



**February 2018 Issue 19**

Hi all readers.

First, I would like to mention our young local Tai Martin-Page. For any that don't already know, Tai was injured playing footy in Darwin and suffered neck/spinal injuries. I hope all keep Tai in their thoughts and prayers and I wish Tai and his family the best during his recovery.

Thankyou to all who helped with the party in the park before Christmas. I hope everyone had a great night and we welcome suggestions on ways we can help to make future events even better, or even come along and become involved.

For those that hire and use the town BBQ trailer we would like to let you know it is now in the shed at the caravan park and very soon people will need to contact the park for bookings. I would like to thank the Smith family for shedding the BBQ and doing the bookings for so many years, it has been very much appreciated as every little thing we do does help things run smoothly.

Please look inside for more info on the long lunch coming up in March, and it is also worth mentioning that the Twilight Market will again be coming up in February. I hope we are over the heat wave by then! I trust everyone has enjoyed the holidays, beat the heat and is refreshed ready for school and work. I also think of our older people and those with minimum cooling and hope they can stay comfortable through this heat.

We now have new Caravan Park managers, so we say farewell to the former managers Stephen and Sharon and I am sure it won't take long for Peter and Trish to become well known around town and particularly to those that stay at our lovely little Park.

Finally, I would like to mention that the newsletter will not be delivered to people with a no junk mail sticker and if you would like to read each edition when it comes out there are extras available from the Post Office and the Information Centre.

Thanks, and stay cool

Andrew Zanker, Co-Chair LCDTA



Your FREE bi-monthly newsletter of Information produced by the Laura Community Development & Tourism Association (LCDTA) Inc.



# LAURA TWILIGHT MARKET

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## **New look for Folk Fair:**

The committee is currently developing a branding update, including an updated logo. A bright, fresh image will help make our promotion really pop in our efforts to attract people to the event.



## **Team Leader Needed:**

The position of Stallholder Team Leader is currently vacant and needs to be filled as a matter of priority to assist with the organisation of LFF 2018.

The duties include; data entry and maintenance of the stallholder master spreadsheet, notification of acceptance/rejection to stallholders, involvement in the development of the site allocation plan, mail out of stallholder packages in February, ideally availability on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April to deal with any site changes and in the morning on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April at LFF administration site to assist stallholders with locating their site.

This person will ideally be comfortable with Microsoft Office programs and email but if you don't have all these skills assistance is at hand.

If you are able to help, please contact Chairman Sue Scarman

0418 844 935.

## **Laura Folk Fair on Facebook!:**

Did you know that Laura Folk Fair has a Facebook page? It would be great for local residents to show their support of our iconic event by liking our page, and this is where you can keep an eye on news about what's happening at Folk Fair 2018 as well as fundraising events throughout the year.



## **The Laura Soap & Gift Shoppe**

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## **New opening hours:**

**Open Tuesday to Saturday**  
**9am to 4.30pm**  
**Closed Sunday & Monday**

*Wishing everyone a very happy New Year*

## Then and Now:

### The Range Lands of the Northern Beekeepers:

South Australia and particularly the Southern Flinders Ranges region has a long rich history of beekeeping with both recreational hobby beekeepers and commercial beekeepers. The Southern Flinders area has provided a wide range of floral resource for the gathering of nectar and pollen by bees to produce premium honey for domestic and export consumption.



Since the introduction of European honeybee's bees to the new colony of South Australia from Tasmanian black bee colonies in the later half of 1838, the craft of beekeeping ventured northwards.

South Australians beekeepers are often described as “eccentric” and the craft has produced some colourful characters over the years.

Did you know just 10 years after the British beekeeper's association was formed in the UK, the first beekeeping group ever in Australia was formed at Clare in **1884** (July 5<sup>th</sup>) the second Australian beekeeping group was formed in Adelaide a week later.

To celebrate and acknowledge the history of beekeeping in the Southern Flinders, an exhibition titled “**The Range Lands of the Northern Beekeepers**” will be held in the Laura Archives building during the Laura Folk Fair as well as during MAY in conjunction with History Month and Honey Month.

The exhibition will include documented memories of some of our local Southern Flinders residents as well as historical records and items of interest including the history of Arnold Sizer's concrete beehive, the bee smokers used to tend the beehives at the Woomera arboretum courtesy of Richard Kruger as well as the memories and stories of the “Golden North Honey” packing plant from varying local perspectives.







## **Ben Brown appointment to coach Southern Flinders Tigers:**

Brad Winter, President of the Southern Flinders Tigers, takes great pleasure in welcoming Ben Brown as the new Tigers senior coach for the 2018 season.

A 14-year servant, since the inception of the Southern Flinders Football Club back in 2002, a premiership captain and 243-game veteran.

Brown will take over from the man that installed him as club captain in mid-2008, Scott Brand, when he moved from that role to A grade coach.

Joel Palmer returns from Kadina and will be Ben's assistant coach and also take on an on-field leadership role.

"I'll definitely be looking to adjust our playing style to be more competitive with the top couple of teams."

Brown's playing career started at Central Augusta, where he played all his junior footy and 50 A Grade games, starting senior footy as a 16-year-old, before venturing to Adelaide for the 1999 season playing SANFL reserves footy at North Adelaide, during Chris McDermott's reign at that club.

He had two years with the Athelstone Raggies under Neil Rawlings in 2000-01 in suburban Amateur footy and was recruited to Southern Flinders at the start of 2002 by Brenton 'Basher' Prior.

"I had family ties in the district as my father Graham played for Laura-Wirrabara back in the day," Brown said.

"My parents (mum is Ros) have been a tremendous support, they would travel each week to come and watch me play over the 14 years I was at Southern Flinders.

"I'm excited to be coaching in the NAFA competition after having two years as an assistant to Chris Pollard at Solomontown in the Spencer Gulf League and learning a lot from his calming influence. This is my first senior coaching role."

Along with his football, which included three flags for the Tigers, including 2009-10 as the premiership captain and the 2013 flag plus grand final appearances in 2003 and 2012, Brown is also a highly credentialed cricketer.



Brown will coach a number of players he had premiership success with and is looking to attract recruits that will fit the Tigers family and culture.



## **LAURA COMMUNITY GYM**

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## **Community Morning Tea:**

On the first Wednesday in December the Laura-Appila Lutheran Women's Fellowship hosted a morning tea for over 60 community members from Laura, Gladstone and Wirrabara. This has been an event to look forward to for those who are widowed, aged or housebound in our communities. This morning tea has been a feature of the church's outreach for more than 10 years and each year our numbers are growing. A wonderful spread with pastries and lots of Christmas treats and good old fashioned cooking taking pride of place on the tables.

Eleanor Harvie presented a commentary on the significance of the decorations we place on our Christmas tree. The Christmas story Aussie style was also presented and caused lots of laughter. Several carols were sung before our morning tea.

The Aussie Christmas story was also presented to the aged care sector at the Laura and Districts Hospital and was enjoyed by the residents and staff. This was just before Christmas and is much appreciated by them.



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## **LCDTA News:**

### **2018 Calendars:**

The 2018 calendars have again been delivered by volunteers. If your household did not receive a calendar, please collect one from the Laura Information Centre (LIC). If wanting an extra calendar, they are available from LIC for \$2 each.

Our new look calendar was formatted and printed at Automatic Print in Port Pirie. We hope you like the artwork on this year's calendar.

The calendars are a community service and once again the fees collected from advertisers have exceeded our costs. Many thanks to all community groups and businesses who share their information via the calendar; - our profit this year was \$478.

### **Community Christmas Raffle:**

Our Christmas Raffle was again a fundraising success, raising \$1072. Many thanks to the businesses and individuals who donated goods for the raffle. Your generosity enabled us to assemble 12 prize packs/hampers. Thank you also to those who sold tickets and lastly to each of you who stopped and bought tickets from our sellers. Every dollar raised will be used in the community.

### **Our prize winners were:**

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| <b>1. Accommodation at the Laura Caravan Park, North Laura hotel voucher &amp; bottle of wine</b><br>Imogen Pech | <b>7. Glass sided table</b><br>Coco Laura                        |
| <b>2. Outdoor gift hamper</b><br>Karen Zwar  | <b>8. Kids gift hamper/ballerina canvas prints</b><br>Nita Klemm |
| <b>3. Accommodation voucher Beetaloo Grove, Woodfire Pizza Shop voucher &amp; bottle of wine</b><br>Barry Harvie | <b>9. Gift hamper</b><br>Sue Scarman                             |
| <b>4. Care Flight Bear</b><br>Joyce Wode   | <b>10. Biscuit gift hamper</b><br>Rhonda Meaney                  |
| <b>5. Pamper hamper</b><br>Robert & Cheryl Hanley  | <b>11. Kids craft pack</b><br>Jean Amey                          |
| <b>6. Local Produce gift hamper</b><br>Jean Barnett  | <b>12. Assorted gift bag</b><br>Colin Byles                      |



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### **Laura's Long Lunch – Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>:**

Posters advertising the Long Lunch are on noticeboards, in the Laura Standard and on Facebook. Tables of 6 are encouraged, with single tickets available. Tickets are \$150 per table or \$25 each.

The Long Lunch will run from 11am -5pm with entertainment provided by local musicians as well as table games and the spinning wheel. BBQ meat is provided with each table group invited to supply 2 salads and 2 desserts to be pooled and shared.

Table groups are asked to bring their own nibbles and drinks. Tea, coffee and water are provided.

Tickets are available from Val Thomson on Ph:8663 2472 or 0427 771 558

### **Stone Hut news:**

In mid-January, \$400 was presented to the Director of Nursing at Laura Hospital, Julie Arthur, by representatives of the Stone Hut community. This money was collected as voluntary donations from the attendees of the annual Christmas celebration held on the Stone Hut Common.

The community has been donating money in this way for the past six years to the Diversional Therapy Programme, which is run by the Laura Hospital for their elderly residents.

Items such as large board games and cards, music CDs, DVDs, craft items and small prizes are purchased from these donations. Over the six years, the total has reached very close to \$2000 in total.



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## 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Northern Machinery Pty Ltd, Laura:

Northern Machinery, celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> year of operation on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018.

The business formed in 1978 with a partnership of Barrie and Valma Thomson, who operated Thomson's Servicentre in Laura and Russell and Phyl Lines, who operated an International agricultural dealership in Kimba on the West Coast.

Originally, the operation consisted of heavy duty vehicle and farm machinery repairs and the sale of second-hand farm machinery, automotive and agricultural parts as well as petrol and diesel fuel.

Over the past 40 years of business many changes have taken place.

In 1994 Northern Machinery diversified, adding rural supplies to its extensive range of automotive and agricultural products.

Approximately ten years ago Russell relinquished his business involvement with Northern Machinery and this was procured by Barrie's son, Roger.

Currently seven people are employed at our Laura branch – Barrie Thomson, workshop foreman and head diesel mechanic, Quentin Janz, diesel mechanic, Bhagwan Sidhu, diesel mechanic, Darren Sawley, welder/fitter and turner/boilermaker, Peter Higgins and Clare Tobin, office administration, Valma Thomson, relieving office staff member.

With continuing community support we hope to continue supplying the same helpful, friendly and efficient service that we have provided over the previous 40 years.



## Become a Friend of the Folk Fair

*"From little things big things grow"* - A small donation can make a huge difference. Please consider becoming a Friend by making an annual donation of \$5 / \$10 / \$15 / \$20

**Cash donations** can be returned with this slip to Laura Post Office or Laura Soap & Gift Shoppe

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Southern Flinders Tigers footballer, **Tai Martin Page** aged 27, moved to Darwin 6 months ago from South Australia to pursue his dream in Football. Everything seemed to be on the up for him from the minute he got there; he joined the Darwin Buffaloes team and recently got signed to the NT Thunder and was over the moon with excitement that everything was working out.

Tai is a dedicated and passionate football player if he wasn't training or playing in a footy game he was coaching the younger kids' football and helping out when and where he could in the football community. However **Saturday 6th Jan 2018**, Tai endured a horrific accident 2 minutes into a game Buffaloes V's Wanderers. Tai had endured a hard hit leaving him with **dislocated vertebrae in two places and damage to his spinal cord**. He was immediately taken to the Royal Darwin Hospital from which they flew him to Perth to undergo surgery. Tai is currently paralysed from the chest down and no movement/feeling in his fingers.

Unfortunately the surgeon and doctors cannot give us certainty if Tai will ever be able to walk again but what we do know, to get there is a long road ahead. We are still unsure of the degree of damage to his spinal cord and he is still currently in ICU eagerly waiting to move into the spinal rehab unit.

We are all very hopeful for Tai to regain more function throughout his body but at this moment it is still the very early stages. Unfortunately the medical costs don't come cheap, especially spinal care and rehabilitation which is one of the most expensive in the medical field. **All money raised will go towards assisting with medical costs and ongoing treatment.** Due to Tai not being treated in his home state, it will also help his family with travel and accommodation costs.

The amount of support and love for Tai is absolutely overwhelming and its times like these that really pull communities together. We have been truly touched by the stories of how quickly Tai makes a positive impact on people's lives and anyone who knows him knows he is 'Mr Positivity' and that he will rise to the challenge.

So many of you have asked how you are able to help and have offered so much already, however if you would like to help towards Tai's recovery any small gesture will be greatly appreciated and a huge impact for the family to get him there.

Thank you so much for your kind words and generosity - lets literally help Tai get back on his feet!

Any small help can ease the financial pressure at this hard time.

Thank You

Rachael Norman (Partner of Jay Martin-Page - Brother of Tai)

## RRHAS and the Folk Fair:

Laura, Golden North and the Folk Fair, were recently treated to a great 'plug' on *South Aussie with Cosi* on Channel 9.

Some of us have seen the Folk Fair develop from a fledgling event to that of a significant regional tourism attraction which has done much to put Laura on the map. Few though, know that it was conceived by the late Dick Biles, inaugural President of Rocky River Historic & Art Society, as an added attraction to the Laura Art Prize.

For 25 years the Laura Art Prize offered significant prize monies, as well as an Acquisitive Prize. For the past 15 years it has been an exhibition, with the Society purchasing a painting. Through the years the Society has accumulated a diverse collection of artworks. In recent years the annual purchase has been a work of the invited Guest Artist, the first being a work of Mary Milton, well known for her illustrations of some of Colin Thiele's books. The Junior Art Prize, for students within the catchment area of Gladstone High School has been an attraction for many years.



So this Folk Fair when visiting the exhibition at the Court House Gallery perhaps give some thought to the fact that this exhibition was one of the earliest in rural SA, and is one of the longest running... it's not a bad claim for our little town, just like the whole Folk Fair activity.

The exhibition doesn't 'just happen' so we are happy to have any offers of assistance, especially during the weekend as door attendants. Being 'on the door' in the gazebo is a great way to soak up the atmosphere of the Folk Fair.

Also, start the weekend with the opening of the exhibition on Friday evening where you can mix and mingle with some of the artists.

**Also at the Folk Fair see the display in the Archives building about the Northern Beekeepers, courtesy of Marty and Lorraine Gilbert.**

Greg Slattery,  
President RRHAS,  
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## **Volunteer rosters for Folk Fair weekend:**

The task of running Folk Fair weekend is massive, and our ten-person committee cannot do it without help. We will need to fill volunteer rosters for the following projects/stalls;



**Raffle Tickets:** Cash sale of Raffle Tickets prior to Folk Fair (at Laura IGA)

**Garbology:** Emptying and replacing bins around the fair site, dealing with collection of cans/bottles, putting bins out for collection.  
*Team Leader: John Kitto*

**Bar:** Cash sales of alcohol at Bar Van, restocking of drinks as needed.  
*Team Leader: Alan and Brett Thomson*

**Soft Drink Van:** Cash sales of soft drinks at Drinks Van, restocking of drinks as needed.  
*Team Leader: Jim Lynch*

**Sandwich Bar:** Preparation of sandwiches, cash sales, general cleaning of kitchen/dishes.  
*Team Leader: Wendy Smith*

**Folk Fair Information Stall:** Cash sale of Port, Raffle Tickets and various merchandise, providing information to patrons.  
*Team Leader: Committee*

**Entrance Points:** Manning of entrance points to encourage donation upon entry, providing information to patrons.  
*Team Leader: Committee*

If you think you may be able to help in any of these areas, please contact the Team Leader or Chairman Sue Scarman 0418 844 935. Closer to the event the Team Leader will contact you to discuss specific times on the roster.





## Laura Community Caravan Park news:



Hi to all!

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves to the community of Laura and Southern Flinders Ranges.

We are Trish and Peter Hinton and take on the Management Team positions of the Laura Community Caravan Park as of January 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

We have had previous caravan park experience as assistant managers at Levi Park, in Adelaide, some years ago and I have operated my own mechanical business for quite some years.

Trish has managed company cafeterias on a number of occasions with food prep, cooking, sales and stock replenishment being her main responsibilities.

Trish and I look forward to a happy and productive time here at the caravan park and hope we can become part of a very positive team to improve the park and surrounds for the people of Laura.

We are looking forward to meeting locals and travellers alike and making our guest's stay as comfortable as we can and wish everyone a very safe and happy New Year.

**Trish and Peter.**



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Ann Marie Holt; 86632614 or Anne Hansen; Mob. 0429866242



### Contacts:

- **Council Office** Jamestown 8664 1139, 1300 664 108  
(**Please Note:** The 1300 number listed in Laura Community Calendar is only available for landlines)
- **Council Office Gladstone** 8662 2018
- **Dog Control** Garry Harris 0419 858 375
- **NAC Fire Prevention Officer** Jennie Window, 8664 1139
- **Manager, Regulatory Services** Alan Thomson 0409 286 542
- **Councillor Sue Scarman** can be seen personally at Laura Visitor Information Centre (check the LIC roster for times when she is there) or 0418 844 935 or Sue.Scarman@NACouncil.sa.gov.au
- **Councillor Geoff Lange** 0427 632 334





## Laura and Districts Probus Club news:

*Happy New Year all*

In lieu of the December Meeting, we went on a Christmas bus trip with Hanley's to Moonta Bay and Kadina. Luncheon was a festive occasion at Moonta Bay – it's always nice to dine with friends while looking at the sea. We then moved on to Kadina and *Memoree House*, a home/museum of household gear, gadgets and paraphernalia. It was brilliant! Many of us hope to go back and have another look.

There will be no Meeting in January. Our next Meeting is at Laura Sporting Reserve on Feb 13. The following Meeting is at the Laura Civic Centre March 13. Both are at 10am and all retirees invited.

Several of us are booked to go with Hanley's to the Festival Centre early February to see the show *Senior Moments* – sounds good.



## Lions Club of Rocky River news:

The winner of the Lions Christmas raffle for 2017 is Pete Connerty of Gladstone. The raffle was valued at over \$600 and proceeds will be used for local community projects. Lions particularly thank the following supporters for their kind donations towards the raffle: Midstate Hardware, Ramsey Pharmacy, Gladstone IGA, Laura Meat Store, Clive & Roslyn Fordham and Happy Rock Cafe. Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket.

Lions will again be a major sponsor of this year's Laura Folk Fair to the value of \$1500. The sale of donuts at the Fair each year since 1981 has been one of the Club's major fundraisers and has always been well supported by the community. We see the Folk Fair as a major event for the district, highlighting all that is special about Laura and giving our businesses and organisations throughout the Rocky River a great financial boost.

With brand new packaging the sale of Lions Christmas Cakes was again solid. It's a beautiful cake mixture and is a great keeper. Thank you for your continuing support.





## Finding a Justice of the Peace:

Barry Harvie	8663 2187 or 0409 698 009
Geoff Lange	0427 632 334
Jon Hawkins-Clarke	8663 2172
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## Laura Community Development & Tourism Association Inc. PO Box 149 Laura SA 5480    [www.laurasa.com.au](http://www.laurasa.com.au)

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Reports, articles and advertising for the April Newsletter can be submitted by email to **lcdta5480@gmail.com** or delivered to The Laura Soap & Gift Shoppe no later than 5pm Friday 16th March 2018. Receiving articles, photos & logos electronically assists in the production of the newsletter.

### Advertising:

Contact Hans Simons 8663 2170 or 0439 093 100 for details.

*As an incentive for supporting the Laura Standard with your advertisements you will receive your 6th advertisement **free of charge.***

### Please Note:

If you know of someone who unfortunately hasn't received a copy of the Laura Standard, extra copies are available from the Laura Information Centre. Newsletters in colour can also be emailed to you by providing us with your email address.

**This edition as well as all previous editions can be viewed, downloaded & printed in colour by visiting [www.laurasa.com.au](http://www.laurasa.com.au) and clicking 'News'**

This is a community publication. Views expressed are not necessarily those of the Association. The Editor reserves the right to edit or refuse articles.

### Laura Standard Advertising Fees:

Full page	- \$40.00
Half page	- \$25.00
Third page	- \$15.00

### Latest time to submit articles

for inclusion in the April  
edition of The Laura Standard is  
**5 pm Friday 16th March 2018**



## How's 2018 going ..... so far?

New Year is done and dusted and we are well and truly into the year. What motivates you to get into the new year and make something of it?

Obviously for Port or Crow fans it's the ultimate of going to that one day in September and cheering on their team to the ultimate success. For others it is to not hear another word of football.

In the normal routine of life you could respond to that question above on two levels – one the physical world of wealth and possessions, achievements and goals of success (what we can acquire in what we touch or see), or, a deeper inner spiritual dimension which is in all of us, whether we recognise it or not, which drives our day to day living.

What motivates a child is often a physical reward and encouragement and the simple things of life, for a mature aged person in later years of life, it is often an act of kindness or companionship.

In the Christian faith there is a verse that goes, "Love the LORD your God with **all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.**" It is talking about a relationship at the very core and centre of your being.

From this pivotal point all the questions of life can be answered. It turns out that the motivation for each day is not something, but a person. Someone greater than one's self, that gives, and gives, and gives without ceasing.

So what motivates you each day?

It could be the beginning of a whole new day, the birds singing, a sunrise, the cry of a new babe, a smile, or it is a new day. It could be all these things plus and added awareness of the One who brought all these things into being and being thankful for them.

We have a whole new year before us. Blessings as you gain a deeper understanding of your life's journey in 2018.

Robin Zadow (Pastor) Southern Flinders Lutheran Parish. 0427 881 540

