

TRAGIC STORY SHARED

SPEAKING OUT... Lyn Longo, of Moonta, was among the many Yorke Peninsula locals who shared their experiences at last week's public hearings in Yorketown and Wallaroo for the YP health services inquiry. In 2022, her husband Don (pictured with Lyn in the photograph she is holding) suffered a traumatic head injury after a fall. Treated for minor injuries in the Wallaroo Hospital emergency department, he was sent home; he died early the next day.

PHOTO: Michelle Daw

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HEALTH INQUIRY VISITS

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

RECOMMENDATIONS to the South Australian Government to improve health services on Yorke Peninsula could be finalised within three months.

That's the outlook from parliamentary Economic and Finance Committee chair and Member for Giles, Eddie Hughes, following the committee's public hearings for the Inquiry on the Delivery of Health Services on the Yorke Peninsula in Yorketown and Wallaroo last week.

About 130 people attended the meeting held at Yorketown Town Hall on Thursday, March 27, and around 60 went to the Wallaroo Town Hall meeting the next day, with many individuals and representatives from organisations making passionate and sometimes heartbreaking presentations.

Mr Hughes said, although there were

some issues particular to southern or northern YP, there were common needs expressed for the entire region.

These included more ambulance and emergency services; increased hospital capacity; access to specialist medical services, including mental health; and availability of ancillary services such as X-rays and CT scans.

"I have lived in regional South Australia all of my life and the core issues of access and equity are incredibly important," he said.

The written and verbal evidence presented to the inquiry would now be compiled and the committee would develop its recommendations, he said.

"Ultimately, the State Government will consider how to respond to those."

"There's a very clear message from the people of Yorke Peninsula that they want to see health services improved," he said.

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Democracy in question?

AT A recent meeting of the Yorke Peninsula Ratepayers Association, where candidates for the forthcoming council by-election presented their views, members discussed concerns about transparency and governance in local government.

Many attendees expressed the view that elected councillors often feel compelled to approve recommendations put forward by council administrators, limiting independent scrutiny.

Some ratepayers have also observed that council meetings appear to be highly structured, with limited scope for extended debate.

It has been noted that under certain provisions of the Local Government Act, the mayor, as chair, has authority to manage discussions, which some believe may restrict opportunities for councillors to raise objections.

Ratepayers concerned about local decision-making are encouraged to attend council meetings to see how discussions unfold.

Democracy or just procedure?

Peter Lehman
Port Vincent

Good job

WE OFTEN hear and read about the perilous state of our health system in South Australia.

I recently required the services of the Port Broughton Hospital.

On arrival I was greeted by a nurse who quickly and professionally ascertained my needs. They provided me with expert care and a young work placement practitioner also discharged their duties with great skill, attention and compassion.

Following a short wait, Dr Alison Edwards, a highly skilled physician, diagnosed the condition and determined the course of treatment required.

Needing a script for antibiotics I visited the local chemist, where the pharmacist provided essential information and details about taking the medication.

Their outstanding professional skills and attention during my time with them were much appreciated.

Port Broughton, you are indeed fortunate to have such quality people and facilities in your community. (By the way, the wound has healed perfectly.)

Ian Macgowan, Ceduna

Seeking help

BEING one of the many descendants of Sarah Jane Rule, I have been involved in family research in the lead up to the Kernewek Lowender in May.

Sarah is one of the people being honoured during the Kadina Dressing the Graves ceremony and we are seeking to have some of her descendants and wider family present at the service.

Research has revealed that Sarah Jane Dyer married Joseph Henry Rule at Moonta on February 13, 1873.

Sarah was a midwife to this community for many years.

I'm now looking for any background on Sarah's older sister, Mary Dyer's descendants, who would be related to Sarah's children: Olivia, 1m Champion, 2m Williamson; Julia, m Lammings; Mabel m Read; Clara m Trenwith; Bertha, m Stephens; Florence, m Wright; and Avis, m Larcombe.

Sarah's parents William Thomas and Eliza (nee Greedy) Dyer and two daughters left Plymouth England aboard the Sir Thomas Gresham on December 1, 1853, and arrived at Port Adelaide on March 19, 1854, settling in Adelaide.

An invitation is extended to all Sarah's descendants to the Kernewek week celebrations, particularly Dressing the Graves at Kadina Cemetery on Wednesday, May 14.

Afterwards, at the Kadina Church of Christ, there will be an opportunity to meet and greet other family members — bring a photo of your family to add to the family tree photo gallery.

Sarah, along with her children and their children, were (and some still are) members of the church.

The church will be open during the festival, providing history and assisting with research regarding past members, and there will be many photos on display. (Information: Ruth 0448 211 002 or Faye 0408 846 293.)

Ruth Mildwaters, Copper Coast

Looming election

WITH the approaching federal election, I, as a registered voter, would like to know where the independents will give their votes.

We, as voters, don't need to have an independent hold the government to ransom.

Why do we vote? We vote for a party which wins but then the independents change the whole outcome — this is wrong, not who we voted for.

This is not fair for all Australians who care.

Wayne Cockburn, Kadina

Aged care

I WANTED to acknowledge the excellent article, 'Traumatic' wait for aged care (YPCT 18-3-25), by journalist Sarah Herrmann. It was another well-written piece by Herrmann on a critical topic.

Thank you to Peter and Margaret Thomas for being so candid with their experience and views. Unfortunately, the reality of the aged care system is not one that gets enough attention.

I am of the age where my family and my friends have loved ones who are needing the system.

It's hard to hear about there not being enough places in the region, or of people needing to go away to other towns like Murray Bridge.

It may be uncomfortable to talk about, but it is necessary. An important piece. Well done.

Lyndsey Jackson
Moonta

Clarification

THE Kernewek Lowender Copper Coast Cornish Festival Dressing the Graves organisers wish to correct an error in the information it provided to the YP Country Times. One of the honourees at the Kadina Cemetery on Wednesday, May 14, will be Keith Ellis Moyle, not "Moil", as was published in the March 25 edition.



Daylight saving time ending

Don't forget to turn your clocks back an hour when Australian Central Daylight Time (daylight saving) ends at 3am this Sunday, April 6.

At 3am ACDT, clocks will roll back to read 2am Australian Central Standard Time. ACST time will apply until 2am on Sunday, October 5, when daylight saving resumes.

OUR VIEW

Health system in crisis

THE people of Yorke Peninsula have spoken — business as usual for our health services is not acceptable.

At hearings in Yorketown and Wallaroo last week, leaders from local organisations and individual community members presented compelling evidence and personal accounts about the impact of lack of health services to members of a parliamentary committee.

The committee's inquiry into the region's health services was triggered by a petition signed by 10,688 people, which was presented to parliament on November 15, 2023.

Participants bravely spoke out about the deficiencies in our health services, from trying to access services during emergencies to dealing with chronic conditions that require regular exhausting and expensive trips to the city.

Many of the inadequacies in local services were portrayed in the tragic account given by Lyn Longo, of Moonta, whose late husband suffered a traumatic head injury and was sent home from Wallaroo Hospital, then died early the next morning.

Member for Narungga Fraser Ellis, who led the petition, described the situation as being on the brink of collapse.

The hearings are in addition to the many written submissions already made to the inquiry and now members of the committee must take them all into account and formulate its recommendations.

Committee chair Eddie Hughes said he expected that would take about three months, then it would be up to the State Government to respond.

Let's hold them all to account and make sure this does not become another government report that sits on the shelf gathering dust.

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What The?

HOME GROWN... Kadina local Laura, 8, proudly displays her homegrown zucchinis. Have a "What the?" moment to share? Send your photos to editorial@ypct.com.au.



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Grey childcare desert holds back aged care



IT TAKES A VILLAGE... Barunga Village is supporting the Regional Childcare Desert Advocacy Project. Back: administration and finance manager Elise Bormann, marketing and communications manager Annabel Freeth, Annabel's parents Tony and Merrilyn Hewett, Barunga Village chief executive Elizabeth Carroll; front: Sophie, Oliver, Flynn, Makenzie, Freddy, Billy, Fletcher.

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

LACK of child care for the youngest members of the Port Broughton community is holding back care and services for its oldest residents.

Elizabeth Carroll, chief executive of local aged care provider, Barunga Village, said the company could not meet demand for its services because potential employees were unable to access child care. And she said the lack of child care was also preventing existing employees from working more hours.

"Some people have said they would work more with us and some can't work with us at all," Ms Carroll said.

"Instead, they work in Port Pirie or Kadina, because that's where the child care is.

"We are very flexible and doing our absolute best to support working families."

Barunga Village is supporting the Regional Childcare Desert Advocacy Project, launched

in Port Broughton in early March.

The project is advocating for fairer access to child care across the vast federal electorate of Grey.

Barunga Village has an 83-bed residential care home, provides home care services to about 300 people across the Mid North and Yorke Peninsula and operates a retirement village with 45 homes and 65 residents.

"It (lack of child care) is a huge barrier to us being able to employ staff to meet the needs of clients and residents," Ms Carroll said.

Barunga Village employs about 160 people, with most working part-time.

Ms Carroll said the company often had to employ agency nurses, some of whom had to travel from Adelaide or even Sydney, to make up for staff shortages.

"That comes at a high cost, so it's money we can't put back into the services we offer," she said.

Barunga Village marketing and commu-

nications manager Annabel Freeth said she was fortunate her parents, Tony and Merrilyn Hewett, were able to help look after two of her three children, who are under school age, enabling her to work part-time.

Mrs Freeth's children have attended child care centres in Kadina and Port Pirie, and now attend Bute Rural Care, Port Broughton Kindergarten and the only Family Day Care provider in Port Broughton, in addition to being looked after by their grandparents.

Mrs Freeth said, although she appreciated being able to access child care, having to use a range of services had been unsettling for her children.

"It's so challenging — the wait lists are beyond enormous, proving that we're desperate for more childcare services in our region," she said.

The federal budget, released last week, lacks specific plans to address Grey's childcare desert; see page 11 for the full story.

Strange sighting in YP skies

RESIDENTS across Yorke Peninsula have been left baffled — some even claiming to have hidden under their beds — after witnessing a series of unusual lights in the night sky.

Eyewitnesses have told the YP Country Times they saw glowing orbs and erratic flashing lights early this morning (Tuesday, April 1) between midnight and 2am, with reports flooding in from across southern Yorke Peninsula.

Edithburgh fisherman "Gummy Greg" (name changed to protect identity) said he was fishing off the Edithburgh jetty when he spotted a hovering object heading towards the town.

"I was just finishing up when I saw this thing — it was huge, bigger than any cloud I've ever seen," Mr Greg said.

"It just sat there, watching us."

As the night unfolded, panic spread among locals, with many reporting not just strange lights but also eerie sounds echoing across southern Yorke Peninsula.

While some dismissed the sightings as a weather anomaly or an unusually bright star, others remain convinced they witnessed something out of this world.

Stansbury resident "Wombat Wayne" (name changed to protect identity) insists this was no ordinary event.

"I've seen some things — things that cannot be explained — and this is one of them," he said.

"This was definitely not the weather."

The bizarre sightings have sparked a frenzy on social media, with theories ranging from secret military experiments to intergalactic tourists.

Local officials have remained tight-lipped as investigations continue.

More to come in the Tuesday, April 8, edition of the YP Country Times.



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Police chase on Yorke Peninsula

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POLICE arrested a man on Yorke Peninsula after an incident in the northern suburbs of Adelaide last week.

Police were called to Caloundra Drive at Paralowie at around 8.25am on Thursday, March 27, after reports a man had passed out behind the wheel of a black Holden HSV Commodore stopped in the middle of the road.

The driver reversed into another vehicle before fleeing the scene and patrols later spotted the car, without its rear bumper, on Fairbanks Drive but lost sight of it.

A short time later, police received reports of the vehicle speeding and driving erratically, heading north on the Port Wakefield Highway.

PolAir picked up the vehicle travelling west on the Copper Coast Highway just before 10am and commenced tracking while Yorke Mid North patrols cordoned the area.

PolAir followed the Holden as it turned onto Lime Kiln Road, where police successfully spiked its tyres.

However, the vehicle continued

to drive and went off-road into paddocks adjacent to Kulpara Road.

It eventually came to a stop on Upper Yorke Road at Ninnes where the driver attempted to run off, but he was arrested in a nearby paddock.

Police searched the vehicle, locating 200 grams of methamphetamine and liquid steroids.

A 31-year-old man from Brahma Lodge was arrested and charged with numerous offences, including speed dangerous, driving without due care, failing to stop at a crash scene and trafficking in a controlled drug.

He was refused bail and appeared in the Elizabeth Magistrates Court on Friday.

Break-in at Clinton

Police are investigating a break-in and theft at a business in Clinton and have released CCTV footage of the suspect involved.

About 4.36am on Tuesday, March 25, a man forced his way into the business on Yararoo Drive and stole alcohol and keys to gaming machines.

The suspect was wearing a hooded jumper, Adidas tracksuit pants, face mask, gloves and running shoes, and was carrying a backpack.

The video can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/y4bXgnGOCjQ>.

Anyone who recognises the suspect is asked to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000, or online at www.crimestopperssa.com.au.

SA sees drop in crime

South Australia has recorded the lowest rate of home break-ins across the nation, according to new statistics from the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

The ABS figures state the crime victimisation rates were lower than the national rates for most crime types, including break-ins, threatened assault and malicious property damage.

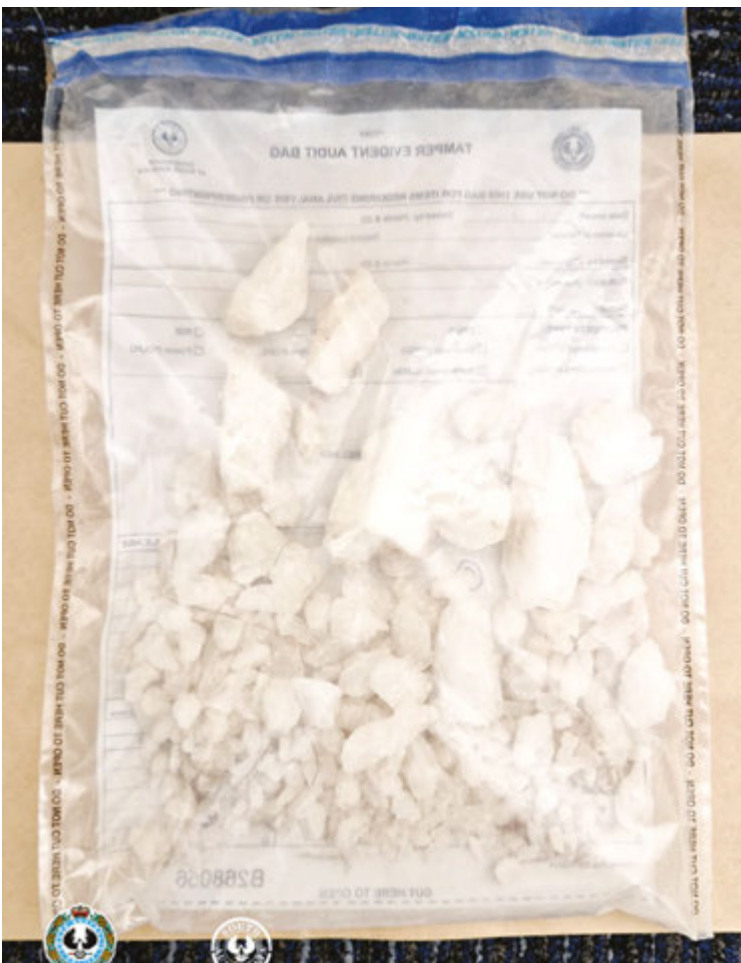
The state also recorded drops in the number of households experiencing break-ins, attempted break-ins and malicious property damage compared to the previous financial year.

Break-ins fell by 300 to 11,600 households, attempted break-ins dropped by 400 to 10,400 and malicious property damage incidents fell 3400 to 23,400.

The statistics confirm there were 1812 youth offenders aged between 10 and 17 years in SA proceeded against by police in 2023-24, a 17 per cent decrease on the previous year.

South Australia had 1028 youth offenders per 100,000 people aged between 10 and 17 years, less than half the rate of youth offenders in New South Wales, and significantly lower than the national average of 1764 youth offenders per 100,000 people aged between 10 and 17.

The young offender rate for 2023-24 is half of what it was in 2018-19.



ILLEGAL... The 200g of methamphetamine police allege to have found after stopping a vehicle in Ninnes; the vehicle had left the scene of an accident in Paralowie before travelling to YP. The driver was charged with numerous offences.

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Survey to compile power outage losses

Sarah Herrmann
JOURNALIST



BUSINESSES on Yorke Peninsula are being asked to complete a survey assessing losses caused by recent power outages.

Regional Development Australia Yorke and Mid North has developed an online questionnaire to assess the impact of the March 14 power outage and other blackouts over the past year on the region.

Chief executive Daniel Willson said the evidence would be presented to decision-makers, including network operators, the South Australian Government and local councils, to help prevent similar disruptions in the future.

"We had quite a few businesses and a couple of stakeholders trying to understand how things work in respect of compensation frameworks, and with the particular circumstances of the (March 14) blackout, people weren't eligible and were getting pretty frustrated," he said.

"What we thought would be helpful is, if we can try and understand what the actual costs to businesses were, then we can hopefully put some evidence in front of people responsible for the frameworks to think about the costs incurred if these happen in the future.

"There's no guarantees that there's going to be any changes to compensation frameworks, but when those considerations are had at least they've got the evidence and the understanding of what the cost of getting it wrong is."

Mr Willson said businesses had reported losses, including spoiled stock, staff being sent home while still receiving pay, fridge and freezer malfunctions, and the cost of investing in generators.

The survey is collecting data on losses from March 2024 to March 2025.

"We appreciate that the circumstances (on March 14) were pretty unusual, but we are

HAVE YOUR SAY... Regional Development Australia Yorke and Mid North chief executive Daniel Willson is encouraging Yorke Peninsula business operators to fill out a survey gauging the losses caused by recent power outages.

conscious that Yorke Peninsula is at the end of the network, and it's a stringy network, so we know there have been some reliability issues," he said.

"And that's going to happen just by virtue of the way the network's designed, but when we think about the cumulative impact of these types of incidents and businesses' ability to carry losses ... we want to make sure that, when different decision-makers are thinking about the cost of avoiding these types of things, they're taking a holistic picture."

The survey is available at forms.office.com/r/gkjDJtmsnv until April 30.

It is open to businesses only and does not include households.

Results are expected to be released in early May; all data will be de-identified.

Boy, 3, rescued after Wallaroo jetty fall



BIG FALL... The western end of Wallaroo jetty, where Archie, 3, fell into the water.

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

A 3-YEAR-OLD boy was saved by a quick acting friend when he fell about six metres into the water from the Wallaroo jetty last week.

Archie had been fishing with his family and friends at the end of the public section of the jetty when he tumbled into the water before noon last Wednesday, March 26.

Family friend, Katrina Kelly-Russell jumped into the water while he was still in midair and, once in the water, she held him while they waited for help to arrive.

Flinders Ports workers who were

“I took my eyes off him for seconds and that will haunt me forever.”

– Bec Morgan,
Archie's mother

nearby called the company's hydro-survey boat, which was at the local marina, then the crew picked Archie and Katrina up about eight minutes later and took them to the town's boat ramp.

Ambulances took the pair to Wallaroo Hospital.

Archie's mother, Bec Morgan, said fortunately he did not have any injuries, while Ms Kelly had sustained scratches from holding onto the jetty pylon with one arm and Archie with the other, while waiting for the boat to arrive.

Archie's mother, Bec Morgan, said she would be forever grateful to Katrina.

“She didn't give a thought for her own safety and she was in the water so quickly.”

“She is a hero — she saved his life.”

“I took my eyes off him for seconds and that will haunt me forever.”

Bec, Archie and Bec's eldest son, 7-year-old Oliver, were fishing on the jetty with Katrina and her son, Lachlan, 7, and a friend, Amelia, 7.

All live in Adelaide and had been staying at Bec's holiday home in Moonta.

Katrina, a childcare worker, said she had automatically put her childcare and first aid training into action and she did not consider herself to be a hero.

“I think anyone in that situation who could swim and help would do the same thing,” she said.

“Children have always been my number one priority and I had no doubt in my mind (about jumping in).”

Katrina said, as she was dropping into the water, she could see that Archie was face down but his arms and legs were moving.

“I quickly swam to him and put him onto my chest and went into a float so I could see all his body and he didn't appear to be injured,” she said.

Katrina said, although Archie was a little shaky, she was amazed how calm he was as they waited for about 15 minutes for the boat to arrive.

“We sang songs about fish and we talked about if we could use the barnacles (on the pylons) as bait.”

Right: SAVIOUR... Archie with family friend Katrina Kelly-Russell, who rescued him when he fell into the water off the Wallaroo jetty.

“He did very well in all of that.”

Bec said she was grateful that Archie had put his swimming lessons into practice when he fell in the water.

“Archie said to me, ‘Mummy, I was blowing bubbles and lifting my head out of the water like my teacher told me’.”

“He's such a chilled out little man.”

Bec is a keen fisher and crabber, and a regular visitor to the Copper Coast.

She said, although it would be a while until her next jetty visit, she would always ensure that her children wore lifejackets and would like to see signs on jetties reminding other parents to do so.

“I should have had him (Archie) in a lifejacket,” she said.

“If he was anywhere near a pool, he would be wearing one.”

“If you take your kids in a boat, the first thing you do is put a life-jacket on them.”

Bec said she wanted to thank many people who helped on the day, including the Flinders Ports workers and boat crew, emergency workers, hospital staff and other jetty users who comforted her and kept talking to Katrina while she was waiting in the water, and those who packed up all the group's fishing gear so they could collect it the next day.

“So many people came together and supported me,” she said.

“It was the absolute worst day of my life but I'm happy to say my little boy and my friend are both okay.”



Coastal access survey

NORTHERN and Yorke Landscape Board received more than 2000 responses to its online survey about the draft Guuranda-Yorke Peninsula Coastal Access Strategy 2025-2035.

“We appreciated so many of you taking the time to provide your feedback about how to preserve Yorke Peninsula's coastlines for future generations to enjoy,” a post on NYLB's Facebook page read.

“We're now evaluating the comments and responses and will share the overall feedback.”

Low rainfall stats

YORKE Peninsula has received between 25 and 50 millimetres less rain this year to date compared to average, according to the Bureau of Meteorology.

Southern Yorke Peninsula has recorded up to 40 per cent of its average rainfall (1961-1990 average) up until the end of February.

Northern Yorke Peninsula has recorded 20 per cent of its average rainfall up until this time of year.

Year to date maximum temperatures are also tracking around two degrees Celsius warmer than average for stations across Yorke Peninsula.

Retirement village regulations

RESIDENTS, their families and industry stakeholders are being encouraged by the South Australian Government to have their say on the proposed regulations that will support the new Retirement Villages (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 2024.

This law, passed by the State Parliament in November, builds on recommendations from an independent review and aims to offer greater consumer protections for those living in or considering retirement villages.

Key changes include improved transparency in contracts and disclosure statements, enhanced codes of conduct, stronger emergency procedures and safety standards, updated dispute resolution processes, and clearer guidelines for making changes to residence rules.

To contribute, visit yoursay.sa.gov.au/rvactdraftregulations before 5pm on May 11.

Grassroots grants

EXPRESSIONS of interest for the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board's 2025-2026 Grassroots Grants program are now open.

The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board is offering up to \$200,000 in grant money, funded through the landscape levy, to help sustainably manage the region's natural resources.

The Grassroots Grants program empowers volunteers, community and landholder groups, schools, First Nations, agriculture organisations and councils to make a positive difference in the local environment with up to \$10,000 in funding.

Visit landscape.sa.gov.au/ny/get-involved/grants-and-funding/grassroots-grants; EOIs close at 5pm on April 11.

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PASSIONATE PLEA... Member for Narungga Fraser Ellis opens the Yorketown hearing.

Standing up for the SYP

Rachel Hagan
JOURNALIST

ABOUT 130 southern Yorke Peninsula people filled the ground floor and balcony at Yorketown Town Hall to witness the SYP public hearing for the health services inquiry.

The Inquiry on the Delivery of Health Services on the Yorke Peninsula SYP hearing was held last Thursday, March 27.

Sitting as members of the Parliament South Australia Economic and Finance Committee were, Member for Giles Eddie Hughes, Member for Adelaide Lucy Hood, Member for Elder Nadia Clancy and Member for Morphet Stephen Patterson.

The hearing went for just over three hours and, from beginning

to end, tension and anger could be felt throughout the room with many locals shouting their frustration at committee members before the hearing had begun.

“**I know this is a complicated problem, but one in desperate need of a solution...**”
– Fraser Ellis, MP

This frustration was aggravated by sound issues, however Yorke Peninsula Council mayor Darren Braund and Member for Narungga Fraser Ellis fixed the issue with mi-

crophones and speakers, after the crowd berated speakers and the panel for not having adequate sound.

Mr Ellis said the turnout at Yorketown showed just how important the inquiry was to this community.

Though the SYP was calling out for more and better health care, Mr Ellis said none of this was a criticism of current healthcare workers, and instead an opportunity to highlight where improvements were needed.

“I know this is a complicated problem, but one in desperate need of a solution because we stand on the precipice of collapse as we speak,” Mr Ellis said.

During the hearing, almost 20 residents and professionals passionately presented their experiences with the healthcare system and pleaded for change to the panel.

Darren Braund



Yorke Peninsula Council mayor and Light Church pastor Darren Braund reminded the panel that YP had an ageing population with a large percentage of First Nations people, and was also one of the largest residential populations outside of metropolitan Adelaide.

Mr Braund said face-to-face mental health was important, but in his role when he has had to refer a person to a mental health professional, he was often left scratching his head because he only knew of two on Yorke Peninsula that were located in the Copper Coast that he could refer people to.

Mr Braund said his local doctor was still George Kokar who had treated him when he was a child, and more needed to be done to incentivise permanent GPs in the region to replace Dr Kokar when he retired.

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Louise Taheny



Louise Taheny has two children who have complex disabilities, a husband who suffered from a stroke and a son who recently became a quadriplegic. She said she was concerned about medical access for her whole family, but she was especially terrified for her quadriplegic son who may not be able to receive the medical care he needed at Yorketown Hospital, which would mean he could not stay living in his YP home. Ms Taheny said she tried to book a doctor's appointment on December 16, 2024, and was told there were no appointments available until late January.

Alex Buchanan



Alex Buchanan's son has type 1 diabetes, which can make gastroenteritis life threatening. Ms Buchanan said she called Yorketown Hospital when her son had gastro, was told there was no doctor to see him, and was advised to drive to Maitland Hospital in the middle of the night with a vomiting toddler who had a risk of going into a coma. Ms Buchanan said she was also concerned about the lack of GPs in Yorketown, as she had called the only GP in town last week and was told they were not taking new patients.

Liz Curnow



Liz Curnow said the Patient Assistance Transport Scheme was not working because it did not factor in the long wait times involved with booking an appointment. She said, though there sometimes were closer doctors where PATS could be used, they might not have an appointment available in an appropriate amount of time. Ms Curnow said the government could find money for pandas and aquatic centres, but not to fund the health system for country people.

Katie Hughes



Katie Hughes is a social worker who facilitates a parents' group in Minlaton, and she is concerned about the lack of available healthcare for young families on the SYP. She brought the panel's attention to the fact that there were no birthing services at Yorketown Hospital or south of Wallaroo, which left mothers-to-be with a two hour drive to a hospital, or an overnight stay, for basic appointments. She said many women were slipping through the cracks, which included access to perinatal mental health care. In her statement, Ms Hughes said the SYP communities felt completely forgotten, and that the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network should be renamed as the Northern and Copper Coast Network.

Jenny Treloar



Jenny Treloar is a retired registered nurse who used to work in Yorketown. She said she was concerned about the welfare of staff at the hospital because they were already working the maximum number of shifts they could, and there was no one to step in and replace them. She also called for better resources and facilities and questioned why country hospitals had to sometimes use second-hand equipment. During her statement, Ms Treloar became upset while talking about the SYP's mental health concerns. She said week after week staff at the hospital were regularly attacked because they were not equipped to deal with mental health crises.

Keryn Dawes



Keryn Dawes said he wanted to see bulk billing options because the SYP was not a high socio-economic region, and there were many residents who needed that service. Even with private health cover, Mr Dawes said he still had to pay about \$250 every fortnight to see a specialist in Adelaide.

Karlee Parsons



Karlee Parsons said, as a mother of four children and after experiencing a high-risk pregnancy, she had a lot of experience with the local healthcare system. Ms Parsons said she had been told numerous times to travel to Wallaroo or the Women's and Children's Hospital from Yorketown, and had sometimes been left to access an online nurse forum with limited wi-fi. Without proper access to health care and female doctors, Ms Parsons said many local mothers and mothers-to-be had told her they were questioning if they should relocate for better access. She said she was also concerned about the burnout and emotional toll on understaffed healthcare workers in Yorketown.

Peter Stockings



Peter Stockings is a type 1 diabetic and said he tried to book an appointment at the Yorketown Medical Centre late last year, and was told he needed to wait seven weeks. Mr Stockings said the YP had been let down by successive state and federal governments. He called for more specialists to be brought to the YP, and especially more mental health support for the SYP.

Neil Haddow



Neil Haddow said he could remember when health services on the YP were sufficient, and when people needed care, such as X-rays or maternity services, they were able to receive it. Mr Haddow said there were now many in his community living at home into their 90s and, with no local health services, this meant some needed to be transported by ambulance or by volunteer drivers to Wallaroo for health care. He said health care for SYP people came at a great expense as travel and accommodation also needed to be factored in. Lastly, Mr Haddow questioned how YP would support the growth expected from the Rex Minerals mine at Ardrossan, when it could not support itself now.

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Growing pains for health services

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

THE failure of local health services to keep pace with population growth, lack of ambulance services, the impact of the closure of Ardrossan Community Hospital and lack of services were some of the issues presented by speakers at the health inquiry meeting in Wallaroo on Friday, March 28.

Copper Coast Council infrastructure services director Tim Neumann said the Copper Coast and entire Yorke Peninsula were experiencing exponential population growth.

He said Wallaroo Hospital was under-resourced, both operationally and financially, and its 21 beds were consistently full.

"They (Wallaroo Hospital) are consistently pushed beyond their limits," Mr Neumann said.

"The Wallaroo Hospital needs to double its beds and staff numbers to become a substantial regional facility that the community of the Copper Coast and the greater regional area can rely on and trust for the health care that we, as the residents, deserve."

Regional Development Australia Yorke and Mid North chief executive Daniel Willson said enabling people on YP to get better access to GPs would take pressure off local hospitals.

"Speaking with people in the community, it's not unusual to wait in excess of a month or six weeks to get into a GP," he said.

Mr Willson said it was even harder to access a GP during peak tourism season, from October to April, when up to 50,000 extra people were in the area.

He said the ageing population on Yorke Peninsula meant there were increasing numbers of cardiac presentations and reduced access to emergency care, via ambulance services, hospitals or medical practices, which meant people had to travel between centres to access appropriate care.

Having to travel between towns to seek care could be the difference between having a heart attack and getting checked out.

Mr Willson said Wallaroo had the fastest growing population of any centre in the Yorke and Northern region and was expected to grow from 4000 to 8000 people in a short timeframe.

Mental health services were also lacking and people on YP were unable to get consultations with psychologists and psychiatrists.

"There's a really significant gap around the rate of services being accessed, in terms of counselling services from practitioners, versus

people with prescriptions for mental health presentations.

"So, there's a bit of a mismatch between the services being accessed and the extent to which people are being medicated."

Healthy Ardrossan Action Group chair Don Hosking presented the case for more acute care in Ardrossan.

Mr Hosking said the group had been unsuccessful in its attempts to have a South Australian Ambulance Service paramedic stationed at Ardrossan, to work with ambulance volunteers and to help make up for the loss of acute care in the district since the closure of Ardrossan Community Hospital in March 2024.

He said local volunteers, who had to cover both the Ardrossan and Maitland districts, were doing about three callouts a day.

"We have a demographic that includes a high percentage of older and retired people, and we see a few residents now leaving for closer hospital care in the city," he said.

Mr Hosking said the Ardrossan district was fortunate to have a medical practice, but it did not provide emergency care.

HAAG had looked into the possibility of a nurse practitioner providing emergency care but that option would rely on State or Federal Government funding, he said.



OUR VIEW... Sue Bussenschutt, Don Hosking, Lyn Longo and June Ladner gave evidence at a public hearing at Wallaroo for the Inquiry on the Delivery of Health Services on the Yorke Peninsula; at back is Member for Narungga Fraser Ellis.

LOOK out for future editions of the YP Country Times for more coverage of last week's public hearings in Yorketown and Wallaroo on the Inquiry into the Delivery of Health Services on the Yorke Peninsula, including key presentations and speaker insights, along with any recommendations made by the Parliament SA Economics and Finance Committee as a result of the inquiry.

Yorke and Northern Local Health Network underfunded

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

THE Yorke and Northern Local Health Network is underfunded and the state's health system has a metro-centric focus.

That was the stark admission from YNLHN board chair John Voumard at the health inquiry hearing in Wallaroo. He said the board was going "all out" to tackle some of the problem in health delivery but had many challenges.

"The State Government has funded a position for a paediatrician in Yorke and Northern for two years," he said.

"We have not been able to get anyone to accept that position."

There were similar shortages of other health professionals, including doctors, psychiatrists and radiographers.

"We are engaged in a stalemate of negotiation to try and get 24-hour radiography services at Wallaroo," Mr Voumard said.

"It's intensely frustrating to the

board that that is not resolved."

He said the board had long recognised that local medical services were "undesirable" and was slowly turning that process around.

This included initiatives such as the single employer model to enable medical graduates to complete all their training in regional SA and be offered a government contract after five years.

Mr Voumard criticised one of the terms of reference for the inquiry, which is to look at whether Port

Pirie hospital should be removed from the YNLHN.

"It's a fundamental misunderstanding that by removing a hospital, you increase the funding and services available to Wallaroo (Hospital)," he said.

"In fact, it will negatively impact on the rural GP training program that has just started.

"You wouldn't have the excellent Wallaroo rehabilitation service that was placed in Wallaroo Hospital as a result of unmet needs in the community."

Mr Voumard said YNLHN had also increased basic cancer services at Wallaroo Hospital but there was more work to be done.

It also had a much stronger nursing workforce than three years ago and was taking the maximum number of nursing graduates each year.

Mr Voumard thanked those who had shared their personal stories with the board.

"We will follow that up with those people and they can engage with us if they wish to do so," he said.

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Tragic death highlights health flaws

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

THE harrowing story of an elderly man with a traumatic head injury who died after being sent home from hospital brought the problems plaguing local health into sharp relief at the health inquiry hearing in Wallaroo.

At the Economic and Finance Committee hearing at Wallaroo Town Hall on March 28, Lyn Longo, of Moonta, recounted a series of errors and lack of capacity in health services that led to her husband, Don Longo, 70, dying early the next morning.

On October 5, 2022, the couple had their three grandchildren staying with them in Moonta when he tripped and fell onto a metal anvil, which caused facial bruising, including on his eye and forehead.

An ambulance arrived at the Longos' home but the crew received another urgent call for a child, so the paramedic negotiated with Mrs Longo and she agreed to take her husband to Wallaroo Hospital. (The child later died.)

Mrs Longo said she provided hospital triage staff with all her husband's medical information, including his heart condition and use of blood thinners, his list of medications and the fact he had suffered a stroke some years before.

"Despite this information, the severity of the head trauma, and my questions to the locum (doctor) about the strange sound in (Mr Longo's) speaking voice, the locum put a couple of stitches into his split eyelid and said 'he's good to go' and sent him home with this tube of ointment."

"(There were) no warnings of symptoms to watch out for, no follow-up visits planned or appointments for an X-ray."

"Overnight, his condition worsened."

"His face swelled to monstrous proportions, and he couldn't talk — all this observed by three small children. It was clear to me and to the grand-



WIDOWED... Lyn Longo, whose husband of almost 50 years died from a traumatic head injury; she is holding a photo taken of them when they visited Italy in 2019.

children he was critical.

"Early the next morning, the ambulance was called again with the same paramedic who worked all night and he (Mr Longo) died as he arrived at the hospital."

Mrs Longo said she was advised of her husband's death by a phone call from a hospital staffer.

She said some of the many factors that led to his death included inadequate ambulance staffing, leading to delays and paramedics being on duty for at least 12 hours and a reliance on volunteers.

The hospital's ED was also inadequately staffed and lacked

after-hours imaging services, she said.

In her written submission to the inquiry, Mrs Longo said the decision to send her husband home after a severe head trauma rather than keeping him in hospital for 24 hours of observation seemed an "error of unconscionable proportions".

She said she had been consumed with guilt that she did not insist her husband be kept in hospital overnight or choose for him to be sent to Adelaide for a minor procedure to his eyelid.

The report from the State Coroner indicated the accident was catastrophic, as her

husband had suffered cracked vertebrae and internal bleeding and, later, obstruction of his upper airway as a result of the spinal fractures and the fact he was taking anticoagulant (blood thinner) medicine.

Mrs Longo said she was struggling to live with the knowledge that her husband's last few hours were utterly terrifying as he fought for each breath.

"Perhaps the death was inevitable after such a dreadful fall, but he should have had the resources of a modern hospital system there to ease the pain and fear and to give the survivor comfort that everything possible had been done," she said.

Widow and daughter push for change

GRIEVING widow Lyn Longo says she has achieved some peace after her husband's traumatic death following a series of errors and inadequate care.

Mrs Longo and her daughter, Marie Longo, persisted in getting Yorke and Northern Local Health network to address the issues that led to Don Longo's death in October 2022.

They secured a meeting in September 2024 with Wallaroo Hospital director of nursing Sue Watkins, YNLHN quality and safety director Fiona Murray, and YNLHN medical services executive director Dr Hendrika Meyer.

In her written submission to the inquiry into health services on Yorke Peninsula, Mrs Longo wrote the following actions had been reported at the meeting:

- The Regional Local Health Network Post Fall Management Protocol, covering all six regional health services in SA, had been revised and now directed admission for all consumers (patients) presenting as Mr Longo had
 - A shared learning resource had been developed so that all sites could learn from Mr Longo's case
 - Seven Wallaroo Hospital nursing staff and two educators attended had attended an Emergency Medicine Education and Training program trauma education session
 - Two staff who were rostered on the night of Mr Longo's presentation at Wallaroo Hospital had attended an education program on trauma in older patients
 - Education sessions, entitled Trauma Tuesdays, had been introduced at Wallaroo Hospital and all ED staff were encouraged to attend
 - A trial of a trauma and fall alert sticker was undertaken at Wallaroo and Maitland hospitals. The use of such stickers was superseded by the introduction across YNLHN of Electronic Medical Records, which have forcing functions for EDs to ensure all triggers have to be considered and entered into the record to ensure appropriate triage. The rollout across all YNLHN sites was due for completion in mid-January 2025.
- Mrs Longo said, in addition to these measures, YNLHN had recruited an emergency medicine specialist as an ED director for Wallaroo and Port Pirie Hospitals to provide senior medical expertise.
- She was also told YNLHN would continue to advocate the provision of 24-hour CT imaging at Wallaroo Hospital.
- "Seeing the changes that are being made give me peace that I have done as much as I can to make my husband's life count," Mrs Longo said.

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Federal budget quickfire summary

Sarah Herrmann
JOURNALIST

APART from electricity rebates, Medicare investment and childcare policies, here's a quick rundown of what you need to know about the federal budget, which treasurer Jim Chalmers handed down on Tuesday, March 25.

Deficit: Despite Labor delivering back-to-back surpluses earlier in its term, this budget is at a deficit. The budget has been in a structural deficit (caused by falling commodity prices, weaker economic growth and higher government spending) for most of the past 20 years and is predicted to continue that way for the next decade. Debt is nudging a record \$1 trillion but is \$177b lower than projected before the last election in 2022.

Tax cuts: From July 1, 2026, the tax rate on income earned between \$18,201 and \$45,000 will be cut from 16 per cent to 15 per cent and will reduce even further to 14 per cent from July 2027, if Labor is re-elected. The government expects the cuts to put up to \$268 a year back into taxpayer pockets in year one and up to \$536 a year from year two onwards.

Housing: The Help to Buy housing program will be expanded by \$800 million to help first home buyers. Eligible apprentices will also be given a \$10,000 incentive payment to train in the housing construction sector. Meanwhile, Opposition leader's budget reply reaffirmed the Coalition's previously announced policy to let first home buyers access \$50,000 of their own super to put towards a home deposit. Peter

Dutton also said cutting permanent migration by 25 per cent and setting stricter foreign student caps would relieve stress on rental markets.

Education: Labor will invest \$16.5 billion in public schools by providing an additional five per cent of the Schooling Resource Standard to all states and territories. The Australian Education Union has called upon Mr Dutton to match the commitment. Labor has also pledged to cut HECS-HELP debts by 20 per cent and provide 100,000 fee-free TAFE places per year if re-elected.

Aged care: \$2.6 billion will be spent on wage increases for aged care workers after the Fair Work Commission's decision to increase minimum awards for the sector. \$292 million will be spent over five years to continue the implementation of recommendations from the

royal commission as well as reforms to the system passed last year.

Farming: GrainGrowers has compared the budget to a scoop of vanilla ice cream: "predictable and lacking the flavour to truly satisfy regional Australia". Chief executive Shona Gawel praised regional housing, low carbon liquid fuels and childcare announcements, but would've liked to see more on market diversification, climate change and regional freight routes. RAA also noted the budget did not allocate any funding to SA's regional road network.

More from Opposition reply

In his formal budget reply on Thursday, March 27, Opposition leader Peter Dutton announced plans to halve the fuel excise and repeal legislation for Labor's promised tax cuts

— legislation that was passed shortly after Labor's budget announcement.

Mr Dutton estimated the \$6 billion freeze would save a one-car household an average of \$14 a week.

He also said a Liberal government would implement a National Gas Plan to prioritise domestic supply of gas and drive down energy bills; boost the instant asset write-off for small businesses from \$20,000 to \$30,000; and commit an additional \$400 million towards youth mental health.

He said he planned to reduce the public service by 41,000 positions, estimating it would save \$10 billion.

Greens leader Adam Bandt criticised Labor's budget on the grounds of it providing fossil fuel subsidies, and lacking support for renters and putting dental or mental health into Medicare.

Small businesses welcome electricity rebate

Sarah Herrmann
JOURNALIST

REDUCED electricity bills are on the horizon for households and small businesses, but is a \$150 rebate per quarter enough to make a difference?

Seaside Vet Surgery, Wallaroo, owner Amanda Bunney said Labor's budget promise wouldn't make a dent in the cost of running a veterinary practice.

"While I would always welcome rebates of any kind, as that may mean we can do another hour of staff training, for example, it's not a significant amount for us," she said.

"What would have been more helpful is if we could have access to the recent solar panels and battery rebate.

"We got our electrician to do up a proposal for us, but they closed the submissions early as they had so many."

However, Ms Bunney acknowledged that many people were feeling cost-of-living pressures and considered any government relief a good thing.

"We've just got our latest power bill, which is \$1300," she said.

"We lost \$24,000 in refrigerated medication and frozen laboratory consumables in the recent power outage, as well as losing a day of revenue."

"We have since bought a generator so that does not happen again."

She also said she hoped Labor's personal income tax cuts would increase customers' spending power so pets could get the care they need.

Moonta Newsagency owner Adrian

Hatcher said he thought customers would continue to prioritise essentials such as food and bills despite the tax cuts.

"I would have liked to see extra tax cuts for small business too," he said.

"Being in small business, any help is welcome; I don't think we get enough support."

The electricity rebates would apply from July 1 if Labor is re-elected. The Opposition has matched the \$1.8 billion commitment.

The \$300 rebates announced in last year's federal budget are set to expire on June 30.

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the rebates have reduced electricity prices by 25 per cent and directly lowered headline inflation.



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Script subsidy's impact in doubt

Sarah Herrmann
JOURNALIST

ONE in five Australians has skipped or delayed filling a script in the past three years due to cost, rising to one in three in regional areas, according to the Pharmacy Guild of Australia.

However, prescription medicines are set to cost no more than \$25 under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme if Labor wins the next election.

The \$689 million investment was promised as part of the federal government's budget announcement last week, but Stansbury pharmacist George Kokar has said the policy wouldn't be much help to Yorke Peninsula's ageing population.

"This probably won't affect a lot of my customers, only because we have such a large proportion of retirees in Stansbury — they would generally be on a pension card or concession card," he said.

Mr Kokar also said someone who gets the odd script here and there would benefit more than a family with a higher number of scripts.

"I haven't heard in any announcements whether they're reducing the safety net total.

"For the PBS Safety Net, if a family living under the same roof reaches the threshold of \$1694, you actually then start paying concession rates for your scripts for the rest of the year," he said.

"So, by bringing the (individual) price down from \$31.60 to \$25, it will actually be a little bit harder for people to get to that (threshold) before they get cheaper scripts.

"If you have a family on a lot of scripts, you're not going to be any better off financially because you're still going to reach that safety net, just later in the year."

Mr Kokar said, if that threshold was lowered, the subsidy would work better for regular customers that need it the most.

"For our family, (daughter) Penelope is type 1 diabetic, I'm asthmatic, so we both get a few scripts," he said.

"We might save \$100 a year, so it's not a huge saving for the family that only gets a few things.

"If you were more of a regular with more family members, you'll save \$6.60 per script."

Opposition leader Peter Dutton has matched Labor's commitment.



CHEAPER SCRIPTS... According to Stansbury pharmacist George Kokar, Labor's prescription medicine subsidy is not as straightforward as it might seem.
PHOTO: Michelle Daw

Medicare investment

WHILE Stansbury pharmacist George Kokar said he was hopeful the subsidy would make medication more affordable, he was also eager to see Labor's broader \$8.5 billion Medicare investment promise, which Liberal leader Peter Dutton has matched, have an impact on regional areas.

Labor has pledged the funding towards making nine out of 10 GP visits free by 2030, and funding nursing and GP trainees.

Mr Kokar said southern Yorke Peninsula was crying out for doctors.

"We are seeing a lot more customers (at the pharmacy) that should be seeing doctors but are unable to," he said.

"And actively we do get people from either the hospital admin or surgery admin say 'pop down and see George, he will ring us if it's severe enough'.

"Let's hope it (the funding) actually transfers over to something useful in our area."

Rural Doctors Association of Australia president Dr Raymond Lewandowski said he was doubtful.

"For many rural general practices, 100 per cent bulk billing will be virtually impossible," he said.

"Patients at these practices generally need longer consultations due to more complex health needs and minor procedures are often also provided in the practice."

Dr Lewandowski also said only seven per cent of GP training places had so far been allocated specifically for rural or remote settings.

Child care: no specifics for Grey

CHILD care is set for a boost with further subsidies, the construction and expansion of regional services and pay rises for childhood educators, if Labor is re-elected.

However, Barunga West Council interim chief executive Paul Simpson said there was still a long way to go in addressing Grey's child-care desert, the worst in the country.

BWC hosted the launch of the Regional Childcare Desert Advocacy Project in Port Broughton last month.

"The incredible turnout at our campaign launch clearly demonstrates the urgency and unity behind our cause," Mr Simpson said.

"Our region contributes over \$15 billion annually to South Australia's economy, yet families continue to lack basic childcare services.

"The federal budget's announcements are promising, but we must see specific commitments for Grey."

Mr Simpson said, while the policies were promising, families in Grey wouldn't benefit unless childcare services were available locally.

A 2022 demand survey in Port Broughton highlighted the economic impact of inadequate child care, with 74 per cent of respondents saying they would increase their employment if child care was accessible.

"Every moment governments delay action, our children and communities suffer," Mr Simpson said.

"Promises alone aren't enough; we need immediate funding commitments and practical solutions to address our urgent needs.

"We want clear, actionable commitments from all tiers of government.

"It's crucial to ensure our children thrive, whether they're in Adelaide's suburbs or Port Broughton."

If re-elected, Labor will entitle all families to at least three days a week of subsidised child care from January 2026, removing the current activity test.

The party has also committed \$1 billion to construct and expand 160 regional childcare services and \$3.6 billion towards a 15 per cent pay rise for educators.

Opposition leader Peter Dutton did not mention child care in his budget reply.

For more on the Regional Childcare Desert Advocacy Project, see page 3.



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As election day approaches, the Yorke Peninsula Country Times will explore key issues by inviting candidates for Grey to share their views.

Labor, the Greens and other parties have not yet announced candidates for Grey.

Anita Kuss Independent



THE budget contains some good initiatives, but many appear quite city-centric or eastern-states focused, with nothing for drought-impacted farmers in Grey.

The range of cost-of-living measures including tax cuts will be appreciated by voters, and increases in wages for aged care workers and early childhood educators is welcome, as is lowering the cost of medicines on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme and initiatives such as reducing student debt.

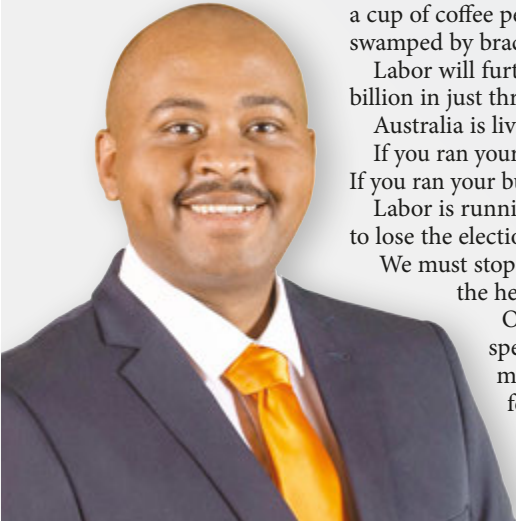
Government support for the Whyalla Steelworks and Rex Airlines is welcome, but we need to make sure it is more than a short-term band-aid.

I also cautiously welcome the Building A Future Made In Australia initiative, but we need to make sure it actually supports the long-term needs of our region, particularly the upper Spencer Gulf and regional communities who are part of the clean energy transformation.

Brandon Turton One Nation

JIM Chalmers, the Treasurer — who has never run a business or been employed in the private sector — has delivered inflationary spending totalling \$786 billion and record debt of almost a trillion dollars in this extremely disappointing but entirely predictable budget.

There's nothing of real value in it for communities in Grey.



Labor's additional tax cut delivers relief worth less than a cup of coffee per week at a cost of \$17 billion and will be swamped by bracket creep in any case.

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Peter Borda National Party of Australia

I AM usually optimistic but I'm genuinely disappointed that Grey's projected growth potential is stifled by this federal budget.

With Grey in the middle of a documented childcare desert and one of the worst droughts on record, you must wonder if Canberra knows Grey exists!

The \$3.2 billion metals industry boost, including Whyalla's steelworks is great.



However, given the steelworks is responsible for 75 per cent of Australia's structural steel and 4000 jobs, it can't be ignored.

\$1.8 billion for roads across the country appears generous, but Grey's vast road network will see only a trickle-down benefit, which is insufficient given years of network decay.

The \$150 quarterly energy rebate is tokenistic.

Prioritising only renewables over a commonsense combination, including gas and nuclear for baseload power, jeopardises energy security and net-zero goals.

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Labor has even turned its nose up at sealing the iconic Strzelecki Track, with not one additional dollar allocated, although former state and federal Liberal governments had funded the project.

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SYP calling for face-to-face help

Rachel Hagan
JOURNALIST

SOS Yorke's chair Ann Clothier has joined peak health bodies from around the country in calling out the Federal Budget for a lack of mental health funding.

Though Labor's budget has allocated \$46 million over the next four years to digital mental health services, this initiative may only benefit some cohorts.

Ms Clothier said she did not believe this was the answer for Yorke Peninsula, as much of the community lacked reliable internet or phone coverage to use a digital service.

Adding to YP's digital disadvantage, the South Australian Council of Social Services Digital Inclusion Solution 2022 report showed YP was 10 per cent behind the state average in digital literacy, meaning many in the community would struggle to access help.

"People deserve services that meet them where they are physically and emotionally," Ms Clothier said.

At the Yorketown public hearings for the health services inquiry last Thursday, March 27, she said the YP was in crisis, with mental health support nearly non-existent at a local level.

"Residents must travel two hours to Kadina or Wallaroo, or even three hours to Adelaide or Port Pirie where even basic health services are stretched thin," Ms Clothier said.

"Local hospitals are not equipped to handle suicidal crises or psychotic episodes.

"We have no youth services, adult services or face-to-face mental health support."

However, thanks to the combined efforts of SOS Yorke's volunteers and Mental Health Partners directors, the YP recently had a small win with a series of Mental Health First Aid workshops in Minlaton.

MHP directors David Moran and Deb Gleeson donated most of the workshop costs to SOS Yorke to help address the mental health crisis in the SYP community.

The course teaches participants practical skills in under-

standing, de-stigmatising and supporting people in their communities who experience mental health concerns.

After spending part of their lives in Yorketown, Mr Moran said they understood the extra challenges facing regional people and felt it was his duty to help communities wanting to do better.

"Normally when we do these charitable events out in the country, we have at least a 10 per cent drop-off," Mr Moran said.

"But, obviously the community here really wants this information and is happy to support it because not only did the courses fill up very, very quickly — the first session was in a week and the second was four days — but every single person has actually turned up."

At the SYP workshop, a participant approached Mr Moran about a loved one who was continually being locked up by police during medical episodes.

"They act like he is a criminal or something, but he is just upset and not able to communicate in a meaningful way because his mind is not working in that way," Mr Moran said.

"Police then think he's dangerous, so they restrain him and lock him up.

"Then he gets assessed and they realise that he's actually not dangerous at all and he gets let out.

"But that can take three or four days."

The workshop highlights the importance of Medical Alert bracelets, which can be scanned by emergency workers.

This links police or paramedics to key information, such as an Advance Care Directive, which directs them to a trusted decision-maker when the patient is unwell and unable to advocate for themselves.

"If they put all of these things in place, within a very short period his experiences will change dramatically because he's got a system in place to help," Mr Moran said.

"Whereas the system in general is not designed to help, it's designed to stop danger from happening."



IMPRESSIVE TURNOUT... Mental Health Partners director David Moran could not believe the high attendance for his mental health first aid training, in Minlaton.



STANDING UP... SOS Yorke's chair Ann Clothier speaking at the Health Services Inquiry public hearing, at Yorketown.

Government's response

Joanna Tucker
JOURNALIST

THE YP Country Times asked State Minister for Health Chris Picton about future funding for mental health services on Yorke Peninsula during his visit to Port Pirie Hospital on March 14.

Minister Picton said YP group SOS Yorke provided important community-based suicide prevention activities for the community and that Preventative Health SA had been in discussion with the group to identify opportunities for support.

"Recent support has included awarding a \$5000 Suicide Prevention Action Plan Grant in February 2024, and a \$7700 Suicide Prevention Community Grant in the 2022-23 grant round," Minister Picton said.

"We know that more South Australians, including those in rural and remote areas, need better access to mental health services and that's why we are investing significantly to expand services.

"That includes introducing one of the first paediatric virtual mental health services in the nation, accessible to young South Australians across the state, no matter where they live, including YP"

Minister Picton said the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service also provided mental health services for children out of Minlaton and that anyone experiencing a mental health emergency could attend an emergency department at hospitals such as Yorketown and Maitland.

"The Emergency Triage and Liaison Service is available 24/7 at 13 14 65 and connects with mental health clinicians for support and referrals to other services," he said.

Minister Picton also said the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network provided community mental health services and the SA Government had boosted funding to NGO mental health services by \$8 million across four years, including services on YP delivered by NGOs Mind and Uniting SA.

"Your GP or Emergency Triage and Liaison Service can provide information on referral pathways for community and NGO services," he said.

More information about the paediatric virtual mental health care service is available at <https://www.wch.sa.gov.au/patients-visitors/emergencies/virtual-urgent-care>.



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Seal of approval for Wallaroo roads

Joanna Tucker
JOURNALIST

ROAD resealing works began in Wallaroo in early March and are expected to be completed by mid-April, weather permitting.

Copper Coast Council aims to improve road safety and longevity for residents and visitors by completing these works, covering a large portion of Wallaroo’s residential streets.

Once the works in Wallaroo are finished, the VSA Roads and council team will move into Kadina, Moonta and Paskeville to do similar work.

Details of these future works will be available from the council once the current works in Wallaroo are completed and a timeframe can be confirmed.

Council’s director of infrastructure Tim Neumann said the resealing works were a crucial part of the council’s commitment to maintaining and enhancing infrastructure in the region.

“Investing in our roads ensures safer travel for our community and contributes to the overall quality of life in Wallaroo,” Mr Neumann said.

“We understand that road works can cause temporary disruptions, and we appreciate the community’s patience and cooperation during this period.”

Mr Neumann said resealing roads across the Copper Coast was essential to protect them from weathering and wear, and to extend their lifespans to reduce costly repairs in the future.

“We are working diligently to minimise disruptions and complete the works as efficiently as possible,” he said.

Residents are advised that temporary traffic disruptions and limited access to certain streets may occur during the resealing works.

Signage will be in place to guide motorists, and residents are encouraged to follow all traffic management instructions.



Wallaroo streets being resealed

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- Palmer Esplanade
- Carleton Crescent
- Elizabeth Street

SEAL THE DEAL... Copper Coast Council director of infrastructure Tim Neumann with VSA Roads supervisor Luke Saunders, who is leading a team to complete resealing works across the Copper Coast. Below: **PAVING THE WAY...** Two VSA Roads trucks parked in Wallaroo.



ON TRACK... A VSA Roads truck reseals a road in Wallaroo.



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Moonta firm on trail of success

COPPER Trails Bike Hire, of Moonta, was highly commended at the 2024 Australian Tourism Awards, held in Adelaide on March 21.

The business was recognised in the Retail, Hire and Service category, achieving an overall score of 80 per cent.

This follows two consecutive wins in the South Australian Tourism Awards for 2023 and 2024.

In addition to attending the national awards ceremony, CTBH owners Anne and Colin Minion attended a reception to congratulate the state’s finalists, hosted by Her Excellency Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia, at Government House on March 28.

Mrs Minion said they were extremely proud of what the business had achieved since opening in January 2022

and thanked their dedicated staff — Sara Marks, Brenton Hickman, Oliver McFarlane and Naomi McFarlane.

“We feel very privileged to be acknowledged for what we have done,” she said.

Mrs Minion said the team prided themselves on being genuine, providing good customer service, and being embedded in the local community.

CTBH has been involved for the past two years in a scheme with the local branch of the Salvation Army, the Moonta Men’s Shed and Kadina Freight to restore donated bicycles. The bicycles are distributed by the Salvation Army to adults and children in need at Christmas.

She said CTBH was proud to employ local people and contribute to the local economy, and thanked the community for its support.



BIG NIGHT... Anne and Colin Minion with an entertainer at the 2024 Australian Tourism Awards, held at Adelaide Convention Centre.

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Locals open their hearts for 'Shoebox Lady'

Michelle Daw
JOURNALIST

THE Copper Coast community has wrapped its arms around a local woman who has given so much to others in need, and is now facing her own challenges after losing her home and car in a fire.

Meredith Haskard's Port Hughes property was destroyed on Friday, March 21, when flames engulfed the house and caused the roof to collapse.

An MFS spokesperson said the cause of the fire had not been determined but was not considered suspicious.

Meredith is fondly known as the "Shoebox Lady" because of her two-decade commitment to raising funds for the Samaritan's Purse project, Operation Christmas Child, which distributes gift shoeboxes to children in poverty-stricken countries.

To raise money for OCC, she makes and buys items to sell at market stalls in Arthurlton, Alford and Wallaroo, at the Easter Fair at the Uniting Church in Moonta, and other outlets. She also coordinates the packing of the shoeboxes.

Meredith has also contributed to many local charity initiatives on the Copper Coast, including packages and gift hampers for homeless people and raffles for local schools and kindergartens.

She says she has been overwhelmed with support since her home caught fire.

She first knew something was wrong when she opened the meter box at her house and saw smoke coming out. She contacted an electrician friend, who told her to ring 000 immediately.

When the fire broke out and she was standing in her driveway, a stranger warned her not to go back inside the house.

"A person I didn't even know stopped, and because I wasn't thinking straight, his comment to me was 'you know you cannot go back inside'.

"He said 'you're very lucky to be out', and as he's saying that, the roof's exploded, going up in flames."

A local electrician then arrived, checked that the power to the house was turned off, and started hosing down the flames with a garden hose before firefighters from the Metropolitan Fire Service and Country Fire Service arrived.

Meredith was left with nothing but the clothes she was wearing and her mobile phone.

Family and friends immediately came to her aid and provided her with somewhere to stay.

She has since received many offers of household goods, clothes, and vouchers from local people and businesses, plus replacement prescriptions and an offer of long-



“He said ‘you’re very lucky to be out’, and as he’s saying that, the roof’s exploded, going up in flames.”
— Meredith Haskard

term accommodation.

Meredith said that, although she had house, contents and car insurance, it would be some time before the claims were paid.

"Until you are in this situation, you don't actually realise what you need to get back on the road, from the most simple hygiene (items)," she said.

After the fire, her friend and fellow Operation Christmas Child participant, Amy Whelan, became overwhelmed with requests from people wanting to help Meredith.

The pair agreed that Amy would set up a GoFundMe page, which reached its initial target in the first two days.

Amy said the focus was not on raising funds but on giving people who wanted to help Meredith an opportunity to do so in the most effective way.

"Meredith has done so much for so many people over the years," she said.

Meredith said that, although she would have to scale down

her involvement with Operation Christmas Child for at least the next 12 months, she would never lose her passion for the project.

She said she learned so much when she and Amy visited Cambodia in 2018 with Samaritan's Purse to help distribute the shoeboxes and visit some of the organisation's projects.

"They are people who are just so happy, but they have nothing," she said.

"I came back to Australia and we have everything, but people are unhappy."

"These children may only have one set of clothes, no shoes, and they may not be able to go to school because their parents can't afford the textbooks and the pencils."

"When they undo the boxes, their laughter and their joy are just electrifying, and (so are) the smiles on their faces."

For more information, go to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/meredith-rebuild-her-home-and-her-faith>.

FRIENDS... Meredith Haskard (right) with friend and fellow Operation Christmas Child contributor Amy Whelan, in front of Meredith's burnt-out home at Port Hughes. Below: Meredith Haskard and Amy Whelan visited Cambodia in 2018 to help distribute Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to children in need.



Yorketown children's centre ready to party

Rachel Hagan
JOURNALIST

YORKETOWN Community Children's Centre is getting busy decorating its walls in preparation for its big 55th birthday this weekend.

The whole community is invited to share some afternoon tea, and even get their faces painted, at the free event, 1pm to 3pm on Sunday, April 6.

YCCC director Lisa Vermeeren said the children were excited for the celebration, and they could not wait to see what was inside the time capsule left from 2010.

The centre's current participants will also leave behind a piece of themselves in a 2025 time capsule to be opened in the next decade.

"We're excited and hopeful that many past educators, children, families and community members will join us for the celebration," Ms Vermeeren said.

"A dedicated group of parents has been working hard to reach out to as many past educators as possible.

"Additionally, we've been compiling a photo album filled with group photos from

throughout the years.

"While we've gathered many, we're still missing a few, and we hope someone might have them to share with us."

The centre was not able to properly celebrate its half-century birthday, due to the pandemic and COVID-19 restrictions — but now that everyone can be in the same room again, it is time to have that big party.

As a part of the celebrations, the centre is looking to hear about the community's experiences with the centre, and how the facility has meaningfully impacted their lives over the years.

"Free and accessible events like this are incredibly valuable to the community," Ms Vermeeren said.

"They offer a chance for people to come together and celebrate the achievements of early childhood education on SYP and the achievements of the YCCC community.

"YCCC has long been a welcoming environment where everyone can feel involved and appreciated and this event will foster that sense of belonging and create lasting memories for all those involved."



HAPPY BIRTHDAY... Yorketown Community Children's Centre director Lisa Vermeeren has a cuddle with Matilda, while Macy, Willow and Gemma hold up the time capsule from 2010. And, at the front, Hallie, Arlo and Kaylee show off their colourful sign. Inset: **PARTY PREP...** Willow and Kaylee practise their designs for the party decorations.

Putting the FUN in fundraiser at Corny Point

Rachel Hagan
JOURNALIST

CORNY Point's annual Easter Sunday is more than just a celebration because, without the thousands of dollars usually raised at the event, the town would not be able to continue keeping its community connected.

In combination with bottle and can collection, the isolated but tight-knit community uses its Easter markets to raise the entirety of its annual funding, which supports nearly 100 per cent of new projects in the town.

Corny Point Progress Association member Chris Wilkison said that because of its isolation, the community needed to be relatively self-reliant, making this yearly fundraiser vital for keeping the town hall and other services up and running.

"We have our library here, yoga, Pilates, craft days, games days, birthday parties and we've even had weddings," Ms Wilkinson said.

"If we didn't have the hall, that would really shut the town down."

Though the hall is owned by Yorke Peninsula Council and leased to the progress association for a small fee, there are still plenty of initiatives that need funding.

Past Easter fundraisers have helped pay to beautify the town and create small community services, such as free book exchanges, as well as essential infrastruc-

ture, such as footpaths, that help residents move safely about the community.

Local librarian Lisa Brown said Corny Point was one of the busiest community libraries in the district and would not be able to exist without the town hall.

"For rural communities, it would alleviate isolation because reading can transport you to the author's creative world," Ms Brown said.

"The library provides this, and it's a warm, welcoming space for community members to gather together, which is also really important for rural communities."

The Easter event started in 1996, replacing the sports day community fundraiser that was held each September.

Now the Easter Sunday Markets and Fun Day offers attendees a range of shops and activities for all ages, but the real drawcards are the Devonshire tea and barbecue.

The whole community gets involved, either on the barbecue or baking the 200 to 300 scones needed for the tea.

Local resident Rene Goodes, who has only missed one market in the past 30 years, has the jam covered because you cannot have scones without jam and cream.

Market volunteer Di Tiller said people get there early just to make sure they can get their hands on Ms Goodes's jams.

"She makes everything — jams, sauces, chutneys and cakes," Ms Tiller said.



DEVONSHIRE TEA... Corny Point's incredible volunteers, clockwise: Lisa Brown, Trevor Tiller, Muriel Williams, Di Tiller, Chris Wilkinson, John King, Lynne King, Bronte Detmar, Leanne Hendrie and Heather Shepley. Left: **FUNDRAISING FOR COMMUNITY...** Librarian Lisa Brown and her son Tate will make sure the avid readers of Corny Point have a great selection of books.

New leader for Wallaroo Primary



LEAD AND FOLLOW... Wallaroo Primary School students Eva and Sophie with their new principal Jenevieve Heinrich.

Sarah Herrmann
JOURNALIST

DEPUTY principal Jenevieve Heinrich has taken over the reins at Wallaroo Primary School. She replaces Dominica Thomson, who last week departed for Ernabella Anangu School in the APY Lands, after five years in charge of WPS. “We are definitely very sad to see Dominica leave but we know that she is embarking on a new and exciting journey,” Ms Heinrich said. “Overall, the feeling has been really positive and the community is happy that there will be continuity with me stepping in because they know me. “I’m very excited to be working in this space and see where it takes myself and the school.

“I don’t want to change too much but I will work to ensure everyone has the best opportunity to thrive and succeed.” Ms Heinrich said she was proud to be a fifth generation local, with her family living on Yorke Peninsula since 1880. “My grandma actually wanted to be teacher but couldn’t,” she said. “She went to school in Kulpara and she ended up having polio and had to look after her siblings. “So she’s very proud that I’ve become a teacher.” Ms Heinrich began her teaching career in the northern suburbs but was eager to return home. She worked at Kadina Memorial School before joining WPS in 2021, working in roles including years 5-7 teacher, student wellbeing leader and, most recently, deputy principal. “The (deputy) role has evolved and has included a focus on wellbeing, inclusive education and supporting learners with diverse needs, whether that be learning or social and emotional needs,” she said. “It’s a beautiful school and a beautiful community and I’m really passionate about supporting our learners and supporting our vision, which is to inspire curious, creative and confident learners. “We’re really focusing on learner agency, allowing them a say in their learning, because that will enhance their engagement and their passion.” Ms Heinrich will be principal until the end of 2025 when the position will be advertised.



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A blessing for Yorketown

Rachel Hagan
JOURNALIST

ARCHBISHOP of Adelaide Patrick O'Regan thrilled students at St Columba's Memorial School, Yorketown, when he stopped by to bless the school's new learning spaces.

Distinguished guests Catholic Education SA director Dr Neil McGoran, South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools chair John Neate, Member for Narungga Fraser Ellis and Yorke Peninsula Council mayor Darren Braund all joined the Archbishop for the official opening of the school's new facilities last Wednesday, March 26.

Construction was completed in late 2023 but, because the Archbishop is a busy man, students from St Columba's had to wait patiently for his visit.

Principal Luke Buchanan said it was a special long-awaited moment for his students, and they were thrilled to welcome the Archbishop into their school.

"The opening ceremony was a proud and significant moment for our school showcasing not only our beautiful new facilities but also the strong, supportive community that

makes St Columba's so special," Mr Buchanan said.

Though this celebration was for a physical space, Mr Buchanan said it was also a significant milestone that represented the school's ongoing commitment to providing a vibrant and modern learning environment for future generations to come.

"The new buildings provide modern, flexible learning spaces that enhance student engagement, collaboration, and wellbeing," he said.

"Our new facilities feature flexible learning spaces, advanced technology, improved natural lighting, modern furnishings and breakout areas."

During the ceremony, Archbishop O'Regan empathised that the new facilities were not just bricks and mortar, but instead a home for education, which is an act of love.

He said he hoped the walls would echo with laughter and learning, and be filled with wisdom and truth.

During the ceremony, Yorke Peninsula Catholic Parish priest Father John Mbaraka and the Archbishop blessed each of the new doors and classrooms, so everyone who walked through would feel welcome and be reminded that St Columba's was a blessed place.



LONG-AWAITED MOMENT... Yorke Peninsula Catholic Parish priest Father John Mbaraka, Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and St Columba's Memorial School principal Luke Buchanan.



BLESSING LEARNING... Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and Father John Mbaraka bless each of the new learning spaces.



ENHANCING EDUCATION... St Columba's Memorial School year 1 students Amirah and Zander were excited to show off their new school buildings to the Archbishop.



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Footy cups inspire Snowtown students

TWO South Australian National Football League representatives brought football fever to Snowtown Primary School and Preschool on Monday, March 24, as part of the Gather Round Community Footy Roadshow.

Finn Reed, Central District player, and Todd Thorne, SANFL game development coordinator Barossa and Lower North, showcased prestigious football premierships trophies, sharing the rich history behind each — the SANFL Women's Cup, the SANFL Cup (The Tommy), the AFL Women's (AFLW) Cup and the AFL Men's Cup.

Students and staff had the rare opportunity to view and hold the silverware, making for an unforgettable experience, school principal Trish Boschetti said.

"For young football lovers, especially players from the Blyth Snowtown Cats, seeing these trophies up close was a moment of inspiration," she said.

"Footy isn't just for big cities — it thrives in country communities too.

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The AFL Gather Round is a special event where all 18 Australian Football League teams play in South Australia over one action-packed weekend.

This year's event kicks off at Adelaide Oval and other venues on Thursday, April 10.



REGIONAL ROADSHOW... With the AFL, AFLW, SANFL and SANFLW premierships cups are, back: Central District player Finn Reed, SANFL game development coordinator Barossa and Lower North Todd Thorne; and Snowtown students, fourth row: Jyzaiha, Tyson, Charlie, Ollie, Millicent, Sid, Xavier, Blake, Sofia; third row: Elsie, Violet, Reggie, Frank, Alfie, Scarlett, Charlie, Piper; second row: Tyrone, Ned, Ted, Morris, Zoey, Elka, Mackenzie, Heidi; front: Logan, Charlie, Damon, Eedie, Chloe, Lena.



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FROM THE ARCHIVES



RETRIEVAL... Wallaroo Metropolitan Fire Service firefighters Phil Wharton and Tony Cole wait for their next instruction during the retrieval of a man who drowned near Corny Point, at Wallaroo. (YP Country Times, March 31, 2015.)

50 YEARS AGO

MARCH/APRIL 1975

- NYP Junior Tennis Association A grade girls premiers, Kulpara: Gayle Kotz, Michelle Daniel, Gaynor Modra, Bronwyn Kotz, Linda Daniel, Cathy Poole
- Anthony Honner, of Brentwood, worked to restore Sandalwood Park, a 640-acre mixed farming enterprise
- St. John's Church of England, Maitland, was to celebrate its centenary on Sundays, April 13 and 20

40 YEARS AGO

MARCH/APRIL 1985

- YP Country Times third-year apprentice Ian "Bodgie" Shaw topped his class at the School of Printing and Graphic Arts
- Rex Boundy was acknowledged for 30 years of service to the Minlaton District Hospital
- Kaye Fuss, Dulcie Barker, Glenys Westbrook, Betty Fuss and Julie Whenan enjoyed the Cunliffe WAB 25th birthday celebrations

30 YEARS AGO

MARCH/APRIL 1995

- Malcolm McDonald, proprietor of J. C. McDonald and Son, Bute, closed his office door for the last time
- YVFL coaches: Ardrossan, Tim McLeod; Arthurton, Trevor Hall; Bute, Neville Smith; CMS Crows, Roger Clift; Kadina, Alex Lunn; Maitland, Bruce Hines; Moonta, Gavin Appleton; Paskeville, Michael Ireland; Southern Eagles, Greg Germein; Wallaroo, Lynton Pearce
- Paskeville Primary School captains were Jessica Ormsby, Kate Wilson, Michael Bowey and Adam Phillips

20 YEARS AGO

MARCH/APRIL 2005

- Steven Griffiths, John Lush and Shane Kelly contested Liberal preselection for the state electorate of Goyder
- Violinists Alice Terrett, Katrina Philbey, Georgina Eden and Sally Terrett entertained at Kadina Music and Variety Club
- District Council of Yorke Peninsula mayor Robert Schulze congratulated Anne Eyles, of South Kilkerran, on becoming an Australian citizen

10 YEARS AGO

MARCH/APRIL 2015

- Bronte and Anne Rule started a new chapter after 21 years running the Kadina Mitsubishi dealership
- Former Hawthorn draftee Darren Collins, 36, was found guilty of murdering Jacqueline Franklin, 34, in mid-October 2013; her remains had been found in a shallow grave in a Stansbury backyard that December
- Experienced Port Lincoln commercial prawn fisher John Rogers drowned after falling overboard near Corny Point



SIXTY YEARS... Henry and Patricia Stock celebrate their diamond day at home in Maitland.

Jim and Patricia Stock celebrate 60 years

Austinn Lane
JOURNALIST

FOR Henry (Jim) and Patricia Stock, of Maitland, Yorke Peninsula has always been home.

Last week, the couple celebrated 60 years of marriage, marking their diamond anniversary on Wednesday, March 26 — six decades after exchanging vows at the Maitland Methodist Church in 1965.

Their journey together began with a honeymoon in Perth, where they explored the city and Rottnest Island, creating memories that remain among their most cherished.

“Apart from our honeymoon, we haven’t really left the area — just

short trips here and there,” Jim says. Lifelong YP residents, the Stocks have deep roots in farming, a way of life that has kept them closely connected to the community they have always called home.

They met at a dance in the Arthurton Hall and they shared their first kiss that evening.

As time progressed and they grew closer, Jim would head to dinner at the Whittaker household after football training and spend the evening with the future Mrs Stock.

The Stocks have been heavily involved with the community, especially sport in their younger years — Jim played football and tennis in Arthurton, while Patricia pursued hockey, playing a key role

in keeping the Sandilands Hockey Club afloat for a long while.

For many years, they lived on a farm in Sandilands, where they worked side by side to run the property.

“Getting married means you are automatically on the payroll around the farm,” Patricia says.

The farm remains in the family today, now operated by the fifth generation, allowing the couple to step back and enjoy a well-earned retirement.

They moved to Maitland about 30 years ago but stayed actively involved in farm life for many years before fully slowing down.

“Jim didn’t miss a harvest until last year, now he has missed the

past two,” Patricia says.

At 88 and 83 respectively, Jim and Patricia have left the farmwork to their four children and 14 grandchildren.

Patricia says their children have also had strong marriages, clocking up 30, 28, 27 and 25 years so far.

“They are all on their first marriages and going strong, so it must be a family thing,” she says.

It was evident just how family orientated the Stocks are, always welcoming visitors into their home and offering food and beverages, their daughter Sheree Brennan says.

The couple celebrated their milestone wedding anniversary with family and friends on Sunday, March 30.



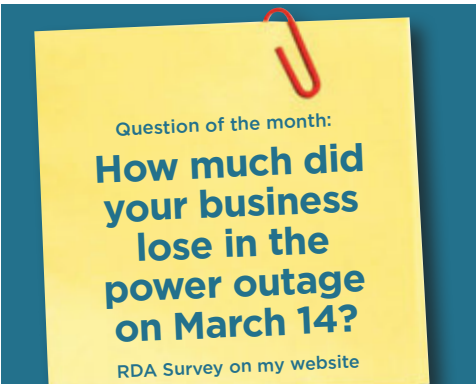
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Rail rollover exercise for Bute CFS and cadets

BUTE CFS volunteers and cadets conducted a search and rescue exercise on Tuesday, March 18.

The exercise was conducted at the Bute Community Men's Shed using a railcar that its members are restoring, and many locals attended to watch the unusual training.

The training focused on working together in a large heavy vehicle scenario, addressing potential entrapment from debris.

Passenger stand-ins (teddy bears) were extricated from the vehicle, with scattered debris simulating a derailment and rollover.

Twelve Bute CFS cadets were guided by Bute CFS Lieutenant 2 and cadet leader Andrea Manners, along with Bute CFS firefighters Riley Maddison, Imogen Wolf, Scott Brown, Tanya Langton and Rhianna Maddison (acting as a medic).

Cadets learned how to assess an incident, identify hazards, and apply search and extrication techniques.

They cleared the staged debris to locate individuals needing assistance and then received guidance on assessing casualties, providing basic first aid and coordinating safe extrication between teams inside and outside the vehicle.

Throughout the drill, cadets evaluated their approach and adjusted their methods as needed.

Lieutenant Manners said the exercise provided the opportunity for firefighters and cadets to put existing skills into practice and work as a team.

Cadets learned about effective radio communication, and how to assess and deliver a planned all-in outcome, she said.

Afterwards, BCMS members provided pizzas, a sausage sizzle and drinks, warmly welcomed by all.

Bute CFS cadets meet fortnightly during the school term, and are managed by cadet leader Andrea Manners.



TEAMWORK...Bute CFS cadet rescuers hand off an extricated teddy bear between the in-vehicle and ground teams, guided by firefighter Rhianna Maddison, acting as medic.



GROUP EFFORT... Bute search and rescue exercise participants, back: firefighters Riley Maddison and Tanya Langton, CFS cadets Nick, Harry, Saxon, Max, Luke, Fletch, Lieutenant 3 Scott Brown, Senior Firefighter Rhianna Maddison; front: Cooper, Maverick, Albert, Charlie, Josh, and Strath with Lieutenant 2 and cadet leader Andrea Manners, and firefighter Imogen Wolf. Left: **CLEARING THE WAY...** Bute CFS cadets remove debris from the vehicle to access people who need assistance as part of the search and rescue exercise.

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Community

Tackling Walk the Yorke for charity

LONG ROAD... Phil Chambers sets off along the Walk the Yorke path to raise money for Global Mission Partners.



Austinn Lane
REPORT BY

STIRLING resident Phil Chambers has embarked on a 500-kilometre trek along the Walk the Yorke trail to raise funds for Global Mission Partners.

GMP is a non-profit organisation supporting communities without access to healthcare and housing around the world.

A member of the Aldgate Church of Christ, Mr Chambers regularly participates in the church's Easter Walk for Hope, a local fundraising event for GMP.

This year, he has decided to take on a bigger challenge.

"Last year, I did the Aussie Camino Pilgrimage Walk from Portland to Penola, and this year I thought I would step it up again," he said.

"I have already had plenty of donations through my work, lots of people who support what we do have donated."

Mr Chambers plans to walk 25 kilometres per day, carrying a 15 kilogram backpack with water and food for seven days.

He has scheduled two rest stops, where his family will meet him with supplies — first at Edithburgh, then at Corny Point.

After setting off from Port Arthur last Thursday, March 27, his journey is expected to finish in Moonta on Thursday, April 17, before he returns to Aldgate Church of Christ on Easter Sunday, marking the fundraiser's completion.

"I am very grateful for this opportunity and love spreading the message that Global Mission Partners puts out," he said.

Donations can be made via the GMP website <https://easter.gmp.org.au/>.



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Rotary helps Ardrossan SACWA

MAITLAND Rotarian Stuart Palecek volunteered his time hanging new curtains at the South Australian Country Women's Association, Ardrossan branch clubroom.

The SACWA members thanked him for his work. They said service clubs working together was important and promoted sharing and caring, part of the SACWA slogan, "Sharing and caring with action".

The old curtains will be used at the Mount Searle Station home-stead complex which, in a joint Iga Warta Community/ Maitland Rotary project, is being refurbished for an eco wilderness tourism venture, run by the community.

The station is near Nepabunna in

the northern Flinders Ranges.

SACWA members had also collected beds, chairs, tables and a barbecue for Maitland Rotary to take to the station.

The Ardrossan branch has guest speakers and trips planned leading up to its 80th birthday in August 2027.

Meetings are held at 10.15am on the second Tuesday of each month and are open to women of all ages.

There is no formal business when there is a speaker and members share friendship and a packed lunch unless advised otherwise.

The branch also thanked the local handyman who cleaned the clubroom windows.

Jose Patrick

Probus elects new committee

MOONTA and District Probus Club held its annual general meeting on Monday, March 3.

After her annual report on a successful year, president Helen Colliver invited past president Doug Warmington to conduct the election of office bearers for the coming year.

President for 2025-26 is Helen Colliver; vice-president, Doug Warmington; secretary, Marg Bastian; treasurer, Mary Greven.

Committee members: membership, Denis Healy; hospitality, Dawn Ireland and Dulcie Barker; guest speakers, Pauleen Hounslow, Colleen Archibald and Philip Woodward; publicity, Gordon Woods; newsletter, Richard Bastian; welfare, Mal Coleman and June Healy; travel, Richard Bastian; activities, Dulcie Barker, Colleen Archibald; welcoming, Denis Healy; lucky numbers, Peter Colliver; public officer, Doug Warmington; auditor, Graham Hancock.

The meeting also included discussions about the dining group and club lunch functions.

President Helen thanked the newly elected committee and welcomed visitor Tom Benjamin.

March birthday greetings went to Kristina Mudge, Richard Bastian, Ronda Hall and Helen Bagshaw, while Pauleen and John Hounslow received anniversary wishes.

Richard Bastian outlined plans for a campout trip to Peterborough in October, and lucky draw winners were Peter Hall, Ronda Hall, Judy Warmington and Colleen Archibald.

The next meeting, on Monday, April 7, will feature a guest speaker from AUDIKA hearing specialists.

Of special interest is the May 5 meeting, when former Ghan Railway manager Kate Brokate will be the guest speaker.

For more information about Probus, contact secretary Marg Bastian on 0417 826 703.

G.R.W.



Keep your pets safe this Easter

EASTER FUN... Looking for a pet-safe activity? Create a fun Easter-themed corner with pet-friendly props for a cute family photo shoot.

WITH Easter around the corner, pet parents should be aware of hidden seasonal dangers that could lead to unexpected vet visits.

From chocolate eggs to decorative objects, the holiday cheer can quickly turn into an emergency, especially for curious cats and snack-loving dogs.

According to the PetSure Pet Health Monitor 2024, chocolate toxicity remains a major cause of Easter-related vet visits, and dogs are at high risk due to their keen noses and willingness to gobble up anything.

Cats are also naturally attracted to the smell and texture of chocolate, which contains theobromine and caffeine, both of which are toxic

to felines; ingesting chocolate can lead to vomiting, diarrhoea, rapid breathing, increased heart rate and even seizures or death.

Other top Easter hazards include hot cross buns (often contain raisins, which are toxic to dogs), Easter lilies (deadly to cats even in small amounts), plastic Easter grass and foil wrappers (can cause intestinal blockages if ingested), and cooked bones from Easter roasts (can splinter and cause choking or internal injuries).

If your pet has accidentally gotten into something dangerous, look out for vomiting or diarrhoea, excessive drooling, tremors or seizures, lethargy or weakness, loss of appetite and difficulty breathing or changes

in behaviour.

Don't wait if you suspect your cat or dog has eaten something harmful, contact your vet immediately; quick action can save their life, is the advice from PetSure.

Safe alternatives for pet-safe Easter celebrations include a modified egg hunt (hide small treats or puzzle toys filled with your pet's favourite healthy snacks in the backyard or around the house; DIY Easter toys (fill a cardboard egg carton with bits of kibble or catnip for your feline to bat around) and frozen treats (make pet-safe frozen Easter eggs using silicone moulds and ingredients such as natural yoghurt, xylitol-free peanut butter and mashed banana).

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OPEN DIVISION... Winner Lindsay Meaney, with runner-up David Jackson, and third-placed Trevor Wakefield.



UNDER PRESSURE... Shearer Trevor Wakefield, of Mount Gambier, is watched by Curramulka Speed Shear judges Jim McKenzie and David Short. The annual shearing event was held at the Curry oval on Saturday, March 22; see YP Country Times, March 25 edition, for report.



WOMEN'S DIVISION... Runner-up Karmel Parsons with winner Ebony Hendry.



INTERMEDIATE DIVISION... Winner Brodie Maywald with runner-up Tom Robinson.



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Cactus Martens in Kadina

RENOWNED country music entertainer Cactus Martens is set to bring his signature mix of music, comedy and charm to Kadina this Friday evening.

The YP Veterans and Community Centre's monthly dinner dance promises a fantastic evening of live entertainment, with bar facilities available (no BYO), co-ordinator Vicki Vassallo says.

A respected figure in the Australian country music scene, Cactus has toured nationally and dedicated his talents to community performances, including aged care facilities, hospitals and festivals.

Based in Port Pirie, he's known for his warm stage presence and deep connection to his audience.

Don't miss this night of great music and good company, Vicki says.

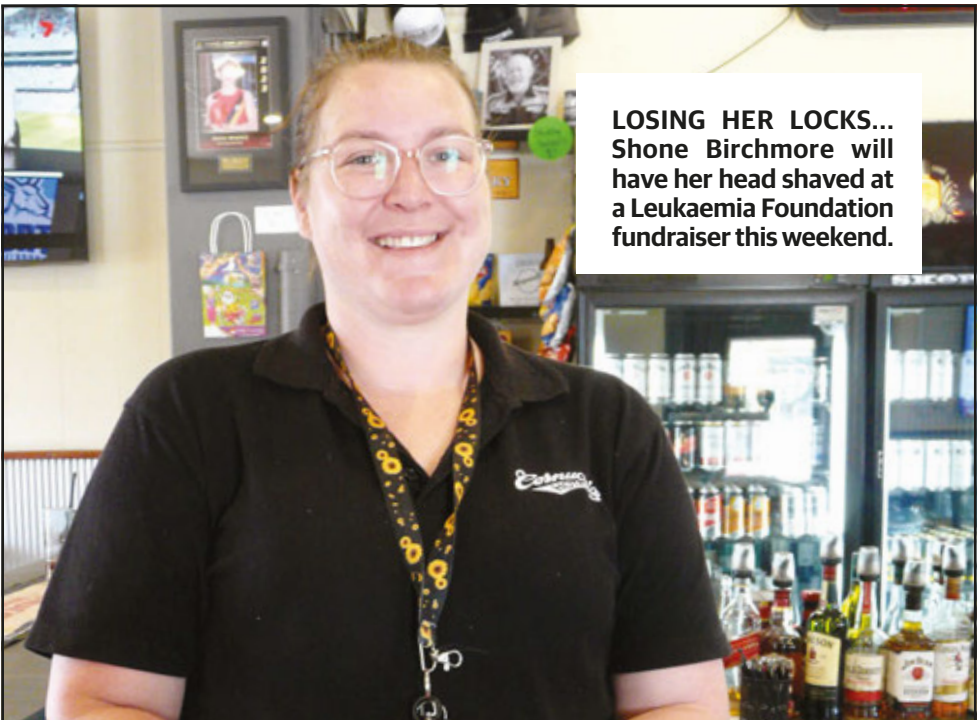
The YP Veterans and Community Centre is on Port Road and the dinner dance is 6pm to 10pm, on Friday, April 4.

Bookings are appreciated; contact Vicki on 0415 569 796.

See the Community Calendar in this issue for more details.



ENTERTAINER... Enjoy an evening of country music with Colin "Cactus" Martens.



World's Greatest Shave at Wallaroo

SHONA Birchmore is making a bold move to support cancer research.

She will shave her head as part of the World's Greatest Shave, raising funds for Leukaemia Foundation.

The event will take place at the Cornucopia Hotel, Wallaroo, where Shona is a bar staff member, this Sunday, April 6.

In addition to Shona's head shave, regular pub patron Dash will shave his hair into a mohawk and dye his beard and hair purple and pink.

Another regular, Joe, will also shave his head.

"Cancer runs in the family, and everyone is affected by it, so I just wanted to help,"

Shona said. "My auntie has cancer right now and I just want to make a difference.

"It's just hair — it's not as life-changing as cancer."

The team is hoping to raise at least \$1500 for the cause.

Donations can be made at the Cornucopia, with additional collection tins available throughout Wallaroo, as well as at Auto One in Kadina.

The head shaves will take place at around 4pm in the hotel beer garden.

Everyone is welcome to attend and support the event, Shona said.

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Ostomy group celebrates milestones

YORKE Peninsula Ostomy Group's February meeting provided members with valuable information.

Despite a last-minute cancellation from guest speaker Rachael Amato, of Coloplast, members received insights from specialist stoma nurse Tim Garfield.

Tim brought Coloplast products to the meeting and demonstrated their use.

He explained how to utilise them in different situations and prevent problems.

He also gave details of other products and how to avoid discomfort and accidents.

The 30 members present thanked Mr Garfield and celebrated his two years on Yorke Peninsula.

Members also celebrated the group's five-year anniversary assisting ostomates.

They remembered Elizabeth English, a specialist stoma nurse from Adelaide who supported early meetings before a local stoma nurse was available.

Afternoon tea was shared, including a chocolate sponge birthday cake made by Dulcie Barker.

The next meeting is in the Joyce Olsen Room, Wontama Homes, East Terrace, Kadina, 2.30pm on Tuesday, April 16.

A dietitian will provide advice about eating wisely.

Ostomates and partners are welcome to come along; for more information, contact co-ordinator Helen Colliver on 0419 839 869.

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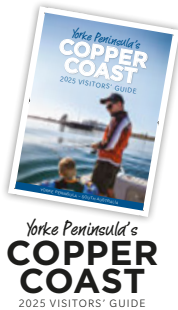




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Sport

Moonta runner's mammoth marathon quest

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"I try to get three months of fully focused training in before a marathon," Nelligan said.

"The focus is normally slow-paced runs and lots of interval training."

In addition to training, food is a big part of preparing for a marathon.

"You need to have plenty of calories — you can almost eat whatever you like because you will burn them while training and during the race," he said.

Nelligan is no stranger to the marathon circuit, having previously competed in Stockholm, Tokyo and New York, as well as numerous events across Australia.

In addition to full marathons, he has also tested his endurance in four half-marathons, each covering 21 kilometres.

"My favourite so far is New York, it starts early in the morning but you run past areas of nightlife, the scenery stood out," he said.

"There was a constant crowd around you and people always cheering in New York, it was amazing."

Nelligan has his sights set on completing the Seven Wonders of the Marathon World, which includes Boston, New York, Berlin, London, Tokyo, Sydney and Chicago.

With several of these already under his belt, the London Marathon will

bring him one step closer to achieving this elite milestone.

"My first marathon was Sydney in 2010, but it wasn't on the Seven Wonders list at the time, so it doesn't qualify," he said.

"Boston and Chicago require some more qualifications to get into, but they are two I would love to compete in."

Beyond the Seven Wonders, Nelligan has set his sights on an even bigger challenge — running a marathon on every continent and in every Australian state.

So far, he has conquered marathons in Australasia, North America, Asia and Europe, with more destinations on his radar.

"There are certain marathons I'd love to do, like Nepal and Bhutan, purely for the scenery," he said.

"I love running marathons, and I love to travel, so why not combine the two?"

"I did one in Perth in October 2024 and I have one eyed off in Cairns in July 2025, they will knock out two other states."

Nelligan has already taken on marathons in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide and Townsville, adding to his impressive list of achievements.

With London fast approaching, he is in full training mode, eagerly preparing for his next big challenge on the world stage.

STRIDING TO ACHIEVE...
Tom Nelligan shows off his 14 medals from previous half and full marathons.

\$5000 for fastest community footballers

AFL Gather Round in the Barossa will feature more than footy and wineries — it will host the first Gather Round Sprint, inviting community footballers nationwide to compete.

The 70-metre sprint will offer \$30,000 in prize money and will be part of the Barossa Park Live Site event to be held at the newly redeveloped Barossa Park in Lyndoch.

The fastest male and female open winners will each receive \$5000, with another \$5000 for their footy club. Underage winners will take home \$1000, plus \$1000 for their club.

"This is an exciting opportunity for male and female community footballers to join in the carnival atmosphere at Barossa Park," SANFL executive general manager Matt Duldig said.

Registrations are free and open until 5pm, on Monday, April 7.

Each club can enter two representatives per category, and all entrants must have been registered with an affiliated community football club in the 2024 season (excludes AFL and AFLW players).

Featuring live commentary by Stawell Gift commentator Ollie Wurm, the event is facilitated by the South Australian Athletic League, which organises the Bay Sheffield.

"The SAAL is thrilled to bring sprinting excitement to Gather Round," SAAL president Kym Steer said.

"Winning footballers will also receive free entry into this

year's Bay Sheffield to compete against Australia's top runners."

In addition to the sprint, the Barossa Park Live Site, will also offer live DJ sets, food vendors, an AFL Play interactive footy zone, and a live screening of the Barossa AFL Gather Round match.

The free live site runs from 10am to 4pm, April 12 and 13, and is accessible via match shuttles from the city, Gawler train station, and Park n Ride locations across the Barossa.

Register for the Gather Round Sprint at <https://southaustralia.com/products/barossa/event/gather-round-sprint>.

Find out more about the Barossa Park Live Site at <https://southaustralia.com/whats-on/afl-gather-round>.



AFL/AFLW... as a part of the AFL Gather Round Community Footy Roadshow, the 2025 AFLW and AFL Premiership Cups made their way to Uluru (Ayers Rock) in the Northern Territory on Friday, March 29.

COMPETITION PROGRAM

Saturday, April 12
10am-noon

- Heats for the Under 14, U16 and U18 male and female sprints
- Finals run at halftime of North Melbourne v Gold Coast game

Sunday, April 13
10am-12pm

- Heats for the Open male and Open female sprints and exhibition races by SAAL pro runners
- Finals run at halftime of Richmond v Fremantle game

Sixteen LYPCA A grade flags for Stansbury duo Pitt and Brundell

Peter Argent
REPORT BY

Stansbury's success in the Lower Yorke Peninsula Cricket Association has made the club a country cricket legend.

Over the past 22 seasons, the club's A grade side has played in every grand final, winning 18 — a phenomenal success without equal across South Australia and, likely, throughout the nation.

In the 2024-25 season grand final on Saturday, March 8, Stansbury 2/108 defeated Sunbury 107 (see YPCT 12-3-25 for scoreboard).

Adam Pitt and Rhys Brundell have each played in 16 of these premierships.

"Rhys missed the first two flags," Pitt told the YP Country Times.

"I missed premierships number five and six as we were travelling around Australia.

"Simon Anderson is next on the list with 15 and we have another five who have now reached double figures.

"You never get sick of winning premierships I can assure you of that," Pitt said.

"The first flag in 2003-04 finished a 54-year drought; that was very special, winning by two runs.

"We won the first 11 in row, and there have been plenty of close contests over the journey."

Tom Rankine, Bernie Vince and James Moss now have 11 titles while Ryan Brundell and Zac Bertoldi have 10.

In South Australia, the closest comparison to Stansbury's success is Miltalie — a powerhouse team in the Franklin Harbour Cricket Association.

According to cricket statistician Geoff Sando, Miltalie won 13 premierships and was runner-up nine times in the last 25 years of that association.

Miltalie played in 22 grand finals across 24 seasons, from 1961-62.

One grand final defeat was against Lucky Bay in 1974-75 despite Miltalie batter Kevin Jackson scoring 204 not out.



LYPCA A GRADE... Stansbury captain/coach James Moss and club president Adam Pitt celebrate their team's premiership shield win.



LYPCA A GRADE... Premiers for season 2024-25, Stansbury, back: Tristan Fantinel, Lachlan Hoile, Zachary Bertoldi, Henry Johnson, Mitch Ryan, George Kokar; middle: Edward Johnson, Austin Smith, Benn Waller, Oscar Macgowan; front: Samuel Harris, captain/coach James Moss, Adam Pitt, Rhys Brundell. Left: Rhys Brundell and Adam Pitt have both won 16 premierships with the Stansbury Cricket Club.

Stansbury players with five or more flags

Adam Pitt	16	David Agnew	8
Rhys Brundell	16	Rob Rankine	8
Simon Anderson	15	Mitch Ryan	7
Tom Rankine	11	Dylan Gillies	6
Bernie Vince	11	Tim Vince	6
James Moss	11	Sam Harris	6
Ryan Brundell	10	James Agnew	5
Zac Bertoldi	10		

Young athletes at SA championships

Three Northern Yorke Peninsula Little Athletics Centre competitors travelled to Adelaide to compete in the SA championships last month.

Jaspa Barnes, Mackensie Oliver and Eamon Webel all self-nominated for the Little Athletics SA State Individual Championships, held at the SA Athletics Stadium in Mile End on March 22-23.

Competitors in the Under 14 age group and upwards also had the chance to earn state selection for the Australian Championships in April.

Jaspa had an outstanding weekend, bringing home bronze in U12s shot-put, while finishing fourth in hurdles and fifth in the 100 metre sprint.

The Australian Little Athletics Championships will also be held in Adelaide, April 26-27, marking the second consecutive year the event has been hosted in South Australia.

Both Mackensie and Jaspa have previously represented the state in the Schools SA athletics team, showcasing their talent on a larger stage.

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Argent's team of the quarter-century

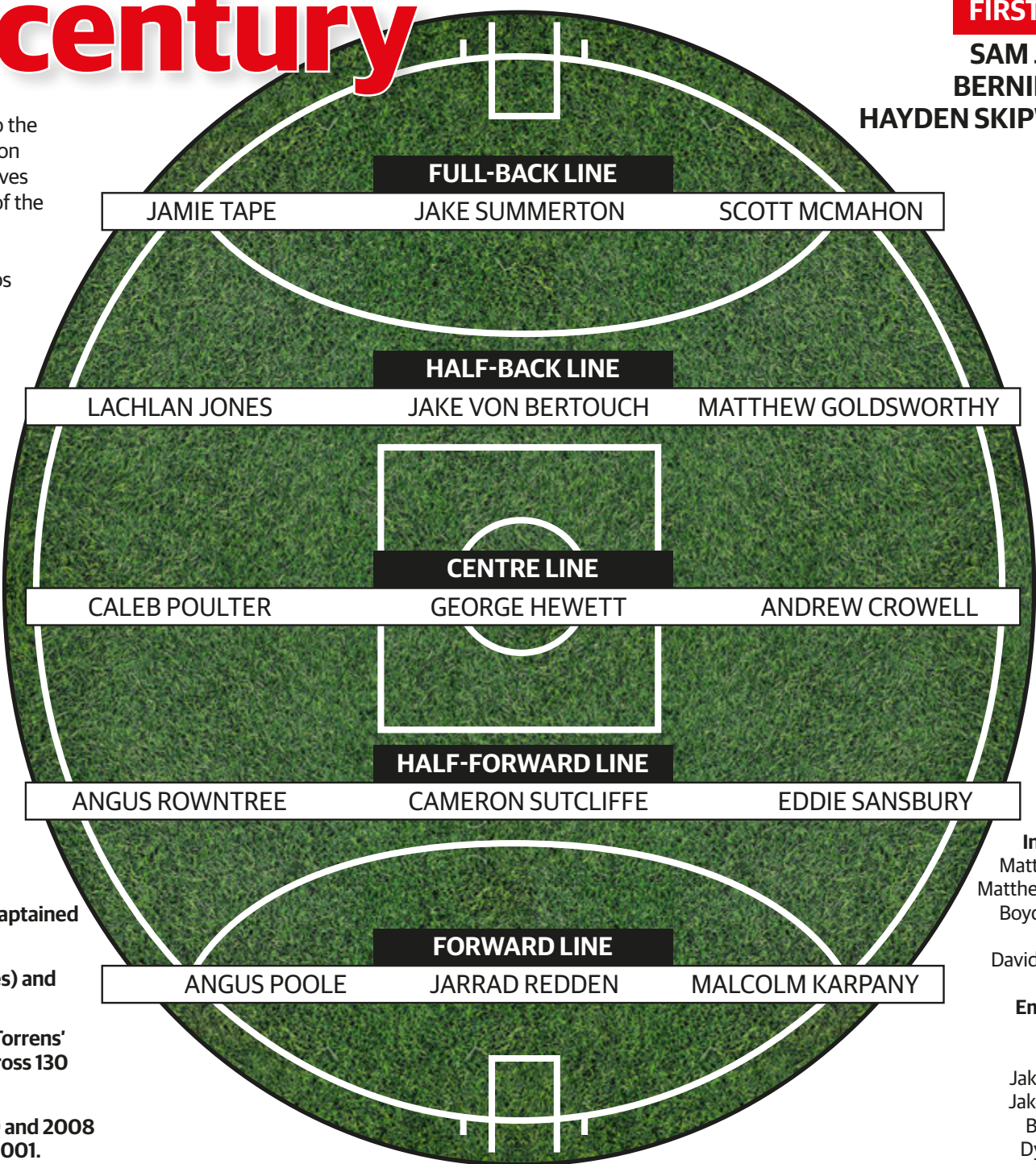
Sportswriter Peter Argent, who has contributed to the YP Country Times for 25 years, is marking the occasion by naming the players from Yorke Peninsula he believes make up the best football team of the first 25 years of the 21st century.

The side includes 16 AFL-listed footballers, with 200-game players Bernie Vince and Sam Jacobs named as captain and vice-captain of the 2020-25 team, respectively.

Freeze frame – the pictured players

- 1** George Hewett drafted by the Sydney Swans in 2013, he played 120 games with them before joining Carlton, and has played 62 games for the Blues to date.
- 2** Malcolm Karpany was drafted by the West Coast Eagles in 2013, going on to sign with South Adelaide in 2019 before returning to play with his foundation club Moonta.
- 3** Sam Jacobs played for Carlton, Adelaide and Greater Western Sydney, retiring from the AFL after 14 seasons.
- 4** Angus Poole played 137 SANFL league games for Woodville-West Torrens.
- 5** Angus Rowntree, two times best and fairest winner for Woodville-West Torrens and 2015 Magarey Medal runner-up.
- 6** Cameron Sutcliffe played 113 games for Fremantle and Port Adelaide in the AFL, and captained Port Adelaide's SANFL side.
- 7** Bernie Vince suited up for Adelaide (129 games) and Melbourne (100 games) in the AFL.
- 8** Jake von Bertouch played in Woodville-West Torrens' 2020 league premiership, scoring 62 goals across 130 games.
- 9** Matt Dawes played for Norwood between 199 and 2008 and made the Advertiser Team of the Year in 2001.

PHOTOS: Peter Argent



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HEART AND SOUL

Max Litster reaches 50-game milestone

Peter Argent
REPORT BY

Woodville-West Torrens defender Max Litster (Minlaton) started his 2025 season by playing his milestone 50th SANFL League game in the opening fixture against Central District at the Ponderosa on Saturday, March 29.

Eagles coach Sam Jacobs praised the hardworking and dedicated defender from Minlaton.

“Max is what I’d call the ultimate team player,” Jacobs said.

“He’s tough and courageous, and he is always about what is best for the team.

“The type who can play tall or small, he is noted for taking a good mark for his size.

“Max hit the scoreboard and was able to kick some goals last year, which was nice and helped our cause.”

Litster made his SANFL League debut in round 19 of the 2021 season after representing South Australia at underage level.

He has been a regular in the league side for the past two SANFL seasons. Before moving to Adelaide, he played A grade football with the CMS Crows in the YP Football League.

While the final scoreboard didn’t favour the Eagles against their modern-day rivals, Central District, it was

still a big day for the Litster family.

“I had my mum, Catherine, and dad, Christopher, my girlfriend, Sophie, her parents, Ben and Shan, along with a few mates from Minlaton at Elizabeth down for the game,” Litster, the youngest of four brothers, told the YP Country Times.

“Brothers Harry and George couldn’t get down as they were playing a trial game for the Crows (which had a bye in the YPFL) at Crystal Brook.

“Getting to 50 games, I feel, is a bit of an achievement and an acknowledgement of the time I have put in at Woodville-West Torrens.

“I see it as a credit to the commitment and work I have done over the past four seasons.

“Naturally, the final result of the contest was extremely frustrating, going down by just one point.

“But we only had two on the bench and players going down with cramp.

“I reckon our biggest lead was 21 points at one stage.

“The momentum switched in the last quarter and the game went their way.

“I take it year by year, but the 100-game landmark is a milestone I’d like to tick off at the Eagles.”

Litster, who turns 23 in the middle of the year, is a fully qualified carpenter and works with the family business, based in Adelaide.

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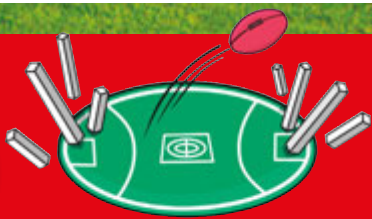
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Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 5 TOTAL: 16



MD Mystery Tipster

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Fremantle v Western Bulldogs (OS) (N)
Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 7 TOTAL: 21



Mark Ravenscroft

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Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 7 TOTAL: 18



Miriam Errington

Collingwood v Carlton (MCG) (N)
Geelong v Melbourne (GMHBA) (N)
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Richmond v **Brisbane** (MCG) (T)
North Melbourne v **Sydney** (MRVL) (N)
GWS v West Coast (ES)
Port Adelaide v St Kilda (AO)
Fremantle v Western Bulldogs (OS) (N)
Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 6 TOTAL: 20



Sue Barke

Collingwood v Carlton (MCG) (N)
Geelong v Melbourne (GMHBA) (N)
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Last week: 7 TOTAL: 19



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Fremantle v **Western Bulldogs** (OS) (N)
Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 7 TOTAL: 16



Ashley Schmidt

Collingwood v Carlton (MCG) (N)
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Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 5 TOTAL: 19



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Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

Last week: 5 TOTAL: 16



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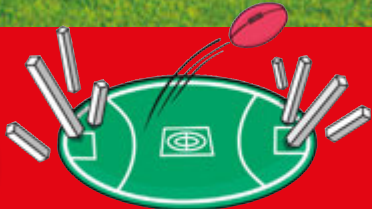
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CELEBRITY BUSINESS TIPSTERS



On an elevated stage



SANFL LEAGUE... Jett Hasting (Maitland) made his league debut with Woodville-West Torrens on Saturday.

Peter Argent
REPORT BY

AFL

Carlton suffered its third consecutive loss, falling to the Western Bulldogs by eight points in a hard-fought contest under the Friday night lights at Marvel Stadium in Melbourne.

The Bulldogs secured a 12.11 (83) to 11.9 (75) victory.

Broughton-Mundoora Eagles product George Hewett was among Carlton's top performers, collecting 27 disposals, including 15 handballs.

He also contributed four marks, nine tackles and eight clearances in a strong individual display.

VFL

Southport secured a thrilling three-point victory over fellow standalone VFL club Coburg at Fankhauser Reserve, holding on for a 9.8 (62) to 8.11 (59) win.

Boyd Woodcock (Bute), selected in the VFL squad for the state game against South Australia at Tanunda Oval during Gather Round, was a standout. He collected 31 disposals (15 kicks, 16 handballs), along with five tackles and 10 clearances in a strong performance.

SANFL Women's League

Woodville-West Torrens continued its strong start to the season with a commanding 54-point victory over Central District at Eastern Park Reserve.

Eagles secured their third successive win with a high-quality performance, firmly establishing themselves as title contenders.

State U18 squad member Imogen Trengove (Bute) was outstanding, collecting an equal team-high 20 disposals (13 kicks, seven handballs) and kicking three goals.

She also contributed three tackles and a clearance in a standout display.

West Adelaide suffered a 14-point defeat to reigning premiers South Adelaide at Richmond Oval.

Veteran forward Nicole Hooper

(Maitland) marked her return with a first-quarter goal, finishing with 10 possessions.

Former SANFLW best and fairest Hannah Button (SYP) was also influential, gathering 14 touches, five tackles and two clearances.

SANFL Men's League

Woodville-West Torrens suffered a heartbreaking one-point loss, falling to Central District 10.5 (65) to 9.12 (66), at Elizabeth Oval on Saturday, March 29.

Despite leading by 21 points at three-quarter time, the Eagles conceded 5.5 to 2.1 in the final term to let victory slip away.

Will Neumann (Kadina) was solid with 14 disposals (11 kicks) and three tackles.

Kade Herbert (Bute) was a strong contributor, recording a team-high seven tackles, 17 touches and five clearances. Bailey Hann (Walleroo) collected 12 possessions and two tackles, while Max Litster (Minlaton) finished with seven touches and two tackles.

Teenager Jett Hasting (Maitland) made his league debut in this match.

The former Woodville-West Torrens U18 premiership captain and SANFL junior standout started on the wing, finishing with five disposals, a tackle and a clearance.

Hasting, who played five years of First XVIII football for Saint Peter's College and represented the Central Yorke Cougars as a junior, continues to build on an impressive young career.

Jake Summerton (Walleroo) and South Adelaide showed positive signs despite a four-goal defeat to Sturt in their season opener at Noarlunga Oval. Summerton was strong in defence, though his statistical output was limited.

SANFL Men's Reserves

In the reserves clash at Elizabeth, Woodville-West Torrens secured a two-goal victory, defeating Central District 10.8 (68) to 8.8 (56).

Edithburgh's Jordan Tilbrook played

a strong defensive role despite limited statistical output, contributing to the Eagles' solid performance.

SANFL Under 18 Boys

In a tough and closely fought contest at Elizabeth Oval on Sunday, March 30, Shane Reardon's side held on for a three-point victory.

Jack Mumford (Walleroo) had just five possessions but made a crucial impact with a vital goal.

"Jack worked hard as usual and certainly kicked an important goal when we needed it," Reardon said.

Reardon also praised Mitch Harris (Kadina) for his defensive efforts.

"Mitch did a great job standing a dangerous Bulldogs forward," he said. "He plays with poise and courage all the time."

However, the Eagles were without Freddie Wilson (CMS Crows), who missed the match due to a hamstring injury.

SANFL Under 16 Boys

Eagles put up a strong fight in their second match of the season but fell by six points in Sunday's late game at Elizabeth.

After kicking six straight goals to halftime, they trailed by just six points at the main break before ultimately going down by the same margin.

Ardrossan's Cash Meyers was a standout, finishing with 13 disposals, six marks, and 3.2 in front of goal. Bute's Will Trengove was strong around the contest, collecting 15 possessions.

After an impressive 17-disposal, one-goal performance against Glenelg the week before, Central Yorke Cougar Hugo Thyer backed it up with another solid 15-touch game against the Bulldogs.

Among the best for the victors was Archie Faulkner, a former Kadina Bloodhounds junior and son of AFL player Cameron Faulkner. He gathered 20 disposals and three clearances, earning recognition as his team's second-best player.

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2.	Brian Cooper, Moonta Bay	21
3.	Barrie Heard, Ardrossan	21
4.	Mark Schroeder, Wallaroo	21
5.	Carolyn Webster, Yorketown	21
6.	Hanna Turner, Kadina	21
7.	Daniel Shiell, Kadina	20
8.	Mark Northcott, Kadina	20
9.	Dave Campbell, Kadina	20
10.	Fraser McCracken, Kadina	20
11.	Matthew Penney, Wallaroo	20
12.	Bradley Depledge, Kadina	20
13.	Alex Golja, Point Turton	20
14.	Valda Southam, Kadina	20
15.	Darren Sawley, Kadina	20

*Excluding any bye rounds.

ROUND 4

Please circle your selections

Thursday, April 3
Collingwood v Carlton (MCG) (N)

Friday, April 4
Geelong v Melbourne (GMHBA) (N)

Saturday, April 5
Gold Coast v Adelaide (PFS)
Richmond v Brisbane (MCG) (T)
North Melbourne v Sydney (MRVL) (N)

Sunday, April 6
GWS v West Coast (ES)

Port Adelaide v St Kilda (AO)

Winning margin.....

Fremantle v Western Bulldogs (OS) (N)
Byes: Essendon, Hawthorn

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Bute	1	2	72.24	1	0	0	0	151	58
Kadina	1	2	62.20	1	0	0	0	79	48
Paskeville	1	2	56.37	1	0	0	0	84	65
CY Cougars	1	2	54.64	1	0	0	0	100	83
Moonta	1	0	45.35	0	1	0	0	83	100
Ardrossan	1	0	43.62	0	1	0	0	65	84
Sthn Eagles	1	0	37.79	0	1	0	0	48	79
Wallaroo	1	0	27.75	0	1	0	0	58	151
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

B GRADE	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B	F	A
Bute	1	2	90.12	1	0	0	0	73	8
Kadina	1	2	87.60	1	0	0	0	106	15
Paskeville	1	2	82.05	1	0	0	0	128	28
Moonta	1	2	79.01	1	0	0	0	128	34
CY Cougars	1	0	20.98	0	1	0	0	34	128
Ardrossan	1	0	17.94	0	1	0	0	28	128
Sthn Eagles	1	0	12.39	0	1	0	0	15	106
Wallaroo	1	0	9.87	0	1	0	0	8	73
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

UNDER 17	P	Pts	W	L	D	B
Moonta	1	2	1	0	0	0
Wallaroo	1	2	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	2	1	0	0	0
Paskeville	1	2	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	0	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	0	1	0	0
Ardrossan	1	0	0	1	0	0
Bute	1	0	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	1

UNDER 14	P	Pts	W	L	D	B
Moonta	1	2	1	0	0	0
Wallaroo	1	2	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	2	1	0	0	0
Ardrossan	1	2	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	0	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	0	1	0	0
Paskeville	1	0	0	1	0	0
Bute	1	0	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	1



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AFTER ROUND 1

Corey Graham	CY Cougars	6
Jake Hodby	Bute	6
Jayga Warmington	Moonta	5
Chris Flavel	.....	Kadina	4
Isaiah Wilksch	.....	Bute	4
Trent Heffernan	.....	CY Cougars	4
Dylan Evans	.....	Bute	4
Toby Glasson	.....	Paskeville	3
Samuel Lodge	Ardrossan	3
Tom Luck	Wallaroo	3

Premiership tables and goalkickers
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Moonta and Cougars kick off season with thrilling opener

“D. Monn”
REPORT BY

Welcome back to football, with the 2025 YP Football League season shaping up to be a belter after many sides recruited well over the summer break.

What a season opener, pitting reigning premiers, the Moonta Demons, against the 2024 minor premiers, the CY Cougars.

This match promised to deliver far more than Albo’s budget, with plenty of variables to consider.

Moonta enters the year with debutant coach Aidan Zwar, an A grade premiership player with football pedigree in his veins — his father, Justin “Yoda” Zwar, won a flag in 2005 and is regarded as one of Moonta’s best-ever coaches.

Luke Trenorden returns as the Cougars’ A grade coach, supported by Nick Polkinghorne. Their combined experience is second to none.

The Demons have bolstered their lineup with Michael Virgin, Jack Muirhead, Ben Pearce and Harry Hamilton. Virgin and Muirhead bring valuable SANFL experience, which

should benefit Moonta’s younger brigade.

Meanwhile, the club welcomes home Riley Hatcher, who has been playing in the Lincoln league; his height will be crucial in covering the retirement of Matt Altman.

The Cougars have also been active over the summer, securing a handful of Port District recruits, headlined by Trent Heffernan, who brings SANFL experience from Adelaide and Port Adelaide.

With a warm, 30 degree day forecast, bench rotations were key.

The game started with plenty of intensity, as Tom Hancocks slotted the first goal for Moonta.

Henry and L Trenorden looked dangerous in the centre early, setting up Corey Graham for the Cougars’ opening major. Jay Williams followed up quickly with a second, signalling that the Demons would have their hands full.

Moonta’s Jake Turner found plenty of the ball, kicking the next two goals. New Cougars recruit Doug Greig was impressive around the contest, assisting in goals to William Baker

and Corey Graham, giving Cougars a three-point lead at the first break.

Early in the second term, the Demons squandered opportunities before Matt Appleton converted, edging them in front.

J Williams and Heffernan began to influence the midfield contests, slowing Moonta’s quick ball movement. Up forward, Jayga Warmington, who had led well all day, found space and converted his first goal.

It was goal for goal for the rest of the term; with both sides locked at seven goals apiece at halftime, the Demons led by three points.

However, a big moment came just before the break with L Trenorden leaving the field with his knee iced up, ending his game. Would this be the opening the Demons needed to take control?

The third quarter began with Turner continuing to dominate possession. Warmington hit a purple patch, presenting well and slotting the next three goals to push Moonta’s lead out to four goals.

The Cougars hit back strongly, with Greig, H Trenorden, and Heffernan

lifting. They dominated the latter part of the quarter, with Graham proving too strong up forward, kicking three in a row to cut Moonta’s lead to just eight points at the last break.

As the final term began, it was clear that whichever team had the legs to run it out would take the points. Players began cramping in the heat, and a breeze picked up, favouring the Cougars at the western end.

J Williams struck early, reducing the margin to two points. The Cougars continued to press, and after several near misses, Heffernan finally converted, putting them in front.

Despite strong efforts from Moonta’s midfielders —Brodie Maitland, Turner, Appleton and Alex Elsworthy — the Cougars gained the upper hand.

Heffernan slotted a second goal for the quarter before Ciaran Hollingworth-Hughes and Graham added to the tally. Hancocks pulled one back for the Demons, but it was too little, too late.

Henry Hollams sealed the win with a goal after the siren, stretching the final margin to 17 points.

MOONTA		CY COUGARS	
Played at Moonta Oval			
CY COUGARS	4.1	7.3	10.6
MOONTA	3.4	7.6	11.8
BEST - CY Cougars: T Heffernan, C Graham, R Davey, J Howarth, D Greig, H Trenorden; Moonta: J Turner, R Maitland, M Virgin, J Warmington, M Appleton, A Elsworthy.			
GOALS - CY Cougars: C Graham 6, T Heffernan 4, W Baker, J Williams 2, C Hollingworth-Hughes; Moonta: J Warmington 5, T Hancocks, J Turner 2, T Andrews, M Appleton, S Watson.			



YPFL A GRADE... Trent Heffernan, CY Cougars, is held by Alex Elsworthy, Moonta, after taking a mark.



YPFL A GRADE... Jude Howarth, CY Cougars, about to mark in front of Brodie Maitland, Moonta.



Above: YPFL A GRADE... Henry Hollams, CY Cougars, cools down at quarter time of the match against Moonta.

Left: YPFL A GRADE... Kaleb Gerschwitz, CY Cougars, scoops up the ball, under pressure from Ashton Wardle, Moonta.



YPFL A GRADE... Sitting on the ground, Moonta captain and reigning mail medalist Ryley Maitland gets a handpass away from CY Cougars recruit Trent Heffernan.



YPFL A GRADE... Ash Williams, CY Cougars, closes in on Moonta's Michael Virgin as he kicks.



YPFL A GRADE... Harrison Hatcher, Moonta, flies in to try and spoil a mark taken by Jay Williams, CY Cougars.



YPFL A GRADE... The dirt flies as Ben Pearse, Moonta, and Ciaran Hollingworth-Hughes, CY Cougars, chase a loose ball.

Local footy back with a bang

Eric "Tippy" Tipwood
REPORT BY

Round 1 is in the books and how good is it to have local footy back?!

Saturday was windy but a few blokes still managed to kick a bag of goals. With the lack of rainfall, there are a few hot and dry ovals around, so there will be some sore boys early in the week.

Bute got a big win against Wallaroo in what appeared to be men against boys. Kadina got on top of the Southern Eagles down the bottom end. Pasky had a professional 19-point win against the Roos. Cougars got the monkey off their back by winning at Moonta.

Cougars have the round 2 bye this week, giving them a chance to meet with Ken Hinkley to discuss succession planning. With the way things are tracking for Hinkley, there's a possibility they could have him in Maitland by midyear.

After round 2 is a well-deserved break for Gather Round and Easter.

Ardrossan v Moonta

The Roos host their opening home game of the season against Moonta. The Demons may have dropped a little since last season or could be taking a while to warm up after a premiership. The Roos

will be trying to jump them early and bank a win. I can't write off the reigning premier after a week. *At the final siren... Moonta by 4 goals.*

Kadina v Paskeville

The Bloods and Pies will do battle under the lights at Kadina. It should be a good game with both teams coming off wins in round 1. Both teams generated plenty of scoring shots as well, so there could be a shootout on the cards! Should be a good atmosphere for the night game. *At the final siren... Pasky by 1 goal.*

Bute v Southern Eagles

The Roosters would have a bit of zip in their step after a big win in round 1. The Eagles will be a step up in quality but appear to have dropped off a bit from the previous couple of seasons. The Roosters had nine individual goal kickers last week: it's going to be tough to stop every one! *At the final siren... Bute by 4 goals.*

CMS Crows vs Wallaroo

Not going to sugarcoat this, there could be trouble here for the Dogs. The Crows can score in a hurry. They've got a few blokes in the forward half that like a goal and will be chomping at the bit. Once they're going, it's not easy to stop. Hopefully, the Dogs start well.

At the final siren... Crows by more than 10 goals.

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Bute's experience prevails over young Wallaroo side

“Yapper”
REPORT BY

Round 1 — the time of year when footy finally returns, and front-bar speculation is put to the test.

In warm weather, the Bute Roosters arrived at the green Wallaroo Oval to open the season.

The two sides are at different stages of development — Wallaroo, after an off-season with more drama than Days of Our Lives, is building its core around a talented young group, while Bute has stacked its side with experienced recruits for a deep finals push.

A special mention goes to brothers Harry and James Errington, who captained Wallaroo's first and second teams, respectively — believed to be a club first.

This means all three Errington brothers (including Thomas) have now led the club at some point.

Former Broadview player Max Oborn lined up in the ruck against former draft prospect Tom Luck for the season's first

ball-up.


Bute made an early statement, kicking a couple of quick goals down the old courts end. Wallaroo's first goal of the season came through young talent Luke Russel. The Dogs had some promising passages of play but couldn't capitalise on the scoreboard. In contrast, the Roosters' ball use was clean and their inside-50 entries frequent.

Wallaroo hit the scoreboard three more times in the second quarter but was still outscored by Bute in what became a gruelling 30-minute quarter, far from ideal in the heat.


Before the main break, Wallaroo's best performers had been Russel, who not only drove the ball forward well but also hit the scoreboard himself, and Luck, who was working hard in the ruck while providing a forward target.

For Bute, former Norwood reserves player Isaiah Wilksch and returning player Brad Daniel stood out.

The Dogs tightened up defensively in the third quarter. Bute still pushed forward, but



WALLAROO
V **BUTE**
Played at Wallaroo Oval



BUTE	6.1	14.2	17.6	23.13	(151)
WALLAROO	1.2	4.3	7.4	9.4	(58)

BEST - Bute: B Daniel, J Hodby, C George, D Evans, C Iannella, I Wilksch; **Wallaroo:** Z Cuthill, R Bull, T Luck, L Russel, L Lishmund, H Wellgreen.

GOALS - Bute: J Hodby 6, D Evans, I Wilksch 4, D Boundy 3, C George 2, A Cock, A Hunter-Price, J Hunter-Price, C Iannella; **Wallaroo:** T Luck 3, J Kelly, L Russel 2, T Smith, H Wellgreen.

Wallaroo's improved pressure made clean forward marking difficult. Heads didn't drop, and the Dogs continued to push for improvement, making the third term their best of the day.

Wallaroo started the final quarter strongly, but the heat took its toll. Many young players began cramping and, after battling to finish the game, were forced to withdraw. This opened the door for Bute to pile on a handful of late goals in junk time.

For Wallaroo, Zak Cuthill provided quality in the midfield all day, Luck worked tirelessly

in the ruck and forward, finishing with three goals, and Russel showed exactly why he won the 2024 Senior Colts Mail Medal. A special mention goes to debutant Mitchell Miller, who played with composure beyond his years.

For Bute, Jake Hodby was a menace across half-forward, and Brad Daniel played well. Their clean ball movement from the centre was a key factor in the Roosters' victory.

While there was a clear gap in experience, Wallaroo's young side showed plenty of endeavour despite the circumstances.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Ayden Giles, Bute, tries to grab the ball behind his back as Curtis Kuhndt, Wallaroo, closes in.



YPFL B GRADE... The ball appears to be over the boundary line as Jace Wigzell gets a handpass against Wallaroo.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Farren Finn, Wallaroo, led the way with three goals in his side's win against Bute.



YPFL B GRADE... James Errington, Wallaroo, about to handball out of the tackle of Bute's Mitchell Taylor.



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YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Baylan Mummery, Wallaroo, kicks as Bute's Angus Ingram desperately tries to smother.



YPFL B GRADE... Daniel Staines, Wallaroo, about to have the ball knocked away by Tyce Cowie, Bute, in a marking contest.



YPFL B GRADE... Delaney Williams, Bute, tries to evade Wallaroo's Sam Higginbottom.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Matthew Ingram, Bute, tries to catch Riley Phelan, Wallaroo, before he gets a kick.

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B GRADE

BUTE	3.2	7.3	8.11	10.13	(73)
WALLAROO	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	(8)

BEST – Bute: Jordan Taylor, M Taylor, S Trengove, N Hewett, T Cowie, Josh Taylor; **Wallaroo:** T Summerton, M Bersagliere, J Leighton, R Beech, C Angus, E Trott.

GOALS – Bute: M Taylor 5, Jordan Taylor 4, Josh Taylor; **Wallaroo:** N Fletcher.

KADINA	6.2	10.5	14.8	16.10	(106)
STHN EAGLES	0.0	2.2	2.2	2.3	(15)

BEST – Kadina: L Brook, N Perkins, H Scott, J Thompson, J Rowntree, B Cock; **Sthn Eagles:** C Hoare, L Hoare, K Hoare, S Scott, B Bryan, H Collins.

GOALS – Kadina: B Cock, B Rawlinson, J Thompson 3, L Brook, R Irvine, J Lawry, N Perkins, D Poole, H Scott, H Window; **Sthn Eagles:** L Hoare, J Pritchard.

PASKEVILLE	5.5	8.11	12.12	19.14	(128)
ARDROSSAN	2.0	2.0	3.1	4.4	(28)

BEST – Paskeville: T Ritter, P Keane, C Price, S Holman, R Richardson, M Dittmar; **Ardrossan:** S Thompson, M Easther, W Lynch, R Wake, M Stone, L Dayman.

GOALS – Paskeville: T Ritter 11, G Mulders 3, N Keane 2, H Correll, T Loveridge, T Pomery; **Ardrossan:** J Clifford, J Kuhndt, S Thompson, R Wake.

MOONTA	6.3	7.7	14.9	19.14	(128)
CY COUGARS	1.1	4.3	4.3	5.4	(34)

BEST – Moonta: T Colliver, J Webb, D Slack, L Smith, J Smith, B Pollard; **CY Cougars:** T Lynch, H McKay, H Butler, O Hollams, H Southwood, C Briggs.

GOALS – Moonta: T Colliver, M Dunlop 4, D Marriott 3, B Pollard, J Smith 2, R Durdin-Dodman, S Gunning, L Smith, N Tutthill; **CY Cougars:** A Beston, C Jarrett, C Langford, T Lynch, C Vandenberg.

UNDER 17

WALLAROO	5.4	6.8	11.12	11.12	(78)
BUTE	0.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	(14)

BEST – Wallaroo: R Miller, M Miller, E Trott, B Hines, R Phelan, B Mummary; **Bute:** D Martin, J Hewett, M Ingram, I Stodart, W Young, A Ingram.

GOALS – Wallaroo: F Finn 3, T Gray, R Miller, B Mummary 2, S Hanson, M Miller; **Bute:** R Broadbent 2, J Emerson-Brokate, O Cock.

KADINA	3.3	3.5	7.12	10.14	(74)
STHN EAGLES	2.1	6.7	6.7	8.10	(58)

BEST – Kadina: N Mercer, B Karpany, H Rennie, B Henshaw, F Goryan, H Price; **Sthn Eagles:** A Zerella, D Aitchison, J Lloyd, K Wheadon, A Slade, J De Roos.

GOALS – Kadina: L Bodie 3, F Goryan, B Karpany, A Scott 2, N Mercer; **Sthn Eagles:** A Zerella 4, R Towers, K Wheadon.

UNDER 14

WALLAROO	3.1	4.6	9.7	11.12	(78)
BUTE	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.3	(9)

BEST – Wallaroo: L Finn, A Paxton, A Miller, C Dekort, Z Davis, D Sutton; **Bute:** L Millard, B Bettess, A Cock, E Price, L Batchelor, B Green.

GOALS – Wallaroo: L Finn 3, M Depledge, A Paxton, D Sutton 2, T Linke, T Wellgreen; **Bute:** B Bettess.

STHN EAGLES	0.1	6.4	8.4	8.6	(54)
KADINA	1.3	1.3	3.6	3.9	(27)

BEST – Sthn Eagles: R Evans, J Webb, M Goodes, L Rowe, Z Johns, K De Roos; **Kadina:** E Penhall, R Hobbs, C Jones, K Wood, S Bettess.

GOALS – Sthn Eagles: C Storan 3, M Goodes, A Phasey, E Player, L Rowe, J Wheadon; **Kadina:** D Elliott-Karpany 2, D Bazilian.

ARDROSSAN	2.0	2.7	4.10	4.10	(34)
PASKEVILLE	0.0	0.1	2.1	3.1	(19)

BEST – Ardrossan: K Brown, A Pedler, S Colliver, S Carty, F Wake, B Williams; **Paskeville:** B Feltus, P Papps, F Bussenschutt, S Pridham, O Toogood, W Garland.

GOALS – Ardrossan: N Lawrie, A Reading, C Treloar, F Wake; **Paskeville:** B Feltus, A Loveridge, O Toogood.

MOONTA	5.1	8.3	12.4	15.9	(99)
CY COUGARS	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.1	(19)

BEST – Moonta: G Hann, B Mackereth, I Phillips, J Keleher, J Groben, J Goddard; **CY Cougars:** B Hickman, N May, H Honner, O Whittaker, M Hasting.

GOALS – Moonta: A Galley 3, R Johns, I Phillips, L Williams, D Wiltshire 2, G Hann, J Keleher, C Manners, R Phillips; **CY Cougars:** H Honner.

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Pasky starts season on right note

Pasky scribe
REPORT BY

Paskeville Football Club welcomed past players including the 1985 and 2015 premiership reunion representatives for its round 1 contest against Ardrossan on Saturday.

Forty years on, the 1985 players showed they could still spin a yarn and certainly could still celebrate.

The current crop of Magpies gave them more reason for merriment with a strong display in both senior grades.

Despite missing more than a dozen players due to a wedding, Pasky pushed hard in hot weather and overcame the visitors.

In the B grade, Patrick Keane returned from a short-lived retirement and won plenty of the ball as did his brother Nick, but another new face stole the show with Trent Ritter booting 11 goals.

The A grade was a closer contest as the Roos put the first goal on the board quickly; Charlie Dowling was everywhere early and found Sam Lodge for another goal.

Pasky needed a response and got one through Toby Glasson; however, a running checkside goal gave Ardrossan the upper hand before quarter time.

The home side had most of the play to start the second quarter and Sam Pfeiffer continually stood tall in defence for Ardrossan until Glasson broke

through for another goal.

When the Roos kicked the next two, warning sirens were sounding strongly.

Time and again the visitors' defenders repelled Pasky's attacks with veteran George Rowntree and Darcy Lillecrapp moving the ball back outside of the 50.

After the main break, Pasky played as if coach Cohen Mattner had given them a real rev up.

Glasson slotted his third major inside the first minute of play and prize recruit Phoenix Foster followed with a goal from (approximately) the YP Field Days site.

Brodie Paige and Jared O'Donohue sent the Pies forward again.

When Brad Cocks worked the ball to Foster, who was clean at ground level, then received it back for a goal, Pasky had hit the front.

The final quarter started well for Ardrossan as Tom Gibson found Steven Wellington, but his set shot went wide.

Morgan Cocks, who had helped turn the game in the ruck, pushed forward but it was another miss — who would seize control?


Alistair Price chipped forward and Foster skied for a screamer, then passed to M Cocks who didn't let another opportunity slip.

Pasky had ascended to a three-goal win and started its season on the right note.


This week is the night game at Kadina, which will be another early challenge.



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Cohen Treloar, Ardrossan, gets a kick as he is tackled by Patrick Papps, Paskeville.



PASKEVILLE V ARDROSSAN
Played at Paskeville Oval



PASKEVILLE	2.3	4.6	10.11	11.18	(84)
ARDROSSAN	3.1	7.2	8.3	10.5	(65)

BEST - Paskeville: M Cocks, J O'Donohue, B Cocks, C Knight, B Davies, A Helfand; **Ardrossan:** C Dowling, S Pfeiffer, C Kirchner, S Potter, S Lodge, H Cooney.

GOALS - Paskeville: T Glasson 3, M Cocks, J O'Donohue 2, B Cocks, P Foster, A Helfand, J Purdie; **Ardrossan:** S Lodge 3, H Crowell 2, N Dayman, C Dowling, T Gibson, S Warrick, S Wellington.



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Shanaid Sansbury, Ardrossan, tries to break the tackle of Beau Feltus, Paskeville.



Above: YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Kyren Brown, Ardrossan, looks for a teammate on the run against Paskeville.



Right: YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Finn Wake, Ardrossan, is collared by Paskeville players Owen Williamson and Sam Pridham as he attempts to get a kick.



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Shanaid Sansbury, Ardrossan, flies to try and spoil a marking attempt by Bodhi Rundle, Paskeville.



Above: YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Taite Pridham, Paskeville, keeps his eyes on the ball as he gets a kick against Ardrossan.
Left: YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Seth Colliver, Ardrossan, lines up to get a kick away from Fletch Bussenschutt, Paskeville.



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Ethan Hewitson, Ardrossan, keeps the ball in play against Paskeville.

Kadina too strong for depleted Eagles

“Southern Budgie”
REPORT BY

Southern Eagles and Kadina kicked off their 2025 campaigns in less-than-ideal weather at Edithburgh.

Strong winds and dust in the air made ball control difficult, as both sides worked through early-season nerves.


Eagles won the toss and chose to kick with the wind.

With new captain Maxwell Sanderson leading the ruck, the Eagles had plenty of early possession, dominating the midfield and locking the ball inside their forward half. However, inaccuracy cost them, with three early behinds before Brad Robertson finally converted their first goal.


Kadina found its rhythm thanks to strong marking from Jesse Bruce and William Schultz, allowing Jack Elsworth to drive the ball forward time and again.

Chris Flavel capitalised, kicking truly for Kadina’s first major. Late goals to Kyran Hancock and Jordan Carrocci gave the Eagles a handy buffer at quarter-time.

The second term was a struggle for the Eagles, who failed to hit the scoreboard as Kadina’s defensive setup locked them in their half. The visitors dominated territory, peppering the goals but



STHN EAGLES
V **KADINA**
Played at Edithburgh Oval



KADINA	1.1	4.6	7.9	11.13	(79)
STHN EAGLES	3.4	3.4	6.5	7.6	(48)

BEST - Kadina: G Ellis, J Bruce, L Everett, J Elsworth, C Flavel, J Manners; **Sthn Eagles:** J Wegener, M Barlow, N Allen, D Tilbrook, J Savage, M Sanderson.

GOALS - Kadina: C Flavel 4, G Ellis, D McDonald 2, J Bruce, L Everett, J Manners; **Sthn Eagles:** J Carrocci, K Hancock 2, J Barlow, M Barlow, B Robertson.

unable to fully capitalise on their control.

Giles Ellis was everywhere for Kadina, while Lachlan Everett, in his new colours, worked hard to keep the ball deep in attack. The midfield battle between Nathan Allen and Jayson Manners was a highlight, while Matthew Barlow impressed with strong pack marking.

With the wind at their backs, the Eagles surged early in the third quarter, kicking two quick goals through both Barlows (Matt and Jack) to regain the lead.

But Kadina responded swiftly, moving the ball cleanly by hand and foot to catch the home side off guard. Goals to Flavel and

Manners swung the momentum back in Kadina’s favour.

Both teams finished the quarter with three goals apiece, but with the Eagles down to no bench due to injuries, overcoming a 10-point deficit at the final break was always going to be a challenge.

As the game opened up again, Kadina’s superior ball movement took over. Jamie Wegener (Eagles) and Ellis battled hard, but Flavel’s move to the forward line proved decisive.

J Bruce, playing as a swingman, spent most of the day stationed at the northern end.

In the end, Kadina’s class shone through, securing a comfortable six-goal win to start the season on a high.





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Results 29-3-25		
A GRADE		
Bute 65 d Wallaroo 19.	Paskeville 56 d Ardrossan 47.	Kadina 38 d Southern
Marissa Hewett; Isabelle Glasgow.	Grace Inman; Stella Clifford.	Eagles 32. Eva Schilling; Lily Thompson.
Kadina 51 d Southern Eagles 34.	Moonta 50 d Cougars 21.	Ardrossan 47 d Paskeville 32.
Neve Smart; Charlize Bunney.	Maeve Cockshell; Sarah Wallace.	Caitlyn Wheare; Emily Hank.
Paskeville 35 d Ardrossan 33.	D GRADE	Cougars 28 d Moonta 23.
Cassie Mills; Staci Kennedy.	Bute 56 d Wallaroo 32.	Elise Meaney; Jayme Koch.
Moonta 50 d Cougars 41.	Graycie Dall, Mikayla Fennell; Scarlett Miers.	F GRADE
Charlotte Keleher; Gabby Hickman.	Kadina 65 d Southern Eagles 13.	Bute 47 d Wallaroo 13.
B GRADE	Libby Chisholm; Addelyn Hayes.	Holly Krieg; Mia Marlow.
Bute 55 d Wallaroo 23.	Paskeville 48 d Ardrossan 10.	Southern Eagles 51 d Kadina 28.
Aimee Butler; Mackenzie Wood.	Rebecca Wardle; Tamiya Sansbury.	Poppy Craggs; Indie Walker.
Southern Eagles 48 d Kadina 44.	Moonta 63 d Cougars 15.	Ardrossan 35 d Paskeville 13.
Skye Barlow; Lacey Faulkner.	Rebecca Butler; Kadence Murphy.	Lucy Mattschoss; Asta Secker.
Paskeville 55 d Ardrossan 19.	D2 GRADE	Moonta 39 d Cougars 18.
Sarah Pomery; Caitlyn Wheare.	Bute 37 d Wallaroo 16.	Amani Summerton; Addison Graham.
Moonta 56 d Cougars 21.	Monique Amos; Eryn Nason.	G GRADE
Hallie Koch; Prue Brind.	Kadina 35 d Southern Eagles 30.	Wallaroo 38 d Bute 7.
C GRADE	Sarah Coombe; Lily Johns.	Heidi Shoumack; Chloe Read.
Bute 36 d Wallaroo 26.	Paskeville 38 d Ardrossan 22.	Southern Eagles 23 d Kadina 14.
Halie Watts; Tayla Venables.	Ashley O'Shaughnessy; Isabelle Dayman.	Ella Detmar; Grace Petherick.
Kadina 41 d Southern Eagles 24.	E GRADE	Paskeville 16 drew with Ardrossan 16.
Tiffany Clarke; Emily Ramsay.	Bute 41 d Wallaroo 27.	Rosie Bussenschutt; Aviella Schulz.
	Jasmine Aunger; Mia Marlow.	Moonta 37 d Cougars 1.
		Harriet Crosby; Eliza Ackland.



YPNA B GRADE... Emma Daniel, CY Cougars, reaches to try and block a pass by Chelsey Caputo, Moonta.



YPNA B GRADE... Georgia Schulz, Wallaroo, about to grab a pass in the goal circle from teammate Bonnie Summeton as Bute's Neisha Hampel, and Aimee Butler defend.

A grade

Wallaroo v Bute

Wallaroo took the first centre pass, but Bute quickly turned the ball over, allowing GA Stella Hewett to score the first goal.

Wallaroo responded with two quick goals, but Bute's defence made scoring difficult. Wallaroo GS Eleanore Chappell and GA Isabelle Glasgow worked hard against the pressure.

At the first break, Bute led 16-5.

The second quarter followed a similar pattern, with Wallaroo taking the centre pass but struggling against Bute's relentless defence.

Roosters GS Breanna Taylor capitalised on turnovers, and Bute's full-court pressure forced Wallaroo into mistakes.

By halftime, Bute had extended its lead to 32-8.

Bute's dominance continued in the third quarter, with their passing and defensive intensity resulting in 11 straight goals.

Wallaroo, fielding a relatively new team, showed determination but struggled to match Bute's tempo.

Heading into the final quarter, Bute held a commanding 50-13 lead.

Wallaroo started the last quarter strongly, securing three consecutive goals and making the game more contested.

However, Bute finished just as they started — strong and composed — securing a 64-19 victory.

Despite the loss, Wallaroo showed resilience, while Bute's disciplined defence and accurate shooting proved too much to overcome.

Southern Eagles v Kadina

Both teams started slightly unsettled, with the wind making scoring difficult for Kadina.

However, strong defensive efforts from Emma Chapman and Nikkita Aldridge helped force turnovers. Towards the end of the first quarter, Southern Eagles found their rhythm, with Stacey Evans and Marlee Hounsell linking well in attack.

At the first break, Kadina led 11-9.

The second quarter was a midfield battle, with Kadina C Monique Manners and WA Sophie Driver seamlessly transitioning from defence to attack. Despite strong defensive pressure from Southern Eagles GK Meg Day and GD Charlize Bunney, Kadina goalies Kayla Russel and Neve Smart found their form, scoring 16 goals in the quarter.

By halftime, Kadina had extended its lead to 27-18.

Kadina made changes in the second half, moving Sophie Driver into centre, where she was instrumental in picking up loose balls across the court. Southern Eagles stuck with their starting lineup, but Kadina's dominance continued. At three-quarter time, Kadina led 37-22.

In the final quarter, Kadina maintained its momentum. Defenders Alex Wehr, Chapman and Aldridge applied constant pressure on Eagles attackers Evans, Hounsell and Emily Haydon. Manners and Driver continued to connect well with goalies Russel and Smart, ensuring Kadina's strong finish.

Final scores: Kadina 51 d Southern Eagles 34.

Moonta v CY Cougars

Cougars took on Moonta at Moonta for the first game of the season. Cougars started strongly with great defensive pressure from GK Jo Davey, GD Ellie Langford and WD Jada Pedler. An early injury for Moontas GA Chelsea Hogarth, who was replaced by Charlotte Keleher, impacted Moonta's scoring. Cougars led at quarter time 14-10.

The second quarter started closely but Moonta started to gain momentum with GK Teesha Angus getting hands to the ball over Cougars' Gabby Hickman.

Moonta WD Carlin Macro was also helping her side smoothly transition the ball out of defence. At halftime, Moonta led 24-22.

Cougars made some changes, switching Iluka Zilm-Smith into GA and Pedler into GD. Cougars WA Tayla Barrand and C Laura Trenorden continued to move the ball through the midcourt. Cougars' Zilm-Smith and Moonta's Keleher continued to move well in the goal circle and, when the whistle blew at three-quarter time, Moonta led by one goal, 32-31.

The hot weather played a factor in the final quarter and both sides were scrambling to find their last legs. The heat eventually got the better of Cougars and Moonta stretched the lead to win 50-41.

Paskeville v Ardrossan

In scorching weather at Paskeville, the Roos and Pasky battled in a nail-biting game that kept supporters on the edges of their seats until the final whistle.

Both teams started strongly, determined to gain the early advantage.

GS Sophie Thornton was pivotal for the Roos, scoring the majority of their goals. Her accuracy under pressure, combined with Alexa Simmons's quick footwork, kept the scoreboard ticking.

However, Pasky's defence was equally fierce, with players closely marking and disrupting Ardrossan's rhythm. In the midcourt, C Lilianna Alafaci was a standout for Pasky, displaying speed and relentless effort.

Pasky GA Lauren Maxwell and Roo GD Kate Pfeiffer had a hard-fought contest throughout the game.

Ardrossan led by a goal or two for most of the match, but the intense heat took its toll, with players visibly fatigued. Teams made full use of the rolling substitutions in the second half to keep fresh legs on the court.

Pasky remained composed, applying consistent pressure to claw its way back into the lead, ultimately securing a 35-33 victory.

D grade

Wallaroo v Bute

Bute made an impressive start in the first quarter, moving the ball quickly down the court to find the goal. Its defence was solid, with Mikayla Fennel intercepting early to disrupt Wallaroo's play. As the quarter progressed, Wallaroo found its rhythm, swiftly working into the goal circle, where Lynelle Bodie scored her team's first goal. Both sides fought hard for turnovers, but Bute's quick hands and defensive pressure kept it in control. Wallaroo's Mel Bowman managed to disrupt Bute's attacking play, forcing a crucial turnover late in the quarter.

At the first break, Bute led 15-10.

In the second quarter, Bute continued to push the ball through to its shooters, but Wallaroo's defence held firm, securing an important turnover. Despite several deflections and defensive efforts from Bute, Wallaroo's Jo Dawkins capitalised on a turnover to score a key goal. The intensity on the court was high as both teams battled through the heat.

At halftime, Bute extended its lead to 29-20.

The third quarter saw Bute's defensive pressure force Wallaroo into multiple resets, pushing them back to midcourt. Although Wallaroo managed to work the ball into the circle, a Bute turnover allowed for a quick counterattack. Wallaroo's Sandra Discombe took a bold long shot from midcourt, successfully converting. However, Bute's tight coverage unsettled Wallaroo's flow, leading to further turnovers.

At three-quarter time, Bute was in control, leading 42-25.

In the final quarter, fatigue set in for both teams, but Wallaroo continued to fight, looking to close the gap. Despite these efforts, Bute GA Olivia Paterson made a crucial play, delivering a precise pass over Wallaroo's defence to teammate Eloise Guest, who finished with a strong goal.

Final scores: Bute 56 d Wallaroo 32.

G grade

Southern Eagles v Kadina

Southern Eagles came out strongly for the opening round of the season, with good connections in their midcourt. Kadina's Piper Haylock kept pressure on in the defensive end, but the goalies struggled to score against the Eagles' strong defence. At quarter time, Eagles led 9-2.

The Eagles continued in the second quarter with their goalies hardly missing a shot. Kadina started to settle and found their connections throughout the court. Eagles led 16-4.

Kadina made some changes in the third quarter, with Ella Walker going back to defence and Grace Petherick coming into centre. Kadina started to win some turnovers and connected better across the court. However, Eagles kept the pressure up with their defenders continuing to make it hard work for Kadina's goalies. Eagles led 20-6.

Kadina came out firing in the fourth quarter, moving Isabelle Stevens into goals with Halle Faulkner. This helped Kadina win the last quarter by five goals, but Southern Eagles had earned an unassailable lead, winning 23-14.



YPNA B GRADE... Paris Schilling, Bute, watches the play as Wallaroo's Mackenzie Wood calls for the ball.



YPNA B GRADE... Adele Keleher passes to Moonta teammate Hallie Koch in the goal circle against CY Cougars.



Above: YPNA E GRADE... Ardrossan's Sophie Richardson looks to shoot for goal against Paskeville.

Above right: YPNA B GRADE... Stella Hewett, Bute, reaches for the ball as Carly Daniel, Wallaroo, defends.

Right: YPNA B GRADE... Jess Morony, CY Cougars, grabs a high pass in front of Moonta's Bridget Cockburn.



Season starts hot, hot, hot

“The Benchwarmer”
REPORT BY

Wowee, what a hot welcome to season 2025! Kudos to all players who took the court in such warm weather on Saturday — it was a shock to the system that's for sure.

A special shoutout to those who played more than four quarters, and there were many of you, due to player absences. Even this benchwarmer made it onto the court.

Not that I wish to gloat too early, but I did get four out of four tips for round 1 and my margins weren't too far off either — beginners' luck hey!

I noticed lots of ins and outs that didn't quite match up with what I thought was happening and some playing A grade that I thought were meant to be playing B grade! Time will tell.

Thanks to those who have already sent me some information — I really appreciate that. Remember, if you've got some news to share (player injuries, milestone moments, ins and outs, et cetera), please email to sport@ypct.com.au by Sunday night.

Onto round 2!

Ardrossan v Moonta

Ardrossan played in a rollercoaster round 1 match to nearly pip Pasky, especially with a stellar third quarter.

Recruit Sophie Thornton is a super pick up, her height an added advantage to a team which is already tall.

Ardrossan coach Kate Pfeiffer led from the front and the Moonta feeders need to be aware of her long arms this weekend.

Speaking of the Moonta attack end, I don't think coach Kara Rendell has quite got that settled yet.

Chelsea Hogarth, coming from Ardrossan, seemed to be a certain starter but then subbed off with injury on Saturday.

This comes after losing Steph Drogemuller to an Achilles injury the week before round 1. We wish Steph all the best with her recovery and send healing vibes. Luckily, she has back-ups — young guns Charlotte Keleher and Hallie Koch.

At the final whistle... Ardrossan by 2.

Kadina v Paskeville

Pasky held on by a whisker to chalk up its first win of the season.

A little Magpie birdie told me former A grader Lucy Bussenschutt donned the black and white. I was under the impression she was playing in Adelaide so I'll be interested to see if she pops up again this Saturday. If so, that will make things difficult for Kadina goalies Neve Smart and Kayla Russel.

Georgie Garrard didn't make her return to the Bloods on Saturday and, if she does this week, I will be interested to see where coach Monique Manners positions her.

Kadina has a reasonably stable line-up whereas Pasky has a lot of new faces in the A grade — will that be the difference this weekend?

At the final whistle... Kadina by 8.

Bute v Southern Eagles

It wasn't all doom and gloom for the Southern Eagles in the season opener.

Despite a 17-goal loss to Kadina, there were lots of positives to take from the game. West Coast recruit Marlee Hounsell was a shining light and teamed up well with Emily Haydon.

Stalwart Stacey Evans steadied the

ship and Eagles must have convinced former Kadina junior Meg Day to take a break from the surf and don the yellow, green and blue for an hour. However, they will have their work cut out for them again this week when they face Bute — who will be a final-four finisher.

The Hewett mother-daughter duo was a force on Saturday at either end of the court. Stella H then backed up with a game of B grade — ah, the things you can do when you're young.

The Roosters' line-up is fairly settled, with the return of Montana Briggs, this could be their year.

At the final whistle... Bute by 20.

CMS Crows v Wallaroo

The Crows will be chomping at the bit to get on the court after last week's bye. One thing you know about the Crows — they are always fit, so they will come out firing this Saturday. Young stalwart Bronwyn Farrow has taken the reins this season but will have a reasonably easy job with the players she has. Not much has changed at the ends and, while the pace and netball smarts of Tegan Goldsworthy and Josie Ruddock in the midcourt are a loss, the Crows always seem to have a replacement.

Wallaroo is back to a building year but kudos to the Dogs for blood-ing their youth and giving them a crack. Former juniors Emily Ramsey, Natalia Bagnato, Miya Turner and Sydney Lockwood all made their A grade debuts on Saturday. The more experience they get under their belts, the better they will get. Isabelle Glasgow led from the front in GA, her netball knowledge integral to this building season.

At the final whistle... Crows by 30.

2025 YPNA PREMIERSHIP TABLES AFTER ROUND 1



A Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Bute	1	2	342.11	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	2	150.00	1	0	0	0
Moonta	1	2	121.95	1	0	0	0
Paskeville	1	2	106.06	1	0	0	0
Ardrossan	1	0	94.29	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	82.00	0	1	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	0	66.67	0	1	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	29.23	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

C Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Moonta	1	2	238.10	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	2	170.83	1	0	0	0
Bute	1	2	138.46	1	0	0	0
Paskeville	1	2	119.15	1	0	0	0
Ardrossan	1	0	83.93	0	1	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	72.22	0	1	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	0	58.54	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	42.00	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

D2 Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Bute	1	2	231.25	1	0	0	0
Paskeville	1	2	172.73	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	2	116.67	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	0	85.71	0	1	0	0
Ardrossan	1	0	57.89	0	1	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	43.24	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Moonta	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

F Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Bute	1	2	361.54	1	0	0	0
Ardrossan	1	2	269.23	1	0	0	0
Moonta	1	2	216.67	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	2	182.14	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	0	54.90	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	46.15	0	1	0	0
Paskeville	1	0	37.14	0	1	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	27.66	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

B Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Paskeville	1	2	289.47	1	0	0	0
Moonta	1	2	266.67	1	0	0	0
Bute	1	2	239.13	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	2	109.09	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	0	91.67	0	1	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	41.82	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	37.50	0	1	0	0
Ardrossan	1	0	34.55	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

D Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Kadina	1	2	500.00	1	0	0	0
Paskeville	1	2	480.00	1	0	0	0
Moonta	1	2	420.00	1	0	0	0
Bute	1	2	175.00	1	0	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	57.14	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	23.81	0	1	0	0
Ardrossan	1	0	20.83	0	1	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	0	20.00	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

E Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Bute	1	2	151.85	1	0	0	0
Ardrossan	1	2	146.88	1	0	0	0
CY Cougars	1	2	121.74	1	0	0	0
Kadina	1	2	118.75	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	0	84.21	0	1	0	0
Moonta	1	0	82.14	0	1	0	0
Paskeville	1	0	68.09	0	1	0	0
Wallaroo	1	0	65.85	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

G Grade	P	Pts	%	W	L	D	B
Moonta	1	2	23700.00	1	0	0	0
Wallaroo	1	2	542.86	1	0	0	0
Sthn Eagles	1	2	164.29	1	0	0	0
Ardrossan	1	1	100.00	0	0	1	0
Paskeville	1	1	100.00	0	0	1	0
Kadina	1	0	60.87	0	1	0	0
Bute	1	0	18.42	0	1	0	0
CY Cougars	1	0	2.70	0	1	0	0
CMS Crows	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

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Grand finals results 28-3-25
A WOMEN
Curramulka A 33 d Stansbury 30. Tasmyn Biddell 11; Bronwyn Farrow 12.
A MEN
WUBC 47 d Edithburgh 39. Nathan Daniell 12; Stuart Scott 23.
B WOMEN
Minlaton 38 d Stansbury 14. Alanna Barrand 21; Jorja Bennett 4.
B MEN
East Coast 56 d Edithburgh 31. Riley Wake 19; Jeremy Holland 8.
UNDER 16 GIRLS
WUBC 66 d Minlaton 13. Amara Pedler 22; Brianna Warrior 11.
UNDER 16 BOYS
Minlaton White 47 d Stansbury 37. Charlie Phillips 25; Sam Phasey 12.
UNDER 14 GIRLS
WUBC 53 d Yorketown 52. Blair Williams 31; Destiny Camp 24.
UNDER 14 BOYS
East Coast 50 d Stansbury 49.



SYPBA A WOMEN GRAND FINAL... Jada Pedler, Curramulka, lines up to shoot a free throw against Stansbury.



SYPBA B MEN GRAND FINAL... Aiden Erfurth, East Coast, shoots an uncontested layup against Edithburgh.



SYPBA A MEN GRAND FINAL... Shem Crawford, Western United, pushes between Edithburgh players Max Sanderson and Nathan Daniell to try and shoot for goal.
Right: SYPBA A MEN GRAND FINAL... Liam Hayes, Edithburgh, leaps to shoot for goal over Shem Crawford, Western United.



SYPBA A WOMEN GRAND FINAL... Stansbury's Bronwyn Farrow unsuccessfully tries for a last-second three-pointer over Curramulka's Bonnie Sanderson in an attempt to tie the game.



SYPBA A MEN GRAND FINAL... Corie Hoare, Edithburgh, pushes the ball from the hands of Stuart Scott, Western United.



SYPBA B MEN GRAND FINAL... Tysen Harrison, East Coast, looks to pass against Edithburgh.



SYPBA A WOMEN GRAND FINAL... Elle Moss, Stansbury, and Lauren McSkimming, Curramulka, wrestle for control of the ball.



SYPBA A WOMEN GRAND FINAL... Bonnie Sanderson, Curramulka, dribbles out of defence around Georgina Farrow, Stansbury.



SYPBA A MEN GRAND FINAL... Cody Hayes, Western United, falls to the floor as Corie Hoare, Edithburgh, knocks the ball away. Left: SYPBA B MEN GRAND FINAL... Max Williams, East Coast, easily blocks a shot at goal by Andrew Daniell, Edithburgh.



SYPBA A WOMEN... Premiers, Curramulka, back: Bonnie Sanderson, Lauren McSkimming, Melissa McSkimming, coach Tegan Goldsworthy; front: Jada Pedler, Tasmyn Biddell, Violet Hoyle, Indi Pedler. PHOTOS: South Tone Studio



SYPBA A MEN... Premiers, Western United: back Geordie Cameron, Cody Hayes, Cody Strapps, Bill Bornholm, Darcey Liddiard, Henry Murdock, coach Simon-Peter Plazeriano; front: Byron Hart, Jonny Poulton, Luke Liddiard, Stuart Scott, Shem Crawford.



SYPBA B WOMEN... Premiers, Minlaton, back: Harriet Parsons, Grace Hender, Ellen Newbold, Sonia Treasure, playing coach Kristy May; front: Kitty Wilson, Alanna Barrand, Mia Warrior, Cindy McWaters.



SYPBA B MEN... Premiers, East Coast, back: coach Jamie Williams, Tysen Harrison, Max Williams, Riley Wake, Cobi O'Connor; front: Kristian Peterson, Simon Thompson, Aiden Erfurth, Jacob Williams.



SYPBA UNDER 16 GIRLS... Premiers, Western United, back: coach Eliza Edwards, Tara Easter, Maysie Freeman, Mia Goodes, coach Sarah Ramsay; front: Blair Williams, Ava Goodes, Layla Sutton, Amara Pedler.



SYPBA UNDER 16 BOYS... Premiers, Minlaton White, back: Hamish Coombe, Charlie Phillips, Angus Coote, George Bennett, Ethan Grinham, coach Michael Preedy; front: Angus Liebelt, Charlie Mahar, Sam Mahar, Darcy Walsh, Levi Digby.



SYPBA UNDER 14 GIRLS... Premiers, Western United, back: team manager Alissa Williams, Blair Williams, Sienna Sutton, Alanna Rowe, Imogen Baker, coach Simon-Peter Plazeriano; front: Maya Swales, Samantha Webb, Ella Detmar, Piper Williams. (Absent: Maya Holt.)







SYPBA UNDER 14 BOYS... Premiers, East Coast premiers team, back: coach Jamie Williams; front: Cody Thompson, Silas Carty, Ned Lawrie, Kye Sheppard, Benji Williams, Noah Thompson.



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Grand finals 24-3-25
U16 BOYS DIV I
Moonta Red 54 d
Bears Yellow 38.
U16 BOYS DIV II
Walloo Red 58 d
Walloo Blue 32.
U16 GIRLS DIV I
Paskeville 31 d
Moonta 27.
U16 GIRLS DIV II
Walloo 38 d Kadina
29.
U12 GIRLS DIV I
Moonta Red 23 d
Paskeville White 8.
U12 GIRLS DIV II
Walloo 23 d Kadina
Black 3.

U12 BOYS DIV I
Arthurton Black 71 d
Walloo Red 14.
U12 BOYS DIV II
Arthurton Orange 24
d Moonta 17.
U14 GIRLS DIV I
Bute Red 51 d
Moonta Red 43.
U14 GIRLS DIV II
Paskeville 20 d
Moonta Blue 8.
U14 BOYS DIV I
Moonta 111 d
Arthurton Black 15.
U14 BOYS DIV II
Bute 40 d Moonta
Red 34.



YVBA UNDER 14 BOYS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Jack Keleher, Moonta, jumps to shoot a bank shot against Arthurton Black.



YVBA UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Violet Cooper, Moonta, eyes the basket as Emma Jones, Paskeville, defends.



YVBA UNDER 16 BOYS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Ryder Dunlop, Moonta Red, leaps to shoot a layup in front of Bears Yellow players Hamish Garrard and Leo Ziersch.



YVBA UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Eva Harris, Paskeville, dribbles out of defence past Moonta's Mikalah Zwar.



YVBA UNDER 16 BOYS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Hudson White, Moonta Red, lays on the ground as Bears Yellow players Jake Mildren and Leo Ziersch (hidden) try to grab the ball.



YVBA UNDER 16 BOYS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Jack Christian, Moonta Red, drives past Blake Cresswell, Bears Yellow.



Above: YVBA UNDER 14 GIRLS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Scarlett Bamford, Moonta Red, and Elsie Stringer, Bute Red, fight for control of a rebound under the basket.

Above left: YVBA UNDER 14 GIRLS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Kiara Barnes, Bute Red, drives to the basket past Isabelle Crawford, Moonta Red.

Left: YVBA UNDER 14 GIRLS DIV I GRAND FINAL... Evie Price, Bute Red, looks to shoot a layup as Na'delle Matz, Moonta Red, gets a hand on the ball while defending.



YVBA U16 GIRLS DIV I... Premiers, Paskeville, back: Gabby Bussenschutt, Lily Stacey, Lily Farrell, Kiralee Secker, coach Fiona Bussenschutt, Eva Richardson; front: Emma Jones, Imogen Cowie, Tayla Mengersen, Eva Harris.



YVBA U16 GIRLS DIV II... Premiers, Wallaroo: coach Bonnie Summerton, Ezmai Paxton, Taya Linke, Alexis Bodie, Ally Ramsey, Emilie Malone-Hosking, Peyton Groome.



YVBA U16 BOYS DIV I... Premiers, Moonta Blue, back: team manager Tamika Mackereth, Ryder Dunlop, Zachary Budd, Hudson White, Jack Christian, Liam Weatherley, coach Grant Keleher; front: Reef Mackereth, Jack Keleher.



YVBA U16 BOYS DIV II... Premiers, Wallaroo Red, back: Blaine Miles, Dylan Sutton, assistant coach Luke Russel, coach Cohen Mummery, Frankie Bagnato, Isaac Freeman; front: Luke Zimmerman, Brody Malone-Hosking, Austyn Paxton, Xander Reed.



YVBA U14 GIRLS DIV I... Premiers, Bute Red, back: team manager Rachael Przibilla, coach Rhett Winter, team manager Meagan Frost; middle row: Safira Frost, Ahna Toogood, Edie Winter, Lexie March, Grace Carson, assistant coach Jayne Winter; front: Kiara Barnes, Evie Price, Alex Cameron.



YVBA U14 GIRLS DIV II... Premiers, Paskeville, back: assistant coach Archie Winter, coach Rhett Winter, team manager Meagan Frost; middle row: Safira Frost, Ahna Toogood, Edie Winter, Lexie March, Grace Carson, assistant coach Jayne Winter; front: Kenzie Mengersen, Lily Hicks, Sophia Lemley, Asta Secker. (Absent: Scarlett Magnay.)



YVBA U14 BOYS DIV I... Premiers, Moonta, back: coach Grant Keleher, Xander Jarvis, Jack Keleher, Swade Murphy, Java Ramsey, team manager Kelly Galley; front: Aidan Galley, Chayce Manners, Eddie Browning.



YVBA U14 BOYS DIV II... Premiers, Bute, back: coach Xavier Cock, Riley Ayles, Alec Jak, Albert Cock, Brodie Bettess, team manager Krystal Cock; front: Seth Lee, Henry Jak, Nate Bettess, Flynn Harris.



YVBA U12 GIRLS DIV I... Premiers, Moonta Red: coach Ella Champion, Harriet Crosby, Delilah Tutthill, Eliza Wilkinson, Jade Gray, Liana Johnstone, Scarlett Russell, coach Bianca Hammond.



YVBA U12 GIRLS DIV II... Premiers, Wallaroo, back: Addison Finn, Maddison Bristow, Amaya Robinson, Alana Walton; front: coach Ezmai Paxton, Sklya Manner, Heidi Shoumack, Macy Hines, coach Natalia Bagnato.



YVBA U12 BOYS DIV I... Premiers, Arthurton Black: Nate Griffiths, Taj Davey, Oliver Britton, coach Monica Britton, Max Bagshaw, Jimmy Davey, Zander Westbrook.



YVBA U12 BOYS DIV II... Premiers, Arthurton Orange, back: coach Stacey Lodge, team manager Leanne Allen, coach Simon Thompson; middle row: Ted Allen, Brandon Lodge, Fred Redding, George Wheare; front: Noah Thompson, Finn Davey, Theo Liebelt.

Interschool sports day

The Yorke Peninsula Secondary Schools Athletics Carnival was held at Moonta Area School on Tuesday, March 25.

All nine YP secondary schools were in attendance for a chance to take out the Yorke Peninsula Country Times handicap shield.

Expect a full report and results in a future edition of the YP Country Times.



SPEEDY... Henley Dutschke, Minlaton District School, swerves around the cone with precision during the U13 and 14 boys' wheel and ball.



GO TEAM... Moonta Area School's Lataya Stephens, Alina Gummow, Isabell Kennedy and Bonnie Linke.

LOCKED IN... Rian Maddern, Harvest Christian College (Kadina), is in the lead, with Rhys Heinrich, CYS, in second and Buya Hamka-Owen, Ardrossan Area School, in third.

PHOTOS: Sarah Herrmann



GET READY... Ardrossan Area School's Isabelle Dayman eyes her next move in the U14 girls' wheel and ball.



NECK-IN-NECK... James Richardson, HCC; Nick Hodgson, CYS; and Lucas McKibbin AAS, are neck-in-neck in the open boys' relay.



WIND UP... Seth Colliver, AAS, sticks his tongue out in concentration during the U14 boys' javelin.



SUPPORT CREW... PBAS students Lewis Stringer, Tanner Barclay, Knox Anesbury and Daisy Mulraney cheer from the sidelines.



STAMINA... Matilda Southwood, Maitland Lutheran School, leads the U13 girls, with Blair Williams, YAS, in second and Izara Stewart-Smith, CYS, in third.



HOT ON YOUR HEELS... Penny Kohlhausen, MLS, is all smiles as she chases PBAS's Daisy Mulraney in the U13 and 14 girls' wheel and ball.



RACE YOU... Kalani DeRoos, Yorketown Area School, is hot on the heels of Alice Butler, Central Yorke School (Maitland), in the wheel and ball.



LAUNCH... Grayson Hann, KMS, gives a mighty javelin throw in the U14 boys' division.



HOP, SKIP, JUMP... Jazz Kerley, Port Broughton Area School, mid triple jump



LOOP THE LOOP... Ava Goodes, YAS, takes on the wheel and ball.



PUMP THOSE ARMS... Kadina Memorial School's Lucas Finn heads towards the finish line in the U13 boys' relay.



ARMS UP... Emily Taylor, YAS, takes on the high jump.



YOUR TURN... Ryley Evans, YAS, ready to pass on the relay baton.



LEAP... Katrina Bennet, CYS, midair during triple jump.

DARTS

Kadina Dart Club winter season: Round 1 results 19-3-25 — Rats Ringers 7 d Outlaws 6, Smack It 11 d Nanna's Girls 2, Redbacks 10 d Team 180 1, Hit 'N' Miss 9 d Wannabees 4. Top four averages, men: Dave Wileman 20.94, Ken Grainger 20.37, Dale Perry 20.23, Ben Bentley 19.87; women: Angie Unger. 15.94, Vanessa Thomson 15.04, Tania McCourt. 14.82, Zoe Wileman 14.78. 180s: Dylan Choules, Jackson Sargood, Lachie Wileman, Dave Wileman. High pegouts: Brett Bateson 116, Dale Perry 109. **Round 2 results 26-3-25** — Hit'N'Miss 9 d Redbacks 4, Smack It 12 d Team 180 1, Outlaws 10 d Wannabees 3, Rats Ringers 12 s Nanna's Girls 1. Top four averages, men: Phil Rowland 20.49, Ken Grainger 20.28, Ryan Discombe 19.98, Dale Appleton 17.48; women: Tania McCourt 17.21, Vanessa Thomson 16.70, Kylie Depledge 15.11, Tracey Stevens 14.20. 180s: Lachie Wileman, Dale Appleton, Mark Bentley, Beau Heron. High pegouts: Vanessa Thomson 120.

GOLF

Ardrossan Tuesday: Results 25-3-25 — Last week, 15 ladies played the first round of the Captain's Stableford. Winners: division I, Tracy Watson 40 pts; div II, Kath Lea 33 c/b Marijke Gurr and Jenny Harbutt. Ball winners: Tracy Watson 40, Jude Foster 39, Henny Van Pelt, Lorna Carter 35, Kath Lea 33. Fairways: Jude Foster 16. NTP: 8 (Ardrossan Post Office) Jude Foster, 16 (Moonta Crash Repairs) Tracie Littlewood. "LCD"

Ardrossan Wednesday: Results 26-3-25 — Sixteen players contested an 18-hole Stableford. Winner D Lemon 38; runner-up M Osborne 37. Ball winners: R Dickson, C Hatcher, G Meredith 36. Most fairways: G Burke 12. Another four players contested a 12-hole Stableford. Winner R Alderman 28; r-up P Williams 26. NTP: 8 A Savaglia, 12 R Dickson, 16 L Gill. Long putt: T Jamieson. This week is front nine, par and fairways. "Spud"

Ardrossan Saturday: Results 29-3-25 — The club foursomes final was contested: D Errington, R Dickson defeated B Jarrett, D Poulter 5/3. Another 29 golfers played a Stableford. Winners: A grade G Meredith 38, B grade C Hatcher 37, C grade L Gill 43. Ball winners: N Edwards 38, A Savaglia, D Watson 36, J Lodge, D Lemon 34, J Stennett, L Rochester, D Phillips 33. NTP: 6 D Lucas, 8 G Sperrin, 12 P Littlewood, 16 D Poulter. Most fairways: N Edwards. Long putt: A Savaglia. This week, Stableford and fairways. "Spud"

Copper Club: Results 25-3-25 — Stableford: J Bagshaw 40, J Halse 39, L Fogden, I Crocker, A Raymond 36, S Box, R Kelling, S Orr (Melton Valley GC) 35, B Wilhelm, C Cunningham 34, D Dolan 33. NTP: 4, L Madigan; 7, L Madigan; 13, L Fogden; 16, A Raymond. **Results 26-3-25** — Stableford: J Skinner 37, J Kretschmer 35, H Williams (Blyth GC), J Arthur (Wallaroo GC), K Fogden, L Sorensen, J Sandow 32, L Markovic 31,

J Harrison 29, J Gordon, D Hawthorne (Wallaroo) 26. NTP: 7, L Sorensen; 16, Sorensen. Irish Team Stableford: J Kretschmer, P Chapman, J Harrison, H Williams (Blyth); D Hawthorne (Wallaroo), K Fogden, F Morris, J Arthur (Wallaroo) 82, J Skinner, J Wehleit (Moonta GC), L Markovic, D Bernhardt (Moonta) 78; J Gordon, L Sorensen, J Smith 69; J Sandow, P Nitschke, E Rowan (Kadina GC) 61. NTP: 7, L Sorensen; 16, L Sorensen. **Results 27-3-25** — Shotgun Thursday Stableford: A Brown 39, P Flavel, T Mulders 36, R Dayman, R Kelling, D Oag, J Bagshaw 35; R Wegener, J Threlfall, M Bagshaw, S Box 34. NTP: 4, M Colbert; 7, R Dayman; 13, R Hancock; 16, R Dayman. **Results 28-3-25** — All-day nine-hole Stableford: N Blake, P Pridham 38; I Crocker, T Wait, S Box 36; P Weatherley, R Chadbourne, R Dayman 35; B Markovic 34; D Smart, J Arthur 33. Eagle: B Paige. NTP: 4, B Paige; 7, P Pridham; 13, B Markovic; 16, R Chadbourne. **Results 29-3-25** — Stableford: N Blake, P Pridham 38; I Crocker, T Wait, S Box 36; P Weatherley, R Chadbourne, R Dayman 35; B Markovic 34; D Smart, J Arthur 33. Eagle: B Paige. NTP: 4, B Paige; 7, P Pridham; 13, B Markovic; 16, R Chadbourne. **Results 30-3-25** — Stableford: B Hoffman-Davis (Sandy Creek GC) 38, C May 36, W Schultz 35, T Daly 33, P Schultz 32, R Wegener 29, G Clarke, M Hoffman-Davis (Sandy Creek) 27, J Tilbury 24, K Rowley (Kadina GC) 22. Pcc: 0.0.

Kadina Saturday: Results 29-3-25 — Kadina Golf Club competition returned on the weekend. Winners: overall Ryan Wheeler 36, A grade Paul Spurling 31, B grade Brenton Koch 34, C grade Matthew East 32. NTP: 3 Tony Jamieson, 18 Helen Crosby. KGC

Maitland Sunday: Results 30-3-25 — Our golf season was opened by president Victoria Johns on Sunday, March 30. Winners were V Johns, B Matthews, J Luke and B Edwards, 55 net. Other scores: C McNerney, C Jarrett, Z Jarrett, M McNerney 56.25; D Honner, G Klopp, W Klopp, H Burner 56.5; T Gregory, K Hann, D Baker, P Eckerman 58.3; G and D Southwood, C and P Jarrett 59.1; A and F Hollams, J Hartman, J Hollams 59.3; C Wuttke, B Colliver, D Armstrong, K Elliott 60.5; J McCormack, M Luciani, B Burrows, J Vandeeper 60.7. Long drives: J Hollams and C McNerney. NTP: C Jarrett, B Matthews, B Burrows. Thanks to sponsors Maitland Foodland, Maitland Hotel and Moonta Gourmet Meats. "Rams"

Wallaroo Wednesday: Results 26-3-25 — Golf had the now usual stiff sou-easterly breeze and bright sunshine. Handling the conditions well was Greg Price with a great score of 40 points; second Grant Donovan 36, third Brenton Jamieson 35. Other scores: Josh Greenhalgh 34, Alan Poole, John Harris 33, Rick Haase, Bret Sando, Ken Mee 32. NTP: 3 Ken Mee, 6 Brenton Jamieson, 11 John Harris. Long putt: Alan Poole. Encouragement award: Jim Smith. JG

Wallaroo Saturday: Results 29-3-25 — Twenty-four golfers enjoyed

NYP croquet

Results 26-3-25

Kadina 27 d Moonta Navy 11. M Kinch 9, S Rodsted 4 (13) d M Algie 2, D McPharlin 4 (6); J Lydeamore 6, N Hibbard 8 (14) d S Pedler 2, R Sparrow 3 (5).

Port Pirie 25 d Wallaroo 11. B Hutchinson 8, M Nayda 8 (16) d J Riley 3, D Paull 3 (6); S Arbon 7, P Norton 2 (9) d J Marshall 3, K McCauley 2 (5).


Congratulations to 2024-25 pennant season champions Crystal Brook.

NYPCA president Malcolm Kinch presented captain Lorraine Saunders the trophy and spoke about his own shot of the day.

It has been another enjoyable year since the two associations combined.

Crystal Brook is exploring the possibility of organising off-season games, mixing teams and players for a fun, social competition. Further details will be announced soon.

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NYP CROQUET... 2024-25 champions, Crystal Brook: Lorraine Saunders, Ron McBride, Erica Young, Shirlene McBride and Wilma Hendry.

warm weather and a light breeze, tackling the course over the two tee-off times (morning and afternoon). The participants played for the Weeroona Hotel voucher. A special mention to John Van De Vorstenbosch (Vorsty for short) who scored the golfer's dream of a hole-in-one, on hole 3 (130 metres, par 3). As well having a great golf shot and hole-in-one, he also claimed the eagles' nest. Congratulations John! Overall winner Doug Moore scored 41 points. A grade: winner Brenton Jamieson 40, r-up Ian Shaw 37. B grade: John Snodgrass 39, Robbert Klomp 36. C grade: winner John Vorsty 40 (proving the hole-in-one wasn't a fluke), r-up Marg Gross 37. NTP: 3 John Vorsty, 6 Brenton Jamieson, 11 John Vorsty. Long drives: A grade Brad Jamieson, B grade Rick Haase, C grade Alan Poole. Long putt: Ben Wall. Encouragement award: John Gore. This week is the opening of the winter season, tee-off at noon only. Competition is a fun four-person Ambrose — get a team together or we can find you one. JG and "Oscar Bravo"

Wool Bay: Results 25-3-25 — The 12-hole Tuesday competition was held in memory of club stalwart Charles "Chook" Decelis who died recently. Decelis family members joined in the competition and his wife Lorraine and daughters provided a wonderful afternoon tea and first prize for the competition. Chook's ashes have been scattered on the course as per his wishes. Winner Scott Golding 40, runner-up Peter Woods 43. Most fairways: Scott Golding 11. Least putts: Scott Golding 15 c/b Peter Woods and Graham Hoile. NTP: 4 John Jansen, 5 Scott Golding. Birdies: Scott Golding, Peter Woods, Dave (Decelis family) 3; Paul Blackman 2. Chip-outs: Scott Golding. **Results 29-3-25** — We held a 12-hole competition on Saturday. Winner Scott Golding 41, r-up John Jansen 43. Most fairways: Merv Camp 10 c/b Scott Golding. Least putts: Scott Golding 15.

NTP: 13 and 16 Scott Golding. Birdies: Scott Golding, Joy Leathley, Graham Hoile. WBGC

Yorke town Saturday: Results 29-3-25 — We had a small field and windy weather for a Stableford. Winner Mort Giles 33 c/b r-up Harry Mills and 3rd Gav Bryan. Other scores: Ed Johnson 32; Michael Haylock 31; Deb Baum 30; Scott Jansons 27. NTP: 5/14 Gav Bryan, 7/16 Col Hincks, 18 Gav Bryan, second shot 3/12 Ed Johnson, dollar hole (9) Kym Baum. This Saturday is the opening of winter season, 11.30am for a noon tee-off. We welcome any new or returning players to come join our weekly comps, competitions cater for both women and men, including juniors. If you don't have any clubs, we can find some for you to use. Wednesday is veterans at Stansbury. All welcome for an enjoyable round. TFM

SHOOTING

Maitland Rifle Club: Results 29-3-25 — Members gathered early on the McCauley Range to contest another round of the Zacher Trophy from 1000 yards with the usual south-easterly wind persisting. Overall top off-rifle was John "Cooter" Habets shooting FSA, scoring 82.01/90. When handicaps were added to the score sheet, he also collected 3 handicap points. Handicap scores: John Habets, FSA, 82.01, 5, 87.01, 97%, 3 points; Andrew Dayman, TR, 57.01, 12, 69.01, 92%, 2 points; John Shobbrook, FO, 81.03, 1, 82.03, 91%, 1 point; Bill Gillis, FSA, 79.02, 3, 82.0, 91%; Roger Francis, FO, 80.04, 1, 81.04, 90%; Jeff Dayman, TR, 64.03, 3, 67.03, 89%; Chris Tucker, FSB, 68.01, 11, 79.01, 88%; David Hindmarsh, FO, 72.00, 7, 79.00, 88%; Lynton Wakefield. FTR, 77.03, 1, 78.03, 87%; Michael Dayman, TR, 62.03, 2, 64.03, 85%; Barry Tucker, FSB, 62.02, 14, 76.02, 84%; Brad Renfrey, FTR, 63.00, 10, 73.00, 81%; Greg Bentick, FO, 58.02, 4, 62.02. Top off-rifle: TR, Jeff Dayman, 64.03; FSA, John Habets,

82.01; FSB, Chris Tucker, 68.01; FO, John Shobbrook, 81.03. With 1000 yards finished, we moved to the clubhouse for a fish and chip lunch courtesy of Chris and Barry Tucker, and it was delicious. Thanks to all involved! Next was the second Semmler Trophy round from 900 yards. Even with 100 yards shaved from the task, it was still difficult to get meaningful scores on the board. Scores: Brad Renfrey, FO, 53.02, 50.02, 103.04, 20, 120.04, 3 points; John Shobbrook, FO, 56.01, 57.01, 113.02, 1. 114.02. 2 points; Roger Francis, FO, 56.03, 55.02. 111.05, 1, 112.05, 1 point; Jeff Dayman, TR, 42.01, 46.02, 88.03, 3, 91.03; Lynton Wakefield, FO, 53.01, 55.03, 108.04, 1, 109.04; Bill Gillis, FSA, 54.03, 50.02, 104.05, 3, 107.05; Chris Tucker, FSB, 47.01, 48.00, 95.01, 11, 106.01; David Hindmarsh, FO, 49.01, 49.01, 98.02, 7, 105.02; John Habets, FSA, 46.00, 51.01, 97.01, 5, 102.01; Michael Dayman, TR, 43.00, 38.01, 81.01, 2, 83.01; Andrew Dayman, TR, 37.01, 28.00, 65.01, 12, 77.01; Greg Bentick, FO, 51.01, 50.02, 101.03, 4, 105.03. Top off-rifle: TR, Jeff Dayman, 88.03; FSA, Bill Gillis, 104.05; FO, John Shobbrook, 113.02. This week is the final stage of the Semmler Trophy from 300 yards. "Dodgy"

Wallaroo Pistol and Shooting Club: Results 25-3-25 — Air pistol/600, women: Michelle Sieben 509, Colleen Angel 399; men: Stephen Penney 497. Action mover-plates/480, rimfire production: Stephen Penney 468, Michelle Sieben 382, Jake Kittel 349, Lenny Heinis 302, Phillip Knight 268, Shaylah Kittel (visitor) 260; rimfire modified: Stephen Penney 435, Robb Bean 124. **Results 30-3-25** — Air pistol/600, women: Michelle Sieben 521; men: Stephen Penney 496. Action mover-plates/480, rimfire production: Scott Gibbs 478, Stephen Penney 476, Michelle Sieben 437; centrefire production: Stephen Penney 430. The club thanks sponsor Enfield Furnishers. SP



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Bute Bowling Club 2024-25 champions



BUTE CHAMPIONS... Bute Bowling Club 2024-25 championship singles and two bowls winner Raelene Taylor, and runner-up Sheryl Green.



BUTE CHAMPIONS... A grade championship singles runner-up Andrew Copley and winner Bob Scott.



BUTE CHAMPIONS... Championship pairs runners-up Anthea Martin and Ros Trengove, and winners Sheryl Green and Sharon Millard.



BUTE CHAMPIONS... Championship pairs runner-up Dave Pringle and Kerran Herbert, and winners Glenn Herbert and Brett Herbert.



BUTE CHAMPIONS... B grade singles runner-up Bradley Young and winner Tony Rose.



BUTE CHAMPIONS... Open and consistency runner-up Graham Green and winner Brett Herbert.

Wallaroo bowls awards

Wallaroo Bowling Club held its presentation day on Sunday, March 23. About 70 people attended the event and president Kevin Cock congratulated all players on their achievements throughout the season.

Fifteen certificates were presented to members who had achieved excellence in their bowling.

Men's singles: winner Will McPharlin, runner-up Mike Wildash.

Men's pairs: Mike Wildash and Neville Hards,

Allan Gribble and Shane Grimes.

Club championship singles: Will McPharlin, Terry Hudson.

Open handicap singles: Darrell Carter, Con Vluggen.

Ladies' singles: Dianne Milner, Cathy Vluggen.

Ladies' pairs: Karen Frick and Julie Symons, Lyn Wildash and Dianne Milner.

Mixed pairs: Karen Frick and Peter Rankin, Mike and Lyn Wildash.

Most improved lady bowler: Annie Pryor.



WALLAROO BOWLS... Men's singles winner and club championship singles winner, Will McPharlin.

WALLAROO BOWLS... Ladies' singles winner, Dianne Milner.

WALLAROO BOWLS... Open handicap singles winner, Darrell Carter.



Moonta open bowls champs

MOONTA OPEN SINGLES... Moonta Bowling Club open singles champion Don Bennett and runner-up Joe Fahey; this match was the club's final event of the 2024-25 season.

Warooka triples tournament

Warooka Bowling Club held its Triple Turkeys Tournament on Monday, March 24.

Fourteen teams competed on true greens and had a brilliant time under blue skies, although the stiff breeze made it tricky for bowlers at times.

Winners were Allan Gregory, Tom Bilney and Lindsey Palmer; runners-up, Peter Heinrich, Harry

Knight, Kevin Lynch; third, Matt Redman, Jim McKenzie and Kim Redman.

Raffle prizes were abundant and the club thanks sponsors who donated them.

Lunch was provided, thanks to the people who spent a great deal of time preparing and organising this.

Peter Laing



WAROOKA TRIPLES... Warooka club president Ken Algate OAM (second right) with WBC Turkey Triples Tournament winners Allan Gregory, Tom Bilney and Lindsey Palmer.

BMNWBA Broughton Section

Results 27-3-25
The Broughton, Mid North and Woorora Bowling Association Broughton Section Thursday competition grand final was played at Clare on March 27.
Clare Gold 45 d Clare Silver 35. K Day 26 d G Pierce 16, R Lamond 19 drew with R Topperwien 19.

Results 29-3-25
The BMNWBA Broughton

Section Saturday competition singles championship was played at Redhill Bowling Club on Saturday, March 29.
Winner was Craig Krieg (Brinkworth) and Rodney Clifford (Mundoora) was runner-up
Grand finals 5-4-25
Saturday division I: Koolunga v Snowtown, 1.30m at Koolunga.
Saturday div II: Mundoora v Brinkworth, 2pm at Mundoora.

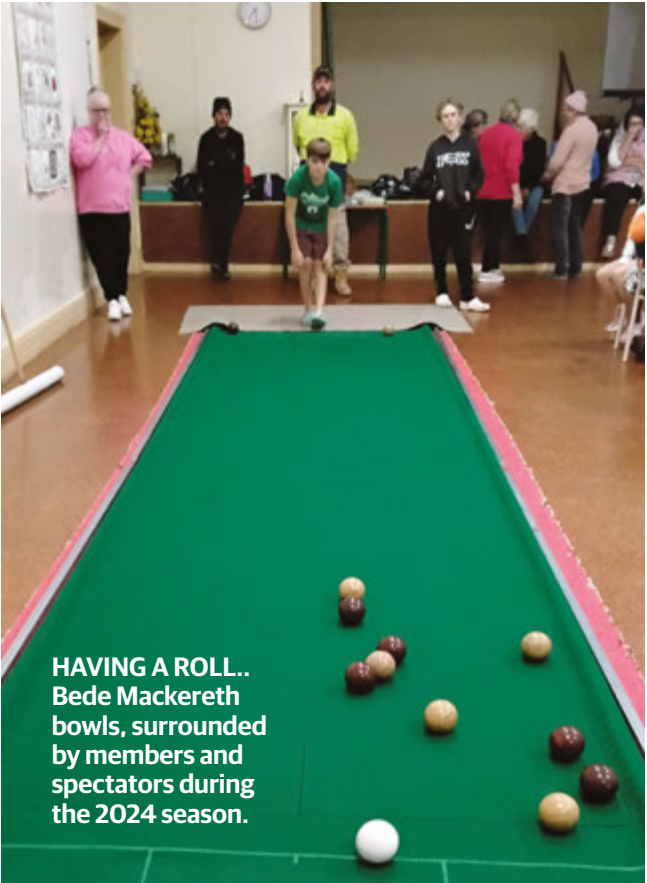


BMNWBA BROUGHTON SECTION... Saturday competition singles champion Craig Krieg (right) and runner-up Rodney Clifford.

Cross Roads indoor cush bowls

Results 28-3-25
The second of three cush bowls come and try nights was held with a pleasing result at the Moonta Uniting Church hall on Friday night, March 28.
Some more potential players attended and appeared to enjoy the game.
However, numbers are still down, and currently there will be 10 teams. Ideally 12 teams are

needed to keep this unique sport to the full potential.
There is also a need for fill-in players.
It's not too late to join! Teams will be set this Friday night in readiness to start the 2025 competition on April 11.
For further enquiries please contact Bev Shields 0447 253 103 or Christine Nicholas 0429 947 272.



HAVING A ROLL... Bede Mackereth bowls, surrounded by members and spectators during the 2024 season.



NYP VETERANS... Placegetters in the Peninsula Toyota Perpetual Trophy competition: second Geoff Tapps, first Rick Haase and third Grant Donovan.

Haase wins NYP veterans 2024-25 perpetual trophy

The last day of the Northern Yorke Peninsula Veteran Golfers Association 12-month Peninsula Toyota Perpetual Trophy competition was a hard-fought affair.
There were 34 players at the Ardrossan Golf Club for the round on Thursday, March 20.
It was Rick Haase from Wallaroo Golf Club who came from behind to win the trophy, eclipsing season leader Geoff Tapps, of Port Broughton.
Haase won with an accumulated 530 points, narrowly beating Tapps on 523.
In third place was Grant Donovan on 522, ahead of Les Rochester on 520.
Others who figured in the top 10 were David Wall, Darryl Chynoweth, Glyn Meredith, Steve Evans, David Smart and Tony Jamieson.
In the Stableford, Dennis Emmerton from Moonta cleaned up with a magnificent 40 points to take home the Weeroona Hotel voucher.
A grade: Darryl Chynoweth 37 c/b Glyn Meredith and Rick Haase.
B grade: Grant Donovan 38, Steve Solomon 36 c/b Les Rochester and Barry Moyle.
C grade: Trevor Obst 37, Ron Fairchild 36 c/b John Shakespear.
Seniors 75 and over: Chris Hatcher; President's Encouragement Award: David Wall.
Eagles Nest winner, Des Lucas.
NTP: 6, Rick Haase: 8, Albert Saviliga; 12, Ron Dickson; 16, Des Lucas.
Long putts: 9, Gary Koch; 18, Barry Brealey.
Birdies: Darryl Chynoweth, Les Rochester, Glyn Meredith, Barry Brealey, David Smart, David Holman, Ron Dickson, Gary Koch, Tony Jamieson, Bruce Dolman, Chris Hatcher.
Four pointers: Don Beitz, Greg Bone.
Lucky cards: Gary Koch, Rick Haase, Geoff Bussenschutt, John Gore, Chris Hatcher, Grant Donovan, Tony Jamieson.
The next game is at Kadina on April 3, with the opening of our winter season playing for the Peter Millward Memorial Trophy.

Les Rochester

Yorketown Golf Club recognises club stalwart

Following our Brenton Cup Stableford in Clare on Saturday, March 22, Yorketown Golf Club awarded Michael Hickman with life membership for outstanding service to the club.
Michael was heavily involved with the new irrigation system, which was installed from 2001, the formation of new grass tee blocks and re-grassing the course at the same time.
He maintained the irrigation system over the next 20 years in trying conditions. If we had problems, he would fix the issue, no questions asked.
He was club president in 2001 and 2002 and again in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012. He was the instigator of many things including the summer golf competition, palliative care days and the Seven Roads Challenge.
Michael was always there to lend a hand for working bees, behind the bar, and for special function days and weekly competitions.
We thank him for organising the recent 100-year celebrations, putting in many hours of work to make it a great success.
In the last couple of years, he was SYP veterans captain, maintaining his excellent organisation skills. This was all done for his enjoyment in playing golf. This is only a brief summary of Michael's achievements at Yorketown Golf Club.
We congratulate Michael on his life membership. Michael and Vanessa have now moved to Adelaide, but Michael still finds a way to come back and enjoy his club.

ACKNOWLEDGING...
Yorketown Golf Club's Michael Hickman with his life membership certificate.



Contributed

NYP Little Athletics

Results 28-3-25
Northern Yorke Peninsula Little Athletics Centre held its last meet of the 2024-25 season on Friday, March 28.

CENTRE RECORDS
Under 8 male: Bailey Price, 700m 2:44.51.
Under 8 female: Adeline Wandel, 700m, 2:44.96.

PERSONAL BESTS
U6F: A Lee 70m 18.83s, 300m 1:39.86; E Oliver vortex 8.58m, 70m 14.37s, shot-put 3.38m; F Marks 50m 11.97s, vortex 5.45m, 70m 15.88s, shot-put 3.12m; F Carmichael 70m 15.93s, 50m 11.24s; E Driver 70m 17.29s.

U6M: E Quin 50m 12s, shot-put 3.51m, 70m 16.91s.
U7F: H Cass 50m 11.24s, 70m 15.88s; M Reynolds 500m 2:38.61; H Rowan discus 7.34m, 500m 2:18.96; E Whale discus 1.98m.
U7M: D Cochrane 500m 2:12.26, discus 9.1m, 50m 11.22s; E Schulze 70m 16.68s, 50m 12s, discus 8.29m, vortex 13.92m; X Naylor 70m 14.33s, vortex 9.35m; A Tieste 70m 14.71s, 50m 10.56s, discus 11.77m, 500m 2:59.42, vortex 13.32m.

U8F: H Marks vortex 10m, shot-put 3.98m, 70m 14.03s, 700m 3:29.62; I Whale vortex 11.17m; A Wandel long jump 2.86m, vortex 18.44m, 700m 2:44.96.
U8M: B Price shot-put 5.12m, 700m 2:44.51, long jump 3m; H McNicholl 70m 14.11s.
U9F: L Wapper discus 11.33m, 70m 13.99s, 100m 20.36s; J Fry 70m 15.08s, 400m 2:05.20, discus 7.76m, 100m 22.45s.
U10M: E Cochrane long jump 2.98m.



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... U13 athlete Savannah Wandel and U14 Brampton Williams during their 1500m run.



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... Billy Watts, Jakobi Price, Elijah Quin, Laura Wapper and Ellie Driver have each recorded 15 personal bests this season.



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... Athletes awarded certificates for five personal bests to date Julianne Fry, Hendrix McNicholl, Savannah Wandel, Adeline Wandel. (Absent: Archer Fry.)



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... Darcy Cochrane and Michael Reynolds have achieved 25 personal bests and counting this season.



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... Bailey Price is the new centre record holder for U8 male high jump with his recent result of 1.10m.



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... Athletes achieving 20 personal bests this season: Imogen Whale, Bailey Price, Elijah Cochrane.



NYP LITTLE ATHLETICS... Julianna Fry, Ellie Driver, Seth Lee, the latest athletes to achieve 10 personal bests this season.

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Calling for relief for rural SA

THE state's primary producers are calling for immediate government support as they struggle through some of the driest conditions in 20 years.

Last month, around 20 farmers gathered with State Opposition members on the steps of Parliament House in Adelaide, urging the government to provide a lifeline.

Opposition leader Vincent Tarzia said the situation was dire. "Farmers are no longer just asking for help — they're begging for a lifeline," he said.

That same day, March 19, Premier Peter Malinauskas convened an emergency management council meeting to address drought and water security.

In November, the SA Government announced an \$18 million relief package, including grants for on-farm resilience infrastructure, mental health support and fodder distribution.

However, Mr Tarzia said the funding was inadequate, with farmers waiting months for a \$5000 rebate, which he described as a "drop in the ocean" compared to what's needed.

Opposition primary industries spokesperson Dr Nicola Centofanti criticised the Premier for suggesting additional drought support could be included in the June State Budget.

"These farmers can't hold on another three months," she said. "They need a government that listens because agriculture is the lifeblood of SA."

Dr Centofanti urged government to increase funding for hay delivery, subsidise water carting and provide low or no-interest loans for essentials such as fodder and fertiliser.

"To a city-centric government, this might not seem like much but, for our farmers, it could mean the difference between hanging on or losing everything," she said.



DRYING UP... South Australian farmers are asking for a lifeline from the State Government.

Easing the burden of drought

SOUTH Australian farmers are facing a severe drought and Rural Business Support is urging the community to help.

Donations to the Relief Fund for Rural Support Grants will provide essential support to farming families and small rural businesses.

According to RBS chief executive Brett Smith, the grants help families with groceries, healthcare, education costs and mental wellbeing. "This isn't just about financial assistance," Mr Smith said.

"It's about showing our farmers they are seen, supported and not alone in their struggle.

"For many, this support is what helps them hold on through the hardest days."

To raise funds, RBS is hosting a screening of Just A Farmer at the Capri Theatre, Goodwood, at 7pm on Wednesday, April 9.

The film highlights the challenges farmers face the impact on their families and mental health issues in regional Australia.

Primary Industries and Regions Minister Clare Scriven will host the evening which will include a panel discussion with the film's writer and executive producer Leila McDougall.

All proceeds will go to the RBS Relief Fund supporting mental health and wellbeing in rural communities.

RBS aims to build a profitable, sustainable and resilient rural sector by supporting farmers landowners and regional businesses across South



RURAL AID APPEAL... Rural Business Support chief executive Brett Smith is urging people to donate to its Relief Fund, which provides for the essential needs of farming families and small rural businesses struggling with the drought.

Australia and the Northern Territory, Mr Smith said.

"While our programs receive government funding, community support is crucial to ensuring the long-term wellbeing of those in need," he said.

For more information or to donate visit ruralbusinesssupport.org.au or purchase tickets to the event.

Roundtable discusses mental health gaps

FARMING communities could see improved mental health support after a roundtable discussion held in Adelaide during March.

The roundtable brought together mental health professionals, regional support organisations and agricultural leaders.

The event, initiated by Grain Producers SA, aimed to address mental health challenges arising from the ongoing drought and identify service gaps and future support needs.

GPSA chair John Gladigau, who led the discussion, said the roundtable was a crucial step toward ensuring regional communities received the support they need.

"GPSA recognises that mental health is just as important as physical safety when it comes to supporting SA farmers," Mr Gladigau said.

"We were pleased to bring together representatives from agriculture, psychology, and rural health to share what's working, highlight gaps and discuss what additional support is needed over the next six to 12 months."

The roundtable included representatives from organisations such as Rural Business Support, ifarmwell, Primary Producers SA, Livestock SA, SA Health, Rural Aid, the National Centre for Farmer Health, and Fat Farmers.

Discussions focused on coordinating services and investing in proven community-driven programs.

"There was strong agreement that programs which have already proven effective should receive further investment," Mr Gladigau said.

"But we also heard loud and clear that, as drought persists, the demand for practical, farmer-led support and early intervention services will only increase."

Mr Gladigau emphasised that the roundtable was also about ensuring real needs and lived experiences were reflected in government policy, including discussions within the Minister's Drought Advisory Committee.

The outcomes of the roundtable are expected to shape future mental health initiatives for farmers as they continue to navigate the challenges of drought.



SUPPORT NEEDED... GPSA chair John Gladigau says mental health is as important as physical safety for SA farmers.

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The event will kick off at 8am with breakfast and coffee at a local cafe, giving the participants a chance to meet informally.

This will be followed by the workshop at Port Broughton Hotel from 9am to 12.45pm, then lunch will be provided.

The first guest speaker will be Michael Zwar from Ag Tech Services, Laura, who will give a presentation on the use of drones to map weeds and soil acidity (pH).

Next, Wharminda farmer and ag-nomic consultant Ed Hunt will talk about building farm resilience and changing trends in agriculture.

He will also cover the costs to run a farm business, including machinery, land prices and labour, to help participants gain a better understanding of the cost of production.

The third speaker will be Curramulka farmer Andrew Slater, who will impart his wisdom on resilience to the next generation of farmers and give his take on costs and gross margins.

For more information, go to landscape.sa.gov.au/ny/get-involved/events



WISDOM... Curramulka farmer Andrew Slater will share what he has learned about farm resilience at a workshop for young farmers. **Right: AG TECH...** Michael Zwar will speak about the use of drones in farming at a workshop for young farmers, to be held in Port Broughton. **PHOTOS:** Upper North Farming Systems

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♊ GEMINI—May 23-June 21
A modest financial windfall may come your way by the weekend, but several minor delays may be experienced in your professional life. Playing the diplomat is your role on the weekend.

♋ CANCER—June 22-July 22
This is a restless week. You are ready to take a giant step forward then several plans are put on hold. Be patient. This is a splendid week for growth and it will soon come your way.

♌ LEO—July 23-August 22
You bring more than a touch of class to social and/or business events. A romantic debate heats up later in the week. This could be the weekend for selling or trading.

♍ VIRGO—August 23-September 22
The accent is on the familiar. If planning a trip for example, consider a favourite destination. If considering studying, think about an advanced class in a favourite subject area.

♎ LIBRA—September 23-October 22
Memory lapses are sprinkled through the week. Double check facts before issuing statements. Legal matters should proceed more smoothly, but check all documents with meticulous care.

♏ SCORPIO—October 23-November 21
The spotlight is on creative talent. You may be able to make some money from a hobby. Moderation is the key - avoid all extremes, especially in your diet.

♐ SAGITTARIUS—November 22-December 22
Guard ideas closely, lest they be pilfered by an unscrupulous colleague. In areas of love or friendship, let down your guard and act from the heart.

♑ CAPRICORN—December 23-January 20
Jobs you take on may eventually prove more complicated than you first thought. Don't be too eager to volunteer your services. A family dispute should be solved by the end of the week.

♒ AQUARIUS—January 21-February 19
Your taste is impeccable now, but make an effort to economize along the way. You have a way of encouraging loved ones to reach their full potential.

♓ PISCES—February 20-March 20
Price increases or the delay of payments may mean you have to postpone the purchase of a luxury item. On the happier side, new relationships flourish through the week

BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK
You are known for your fine expensive tastes and your great capacity for empathizing. This time favours new educational developments. An increased responsibility may lead to an improved lifestyle.

Sudoku

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HOW TO SOLVE SUDOKU!
Fill the grid so every row and every 3x3 square contains the digits 1-9

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Entertain Us

by Joanna Tucker

MAFS investigated

THIS season, I was convinced to watch Married at First Sight Australia (or MAFS) for the first time.

The show pairs contestants together, meeting for the first time on their "wedding" day.

In the beginning, it was fun watching this unfold and the drama that ensued but lately, it's been a hard watch.

On an episode aired on March 2, themes of physical violence, coercive control and male violence were aired when one of the spouses, Paul Antoine, confessed that he had punched a hole in a wall because his wife, Carina Mirabile, brought up a past partner.

The experts threatened to remove Paul, and some of the husbands voiced how serious this was, but Carina completely downplayed the incident by saying it proved how strongly Paul felt for her.

After airing, NSW Police began an investigation into the incident.

When I was recommended to watch this show, I did not expect these themes to be so prevalent or even allowed to air.

The worst part is that this example of violence is not the only one aired.

One of the husbands, Adrian Araouzou, was previously charged with domestic assault and still appeared on the show.



Another wife, Lauren Hall, describes her type of man as dominant and an "alpha".

However, to Lauren, this meant she was horrified to come home and find her husband, Clint Rice, cleaning.

This normalisation of gendered roles and domestic violence was shocking to see.

It is concerning to think about how many people in similar situations will watch this show and believe it is normal.

Considering that, in 2024, domestic violence was described as a national emergency by the Australian Government, it is disappointing to see no action by the producers of the show to encourage gender equality in any way when presented with so many opportunities to do so.

#Throwback

This day in history

April 1, 1946: A tsunami caused by a 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit Hawaii, killing 165 people. The wave was 35m in height.

April 1, 1978: Australian entrepreneur Dick Smith orchestrated the Great Sydney Harbour iceberg hoax on April Fool's Day by announcing plans to tow an iceberg from Antarctica, carve it into small cubes and sell them to the public for 10 cents each. The prank was exposed when rain washed away the foam covering, revealing plastic sheeting beneath.

April 1, 2004: Google launched Gmail and five years later the number of people using the email service surpassed one billion.

SocialMedia
Spotlight

I'm literally fine as long as I don't think about the past or the future and also the present'
— @MooMooRevolution

Crossword

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8. Fruit (5)
9. Bad-tempered (7)
10. Gradually (6)
11. Lake (NSW) (6)
12. Colour (5)
14. Sacred song (5)
18. Rhythmical sound of deep toned brass instruments (6)
20. Gas (6)
23. Immediate (7)
24. Extremely (5)
25. Town (NSW) (13)

Down
1. Prattle (6)
2. Caregiver (5)
3. Perfect (7)
4. Effortlessness (4)
5. Concur (5)

No. 2133
6. Clothes (7)
7. Techniques (6)
13. Medical complaint (7)
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22. Portico (4)

Solution 2132

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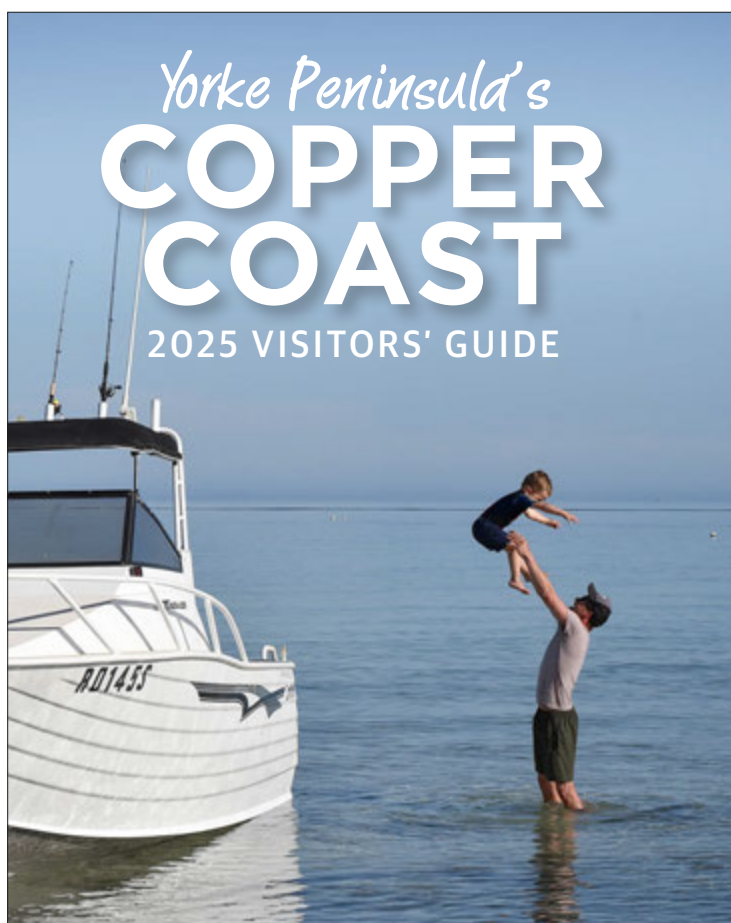
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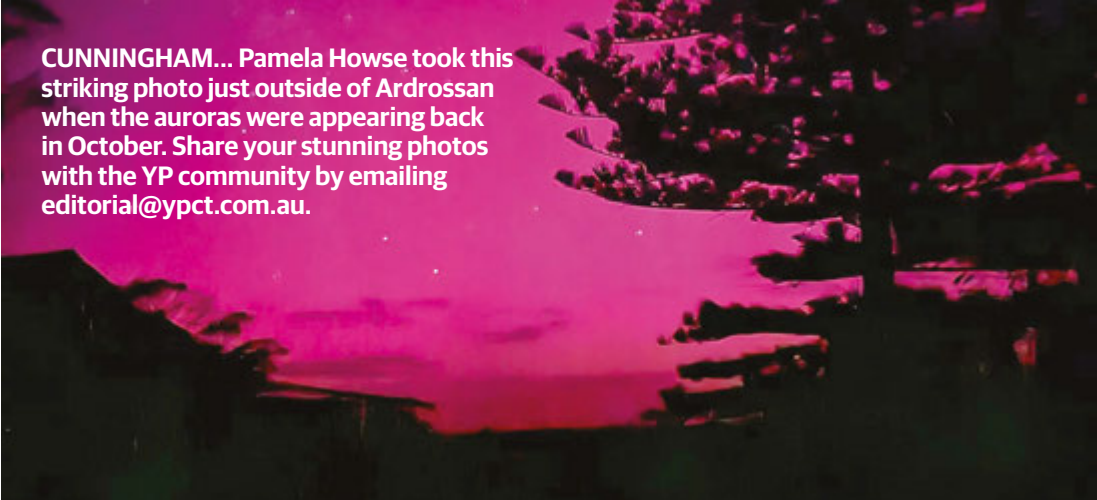
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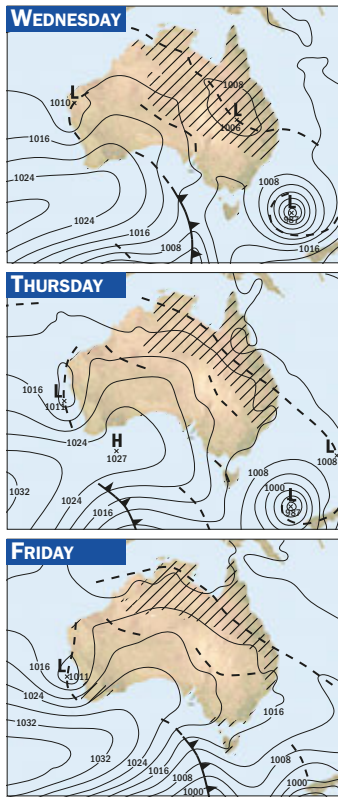
Information

CUNNINGHAM... Pamela Howse took this striking photo just outside of Ardrossan when the auroras were appearing back in October. Share your stunning photos with the YP community by emailing editorial@ypct.com.au.



Weather forecast issued at noon, April 1, 2025

Supplied by Bureau of Meteorology



STATE
Wednesday: Possible morning fog about the west coast and Kangaroo Island. Showers about the northeast, clearing during the morning. Isolated showers possibly developing about western and southern coastal fringes late evening. Maximum temperatures below average in the north, and slightly above average in the east and southeast. South to southwesterly winds, tending southeasterly in the north. **Thursday:** Isolated showers over the southern agricultural area, possibly reaching the northern agricultural area and West Coast district, contracting to coastal fringes during the afternoon and evening. Maximum temperatures average to below average. Southwesterly to southeasterly winds, fresh at times during the day. **Friday:** Showers extending over the southern agricultural area and isolated showers possibly reaching the northern agricultural area and West Coast district. Maximum temperatures average to below average. Southwest to southeasterly winds.

YORKE PENINSULA DISTRICT
Wednesday: Mostly sunny. Winds southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light before dawn then becoming south to southwesterly 20 to 30 km/h in the middle of the day. **Thursday:** Partly cloudy. Slight chance of a shower. Winds southerly 25 to 35 km/h. **Friday:** Partly cloudy. Slight chance of a shower. Winds southeast to southwesterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming southwesterly 20 to 30 km/h during the day.

SPENCER GULF
Wednesday: Winds: Southeasterly 10 to 15 knots becoming variable about 10 knots early in the morning then becoming south to southwesterly 15 to 25 knots in the middle of the day. Seas: Around 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 2 metres during the afternoon. Swell: South to southwesterly around 1 metre. Weather: Mostly sunny. **Thursday:** Winds: Southerly 15 to 25 knots. Seas: 1 to 1.5 metres, increasing to 1.5 to 2 metres north of Cowell to Wallaroo during the afternoon or evening. Swell: South to southwesterly below 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 2 metres south of Cowell to Wallaroo during the morning. Weather: Partly cloudy. 50% chance of showers.

GULF ST VINCENT
Wednesday: Winds: Variable about 10 knots becoming southerly 15 to 20 knots in the early afternoon. Seas: Below 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 1.5 metres by early evening. Swell: Southeast to southwesterly below 0.5 metres. Weather: Mostly sunny. **Thursday:** Winds: Southerly 15 to 20 knots. Seas: Around 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 1.5 metres during the afternoon. Swell: West to southwesterly below 0.5 metres. Weather: Partly cloudy. 60% chance of showers.

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WEDNESDAY ▼14° ▲27° Mostly sunny
THURSDAY ▼13° ▲23° Mostly sunny
FRIDAY ▼10° ▲22° Mostly cloudy
SATURDAY ▼11° ▲23° Mostly sunny
SUNDAY ▼9° ▲23° Mostly sunny
MONDAY ▼13° ▲24° Mostly sunny

Maitland

WEDNESDAY ▼14° ▲27° Mostly sunny
THURSDAY ▼13° ▲21° Late shower
FRIDAY ▼11° ▲21° Mostly cloudy
SATURDAY ▼12° ▲22° Mostly sunny
SUNDAY ▼11° ▲22° Mostly sunny
MONDAY ▼14° ▲23° Clearing shower

Warooka

WEDNESDAY ▼16° ▲23° Mostly cloudy
THURSDAY ▼15° ▲19° Clearing shower
FRIDAY ▼13° ▲18° Mostly cloudy
SATURDAY ▼14° ▲19° Mostly sunny
SUNDAY ▼12° ▲20° Mostly cloudy
MONDAY ▼15° ▲20° Clearing shower

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	WEEKLY TOTAL	MARCH TOTAL	2025 TOTAL	MARCH AVERAGE	ANNUAL AVERAGE
Arthurton	0.0	0.0	2.0	21.5	475.5
Bute	0.0	2.8	4.2	16.7	393.2
Curramulka	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.7	423.6
Edithburgh	0.0	1.2	7.0	16.2	383.2
Kadina	0.0	1.8	3.2	25.0	319.2
Maitland	0.0	1.8	4.4	20.6	502.3
Minlaton	0.0	2.0	11.0	17.9	427.1
Moonta	0.0	2.2	2.8	19.1	369.2
Paskeville	0.0	4.6	4.6	17.3	386.6
Pine Point	0.0	0.6	6.6	18.0	373.1
Port Broughton	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.9	349.1
Port Victoria	0.0	2.0	2.0	16.1	379.1
Port Vincent	0.0	1.6	8.7	14.5	359.4
Price	0.0	2.9	4.3	17.3	325.2
Snowtown	0.0	4.8	5.8	15.9	367.2
Stansbury	0.0	1.8	10.4	16.0	403.0
Stenhouse Bay	0.0	3.2	9.2	18.1	451.0
Wallaroo	0.0	2.2	4.2	19.3	356.8
Warooka	0.0	0.0	5.6	16.2	442.5
Yorke town	0.0	0.6	6.2	16.5	416.6

TIDE TIMES

Port Adelaide (Outer Harbor)

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1	0112 0.31	4	0205 0.65	7	0140 1.12
	0655 2.04		0724 1.72		0619 1.52
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	1900 2.74		1951 2.67		1902 1.89
2	0136 0.40	5	0215 0.76	8	1056 0.92
	0708 1.88		0733 1.71		1730 1.73
WE	1240 0.47	SA	1315 0.42	TU	2232 1.29
	1917 2.76	☉	2009 2.51		
3	0154 0.53	6	0229 0.90	9	0352 1.79
	0717 1.77		0640 1.64		1012 0.75
TH	1245 0.43	SU	1229 0.57	WE	1633 1.92
	1934 2.74		1921 2.23		2212 0.95

Wallaroo

Time	m	Time	m	Time	m
1	0200 0.51	4	1215 0.38	7	1033 0.47
	0713 0.99		2049 1.83		2118 1.39
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HOT FISHING TIPS

with Greg James www.gregjamesfishing.com.au

Welcome to the column with all the hot tips for fishing around Yorke Peninsula; contact Greg by email at greg@gregjamesfishing.com.au.

Ask Professor Plankton about Cockles: Once used almost solely for fishing bait, South Australian cockles have now become a culinary specialty for seafood gourmets. Cockles are also known as pipis and they are synonymous with the Goolwa / South Coast region. Cockles are a member of the Cardiidae family of edible bivalve molluscs. Did you know: The Indigenous name is kuti? There are more than 200 cockle species around the world? Cockles feed by siphoning plankton from the sea water?

Wallaroo: Strong wind warnings were part of several days' fishing conditions last week as the dry south easterlies continued to crack in along the coast. Boat crews had to go early mornings for a few gar, a few blue crabs and a few squid! The jetty has blueys and squid at night.

Moonta Bay/Port Hughes: Try either jetty for blue crabs and garfish. Boat crews also had to time their runs out to Tipara Reef for gar and squid, with King George whiting reports being of fish to 35cm from just north

of Steamer Channel.

Point Turton: Gar and isolated but good size whiting are off the grounds from Minlacowie and Port Rickaby and then north to Chinaman Wells and Barker Rocks. The jetty has small gar, sprat tommy ruff (Australian herring) and the odd squid.

Stenhouse Bay/Marion Bay: Strong southerlies played havoc with offshore fishing plans over the weekend. Shore-based anglers chased mullet, salmon trout and even gar from Sturt Bay, Gym Beach and Daly Head, while the jetties have tommies and squid.

Edithburgh/Stansbury: Most reports of KG whiting came from Tapley Shoals and the Orontes Bank with gar, blueys and squid just off Klein Point, Coobowie and The Hut. The jetties have salmon trout and tommies after dusk.

Ardrossan: "Hope springs eternal" was the motto for several rakers over the weekend as they fished for blue crabs from Price, Tiddy Widdy Beach and James Well. Boat crews ran out before the south-east winds for KG whiting, garfish and squid, but the dreaded trumpeters are still taking baits.

Tight lines and see you next week!



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YPFL A GRADE... CY Cougars players Henry Trenorden and Henry Hollams wrap Tyler Andrews, Moonta, in a tackle on Saturday. There is a complete wrap of all YP football and netball games inside.

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Marathon man to take on London

Austinn Lane
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For most, 42 kilometres is a distance best covered by car but, for tom nelligan, it's a way of life. The 38-year-old moonta runner is gearing up for his 11th marathon, set to take on the london marathon at the end of april. With years of long-distance running behind him, nelligan continues to push his limits on the world stage.

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