



August 2024 Issue 58

Hello Readers,

Welcome to the August 2024 edition of the Laura Standard. After a very late break to the season, it's been great to receive some much needed moisture and see the countryside return to a lovely tinge of green. No real significant rains yet, but let's hope that talk of a wet spring can come to fruition and the district can enjoy a prosperous second half of the year.

The Aus Condon Golf Day was held this year on Thursday 18th of July. Twelve teams enjoyed amazing weather (in between rain on Wednesday and Friday) as they battled it out in an Ambrose competition. This day has been a fantastic fundraiser for the LCDTA for many years and this year was no exception, raising around \$3700. Many thanks must go to all the volunteers who make this day possible and to the Laura Golf Club for the use of their facilities. A special mention must go to Val Thomson, who after 26 years of being in charge of organising the golfers, is stepping back from the role. Thank you very much to Val. All the details of our amazing sponsors and the day winners can be found in Denise's report on page 8 and 9.

After several years the LCDTA has decided to stop the Meals to You fundraiser for the time being. This has been a very well supported program by both cooks and purchasers alike, that was started during the early days of the pandemic when many of our traditional fundraisers couldn't take place. Recently, we have seen less meals being sold, and so, with many new and traditional fundraisers up and running, the decision has been made to put it on hold and maybe re-visit it at a later date.

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Laura Community Development & Tourism Association (LCDTA) Inc.

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The Banner Poles in the main street will soon be able to be rented by local businesses but will still be utilised to advertise upcoming events. The LCDTA has been approached by several businesses in regards to renting them as advertising space. The cost of producing a banner is currently \$125 each plus a \$60 fee to set up the artwork. Rent will be \$25 a month plus a \$25 fitting fee. Maximum 2 banners per business and maximum 6 months per year on a first in first serve basis. Anthony Lines will soon be visiting local businesses to discuss your options. He can be contacted on 0427817463.

The Laura Community Caravan Park's new ablution block is nearing completion. This will more than double the facilities available to people staying in the park and mean that people camping in the new, eastern side of the park will not have as far to go to use the toilet and showers. This, along with a new shelter shed for the community BBQ, has the park looking even more amazing than ever and definitely punching well above its weight compared to many other larger caravan parks.

The LCDTA is looking to freshen up the "LAURASA" website and was visited at our July meeting by Tracey Dewell, a website designer from Jamestown. Tracey designed the current website and has been very helpful in keeping it updated over the years. If you are a local business who's details are not on the website, or who needs their details updated, or a local with some ideas on how we can modernise the website please drop in to the Laura Information Centre for a chat.

Alternately you can contact the LIC on 86632260.

The LCDTA will be holding our AGM on Wednesday 21st of August at 7:30pm in the Laura Civic Centre. Everyone is encouraged to come along and hear about some of our recently completed projects, ones that are currently underway and where we see our town headed in the next 5 years. If you've ever thought about volunteering on the LCDTA we'd love to see you there.

ON behalf of the LCDTA I hope everyone stays warm and safe over what is hopefully a wet couple of months.

Thanks
Gerald Higgins
Chairman LCDTA

Laura Community Caravan Park News:



Autumn and Winter have been traditionally busy seasons in the park and this year has been no exception. The whole Southern Flinders region has been buzzing with tourists especially during May & June before it started to get wet & frosty with guests from all over Australia visiting the park and our town.

Our new amenities block is not far from completion offsite so now we are about to get the footings, plumbing and power set up for it's arrival. Stay tuned for photos when it arrives.

Since the last edition of the Standard the park and the whole community were saddened by the loss of one of our fantastic volunteers and a true gentleman, Ray Cummings, who lost his battle with heart disease. You would no doubt have seen his creation, the Windy-Bra-Go, parked in the caravan park and involved in parades in Laura but you wouldn't know of the countless hours Ray (and his sons) gave to the park with trucks and tractors doing the big jobs that needed doing. Vale Ray, you will be greatly missed by us and the whole park community.

Naomi & Simon Purdue





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Annual General Meeting

of the Rocky River Historic & Art Society Inc

Will be held in the Court House Gallery in Hughes Street
at 5.30 pm on Wednesday 20th August.

Come along and hear of some of the generally unsung activities
which this society has been involved with over the past year or so.



On Wednesday 3rd July, the *O'Dea Power & Water* team hosted a BBQ day to support **Car 5480 - The Chauffeurs** with their fundraising for Variety The Children's Charity.

There was a great turnout with the Laura Primary School, Laura Kindy and Rural Care attending the day as well as some Laura locals.

We wish Anthony and Chris Lines, Kym and Leanne Klemm all the best for the rest of their fundraising journey and safe travels on their road trip from Renmark to the Goldcoast.



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IH Industrial Heritage of Laura

Unveiling of monument in front of 1 Herbert Street, Laura
(Ian McKenzie's home)
recognizing the Keipert's of Laura who operated

Keiperts Crown Foundry
10.30 am Saturday 10th August 2024

This occasion recognizes the 140th anniversary of the citizenship of Heinrich Johann Keipert who came to Laura as manager of implement manufacturer Forsaith & Daniels and later purchased the business and erected new premises on the corner of Herbert Street and South Terrace.

Members of the Keipert family from across Australia will be present in Laura to mark this anniversary and to unveil a monument.
Henry Keipert developed the foundry which employed up to 50 staff and won prizes in SA and interstate for their varied products, the mainstay of which was plough shares

This is the second monument recognizing the Industrial Heritage of Laura, the first being unveiled during the 150th celebrations of Laura, recognizing the enterprise of Forsaith & Daniels.

The Keipert monument is supported by Rocky River Historic & Art Society, the Keipert family, Ian McKenzie and Northern Areas Council Community Grants

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Aus Condon Memorial Golf Day Thursday 18th July 2024

The day was a huge success with thanks to the Laura Golf Club members for their preparation of the course, the use of their facilities and manning of the bar. Twelve teams of golfers gathered for a day of golf on a day that proved to be the best weather of the week, a cool sunny day. Dean Nettle welcomed the golfers, reminded them of the way the Ambrose competition works and sent the golfers to their starting holes.

Winning teams and individual bests were

Championship Winners – Will Griffin Team from Laura
Championship Runners Up – Kody Staker Team from Laura
Handicap Winners – Brett Woolford (GSF) Team from Port Pirie
Handicap Runners Up – Baylin Crouch Team from Port Pirie
Nearest ladies the pin – Wendy Dunkley from Wilmington
Nearest the pin men – Banylin Crouch from Port Pirie
A grade ladies long drive – Catherine Combe from Laura
B grade ladies long drive - Vanessa Kirkham from Port Augusta
C grade ladies long drive Brittany White - Jamestown
A grade men long drive - Brad Lines from Laura
B grade men long drive - not recorded
C grade men long drive - Jackson Staker from Laura

Thank you to the many volunteers for their support of the day. Key people include Julie Nettle for her coordination of the food and Val Thomson for her work on the golf side of things. Importantly, as this day is a significant fundraiser for the LCDTA our sincere thanks to our sponsors.

Your support makes a significant difference.

Val Thomson has chosen to step back from organising the golf side of the day. She has organised teams, handicaps and trophies since 1999, when it was known as the Crows Golf Day. She will continue to organise the trophies for the day. Bev Marron has agreed to be our golf organiser for the next while. Many thanks to Val and welcome to the team Bev.

Once again, the food on the day was wonderful. We have a well-deserved reputation for plenty of good food across the day. Sincere thanks to our kitchen cooks for the provision of soup, main courses, biscuits, slices and pastries.

This year the funds raised will be used to further the improvements in the North Parklands, ie the installation of the outdoor table tennis table and the half court for basketball. Final profit from the day should be about \$3700, with \$3100 from sponsors.

Aus Condon Memorial Golf Day Sponsors were:

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Wirrabara 150th Celebrations October 5th and 6th 2024

The Wirrabara 150 committee approached the LCDTA to help provide food on Sat 5th Oct. We've agreed to run the "Football Canteen" from 9am to 5pm. Many thanks to Catherine Combe for her knowledge and help. If you have two hours to spare please contact Denise Higgins on 0428 222 610.

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Artists and their Art Forms

Julia Mayman is a painter who dabbles in sewing, pottery, basket weaving, print making and murals. Julia's preferred paint mediums are acrylics and oils. She particularly enjoys painting portraits, experimenting with different styles and mediums. She has completed 13 pictures of her husband and they all look different!

She and husband Chris have lived in Laura just over 2 years, recently joined by baby Stanley. Julia told me it was "the reputation of Laura as an artist / arty community that helped us to decide to make Laura our home". Julia's family is her inspiration, with her art being influenced by where she has lived. She grew up in Wallaroo. When she went to University her parents returned to the Northern Territory to work. After completing University, Julia went to the Northern Territory to work alongside her parents at the Alpururulam Community. (on the NT / Qld Border).

Travelling Europe gave her the opportunity to visit art galleries and art shows. She was drawn to vibrant contemporary art styles with its' bright colours. "When I got back I started painting in earnest, - including commissions."

She spoke of living and working in various remote places in the Northern Territory and APY lands in South Australia where she regularly painted the Indigenous women she worked with. She entered one of those paintings into the "Portrait of a Senior Territorian" Art Prize held at Parliament House in Darwin and won the people's choice section with a judge's commendation for the same painting. She also learnt from the women artists – "the ladies out remote taught me to dot paint". You can see this influence of rich colours and pattern in many of Julia's pieces.

Julia has exhibited her work in galleries and art shows in Darwin, Alice Springs, Adelaide, Gladstone, Orroroo and Laura. She was the guest artist at the Laura Art Show in 2022.

Julia is a trained art teacher, with 9 years experience teaching. Her last "teaching" was an adult pottery class with the Experience Melrose group at the Jacka Brewery.....a many and varied career, with more to come.

Julia's work can be viewed on

Instagram at [JuliaMaymanartist](#) and on Facebook – Julia Mayman Art.





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Sat 2nd Nov

Sat 7th Dec

Stallholder /market enquiries:



Nikki: 0410 459560

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NEW EVENT!

COMING IN OCTOBER 2025

Laura Events committee's decision to cancel the annual Country Music weekend was difficult, but in doing so it has opened the way for Laura Events to implement a new and exciting annual event.

The committee thanks all those volunteers who encouraged us to find a new, sustainable and interactive annual event and we recognise the contributions of all our volunteers who tirelessly support the events we deliver to the community.

LAURA TRAILS BIKE & HIKE

Laura is well placed to capture a wide range of visitors to our community from as far south as Adelaide and North as Wilmington encompassing regional communities from the Southern Flinders Ranges, Gladstone, Jamestown, Port Pirie and Port Augusta, Kadina and Moonta.

This event will ensure longevity and share annual status with the Laura Fair. It will become recognised as an annual event in the Southern Flinders Ranges.

Promoting tourism, supporting the community and expanding on the characteristics and benefits of Laura as an annual destination.



EVENT FORMAT

Location: Event Central - Laura Civic Centre

Duration: 2 days (Saturday, Sunday)

Dates: 18-19 October 2025.

Aiming to capture entries at the beginning of Spring, good weather, not too hot, hopefully no rain and countryside looks amazing.

Program: Participants to register for a 9.30am departure on Saturday Morning (from the Laura Civic Centre) for their selected / nominated bike ride or walking trail. To conclude by 4.30pm meeting back at the Civic Centre for a presentation followed by:

- ~ Drinks and a meal in the Laura Civic Centre
- ~ A band will play in the evening until 10.00pm.

Promotion: Event Categories will be promoted in all our publications and online.

Bi-monthly updates will be provided through the Laura Standard, event posters for the traders, letterbox drops and sponsor-driven activities leading up to the event.

We are developing a new website, Facebook page, email address and will have a social media focus so keep your eyes open for updates.

ENQUIRIES

Contact Sharon Medlow Smith 0411 760 236
or email sharon@cocolaura.com.au

Laura Trails SA: The Gateway to the Southern Flinders Ranges

Palliative Care Connect Program has launched in the Mid-North, Yorke Peninsula and Clare Valley.

Palliative Care Connect is a statewide service that provides information and links to care, and bereavement supports across South Australia. Learning yourself, or someone you love, have been diagnosed with a life-limiting illness is unimaginable. Knowing what to do next can be overwhelming. Palliative Care Connect is here to help you navigate your way through these difficult times. From the time of diagnosis, palliative care helps people of all ages live their life fully and comfortably. Palliative care addresses physical symptoms as well as emotional, social and spiritual concerns.

Palliative Care Navigators provide information and service linkages to people with life-limiting illnesses, their family members, friends, and carers, as well as for health and aged care professionals. We can also empower individuals to make choices aligned with their culture, values and preferences.

Sonder is delivering Palliative Care Navigation for the Yorke Peninsula, Mid North and Clare Valley Region and Palliative Care Navigators are available Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.00pm by calling 1800-596-799. Palliative Care Navigators are also able to come out and speak to your community group discussing when, why and how you would use this service.

Please visit the [Palliative Care Connect website](#), which features key information about palliative care and bereavement. It also has a self-assessment tool to help people identify the support and resources they need. A service directory on the website is available to make it easier for South Australians to find relevant palliative care, bereavement and related community services near them.

Phone: 1800 596 799 – Regional number
Email: palliativecareconnect@sonder.net.au

For in-person conversations

Kadina Office – Sonder, 44 Graves Street, Kadina - Monday to Friday
8.30am-4.30pm

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Deadline dates for The Laura Standard:



The Newsletter team, together with the LCDTA wish to thank all contributors for their newsletter articles and advertising.

In 2024 please continue to forward your articles in a **word document**, font set at **Arial, size 11** with photos attached in jpeg format, along with a logo if required to lcdta5480@gmail.com by 5pm on the following dates:

**** September 20th 2024 ** November 22nd 2024 ****

Contacts:

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- **Council Office Gladstone** 8662 2018
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Reports, articles and advertising for the **Laura Standard** can be submitted by email to **lcdta5480@gmail.com**

Receiving articles, photos and logos electronically assists in the production of the newsletter.

Advertising and Articles: Contact: Wayne Gifford on **0419 816 976**.
Bronwyn Weston on **0438 635 061**

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Please Note:

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This edition as well as all previous editions can be viewed, downloaded and printed in colour by visiting www.laurasa.com.au and clicking 'News'

Please keep articles short and concise as room is limited.

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

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Latest time to submit articles

for inclusion in the September
edition of The Laura Standard is
5pm Friday, September 20th 2024.

What do you put your faith in?

Faith is a very important part of everybody's life. Regardless of if we are talking about faith in God or not.

You see, faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. And that is certainly how many of the people around the district went out sowing this season. They had the conviction that the rain would come and come it has (finally).

Each person went out sowing seed in faith. Faith that the rain would come, faith that the seed would germinate and sprout and faith that there would be a harvest (and hopefully a good one).

Why were they happy to go out and sow in faith? Because years of experience have shown that most years the rains sooner or later do come. So, there is faith that the cycle of the seasons will continue.

But there are also many other things that we put our faith in – faith in our financial system, the rule of law and in our elected representatives and all levels of government, yes, we may even have faith that our football team might win (though some things are better and easier to put your faith in than others).

There is a problem with putting your faith in earthly things however, because at some point that faith will be misplaced. Some years, the rains don't come, there are issues with the financial and legal systems, we don't always get the standard of government that we should, and no football team wins every game!

Putting your faith in Jesus is different – it's putting your faith in something certain. You are placing your faith in something that has already happened. While you can't actually produce a picture of Jesus being crucified or of his empty tomb, you can't do that for a multitude of other accepted historical events either. So that is where the faith comes in!

Consequently, if you can sow in faith that rains will come, then how much easier shouldn't it be to put your faith in Jesus. Since that is putting your faith in something that has already happened rather than in something that may happen, Faith in Jesus also doesn't just provide a year of harvest it provides an eternal harvest, of forgiveness of sins, salvation and eternal riches. So I know which of the two I would put my faith in!

Stephen Noblett (Pastor) Southern Flinders Lutheran Parish.
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