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Hello Readers,

Welcome to the October 2021 edition of the Laura Standard. After a promising, albeit late, start to the season it certainly has been a dry September. Things are still looking green though so let's hope for some good finishing rains and that the district can enjoy another prosperous year.

The LCDTA held their AGM on Wednesday 18th of August with a good turnout and some new faces to the meeting (including new people to our town).

The following committee members were elected:

CHAIRMAN – Gerald Higgins

VICE CHAIRMAN – Barry Harvie

SECRETARY – Darren Pech

ASSISTANT SECRETARY – Michelle Goode

TREASURER – Bevelee Reidy

CARAVAN PARK TREASURER – Geoff Lange

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CARAVAN PARK – Barry Harvie

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LAURA STANDARD – Wayne Gifford

CIVIC CENTRE – Sue Scarman

MEMBERS – Hannah Pech, Val Thomson, Emily Alm, Sophie Millington, Annette Baillie, Bevan Smith and John Cleggett.

It is great to get some new blood into the committee this year and again have all positions filled. I'm looking forward to the next year, with some fresh ideas on how we can continue to maintain and improve our beautiful little town.

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Three long term members decided to step away from the LCDTA this year, Rhonda Pech, Joyce Wode and Geoff Lange. All three have done a tremendous job over many years and the committee, and the wider community, owe them a debt of gratitude for all they have achieved.

The War Memorial Project is now nearing completion with the recent delivery of the Planter Box Seating. Orders have been placed for 10 Anzac Rosemary plants and once they arrive and are planted the cenotaph area will be something to be enjoyed for generations of locals and visitors alike.

It has been a busy time for some picking up and disposing of charity goods – donations of furniture left in the footpath outside the bins on North Tce. The fact that the furniture and goods were left near the charity bins makes me hope that this was simply a misunderstanding of how these things work rather than a case of illegal dumping. Northern Areas Council staff were called to collect goods that were left and so they see it as a case of illegal dumping. Please make sure you contact Uniting Care on 1300 067 777 and they will arrange to collect donations that do not fit in the charity bins. Again, thank you to the members of our community who have been picking up and disposing of these items.

The Party in the Park will be going ahead again this year and is our only “traditional” fundraiser left for the year, with the cancellation of the 2021 Fair, Long Lunch and “Aus Condon” Golf Day. Other, new, fundraising ideas have been put forward by the new members on our committee, including a “Ginger Bread House” making night and the sale of some Christmas Platter Packs. Hopefully the community will get around these ideas and make them a success so that our committee can continue to make a meaningful contribution.

Lastly, congratulations to the J, H and F Grade netballers who made it to the Grand Final but were unfortunately each team defeated by Crystal Brook at Crystal Brook on September 11. Although a lot of other teams made it deep into the finals it great to see these girls have some success it what was another challenging season for everyone.

Thanks
Gerald Higgins
Chairman LCDTA



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Laura Hospital

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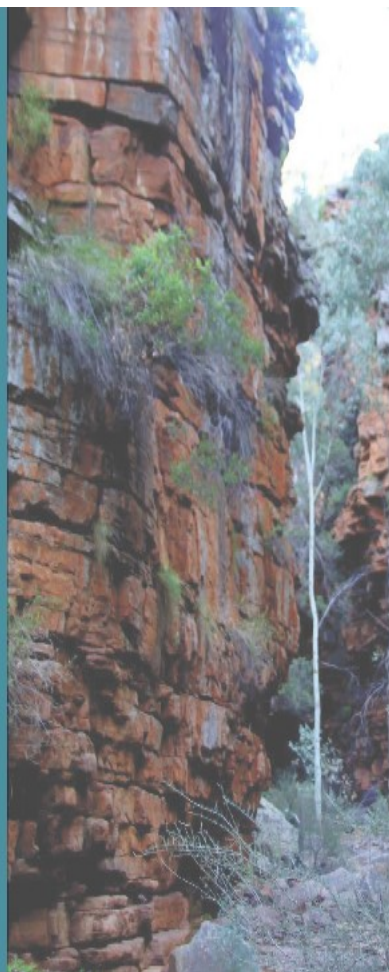
Event Details

Date: Thursday, 28 October 2021

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Crystal Brook Football Clubrooms, located on Railway Terrace, Crystal Brook

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and bottle of wine (for group bookings of 4).

Friday 3rd December

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Laura Tennis Club

Invites new senior and junior players to the up coming 21/22 season hitting off on the 16th October. Junior Training commencing on the 12th October at 4.30pm and Senior training on the 16th at 5.30pm

Please Contact Lucas Woolford on 0428 304 470 for more info.

Laura Sporting Reserve News

The Laura Sporting Reserve AGM was held on Wednesday September 22nd 2021

New LSR office-bearers 2021/22

PRESIDENT	Leigh Cleggett
VICE PRESIDENT	Derek Combe
SECRETARY	Judith Millington
TREASURER	Karin Lynch
BOOKINGS COORDINATOR	Tammie Palmer
GROUNDSPERSON	John Cleggett

COMMITTEE MEMBERS - Brett Woolford, Derek Combe (football), Rick Willis, Ben Wallis (cricket), Adam Combe, Lucas Woolford, (tennis), Deb Palmer, Danny Palmer (gym), Bern Schmidt, (netball), Koby Nettle, Scott Brand, Alan Thomson, (community reps.), Denise Higgins (Council rep.).

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SOUTHERN FLINDERS FOOTBALL CLUB

Tigers Football Club have held their 2021 season wind up and player awards recently at the Gladstone Sporting Complex. Junior, Senior Colts have had theirs on Sunday September 12th whilst A and B grades held theirs on Friday night September 17th.

A Grade Awards

Best & Fairest (Damien Harris Memorial trophy):	Mitchell Smith
Runner-up (Tom Humphries Memorial trophy):	Ziek Kay
Most Consistent:	Adam Combe
Coaches Trophy (Matt Keely Memorial trophy):	Nigel Kleinig
Best Team Man (Darren Millington Memorial trophy):	Shane Woolford
Players Player:	Codi Voumard

B Grade Awards

Best & Fairest:	Brodie Farnham
Runner-up:	Mathew Keen
Best Team Man:	Flynn Hayes
Most Improved:	Nick Palmer
Players Player:	Brodie Farnham

Senior Colts Awards

Best & Fairest:	Ben Flowers
Runner-up:	Ronald Nash
Best Team Man:	Charlie Millard
Most Improved:	Adam Black
Coaches Trophy:	Jaxon Brand
Most Consistent:	Angus McCallum

Junior Colts Awards

Best & Fairest:	Liam Coe
Runner-up:	Charlie Winter
Best Team Man:	Tyson Black
Most Improved:	Riley Hoskin
Coaches Trophy:	Jed Griffin

Tigers Club Service Award

Ben Crawford

2021 TROPHY WINNERS FOR SOUTHERN FLINDERS NETBALL CLUB:

A grade Best and Fairest

Alison Henderson
Jane Henderson
Runner Up
Naomi Henderson
Renae Kretschmer

B grade Best and Fairest

Leah Palmer
Runner Up
Alexis Parker Hill

C grade Best and Fairest

Casey Cleggett
Runner Up Sophie Millington

E grade Best and Fairest

Hannah Norton
Runner Up Annabel Durrant

F Grade Best and Fairest

Alexandra Dewar
Runner Up
Rebecca Longmire

H grade Best and Fairest

Asia Brand
Runner Up
Hanna Woodlands

I grade Best and Fairest

Imogen Cunningham
Runner Up
Madison Clogg

J grade Best and Fairest

Iysha Cunningham
Runner Up
Chloe Nettle

We also had 3 umpires who were awarded their C Grade badge, they were
Casey Cleggett, Isabella Arthur and Claire Nolan



Kelly Zwar and Vanessa Watson Life members for
Southern Flinders Netball Club.



SOUTHERN Flinders Netball Club Association Trophy winners.

Asia Brand (pictured right) won Best and Fairest for the H Grade.
Ilysha Cunningham (pictured left) was Runner-up in the J Grade

A,B,E,F,H,I and J grade all made finals. The E grade we knocked out on elimination final, The A,B,I grade were knocked out in the Preliminary Final.

We had J, H and F grade play in the grand final and unfortunately none of these grades manage to win on the day.

Photos Below: With Mr Barry Harvie overseeing events, - the Laura Primary School children helped plant 120 trees in the Laura parkland.



Photo left:
Tony Howard and
Josh Steincke
from Steelsculpt at
Angaston delivering
the planter boxes to
the War Memorial site

Photos Below:
planter boxes in place





NORTHERN AREAS
COUNCIL

Annual Green Waste Collection

25th October to 1st November 2021

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

Council's Annual Green Waste Collection will be held from Monday 25th October 2021 until Monday 1st November 2021.

Please note that the Green Waste Collection will work on a booking system only. All bookings must be made by COB Friday October 22nd 2021.

Residents must ring Council offices to book a collection: Jamestown 86641139; Gladstone 8662 2018; Spalding 8845 2017

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. 8x4 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	Collection Date
Spalding	Monday October 25 th
Yacka	Tuesday October 26 th
Gulnare	Tuesday October 26 th
Georgetown	Tuesday October 26 th
Gladstone	Wednesday October 27 th
Caltowie	Thursday October 28 th
Jamestown	Thursday October 28 th / Friday October 29 th
Laura/Stone Hut	Monday November 1 st

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Northern Areas Council wishes to remind all residents that the 2021/22 Fire Danger Season for the Mid North commences on 1st November 2021, finishing at midnight 15th April 2022 (unless extended by the CFS)

Council's Fire Prevention Officer will inspect allotments in townships for potential fire hazards & issue Clean Up Expiation Notices to ensure fire hazards are reduced during the upcoming Fire Danger season.

Burning off grass, stubble or vegetation in the open is prohibited during the Fire Danger Season. A permit may be issued (Conditions apply)

Further information is available from:
Northern Areas Council,
Fire Prevention Officer on 8664 1139
or from the CFS Hotline on 1300 362 361.

Share the Dignity Project

St Marks College Year 9 girls are doing a "share the dignity" project which involves donating sanitary items and luxury products to women and young girls in need. Laura's donation spot is North Paddock antiques and donations will be collected until 12th of November.

Donated items to include- sealed packets of pads/tampons, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, roll-on deodorant, soap, or body wash. Please do not donate- Pharmaceutical items (including condoms, throat lozenges, panadol, and ibuprofen), food and drink, sharp objects, loose tampons, and pads.

Many thanks
Alice Agnew
Year 9, Saint Mark's College, Port Pirie



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Lions Club News



At the August Dinner Meeting held at the North Laura Hotel the Club hosted Marty and Lorraine Gilbert of Laura Gardens Honey as our guest speakers. The Gilbert's comprehensive visual and speaking presentation was well-received by Lions members. Most noted was the amount of travel involved in chasing the 'honey-flow' around the State and beyond, the behaviour of their bees and the variety of honey extracted. A most enthralling presentation.

Lions have been busy making and selling donuts over the finals series of football and netball. It started with the final minor round match at Gladstone, then the Qualifying Final at Laura where we had our biggest donut sales at a footy game (only rivalled by our best day at the Folk Fair) and at the Grand Final at Crystal Brook. All proceeds will be distributed back into the community.

The Club has again sponsored the Junior Art Award at the Gladstone Art Exhibition which is part of the *"Flinders Rangers— a brush with art"*

Lions have supported the Gladstone High School initiative to present a Young Driver Safety Program to assist new drivers, with a donation of \$1200. The program aims to encourage young drivers to take a safer approach.

LCDTA NEWS

Keeping our community connected and thriving.....

LCDTA continues to work on behalf of the community to ensure we are living in a town we can all be proud of. To continue our improvement we need to continue our fundraising efforts. We hope to have some of our pre-COVID activities again in 2022.

The Aus Condon Memorial Golf Day

The Laura Golf Club are willing to host a golf day with us in 2022. We look forward to this in the first half of the year.

Catering / food based fundraising

We all have to eat and food is such a good way to raise money in a community. Having taken the prudent step to cancel the Long Lunch again this year we plan to try for a Long Lunch next year when we all hope COVID related things will be better. However a group on LCDTA would like you to think about Christmas Platter Packs.

With Christmas just around the corner, we've got it covered! Do you want a variety of slices and sweets but don't want the hassle of making them yourself? **Christmas platter packs** will be available to order from late November with prices starting from \$20. Local, homemade – everything from Caramel Slice to Apricot Balls. More details to come.

Thoughts for this year and into early next year

- A Trading table – emphasis on local food, produce and craft items – possibly March or April 2022
- “Meals to go” – orders taken and collected or delivered eg roasts and dessert OR possibly tray meals eg mornays, butter chicken or lasagna to go home for reheating - starting November or December
- Drive through meals - orders taken and collected eg burgers and ice cream plus a can of drink or fruit box - starting November or December

Please let Denise (bridenhi@bigpond.com or 0428 222 610) or any of the committee know your feelings about the meals options. We would do them once a month based on orders while the Sporting Reserve is not doing their Schnitzel Nights.

Rest of this year....

Build your own **Gingerbread House** – look for the flyer in this edition of the Standard.....get a group together for a fun evening

Christmas Platter Packs – see above

Calendar – thanks to those businesses in the community who have already submitted forms and payments. The forms are a help but equally an email letting Denise know your calendar entry information is okay. We will send an account.

Our usual events of **Party in the Park** and the **Community Raffle** will happen in December

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If you have sat in a comfy chair, seen art on the walls and colourful furnishings making the halls and rooms less sterile there is a chance the Auxiliary was involved.

They have also assisted with assorted medical supplies not classed as essential by Government.

We welcome both men and women of all ages and look forward to meeting new friends and hearing new ideas.

If you feel that you want to be part of making a difference at our Hospital please contact.

Donna Pech (and leave a message) on 8663 2506. or
Judy Zwar on 8663 2338.

Laura Community Caravan Park News:



The Caravan Park has seen a steady stream of visitors in the past couple of months with many guests staying at the park for the first time, after driving past many times on their way to other towns; and it's not slowing down yet as we prepare for a busy October long weekend.

A Dutch couple travelling Australia on horseback stayed in the forest walk area complete with two horses in portable yards. It was going to be an overnight stop, but they loved it so much, they stayed for two nights and posted it on their social media page 'Tales of the Trail'.

The SA New Age Caravan Owners Club stayed during the Olympic Games and provided other park guests with a few laughs whilst they played 'COVID games' throughout the park. Drone Rescue was added to the Managers duties as a guest's drone lodged itself in a tree.

Members of the Port Adelaide Photography Club stayed for a weekend and Wally who built the rock walls is also back in town.

Thanks to our community of volunteers there is now a windmill installed in the Forest Walk area and another stack of firewood available for guests to enjoy.

Sunday 5th September, Father's Day was celebrated with a pancake breakfast in the camp kitchen, enjoyed by adults and children. Luckily for us, the sun was shining which made it even more enjoyable for everyone to sit outside and enjoy the morning.

A recycling collection service will be introduced to the caravan park, and we are eagerly awaiting Council implementing this in the near future.

The Park is included in the current round of Tourism SA Great State Accommodation Promotion and we look forward to welcoming the lucky recipients. The reservation system has been updated and we can accept online bookings from October 1.

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Significant people of our 150 years

Suggestions for the celebrations of 150 years of Laura next year include having a Sports Wall of Fame for Laura residents who have significant achievements in the realm of sport.

Another separate concept is the recognition of those who have made a lasting and significant contribution to the district.

Hopefully most people have seen the display in the IGA window of Elliot Woolford and Abby Bishop who represented Australia as Paralympian and Olympian respectively. They are our superheroes in the sporting world. Through the years there have been others who have represented Australia and South Australia in various spheres. Bob Kite, Ray Clancy, Rusty Lowe, Ron Carlson, Les and Brenton Miels, Garry and Roger Harris, and Brett Woolford have played in the SANFL. Val Thomson has been collating life members of sporting bodies; these could constitute another category.

Establishing criteria for civic recognition is more complicated than for sporting achievements, as the significance is not as definable. Civic recognition would include the more recent Citizens of the Year, and other awards such as Australia Day and the Queen's Birthday Honours.

Those who have made a lasting and significant contribution to Laura over generations such as the Bowker, Condon, Stevens and Kleinig families could be eligible as families. Individuals such as poet CJ Dennis, WH Campbell (Town Clerk for 46 years), and Reuben Rose (editor of the Laura Standard for 30 years) could be considered for inclusion.

It is envisaged that this will be ongoing, with future nominations being screened by a relevant community group.

Final selections will be made by an independent panel including a non resident.

Nominations will be called after criteria has been established, or indeed can be submitted now, but now is the time to put your thinking caps on! Laura 150 Committee, Box 18, Laura, 5480.

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Submitted by Greg Slattery on behalf of the Laura 150 Committee



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**** November 19th 2021 ** January 21st 2022 ** March 18th 2022 ****

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(Please Note: The 1300 number is only available for landlines)
- **Council Office Gladstone** 8662 2018
- **Dog Control** Garry Harris 0419 858 375
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- **Councillor Sue Scarman** 0418 844 935 or
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edition of The Laura Standard is
5pm Friday November 19th 2021

Unity or division?

Have you notice how divided the world is at the moment. There are the divisions between countries – for example the ongoing trade spat between Australia and China (and France now that the submarine deal has been cancelled). There is the division between the pro and anti vax supporters for COVID, let alone the raft of other minor differences such as which football team you support.

We have a tendency to seek out those who have similar views to us, because that is where we are comfortable. We don't like to be challenged or have our views on various topics questioned. It can be very uncomfortable and difficult to understand someone with a totally different set of values.

You only need to watch two sets of footy fans at a game to see how this works out in practice – the umpire makes a decision and the two sets of fans have totally different views if that decision was right or wrong – regardless of what the rules of the game actually say!

Those two sets of fans are focused on what separates them – their support for a particular team, rather than focusing on what brings them together – their love and passion for the game of football!

How often do we do that in our lives? Focusing on the differences we have with people rather than what we have in common.

Focusing on our differences rather than what we have in common is nothing new – Jesus had the same problem. When he tried to correct what those in charge were teaching, rather than listening to him or trying to understand where he was coming from, they had Jesus put to death.

However, it was through his death that Jesus draws people to him. On that cross Jesus died in your place – for all the times that you have not shown the understanding and tolerance to those who have different view to you and all your other wrongs as well.

On that cross Jesus died for all people, for those in every country in the world for vaxxers and for anti vaxxers, for Port supporters and for Crows supporters – he died for all people! Because each and every person is so precious to him that he died for them. Because he wants to spend eternity with each and every one of you!

Stephen Noblett (Pastor)
Southern Flinders Lutheran Parish.
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