT THE  
PORT VINCENT RSL & MEMORIAL BOWLING CLUB  
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**(cost \$8), children at a special rate**

**COMRADESHIP AND BAR FACILITIES AVAILABLE**





## THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC Port Vincent Branch

Members and guests of the SACWA Port Vincent branch enjoyed the usual sumptuous pooled lunch and catching up after the holiday break at their February meeting.

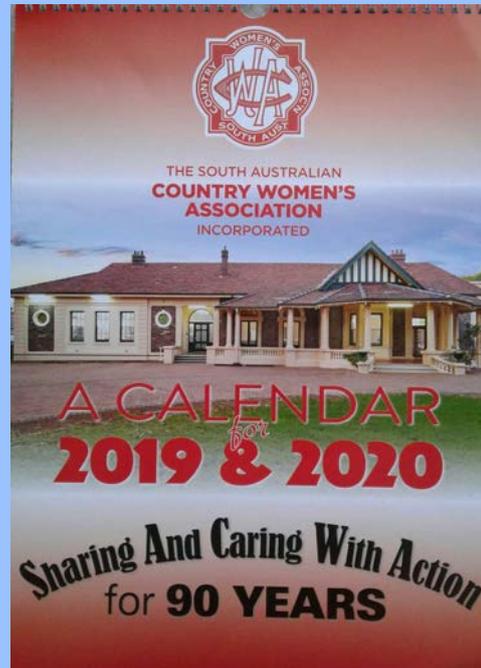
The highlight, however, was the presentation of a cheque from Port Vincent IGA's Community Chest funds by Mr Ron Turnbull. The funds are to go towards the March State Council of SACWA which is being hosted by Spencer Group and being held at Port Vincent, 13 and 14 March.

We thank the Yorke Peninsula Council and the following local businesses that have also generously donated funds and goods in support of the State Council: Heart n Soul Patchwork, SASS Hair Body Skin, Ventnor Hotel, Chillout, Port Vincent Electrical Services, PV Gift Shop, PV Kiosk, PV Newsagency, PV Pharmacy, PV Post Office, PV Service Station, PV Sports Store and PV Take Away.

SACWA members from throughout the state have booked accommodation, are starting to pack their bags, and getting excited about their trip to our town. Quite a few of the visitors are either arriving early or staying on after the Council.

A little closer to home, members from all over Yorke Peninsula will be attending and helping out over the two days.

2019 is the 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday of SACWA and celebrations will be held throughout the year. The State President, Mrs Roslyn Schumann, will tour the state, visiting branches; many birthday cakes will be cut, songs sung, fairs, fetes and concerts held. A special 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday red rose has been bred for the event and will be available in May.



2019-20 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday calendars depicting many of the branches and past State Presidents, and remembering the history of the organisation, have been produced and are still available for purchase for \$15.

Meanwhile Port Vincent Branch is busy fundraising for SACWA Emergency Aid and projects and the association: we will have a baked goods stall at the Stansbury market on 9 March and a pancake stall on the Port Vincent wharf on Easter Sunday.

The handicraft group meets weekly.

A tour of Port Adelaide by members will take the place of the April meeting.

We welcome visitors to our meetings and other activities and are always on the lookout for prospective new members.

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month in the Senior Citizens Hall.

For more information call President Kathleen Smith on 0428 746 018 or Secretary Helen Joraslafsky on 0149 001 420.

**Helen Joraslafsky, Secretary**



Left: Pt Vincent IGA's Ron Turnbull presenting SACWA Port Vincent Branch President Kathleen Smith with Community Chest cheque

## TIDY TOWNS REPORT—MARCH 2019

Tidy Towns has experienced one of our busiest holiday periods for some time and I would like to highlight some of the projects we have been involved in over the last few months. John Francis is our Progress Rep and he presented the following information at the last Progress meeting. He advised that our committee consists of :

Chairman            R Button,  
V/Chairman        J Francis  
Secretary          D Chambers  
Treasurer          J Curnow

and the rest of the committee being G Pike, P Clonan, V Germein,  
Thomas, C Tschirpig, R Anderson and R Searle.

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He also advised of projects undertaken and they are:-

1. New tables and chairs installed in Devil's Gully.
2. Painting of playground equipment has commenced and will be completed when we experience some quiet time.
3. Dog waste bags continue to be supplied by Tidy Towns, although T Treis did start a dialogue with Council as to who is responsible for the cost of these bags (our cost is well in excess of \$500 per year).
4. We continue to support Gala Day with Marquees, flags, rubbish collection, etc (Rubbish was a major issue this year and some changes must be made).
5. Tidy Towns personnel assisted with the Australia Day breakfast.
6. BBQs on foreshore area are being cleaned as required and John Francis has been doing it on a daily basis since Christmas.
7. Tidy Towns are still looking into supplying bus shelters along Main St, but the costs seem to be excessive. We are in discussion with the council to find a solution to the cost factor.
8. Repairs have been made to a back beach walkway.
9. Purchased two new light aluminium ladders to replace old steel ones.
10. Purchased a winch to assist in the recycling area to lift full bottle bins for emptying.
11. Ashtrays have been removed from BBQ area at Kiosk.
12. Street tree watering is still ongoing.
13. Recycling has been extremely busy over holiday period.
14. Tidy Towns assisted in relocating T Treis' daughter Claire to Stansbury.
15. We have had two members join our group in the last few months.
16. Tidy Towns group have continued the tradition of have a social BBQ and drinks at the Shed after work on an irregular basis.

On a different topic, with the roll out of the new Green Waste bins Tidy Towns is seeking to obtain more bins for our recycling efforts.

So, if any member of the community no longer requires their old bin they can contact me on:-  
0400 381 551 and I will arrange collection of the bin.

**Des Chambers**  
**0400 381 551**



**FRASER ELLIS MP**  
MEMBER FOR NARUNGA



## Narungga Feb/March 2019 update

The first Parliamentary sitting week for 2019 held last week officially signalled the new year of work ahead of us, and I remain focussed on my priorities: to improve health services and roads across the electorate, support farmers and primary industry, cut red tape, and lower costs of living for us all.

Well done to all who provided written submissions to the Select Committee Inquiry re the Fire and Emergency Services Amendment Bill and presented oral presentations at the public hearing in Balaklava on 7 February. The recommendations of the committee are due to be presented to Parliament on 19 March.

The Community Information session on the \$90 million Port Wakefield Overpass Project held last week in Port Wakefield was also valuable, providing a welcome opportunity for locals directly impacted by the project to have input into the design phase and talk with representatives from the Department of Transport & Infrastructure who were in attendance.

Next week, I'm hosting a visit from the Minister for Environment and Water the Hon. David Speirs MP to show him coastal erosion issues at North Beach, Point Turton, and Black Point, and to meet with locals involved in the recently launched "Great Southern Ark" Rewilding Yorke's sanctuary project on SYP. Council and community reps will also be joining us at various locations, and I appreciate their time to share their knowledge with the Minister.

### Grants

I was pleased Port Parham Action Group in Dublin recently received a 2018 Community Sustainability grant for their foreshore and flora preservation project, and that Copper Coast Council received funding support from the latest round of the National Disaster Resilience Program to help address the significant sand drift issue at North Beach.

Well done, too, to successful local sports clubs in Round 46 of the Activity Club program: Lochiel Tennis Club, Port Vincent Bowling Club, Yorke Valley Amateur Basketball Association and Yorke's Junior Surf Club. Round 47 of the Active Club Grants scheme (Programs and Equipment) opened on 13 February and will close on 17 April, as did the 2019-20 Community Recreation and Sports Facilities Program (CRSFP).

The CRSFP program offers minor facility grants between \$25,000 - \$200,000 and major facility grants from \$200,000 - \$1 million. For information on both funding streams offered via the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing visit: [http://ors.sa.gov.au/funding/apply\\_for\\_funding/](http://ors.sa.gov.au/funding/apply_for_funding/) Visit [www.fraserellis.com.au](http://www.fraserellis.com.au) for information on all current grant opportunities – including Heritage Grants which are open until 15 March; the Regional Events and Festivals program (to 15 March); and Round 2 of the SA Health Towns Challenge for regional and rural towns (to 15 April). Of the latter, congratulations to the six successful applicants in round 1, among them Wakefield Regional Council for its "Lettuce Grow – Balaklava Community Garden Project".

For assistance with any State matter, please contact the Maitland electorate office on 8832 2455 or email [narungga@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:narungga@parliament.sa.gov.au).

## SENIOR CITIZENS—PORT VINCENT

After a well earned xmas break, our members returned to our normal Tuesday meetings.

We are pleased to welcome several new members to our club.

Remember, you don't have to be old to become a member, just be over 50 years young, and come along, have some fun, play cards, indoor bowls, attend monthly luncheons, trips away to various places, etc.

In other club news, a big thank you to YP Council who approved our grant application for new industrial grade floor covering in our clubroom kitchen. This has been installed by local suppliers.

Sadly our old fridge decided to fall off the perch. A lovely new large fridge has been installed.

Our next lunch is on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 12.30pm start. Everyone bring a salad, & come along & enjoy yourselves!

John Francis—Secretary



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# BLUE BUSH CLUB

Eleven members and two visitors attended our first meeting for the year at the Institute supper room on February 11.

Exercises were enjoyed by most as well as a walk or two around the main hall. We sang our Greeting Song and Geraldine welcomed everyone to a new year at Blue Bush. After a very short discussion it was agreed to keep with the same committee - Geraldine coordinator, Marilyn secretary and Jane as Treasurer, with Jeanette preparing all our delicious birthday treats.

A lengthy discussion was held on things to do for 2019 and everyone was asked to submit a suggestion or two at the next meeting. Shirley suggested a project for us to get involved with and Sue suggested the Food Bank at Minlaton would be a worthy cause.

Cold meats and salads would be the lunch menu for next meeting with a birthday cake for Jenny O. Progress is providing a new kitchen at the Institute and the plans were shown to members. It was suggested we could visit the local RSL Museum or view Lyn Clerk's collection for next meeting held on February 25. We also discussed holding a meeting on the Public Holiday Monday March 11 and will check to see if supper room is available.

On 11th February members enjoyed a games day - cards, snakes and ladders or rumakins before a pooled lunch was enjoyed by all.

A delicious birthday sponge for Sue was a special treat for dessert.

The cake, a lovely homemade card signed by everyone, and a posy of flowers were provided by Jeanette.

Lots of chatter and laughter made for a good day for all to start off 2019.

**Please note - we would love to welcome new members to our club, meetings are held every second and fourth Monday of the month at the supper room of the Institute, starting at 9.45am and finishing around 1pm.**



## CONGRATULATIONS TO NOLA AND JOHN

At Port Vincent Sunday 17th February 2019 , family and friends gathered at the home of John and Nola Buttfeld to celebrate their 50 years of married life.

They were married on the 15th of January 1969 and are proud of the family they raised, including their 2 children and 4 grandchildren.



## February Fishing Frenzy?



Garfish have been a little finicky and are harder to land this month. Although I'm no expert, I do put this down to feeding the fish with burley! It seems folks think the more burley you put in, the fish will come to you...?! But if you have 12 boats all with a litre of tuna oil and other burley, the fish don't need to take your bait as they are happy sitting there sucking on oil & burley!

Don't be afraid to try something different. The Oyster lease is a natural attraction for fish, it is why people fish there, but don't be afraid to move down stream or right away from the other boats and you just may find a different patch of garfish not full of burley!

Garfish have been easier to catch on high afternoon tides wading for the last month. I wonder why?... again, because there is no-one feeding them burley in the afternoon on the spit!

Yellowfin whiting have finally returned after a short break after the dodge tide on the 15th. Fish are being caught and on lures Saturday morning. Sheok Flat is a really good beach for these finest of table fish. Clickers are always the best bait, though these fish have been full of prawns at the moment, so prawns would naturally be your back up bait if you don't like lure fishing.

Crabs have been more than plentiful again this summer. Though still a lot of female close in and lots of eggs this month, please put them back along with the undersized males. If you go out in a boat for crab, you don't need a measure or an identifier!

Snook have been in abundance throughout the summer and continue to be a back up catch for boat crews not finding whiting.

There are plenty of King George Whiting all winter, although they can be caught all year, they are not a summer fish. Try in May.

Squid have finally started taking bait, and again, only since the dodge on the 15th, close to dusk and into the night for land based anglers at the same time the tommies are being caught from the wharf.

Only a few mullet have been landed this week around the 21st Feb along with the odd salmon from the breakwater, so there has definitely been transition since the slack tides.

**SHELL FISH—Please do not bring or dispose of shellfish like Oyster shells into the water, especially when they come from a different area or state. The oyster industry is hurting from disease being brought in from other areas so please be aware and dispose of your rubbish thoughtfully.**

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## PORT VINCENT MEMORIAL BOWLING CLUB NEWS



We are fast approaching the end of the Pennants season, with the minor round to be completed on Saturday 2nd March. The Port Vincent Ladies Division 1 team will finish in either first or second position on the ladder and are aiming to secure a place in the Grand Final.

Congratulations to Merrilyn Lovelock, winning the Ladies Club Champion, and to Shirley Wakefield as Runner up. We wish Merrilyn the best of luck when she competes in the Ladies *Champion of Champions* being held at Port Vincent on the 26th February.

Congratulations to David White and Jeff Darling on winning the Mens' pairs against runners up, David Harding and Jim Cameron, and also congratulations on Lyn White and Merrilyn Lovelock winning the Ladies pairs against runners up Trish Baum and Vickie Easter. *Both games were very close.*

More results will be available next month as the season winds up.

We remind all our readers that the last Thursday night tea will be held on the 7th March with Corned Beef and Veggies to be on the menu (booking is essential).

### ***Vickie Easter***



# VOTING FOR THE RECREATIONAL FISHING ADVISORY COUNCIL

Voting is now open for the Minister's Recreational Fishing Advisory Council and closes at **12pm on Monday 18th March 2019.**

Recreational fishers wanting to vote for a candidate are required to create an account with YourSAY, including completing a short profile form. Users are also required to verify their email address to ensure they use a genuine email address to which they have access.

Users will also need to verify their account by logging in and entering a mobile phone number which will be linked with their account. An SMS code will then be sent to the user, which they need to enter into a form on YourSAY. The mobile phone number can only be connected with one account or email address.

The order of candidates' names will be displayed on the YourSAY website in a randomised manner. Voters must record their order of voting preference for at-least five candidates.

You can download the ['How to vote' guide \(Opens in a new window\)](#) with step-by-step instructions, if you need more help you can call (08) 8226 0900 or: email-

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- MONDAY :** **Blue Bush Club**-Institute Supper Room  
2nd & 4th Monday of each month 9.45am,  
Lunch provided.  
**RSL Meeting** - in RSL room at the  
Memorial Bowling Club  
2pm on 4th Monday of each month.
- TUESDAY :** **Tidy Towns** working bees 8:30am-12noon  
**Ladies' Golf** (Winter)  
**Senior Citizens** each week 1:30pm  
BBQ lunch 1st Tuesday of the month  
12:30pm February-December.  
**Doctor** in Senior Citizens Hall 10am—  
4.30pm each week  
**Craft/Patchwork**—1b Ramsay Street
- WEDNESDAY :**  
**Progress Assn meeting** at 7.30pm on 1st  
Wednesday of each month  
**Men's Golf** (Winter)  
**Men's Bowls** (Summer)  
**Uniting Church Drop-in Centre** 10am-12noon  
**Uniting Church Ladies Fellowship** 4th  
Wed. in month in Church Hall 2:00 pm.  
(Except January)
- THURSDAY :** **Ladies' Bowls** (Summer)  
**Meals on Wheels** delivery  
**Coast Guard Flotilla** Meetings 3rd Thurs  
**CWA** 2nd in month 1:30pm in Snr Cits Hall
- FRIDAY :** **Uniting Church Drop-in Centre** 10am- 12noon  
**Library** 9.30-11.30am In Institute  
**Podiatrist** in Dr's rooms, Senior Cits hall  
1st Friday of each month
- SATURDAY :** **Men's Golf** (Winter)  
**Open Gender Bowls** (Summer)  
**Coast Guard Training** 1st Sat in month 9am  
**St Neot's Trash'n'Treasure** 9:30am-12:30am
- SUNDAY :** **Uniting Church** 9:15am  
**St Neot's**—see church door  
**Sailing** (Summer) 2pm-5.30pm

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

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