



October 2018 Issue 23

Hi all readers

The LCDTA held their AGM on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018 where the following community members were elected:

- **Chairman** - Geoff Lange
- **Vice Chairman** - Gerald (Collingwood) Higgins
- **Secretary** - Darren Pech
- **Treasurer** - Lorraine Griffin
- **Amenities** - Joyce Wode
- **Caravan Park** - Barry Harvie
- **Fund Raising** - Denise Higgins
- **Information Centre** - Rhonda Pech
- **Newsletter Co-ordinator** - John (Bugs) Cleggett
- **Members** - Bevan Smith, Sue Scarman, Val Thomson and Andrew Zanker.

We welcome Bevan Smith and John Cleggett as new members of the committee. There are still 2 positions vacant so if any person can spare some time please feel free to join us all in working towards the betterment of our town.

Toni Bentley and Luke Zanker have both resigned. Toni has been responsible for co-ordinating the newsletter over the past years and has done an outstanding job.

Hans Simons is to continue compiling the newsletter and we thank him for his great work.

Good luck to the Laura Civic Centre for their celebration weekend in November.

Thank you  
Geoff Lange  
Chairman LCDTA



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## SOUTHERN FLINDERS FOOTBALL CLUB

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All enquires to Tracy Smith 0429 900 110

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**Date:** Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018

**Time:** 3:00pm

**Venue:** Laura Civic Centre,  
Hughes Street, Laura



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The Southern Flinders Health Advisory Council will hold its

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 25 October 2018 at 7:00 pm  
in the Laura and Districts Hospital Activity Room



### Guest speakers

*Lisa Donnon – Healthy Aging Team Leader Country Health Connect re  
Community Aged Care Services and an introduction to NDIS*

*Tracie Hawkins re achievements and service provision across the Yorke and  
Northern Region.*

### All members of the public are welcome to attend

As provided by the Southern Flinders Health Advisory Council Rules, one (1) Community Member Representative position falls vacant at the Annual General Meeting.

Following conclusion of the Annual General Meeting a process will occur to determine the representative appointment and this will be up to a maximum of three (3) years.

Each nomination shall be in writing and be signed by two (2) community consumers in addition to the candidate.

Nomination forms are available from Sharon Jeffries, Administrative Assistant, Crystal Brook District Hospital, which can be requested by email [sharon.jeffries@sa.gov.au](mailto:sharon.jeffries@sa.gov.au) or collected from the Administration of either Crystal Brook District Hospital, Gladstone Health Centre or Laura and Districts Hospital.

Nomination forms, along with a current Curriculum Vitae, are to be forwarded in an envelope marked 'confidential' and addressed to:

Ms Elizabeth Traeger  
Executive Officer/Director of Nursing and Midwifery  
Crystal Brook District Hospital  
Edmund Terrace  
Crystal Brook SA 5523

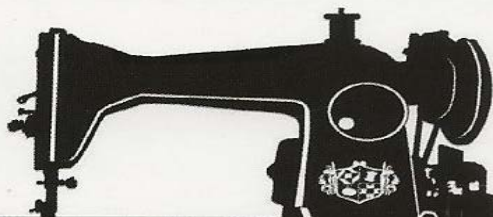


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Council

## SEW MAID

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## COMING EVENTS IN LAURA 2018.



**The Laura Caravan Park**  
Invites everyone to attend an **OPEN DAY**  
**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 10.00am – 3.00pm**  
*Free Sausage Sizzle, Tea & Coffee available.*

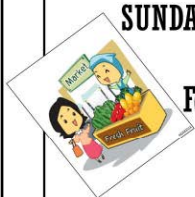
An opportunity to view the future plans on display for the improvements  
of the park.  
**ALL WELCOME.**



**Laura Civic Centre Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 8.30pm – 12.30am**  
**50 YEARS CELEBRATIONS**

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**SUNDAY 4TH NOVEMBER: LAURA CIVIC CENTRE & SURROUNDS**  
**THE LAURA MARKET 9.00AM Start**

Featuring Produce Stalls, Food, Tea, Coffee, BBQ Lunch.  
Bar facilities available.

Children's activities 1.00pm start.  
Lots of games: Egg & spoon race, 3-legged race, throwing competition &  
many more.

Entertainment : Mill Street Band  
Come and enjoy the celebration with the Laura Community

*There will be a display of photos at the Civic Centre on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Please  
bring along any photos of Birthdays, Weddings or any special occasions .*

*Contact Lorraine Griffin: 86 632412 : Val Thomson: 86 632472 Please supply photos  
by October 27th or as early as possible.*

# **LAURA FOLK FAIR FUN(D)RAISER**

**1.30 to 4pm**

**Sunday 28 October**

**Laura Civic Centre**

**\$25 per ticket**

**or \$160 for table of 7**

**Bookings see**

**Suzy @ Koffi & Kandi**

**or Sue on 0418 844 935**

**Fashions by**

**Uptown Girl**

A stylized illustration of a person from the waist up, wearing a bright pink dress. The person's arms are raised, and their hands are behind their head. The illustration is composed of simple black outlines for the limbs and hair, with the dress being a solid pink shape.

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STONE HUT HERITAGE HALL

# QUIZ NIGHT

## INVITATION

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AT OUR ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT

**SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018**

**TIME:** 6.30pm for 7pm start

**CHICKEN SUPPER:** 7.00pm until 7.45pm **WITH SALADS**

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**QUIZ:** 8.00PM **TABLES OF SIX**

**ENTRANCE FEE \$15 PER PERSON**

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## CHALLENGE!

## CAN YOU BEAT THE QUIZMASTERS!

**TABLE PRIZE FOR THE WINNERS!**

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**CONTACT NOS: TO BOOK YOUR TABLE: BRIAN KOTZ MOB: 0412 613 145**  
**HEATHER McKERLIE MOB: 0408 635 054**

**Limited seating... DON'T MISS OUT – PLS. BOOK IN ADVANCE...to secure your table**



# Northern Areas History Group

representing the historical groups in the towns of

- Caltowie, Georgetown, Gladstone, Gulnare, Jamestown, Laura, Narridy, Spalding, Tarcowie, Yacka –

Next meeting will be hosted by the Yacka History Group

**Sunday 14 October 2018**

Come along to the former

**Yacka Motors  
Main Street, Yacka**

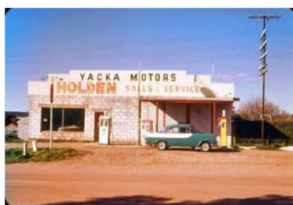
- 1.30pm onwards gather at Yacka Motors
- 2.00pm **Meeting of the Northern Areas History Group**

*Including reports from towns of NAC, and visiting groups*

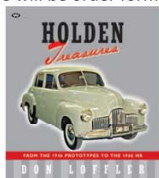
- **Presentation by Steve Hyde**

Steve will give a talk on the history of the Garage and its time as a Holden Dealership. Steve has spent considerable time and effort restoring the garage. Many of us remember the heydays of Australian motoring when Holden dealerships operated in small towns, and virtually every small town had a new car dealership, some having several. There is now only one franchise operating along the Main North Road between Clare and Port Augusta. whereas there used to be about a dozen.

- **Afternoon Tea** in the Supper Room of the Yacka Institute



On sale will be copies of the Holden books written by Don Loffler and published by Wakefield Press. A new volume in this series, **Holden Treasures** is on the horizon and will hopefully be available on the day, if not there will be order forms available.



**Holden Treasures** (\$59.95), **Holden Snapshots** (\$49.95), **Holden Days** (\$49.95), **The FJ Holden** (\$39.95)

No RSVP necessary

Enquiries to Dennis Dale, Yacka 8846 4068 or Greg Slattery, NAHG Coordinator 0417 877 145



## SPRIT OF ANZAC

CENTENARY EXPERIENCE

### THE CENTENARY OF THE ARMISTICE.

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month 1918 the signing of the Armistice, it is contentiously said, was the day our nation was defined.

For most Australians it is not a time for honouring war, for war is not something to be honoured as war is something which is used as a last resort when diplomacy has failed and is used by a nation to safeguard its sovereignty.

On Sunday 11th November let us reflect on the qualities of past generations of Australians, especially our gallant fighting men who in hardship displayed courage, discipline, self-sacrifice, self-reliance, resourcefulness and friendship.

Let us remember what the 416,800 Australians experienced 100 years ago, 139 of these fighting men passed through the Laura District School, unfortunately 17 paid the ultimate price and did not return home. Over the "War-to-end-all-Wars" years 59,357 Australians had been killed.

To put this in perspective an average of 38 Australians died on battlefields half a world away on every one of the 1560 days of the War. Over 64% of those who deployed overseas were either killed or wounded.

For a young country of just over 4 million people, there was hardly a family not touched by loss, many on multiple occasions. Commemoration is becoming more important because, as the numbers of ex-servicemen and women grow smaller, the spirit of Australia which was bequeathed to us from battlefields long ago, will continue to live on in our lives as a reflection of the very heart of our nation.

Let's spread the word that each time we pass a memorial or pass a Roll of Honour, we take just one second to touch or pause and remember that we are able to be there, on whatever occasion it is, because of those honoured there and the many thousands of others who served.

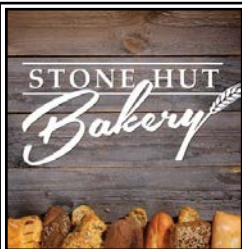
Sunday 11 November 2018 marks the centenary of the end of World War 1. 100 years earlier, four years of hostility had finally ceased. An extraordinary day, and most certainly a day to remember. It is fitting that it falls on a Sunday this year. A day of rest, a day of prayer, and perhaps a day of remembering for all.

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*Hello friends from Laura and surrounding areas.*

*Are you a singer who has nowhere to sing?*

If you are, we would love you to come and sing with our choir, the

## **SOUNDS of LAURA**

Please come and join us - We sing a variety of genres and meet together during school terms on

**Mondays 1pm-3pm at the Baptist Church, Laura**

The *only* expense is a small weekly fee of \$5 to cover costs

**and your 1st week is absolutely free!**

**For more information, phone**

Ann Marie Holt: 8663 2614 or Anne Hansen: 0429 866 242

**Hope to see you soon!**





## **Flinders Embroiderers Guild:**

### **Did you know that:**

The Flinders Branch of the Embroiderers Guild of SA meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month in the RSL Hall at Laura from 10 – 3, exploring all sorts of different embroideries (and there are a lot). Open for beginners to experienced, members may have their own preference and can help newcomers, or themselves learn from others with more experience. Occasional workshops stimulate and expand our knowledge. This year Anna Scott from Adelaide taught Stumpwork and Alison Cole from Victoria brought us Goldwork.



We exchange annual visits with Port Pirie Branch and Copper Triangle, cementing friendships and providing inspiration.

Occasional challenges keep the brain ticking over. In even years the Flinders Branch has an exhibition of work in the RSL Hall during the Laura Folk Fair. For more information, call at Scratch@ITCH, Wed-Fri or phone 0417 849 441.



### **Stallholder and Entertainment Applications Open NOW:**

Applications for both stallholders and entertainers are now open. If you know any person or business that you think would be a good fit for Laura Folk Fair, please encourage them to apply. Application forms can be found on our website [www.laurafolkfair.com.au](http://www.laurafolkfair.com.au)

### **Fashion Parade and High Tea– Sunday 28 October**

Fashion, music, food and wine – what could be better? Please come and join us for the Laura Folk Fair Fun(d)raiser Fashion Parade and High Tea.

Arrive at 1:30 at the Civic Centre and receive your complementary glass of bubbles. Then sit back and relax with a beautiful high tea, your choice of coffee, tea, or another glass of bubbles, and enjoy the great fashions on parade from **Uptown Girl**.

Tickets are \$25 each, or \$160 for a table of seven.

1:30 to 4pm Sunday 28th October at the Laura Civic Centre.

Tickets are now available, call Sue on 0418 844 935 or see Suzy at Koffi and Kandi

We are also looking for tea pots, coffee plungers and tiered cake plates to borrow for the afternoon, if you can help please contact Sue on the number above.

### **Twilight Market Cake Stall – Sunday 4 November:**

Come and see us at the Twilight Market on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November to grab some delicious locally baked cakes and goodies.



Northern Areas Council will be conducting a drumMuster collection during October 2018.

DrumMuster is a national program set up for the collection and recycling of clean, empty and non-returnable chemical containers. One of the greatest problems for crop and animal production farmers is disposing of such containers. It will soon be time for local farmers to take advantage of the program once again.

Only containers carrying the drumMUSTER logo will be accepted.

All containers must be correctly cleaned both inside and out (including threads) and allowed to drain to ensure they don't contain rinse water (refer to Avcare Standard for Effective Rinsing brochure available from your local chemical reseller) or go to [www.drummuster.com.au](http://www.drummuster.com.au)

Unclean or partly filled containers cannot be accepted.

Hours are 8am -3.30pm, closed for lunch 12.30pm – 1.00pm

No bookings required.

All enquiries to Margie Simpson 8664 2560

Dates and locations for drumMuster are as follows:

<i>Jamestown Transfer Station:</i>	<i>Surnames</i>	<i>A – L Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018</i>
		<i>M – Z Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018</i>

<i>Gladstone Transfer Station:</i>	<i>Surnames</i>	<i>A – L Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018</i>
		<i>M – Z Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018</i>

<i>Spalding Transfer Station:</i>	<i>Surnames</i>	<i>A – Z Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018</i>
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## Then and Now:

### The Range Lands of the Northern Bee Keepers - # 4

The floral sources worked by the resident Northern Beekeepers have changed quite considerably in the past 100 years.

Blue Gum, Red Gum, Sugar Gum, Peppermint Box and Grey Box along with assorted mallee sub species were the main supportive floral sources that all have their own unique taste and colour with varying candy crystal sizes.

European Honey Bees require high protein pollen to be healthy of which many Australian native plants lack, hence “introduced weed species” became vital for beekeepers including Salvation Jane, potato weed, cape weed and artichoke.



The Northern Beekeepers were “*the pioneer beekeepers*” and migrated their bees into relatively remote areas – on the Eyre Peninsula, Gawler Ranges, Northern Flinders Ranges including Wilpena Pound as well as the Paroo River in NSW. As equipment improved longer distances were achieved in a shorter amount of time.



Current day northern beekeepers access a wide range of planted crops which include Canola, Beans & Vetch as well as traveling their bees to work orange blossom, avocados, lucerne and almonds in addition to the traditional native floral sources.

Pollination plays a vital role in modern northern beekeeping enterprises and current day beekeepers need to be able to travel across the state for the health of their bees to make their beekeeping operations viable.

30-40 years ago every town in the Southern Flinders region had multiple beekeepers. Fast forward to 2018 and there are only a handful of commercial beekeepers plying their craft, however, the strong feature that exists in all the current northern beekeeping businesses is that they are family based operations.







## Laura Community Caravan Park news:

Hi to all.

Our powered sites are picking up as we slowly move towards better weather.

The Volunteers from the Laura Visitor Information Centre have now been shown through the park cabins to show the excellent quality of our on-site accommodation

We have been working to prepare for Spring, with the Harris family reunion almost upon us.

With the recent burst of high winds, we have had some large branches come down in the park and have worked to remove the threat of more coming down.

Completion of the rear paddock spraying for weeds and to kill off the wild oats etc. has been done.

Preparation to move the On-site Van 1 is happening so we can open up the centre of the park for more travelling guests.

As some of you may know. We have been successful with our application for nomination as a 'Dollar Wise Park' with CMCA. This means we can provide safe and off road parking for fully self-contained Recreational Vehicles for a small fee which goes into Laura Community Caravan Park Income stream so as to increase revenue for the town of Laura.

Hoping all stay safe.

Trish & Peter.



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## Laura Country Music Festival Returns:

The Laura Country Music Festival filled the Laura Civic Centre, 27th - 29th July, attracting thousands of passionate country music fans.

It was the festival's eighth year and Justin Standley, an X-Factor finalist from 2012, was a headline act for the festival, with many festival-goers excited by his performance.

This year, the festival had to run without a talent quest, breaking tradition for the annual event, but secretary of the Laura Events Incorporated Fiona Scutter says they hope to be able to have the quest in years to come if "festival sponsorship can increase.

"We are trying to develop our festival and have it for the older and younger generation, to do that, we need some sponsors to help our talent quest to get young ones involved", she said.

The festival is an attraction for the town with many coming from the city or other regional areas to spend a weekend in the town and attend the festival.

This year, there has been nothing but positive feedback for the Laura Events Incorporated.

As much as the festival was enjoyed and successful, the future of funding still lingers in the minds of committee members.

"It is the funding that is the biggest problem. As a function goes for the Southern Flinders Ranges, it is great for the town and surrounding areas", Ian White, chairman of the Laura Events Incorporated said.

"This year's event went really well, although the bad cropping season has pulled a few people back, we still had a large crowd."

"We started from nothing just about and it is going along real well."

"We are looking for sponsors. We can't do this country music festival without the community help", Fiona said.

"We didn't manage to have the talent quest this year due to funding issues so we would really love to have some sponsorship for our talent quest. To bring it back for those wanting to get into the industry."

Other artists that featured in this year's festival including vocalists, poets and musicians were:

Malcom Doyle, Ben Eggleton, Juliet Oliver, Trevor Philbey, Glen Parsons, Cut Snakes, Earnest Schultz, Justin Standley, John Lecner.



Article first appeared in the Flinders News

## Contacts:

- **Council Office** Jamestown 8664 1139, 1300 664 108  
(Please Note: The 1300 number 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



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## Looking at the past - Laura Memorial Civic Centre:

The Laura Institute, built in 1875, was the first in the Northern Areas.

On 12 October 1875 Mrs Murray of Wirrabara Station, laid the foundation stone of the Laura Institute. This was also the day of the third annual show of the Booyoolie Agricultural Society, of which Mr Murray was President; he was also President of the Institute Committee.



The first building consisted of a large hall only, and in 1879 the two storied front portion was added, containing an office used at various times by the Booyoolie District Council, the Corporation of the Township of Laura and finally the District Council of Laura, also the Institute Library, supper room and kitchen.

By 1886 the Institute Committee was facing financial difficulties and the following year the Corporation of Laura borrowed £1,100 and took over the Institute. That year was also Queen Victoria's Jubilee Year which was commemorated with a procession, athletics and other entertainment. It was reported that approximately 1,200 children were presented with a medallion depicting Queen Victoria and the Town Hall. This occasion was used to celebrate the opening or re-naming of the Town Hall. The Laura Archives has one of these medallions.

During the 1950s the Laura Town Hall Improvement Committee was established to raise funds for the renovations or replacement of the Town Hall. In 1964 architects were engaged to determine the feasibility of both concepts.

Finally, the foundation stone was laid by Mrs AP Smith on 12 July 1968. The new Laura Memorial Civic Centre was opened by the Premier, Sir Thomas Playford on 6 December 1968. The '*Back to Laura*' weekend embraced the opening, a ball, dance, bowls carnival, procession and a Sacred Concert on the Saturday night. This program was more or less repeated in 1972 for the Laura centenary celebrations.

The construction of the new building was done in two stages, firstly the hall section alongside the existing hall, then the hall was demolished and the administration section built. This enabled the fortnightly dances to continue, which were a valuable and long term fundraiser for the committee. The advent of the new Civic Centre saw a change from outside pit toilets to new toilets in the foyer.

The Civic Centre which cost \$59,350 was funded by a donation from the Laura Town Hall Improvement Committee of \$20,000 and a loan of \$32,500. Annual repayments on the loan of \$3,000 continued to be made by the committee. New Honour Rolls were donated by Mr J Bowker.

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At the time of opening of the new Civic Centre the Town Hall Improvement Committee had been under the energetic chairmanship of COJ Tozer for fifteen years. Other long term committee members included Les Lehmann, Charlie Amey, Mick Coles, Len Klemm, George Smith (senior and junior) and Louis Karger. In earlier times the committee minutes always recorded names as Mr and Mrs...

Through the efforts of the Old Style Dance Committee the Civic Centre was air-conditioned in 1979, and in 1981 the amenities room was added, followed later by the bar room.

The Institute Library was replaced in 1982 by the Flinders Mobile Library Service, and following council amalgamation in 1988 the council office moved to Gladstone with the formation of the District Council of Rocky River, then to Jamestown in 1997 with the formation of Northern Areas Council

In later times Ian White has loyally headed the committee which continued to meet loan repayments and instigate ongoing improvements to various aspects including seating and the kitchen. Through 140 years, the Institute, Town Hall and the Civic Centre have been central to the spirit of our community as the venue for entertainment, socializing, community events, and personal aspects of life such as weddings and funerals.



### **Rocky River Lions Club news:**

Lions have purchased three defibrillators for installing in Laura, Gladstone and Georgetown. These will be installed by Lions within the next week. Costing a total of \$6,000, the units will be installed on the wall of the Laura IGA, the Gladstone IGA and Georgetown General Store. We thank owners of these premises for their cooperation. The units will be available for use by the general public should someone collapse from a suspected heart attack. The units are easy to use and will not operate if the person is not suffering a genuine heart attack, alleviating any concerns about possible harm from misuse.

Training sessions for the general public will be organised by our local SA Ambulance officers in the near future. Watch out for these.

The defibrillator units will be managed by our local SA Ambulance officers and Rocky River Lions have agreed to cover ongoing maintenance costs such as replacement of pads and batteries. Funds to cover the implementation of this worthwhile community project are raised through the sale of sample grain at the Gladstone Silo Complex and sale of donuts at our local footy/netball matches at Laura and Gladstone.

Lions are pleased to join with other local organisations by adding \$500 towards the cost of the newly-established Laura Weather Station. This facility is already proving most valuable as an aid to our farmers in their operations. If only it would report 'rain'!



## Laura and Districts Probus Club news:

In August we met at Wirrabara, held our monthly meeting and heard Joan Lemmon a Coach from Riding of the Disabled (or RDA) speak of her life and teaching children with a disability to ride. She and her husband, both retired have travelled Australia offering their services to RDA. We then had lunch at the Hotel

In September we met at Gladstone. As well as the meeting, 2 new members were Inducted. We also heard Claire Conaghy speak on Fred's Van – an active group of volunteers from various Churches in Port Pirie who each Sunday evening feed approx. 50 homeless, marginalised or lonely people. "Fred's Van" is a branch of St Vincent De Paul, an organisation founded in Paris in 1854 by Fredric Ozanam, hence the name Fred's Van, although in Pirie they work out of building. St Joey's catered for our lunch.

Our next Meeting will be at the Laura Sporting Reserve at 10am, Tuesday Oct 9, followed by a luncheon. All retirees welcomed - cost \$3 plus the cost of lunch – the Sporting Reserve will be catering.

For further information, contact Colleen Slattery 08 8663 2461



## Annual Green Waste Collection:

This collection is primarily aimed to assist the elderly and the incapacitated.

Councils Annual Green Waste Collection will commence on **Monday 22nd October 2018 and continue to Monday 29th October 2018.**

**Please note that the Green Waste Collection will work on a booking system only. All bookings must be made by close of business, Friday October 19th 2018.**

**Residents must phone the Jamestown Office on 8664 1139 to book a collection.**

The Green waste that will be collected is tree, rose and bush type material only, **no lawn clippings or weeds**. Green waste to be collected must be placed on the edge of the roadway, the evening prior to your scheduled pickup. **No** repeat trips will be made and large piles **will not** be removed from private property.

Green waste must be placed so that it does not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic and must not be placed over service pits or hinder access to fire hydrants. **No tyres, no cars, no chemical**. A limit of 3 cubic metres (i.e. 6x4 trailer load) per household will be allowed.

Council reminds residents of their obligation to prune trees overhanging the footpaths. This is a good opportunity to do so.

### Township

Laura/Stone Hut

### Collection Date

Monday October 29th 2018

For all other areas, please phone Council on 8664 1139



## Finding a Justice of the Peace:

Barry Harvie	8663 2187 or 0409 698 009
Geoff Lange	0427 632 334
Jon Hawkins-Clarke	8663 2172
John Stevens	8663 2303

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Contact Hans Simons **0439 093 100** for details.

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## Looking through the eyes of a child.

I have been a fan of “The Lord of the Rings” trilogy by J.R.R. Tolkien for many years. One saying often comes to mind when things seem to be going off the rails, so to speak. They are spoken to Frodo by Sam as the two Hobbit best friends come to the crucial stage of their journey:

“It’s a dangerous business, Frodo, going out your door. You step onto the road, and if you don’t keep your feet, there’s no knowing where you might be swept off to.”

Isn’t that true of much of the media’s portrayal of the world in which we live – the world is a place of much tension, uncertainty, chaos, violence, and danger.

Yet when we look at it through the eyes of a child, it is a fascinating world of so many intricate parts. There are the colours, textures, creatures, weather, plants, and people! Each new day is an exciting opportunity to walk out the door and see what is in store. Yet one can take a lifetime of absorbing it all in detail yet only have discovered a small part of it.

For us in mature years, we readily identify with the ‘dangerous business’ of life. We are prone to see roadblocks to the way forward because we have our own perception of where our feet might take us and are very loathe to having our feet swept out from under us – we need to be in control.

It is only with the eyes of a child that one can see the world as a place of opportunity to stretch and grow. A child has an innate ability to trust and have faith that all sorts of things are possible. Life is an adventure!

Two thousand years ago a wise man encouraged his followers to look through the eyes of a child and there they would see a whole new world open up to them – a world in which the things (the ‘dangerous business’) of this world fade into insignificance because it has already been sorted.

Blessings as you look through the eyes of a child

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

