



# WELCOME DROPS, LONG ROAD AHEAD

**MORE PLEASE...** The weekend rain was more than welcome but farmers like Sam Parker say plenty more is needed. He is pictured at his property near Kadina with his son, Dustin, and daughter, Eloise. PHOTO: Rod Penna

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# THANKS FOR NOT A LOT

Sarah Herrmann  
JOURNALIST

YORKE Peninsula was left behind by the 2025-26 state budget, with no specific funding announcements for the region. The budget invested \$1.9 billion in health, but none was specifically earmarked for Yorke Peninsula, despite the recent parliamentary inquiry into health services in the area (see YPCT 1-4-25). However, Health Minister Chris Picton has advised the YP Country Times the government will next month deliver on its 2022-23 budget commitment to provide two new ambulances, a 24/7 ambulance crew and a community paramedic based in Wallaroo, and an upgrade to the Wallaroo ambulance station. Mr Picton also said the 2025-26 budget increased regional local health networks' operating budgets by 12 per cent, or \$157 million, including \$24.4M for the

Yorke and Northern LHN. At the 2025-26 budget media conference on Thursday, June 5, YPCT asked Treasurer Stephen Mullighan why YP had missed out on new, specific funding and when we could expect the Economic and Finance Committee's recommendations from the inquiry. "I understand those considerations are underway about how to further boost those services," Treasurer Mullighan said. "I imagine that the pressures on Yorke Peninsula community in terms of health services are not too dissimilar to what we see in other non-metro regional parts of South Australia — not just making sure we've got emergency medical services available but we've also got all of those other services like primary care, GPs, aged care facilities, and so on. "While we are improving parts of the healthcare system on Yorke Peninsula, we recognise there's more work to be done."

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## Farewell to a cherished place of worship

ONCE again, I was saddened to read the opinion letter in the YP Country Times (3-6-25) about the deconsecration and closure of St Christopher's Anglican Church in Curramulka.

This is yet another small Christian church on YP to close its doors, a reflection of the ongoing population decline in rural towns and regions.

This century-old institution has faithfully served the people of Curramulka and the surrounding district for generations.

For my family, it holds many fond and enduring memories.

I wrote a similar letter recently about the possible closure of the town's postal service.

These changes are not just about losing services — they are about losing part of a community's identity.

There is always a deep connection to one's birthplace, and the closure of such places marks the end of an era for many of us.

**Bob Gower, Fitzgibbon, Brisbane**

## Nominate a mental health leader

THIS year marks the 10th anniversary of the Australian Mental Health Prize — a decade of recognising important Australians changing lives through their work in mental health.

From researchers and clinicians to lived experience leaders and local community advocates, past recipients have helped shape policy, challenge stigma, and deliver better mental health support across Australia.

Yet significant challenges remain.

Mental ill-health continues to affect one in five Australians each year, with young people, Indigenous communities, and LGBTQIA+ individuals among the most impacted.

Proven, community-led approaches and prevention still struggles for funding and recognition. The Australian Mental Health Prize honours those creating real change — often quietly, and with great impact.

Nominations are now open across four categories: Lived Experience, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, Professional, and Community Hero.

I encourage you to nominate someone in your community making a difference. Visit [www.australianmentalhealthprize.org.au](http://www.australianmentalhealthprize.org.au). Nominations close July 23.

**Adjunct Professor Sophie Scott OAM, Chair, Australian Mental Health Prize Advisory Group**



YOUR THOUGHTS ON...

**'Huge job loss: Port Wakefield abattoir to close'** (YPCT 3-6-25)

Stephen John Rann — Not good for all the workers who have settled up at Port Wakefield and purchased homes in the area

Jillie Clough — I buy all Australian products but it's getting harder and harder to find

Lynton Wakefield — Stop buying overseas pork and bacon products people

Henry Shame — They should change to processing goats. We have just travelled from SA to Townsville and there are thousands of goats spread out nearly the whole way here

**'YP tourism overhauled'** (YPCT 27-5-25)

Rose Bee — Back to the future? This was done many years ago and it was eventually agreed by each region they lost their individual identities, and the promotions weren't shared equally. It will be interesting to see how it works this time

Monte Barclay — Probably work as well as amalgamation of council

Tracy Millard — Sad for Yorke Peninsula tourism to not be represented and for tourism operators to not have been notified or have a say

These comments, made on YPCT's Facebook page, have been edited for length and clarity.

## Unrealised gains tax risks regional livelihoods

THE Australian Government's plan to tax unrealised gains in superannuation balances over \$3 million unfairly impacts rural Australians, particularly those whose retirement savings include agricultural land.

While the federal treasurer frames this measure as targeting wealthy investors, it fails to consider that farmland is a tool of trade, not a speculative asset.

For decades, many farmers have structured their retirement through superannuation, with around 3500 accounts holding farmland valued above \$3M.

Without indexation, more will soon be caught in this tax net.

Unlike wage earners, growers seldom make regular super contributions.

Their land is both their livelihood and retirement fund — often part of succession plans that keep farms in family hands.

Taxing unrealised gains — value increases without actual sales — ignores both their custodianship and their cash flow limitations.

This policy could force asset-rich but cash-poor farmers to sell productive land simply to meet tax obligations.

In thin rural property markets, this risks depressed prices and undermines community stability.

During droughts or poor seasons, these growers could be taxed on 'profits' that don't exist — fictional gains on paper that cannot fund real tax bills. This isn't just inequitable; it's economically reckless.

If the government is serious about fair and effective tax reform, it should exclude agricultural land from this policy or grandfather existing super structures.

It must also consider indexation.

Productive farmland isn't a share portfolio — it's essential to Australia's food security and regional prosperity.

Farmers deserve tax policies that recognise their contribution, not penalise them for it.

**Rhys Turton**  
Chair, GrainGrowers

OUR VIEW

Sweet Fanny Adams

IT is not particularly surprising that Yorke Peninsula received no major funding in the state budget.

However, it's still disappointing to have our region overlooked — especially when there's been plenty of major events (a health inquiry, mega power and tele-communications outage, algal bloom and drought) in just the past six months to show our government that perhaps we deserve some attention.

The budget was all about law and order, spruiking community safety by promising more cops on bikes, plus more money for prisons and courts.

But I'd argue the biggest risk to this community's safety is a lack of health services, highlighted by a parliamentary inquiry.

And, again, unreliable power and tele-communications.

At the budget media conference, we asked the treasurer why these issues hadn't received any funding.

His answers lacked a depth of understanding that all of us who live here have in bucketloads.

And that's fair enough — he's not the minister for health or infrastructure, so I didn't get the answers I wanted.


However, I did get to bring these problems to his attention, and the attention of the many journalists across the state who were in the room.

Several other regional journalists voiced their community's needs that day, creating awareness of the obstacles they face and holding the government to account.


The metropolitan media often chose to lean into the 'we need more police' rhetoric in their questioning, or didn't ask any questions at all.

Regional media showed we have different priorities and, even though we didn't get much money, I hope that's worth something.


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# Copper Coast secures \$225,000 for coastal climate plan

**Joanna Tucker**  
JOURNALIST

COPPER Coast Council has secured a \$225,000 grant to create a new Coastal Hazard Adaptation Plan to address and mitigate the impacts of climate change along the region's coastline.

The grant funding will enable the council to engage a specialised coastal consultant to develop the plan.

The plan will identify potential hazards, assess vulnerabilities and outline strategies to protect the community and its assets from the impacts of coastal climate change.

Chief executive Dylan Strong said the development of the plan was an important and proactive step for the future of the Copper Coast.

"Receiving this \$225,000 grant is a significant step forward for the economic and ecological sustainability of our coastal areas," Mr Strong said.

"The Copper Coast is incredibly proud of its coastline and it is our responsibility to ensure its resilience for generations to come.

"This funding allows us to invest in expert analysis and strategic planning to safeguard our natural environment and coastal infrastructure."

Mr Strong said the plan would give council a framework to understand and respond to the challenges posed by a changing climate.

"By working with a dedicated coastal consultant, we can ensure our approach is informed by the latest science and best practices," he said.

Coastal hazard adaptation planning is a strategic and systematic approach to anticipating and responding to the risks posed by coastal hazards, which are likely intensified by climate change and sea level rise.

The plan is expected to be a vital tool for informing future decisions and protecting the region's unique coastal heritage.

## Share of \$1.45 million

Thirteen South Australian councils, including Copper Coast Council, have received a share of \$1.45 million in grant funding to help develop strategies for future-proofing the state's coastline from severe weather events.

Funded through the LGA-led SA Climate Ready Coasts program, the grants are designed to bolster co-contributions from coastal councils to support local projects that advance planning for managing current and future coastal hazards and a changing climate.

This comes after the state's beaches were battered by heavy rain, strong winds and abnormally high tides in recent weeks.

LGA SA president Mayor Heather Holmes-Ross said many councils had already found innovative ways to combat coastal erosion and other impacts, and the grants would help fund further important work.

"Managing South Australia's coastline is a joint local and state government responsibility; however, councils are on the frontline when it comes to responding directly to the impacts of coastal hazards," Mayor Holmes-Ross said.

"Whether it be replenishing beaches with sand, re-planting natural vegetation or maintaining and building infrastructure such as seawalls, councils' closeness to communities means they play a critical role in implementing practical, on-the-ground solutions to protect lives, property and local ecosystems from rising tides and severe storms."

Mayor Holmes-Ross said a changing climate meant intense weather events were happening more regularly and, with limited resources, councils and governments needed to start thinking outside the box when planning for and mitigating coastal hazards.

"While these grants will help councils process import-



PROTECTING OUR COASTS... Copper Coast Council chief executive Dylan Strong with director of infrastructure services Tim Neumann at Simms Cove, Moonta Bay.

ant planning work and support data collection, long-term investment is required to safeguard coastal communities and environments," she said.

"It's why LGA is calling on the newly re-elected federal government to create a national climate adaptation fund to help local government tackle climate challenges, including coastal hazards."

Climate Minister Susan Close said it was vital to future-proof the state's coastline against erosion and storm damage.

"More than 90 per cent of South Australians live within 50 kilometres of our beautiful beaches, which attract more than six million tourists every year," Deputy Premier Close said.

"We need to act now if we want to safeguard our coastline for years to come, and coastal hazard adaptation planning is an important step towards doing this."

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# Rain, rain come again

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Michelle Daw  
JOURNALIST

MORE than welcome but not enough — that was the general response to much-anticipated showers that fell over the long weekend on Yorke Peninsula.

Total rainfall recorded over the past seven days varied between 11.8 millilitres at Paskeville to 32.2mm at Warooka and 34.4mm at Stenhouse Bay.

Other southern YP centres to receive relatively high falls were Edithburgh with 22.8mm, Pine Point with 21mm, Port Vincent with 21.6mm and Arthurs with 20mm.

Moonta received 28mm, followed by Kadina with 18.8mm and Wallaroo with 16mm.

“This will make a big difference. It will help get crops out of the ground and help us to get an even germination.”

— Sam Parker, farmer

Further north, Bute had 14mm, Port Broughton had 20mm and Snowtown 16mm.

The Bureau of Meteorology has forecast a medium chance of showers on Yorke Peninsula for Thursday, June 12, and a high chance of showers on Saturday, June 14.

Farmer Sam Parker said, over last weekend, his home block near Kadina had 27mm while his block near Paskeville received 16mm.

“This will make a big difference. It will help get crops out of the ground and help us to get an even germination,” he said.

“All of our seeding has been into very dry paddocks.”

Mr Parker said he was fortunate to have average or just below average yields for the 2024-25 season and the stubble cover had helped to protect his paddocks in the dry months that followed.

“I have read a few reports that it’s going to be a wetter-than-average finish to this season,” he said.

“I am optimistic that it’s going to be a better year this year.”

On Monday, June 10, Richard James started sowing his last paddocks at his block north of Bute, where he had about 10mm of rain on the weekend while 15mm fell at his home block near Kulpara.

“It will be enough to get the crop growing,” he said.

He was also optimistic about the possibility of a wetter finish to this year’s growing season.

Mr James said he has had enough home-grown grain and hay to maintain his flock of 120 Merino ewes with crossbred lambs.

Tania Stock, of Jandebrey White Suffolk Stud at Sandilands, said it had been extremely difficult to source hay in South Australia.

The business also has land at Naracoorte and Ms Stock said it was just as hard to source hay in the South East.

“We have had to reduce our stock by about a third,” she said.

“People are having to reduce their numbers or move out of sheep altogether.”

“We are hoping with the rain coming through that we can get some feed.”

Ms Stock said, on the bright side, the lack of sheep due to the drought and the floods in eastern Australia meant that lamb prices were starting to climb.

She recorded a total of 16.5mm at the Sandilands property between June 6 and 9, with the majority (14mm) falling on June 7.

Tickera conservationist Mick Spencer recorded 10.5mm during the same period.

He said the town had probably had less than 20mm this year, following a very dry 2024 when only 156mm was recorded — about half the average annual rainfall of 300mm.



**DRY TIMES...** Tickera conservationist Mick Spencer says some native trees, particularly acacias, have lost the battle to survive the drought.

Until three weeks ago, Mr Spencer and other volunteers were hand-watering native seedlings planted in the partly redeveloped Tickera Well Walking Trail.

“We’ve got mallees, acacias, quandongs and native pines and considering the year that we have had, they are going quite well,” he said.

Mr Spencer said quite a few trees in patches of native vegetation near Tickera were suffering in the drought.

“It’s mainly acacias that are dead and dying, and it’s not just the young trees, it’s those that are up to 10 years

old,” he said.

“They have gone brown and keeled over.”

The Australian Native Plants Society’s Northern Yorke Peninsula branch recorded 18.5mm at its nursery at Wallaroo Mines, Kadina, between the evening of June 5 and 9am Tuesday, June 10.

Branch secretary Sandra McKenzie said the modest falls and the onset of cooler weather meant volunteers could reduce the frequency of watering potted seedlings.

“We were watering the seedlings three times a day and now we can

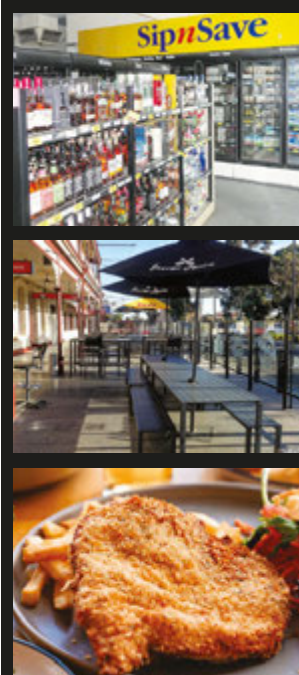
cut back to once a day,” she said.

“A lot of exotics (plants) growing on verges and other public areas here are struggling.”

“Home gardeners have been substituting exotics for native plants they have bought from our nursery and they are looking really good.”

Mrs McKenzie said eucalypts, melaleucas and mallee trees in the Copper Coast area were coping well with the extremely dry conditions but sheaoks were suffering and not showing any signs of reproducing.

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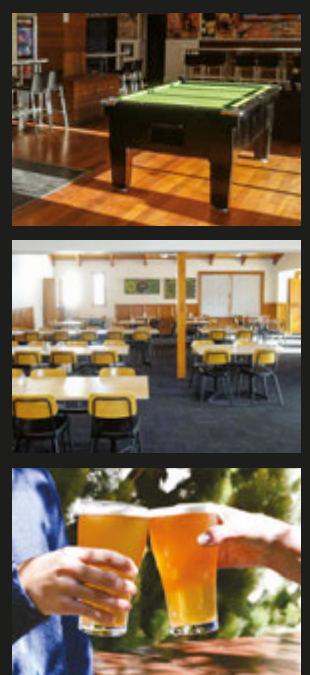
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# More direct support needed for states drought-affected farmers

MEMBER for Grey Tom Venning has backed calls for more direct support for South Australia's drought-stricken farmers.

His comments follow recent announcements by Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and Federal Agriculture Minister Julie Collins of a combined extra \$2.8 million for the state's Rural Financial Counselling Service.

The SA Government announced an extra \$1M for the RFCS in early April, among other measures.

Mr Venning said the state and federal governments should offer more than just financial counselling.

"Sure, the additional money for rural financial counsellors is welcomed, but there must be more practical measures put in place before farmers throw in the towel," Mr Venning said.

"Some farmers in the upper north of our state have not had rain in over a year.

"Financial counselling isn't going to help them.

"When Adelaide and even

Sydney were blanketed by dust from last week's storm, it came from those farms.

"In many districts there's not a blade of grass left to hold the soil in place.

"These farmers need urgent assistance to keep their farms viable."

Mr Venning said he supported calls by Grain Producers SA for more direct support that delivered real relief to those affected by the drought.

"The GPSA wants direct support for producers to manage household and business costs, including quick and easy to access concessional or interest-free loan options, freight assistance, council rate rebates and further mental health support that reaches the farm gate," he said.

"I will be ensuring my Canberra colleagues are all aware of how dire the situation is in South Australia."

Mr Venning also said SA farmers would be further affected by Labor's proposed superannuation tax change,

which would increase the tax rate from 15 per cent to 30 per cent on superannuation earnings above \$3M.

"This will disproportionately affect farmers, who have put their land in their super, and will be forced to pay tax on the unrealised capital growth of their land, when they have no money," Mr Venning said.

"The last thing we need is what (British) Labour has done in the United Kingdom, where the government is introducing inheritance tax reforms which will end family farming enterprises, and see an expansion of corporations running the agriculture sector."

Mr Venning also criticised the federal government's Farm Household Allowance.

"It's clearly not fit for purpose, as only 820 of the 9000 registered primary producers in SA are eligible for drought assistance," Mr Venning said.

"If governments do not begin to value the contribution farms make to our economy, we will end up with a mass sell-off of family farms."



LATE SEEDING... Richard James sowed paddocks at his block north of Bute, which were dampened by the weekend's rain.

## FEDERAL HELP AVAILABLE FOR FARMERS

FARMERS affected by the drought have been urged to apply for assistance from the Australian Government, which could include fortnightly payments for up to four years.

Services Australia general manager Hank Jongen said there was no shame in seeking support during tough times and it should be seen as a sign of strength.

"We often hear farmers say, 'Someone else needs it more than me,' he said.

"But if you're eligible, you can and should apply — support is

there for a reason.

"When farmers tighten their belts, the ripple effects are felt across local businesses too.

"One phone call could help you understand your options."

**Eligible farmers may receive:**

- A payment between \$715 and \$1011 per fortnight, for up to four years in a 10-year period (amount depends on individual circumstances)
- A professional financial assessment of recent performance by a person of their choosing
- An activity supplement of up

to \$10,000 to pay for professional advice, training, study or mental health support to help improve financial position

• A Farm Household Case Officer to work with them to improve their financial circumstances.

To qualify for the scheme, applicants must be a farmer or a partner of a farmer, be 16 years or older, contribute labour and capital to the farm (or be the partner of someone who does), have income and assets below set limits, and have received less than four years of Farm Household Allowance in a

10-year period.

Mr Jongen said Farm Household Case Officers support clients and remain in contact throughout the payment period.

The officer sets up a Financial Improvement Agreement to help clients strengthen their financial position, outlining the activities required while receiving the allowance.

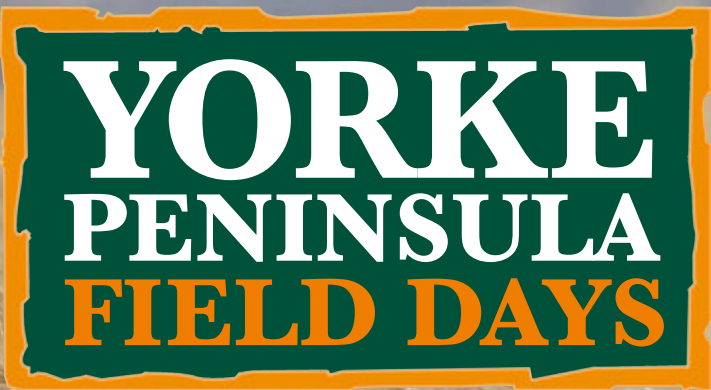
Mr Jongen said the activity supplement could be used for a wide range of activities, such as business courses, regenerative agriculture training or obtaining a drone or

pilot's licence.

"The supplement allows you to think laterally about ways to improve your financial position in the short, medium and long term," he said.

For more information about the FHA, call the free hotline on 132 316 or visit [tinyurl.com/37xm4jt2](https://tinyurl.com/37xm4jt2).

Mr Jongen recommended that potential applicants first speak to the Rural Financial Counselling Service; in South Australia, this service is provided by Rural Business Support, phone 1800 836 211.



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# Testing flagged as key to forecasting blooms

**Michelle Daw**  
JOURNALIST

REGULAR water testing at popular beaches and important fishing areas should be introduced to help predict the likelihood of future harmful algal blooms, marine ecologist Faith Coleman says.

She said this should include beaches on Yorke Peninsula as well as those on the Adelaide metropolitan coast, the South Coast and areas of the state where an algal bloom of *Karenia mikimotoi* has caused mass kills of marine life.

It has also led to oyster farms at Stansbury and Port Vincent (YPCT 27-5-25 and 3-6-25), as well as on Kangaroo Island being shut down amid concerns about brevetoxins (from *Karenia brevis* algal bloom) being detected in the oysters.

"Over the seasons when we generally get blooms and especially during heat waves, they (coastal areas) need to be regularly tested to see what the makeup is," Ms Coleman said.

Ms Coleman also called on the South Australian Government to be "frank and honest" by publicly sharing the algae count data already collected on a regular basis by Primary Industries and Regions South Australia.

"PIRSA counts algae in the water for shellfish production and aquaculture right around

the state," she said.

"They could put out the data they collect, but at the moment they say it's commercial-in-confidence to the fisheries.

“But what I’m hearing from the oyster farmers on Yorke Peninsula and aquaculturalists in many other places, especially the smaller businesses, is that they feel really under-aware of what’s happening.

"(PIRSA) send out a general summary of their data to fishermen and aquaculturalists, but not in the sort of detail that most of us (ecologists) require.

"What I would like to see is all of that data put up on the Australian Phytoplankton Data Base.

“Then we can all discuss the data together.

"I believe that, when animals die, and most farmers will agree with me on this, we need to either benefit or learn from it.

"I'm really deeply disappointed that the government's focus has been really firmly on fisheries now rather than fisheries in the future or the ecology or outreach to community.

"I get 30 or 40 phone calls a day at the moment and Facebook messages and so forth and they clearly are community members after information and data — and they're not getting that.



**CONCERNED... Yorke Peninsula surfing stalwart Brian "Squizzy" Taylor, Brad Martin from OzFish Unlimited South Australia and marine ecologist Janine Baker took part in a community meeting at Marion Bay recently to discuss the impacts of the toxic algal bloom.**

“I think we’re only going to solve this as a community.”

Ms Coleman said, in the USA, the public had access to data portals reporting marine algae counts.

She said concerned residents in SA coastal communities had bought their own microscopes to test water samples and were providing the results to her.

Ms Coleman encouraged people on YP who had access to a microscope or could buy one to join the citizen science testing group.

She said she had been ap-

proached by school biology teachers keen to get their students involved.

"When kids can't go surfing, they want to know why they're being advised not to surf and so shoving a sample under the microscope is a great way of saying to young people that science is worthwhile," Ms Coleman said.

She also encouraged people to upload photos of dead marine creatures to record the impacts of the algal bloom for an iNaturalist project, while taking into account the SA

Health warnings about potential health impacts of exposure to environments affected by the bloom.

“The biggest tragedy is what’s happening around here,” she said.

“We won’t be able to turn this around if people get scared and don’t look.

"We have to look. We owe it to nature to look."

To volunteer to test water samples, contact Faith Coleman on Facebook. Visit the citizen science project at [tinyurl.com/5n7ym6u4](https://tinyurl.com/5n7ym6u4).

## Ellis seeks readiness for future

RESEARCH is needed to help prepare for future algal blooms, Narungga MP Fraser Ellis says.

"It seems to be having a significant impact on marine life and on humans," Mr Ellis said.

“There is an overwhelming sense of helplessness, as there doesn’t seem to be much we can do to move it on.

"People are very frustrated, especially those who rely on the sea and the coast for their living."

Mr Ellis said he had spoken to a publican in a coastal Yorke Peninsula town who reported significantly lower takings at a time when visitor numbers for crabbing were usually high.

He is seeking to have a motion added to the South Australian Parliament's agenda, calling for research into the current algal bloom to help predict future events and support preparation by government, organisations and businesses.

"We need to be better prepared for when and if it happens again," he said.



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# Seafood industry thrown a lifeline

Michelle Daw  
JOURNALIST

COMMERCIAL fishers and aquaculturalists affected by the state's toxic algal bloom can now apply for financial assistance and counselling through Rural Business Support.

Marine Fishers Association executive officer Pat Tripodi said they were eligible for a Drought Assistance Package of up to \$1500 to help cover household expenses such as groceries, utility bills, council rates, medical costs and other basic needs.

He welcomed the support, saying many fishers could not financially survive much longer.

"This algae bloom is wiping out whole ecosystems from the seabed up," he said.

"Wherever the bloom is, there are literally zero fish.

"There are a number of guys (fishers) on Kangaroo Island and Yorke Peninsula who have gone nearly two months and not earned a cent."

Mr Tripodi said he had written to Primary Industries and Regions Minister Clare Scriven, requesting a waiver of commercial fishing fees for those affected by the bloom.

An RBS spokesperson said applicants must provide evidence of financial hardship and engage with an RBS financial counsellor or program support officer for assessment.

"Fishers and aquaculture business owners are incredibly resilient — but that doesn't mean they have to do it all alone," they said.

"The earlier someone connects with an RBS rural financial counsellor, the more options they'll have.

"Waiting until you're at breaking point limits the support available and increases the pressure on you and your family."

They said engaging early with RBS allows more time to explore financial options and strategies to manage debts, bills or cash flow, and to develop a plan to reduce stress and support better decision-making.

For information, go to [ruralbusinesssupport.org.au](http://ruralbusinesssupport.org.au) or email [enquiries@ruralbusinesssupport.org.au](mailto:enquiries@ruralbusinesssupport.org.au).



ON BOARD... Commercial fisherman Paul Germein, PIRSA fisheries officers James Sheppard and Aaron Hanson, Marine Fishers Association executive officer Pat Tripodi, PIRSA Fisheries and Aquaculture executive director Gavin Begg, Stay Afloat SA director Skye Barrett and PIRSA fisheries officer Simon Rendall at last week's Stay Afloat meeting in Stansbury for fishers and aquaculturalists affected by the toxic algal bloom.

## Getting together to stay afloat

A GATHERING was held in Stansbury last week to support people in the fishing and aquaculture industries affected by the toxic algal bloom.

About 20 people — including commercial fishers, oyster farmers and concerned locals — attended the event at the Stansbury Golf Club.

The group heard from Skye Barrett from Stay Afloat, the national mental health program for the seafood industry; Darren Longbottom from Rural Business Support; and Anne Clothier from SOS

Yorkes, which provides information on mental health and suicide prevention.

Marine Fishers Association executive officer Pat Tripodi said PIRSA executive director Gavin Begg and local fisheries officers also attended, to hear from those directly affected by the crisis.

If you need someone to talk to, support is available from Beyond Blue on 1300 22 4636 or Lifeline on 13 11 14.

## Push to investigate bloom response

SOUTH Australian Liberal MPs are seeking an independent investigation into the response to the toxic algal bloom in the state's marine waters, following the latest detection in the Coorong.

Opposition environment spokesperson, Finnis MP David Basham said that, since the bloom was first detected in March, it had caused the death of countless sea creatures across the state.

This has prompted concerns from locals and ecologists who fear it could become a yearly occurrence if the cause is not investigated and determined.

"This environmental disaster has had a devastating impact on both aquaculture industries and towns along our beautiful coastlines here in South Australia," Mr Basham said.

The Finnis electorate includes Victor Harbor, Port Elliot, Middleton and Goolwa.

"We are calling for an independent review into the response to this disaster so that we can determine the exact cause and ensure that we're doing everything we can to prevent more algal blooms in the years to come," he said.

"Locals, in both my electorate and beyond, have been incredibly frustrated at the lack of information about the health and environmental impact of the algal bloom.

"If the environment minister is suggesting this won't be the last time we see an algal bloom like this occur, then we need to do everything we can to learn from this incident and improve the response next time.

"Given the extent and far-reaching ramifications of the algal bloom, I have now formally written to the minister, asking her to commence an independent investigation as a matter of priority."

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# 'Devastating': Port Wakefield fears impacts of abattoir closure

Sarah Herrmann  
JOURNALIST

CONCERNS about Port Wakefield's economic future — and the fate of migrant workers — have emerged following the announcement that Seven Point Pork will close its doors.

The Yorke Peninsula Country Times understands more than 100 workers at the JBS-owned abattoir are employed through labour schemes or hold visas.

Coles has been confirmed as the customer that ended its supply contract, which led to the closure.

“Those with ties to Port Wakefield will try their best to stay here somehow, but if there's nothing for them how can they?”

– Dylan Stodart, Rising Sun Hotel publican

“We are shifting some pork processing to other states, so we can deliver the freshest, best quality products for our customers,” a Coles spokesperson said.

“South Australia will remain our biggest state supplier of pork, and we want to reassure the community that we are committed to delivering South Australian pork for South Australians.

“In fact, from 2026 we will be expanding on our partnership with Big River Pork in Murray Bridge.

“We believe this evolution in our pork supply chain will deliver long-term benefits for customers, farmers and the environment by creating a more streamlined and efficient pork supply chain, as we

work to meet the growing demand across Australia.”

The reassurance offers little comfort to the Port Wakefield community, which has seen three other businesses — Coles Express, RAA and Coffin Bay Seafood Centre — close since Easter.

Rising Sun Hotel publican Dylan Stodart said, at this stage, the abattoir closure appeared to be devastating, and would impact his business.

“But more broadly the town's outlook has taken a big hit,” Mr Stodart said.

“(The closures) are making jobs a little hard to find and there's not a lot of reason to hang around Port Wakefield.

“The majority of the workers have been offered positions elsewhere, and those with ties to Port Wakefield will try their best to stay here somehow, but if there's nothing for them how can they?”

Wakefield Regional Council mayor Rodney Reid said council was assessing how best to support the community.

“Council staff met with Regional Development Australia on Thursday, June 5, and representatives from commonwealth and state governments, with further meetings to occur,” he said.

“Planning is in its early stages for an initial event in Port Wakefield to talk with the community about what this decision by JBS may mean.

“It will be a setback to our promotion of growth within our community, but there remains plenty of opportunities to live and work in Wakefield.

“One issue we will be investigating further is whether we can link existing local employers who are struggling to find workers with any JBS employees who are keen to remain living and working in the region.”

The abattoir will close in January, with nearly 300 workers expected to lose their jobs.

## MPs respond

Newly elected Member for Grey, Tom Venning, said he had initiated crisis talks to prevent the closure.

“This is a major blow to our region and will have far-reaching impacts,” Mr Venning said on Tuesday, June 3.

“Obviously, when 270 people lose their jobs, it will have a ripple effect across local businesses, schools, sporting clubs.

“Many families have relocated to the Port Wakefield region to take up employment opportunities at the plant.

“My primary concern is for the workers and ensuring they receive all the support required.”

Mr Venning said the high cost of doing business in South Australia was affecting competitiveness.

“I will meet with JBS officials to determine the factors which have led to this decision,” he said.

“We must make sure every lever has been pulled to enable the plant to remain operational.”

He said he had also discussed the matter with Shadow Industry Minister Alex Hawke.

“We will be raising this issue with the Labor Government to ensure they offer an appropriate response,” Mr Venning said.

Narungga MP Fraser Ellis said he too was seeking solutions.

“This is a shock that has seemingly come from nowhere for those of us who are outside the business, and it will really have a significant impact on the community of Port Wakefield and other communities around our electorate, Mr Ellis said.

“I am tremendously sad that Coles have made the decision to alter or cancel their contract so as to put JBS in this position, and I wish it would've gone differently.

“But now my focus is to try and find another operator who might see the opportunity that a vacant facility like the one that will be at Port Wakefield from January can provide — either to increase their output or add another facility to their mix.”



HONOUR...CFS volunteer Peter Pole has been awarded life membership of the Marion Bay CFS brigade.

## From tennis whites to CFS yellows

Michelle Daw  
JOURNALIST

PETER Pole vividly remembers his first call-out as a Country Fire Service volunteer, more than three decades ago.

“I was playing tennis at Port Germein, which was where I grew up, and we heard that a fire had broken out near Port Pirie,” he said.

“The captain of the local brigade, who was on my tennis team, said, ‘Quick, we need to get a crew together — you’ll need to sign up.’

“So I did, and I went to my first CFS fire in my tennis whites.”

Peter was recently awarded life membership of the Marion Bay CFS brigade, which he joined in 2018 after retiring to the coastal town with his wife, Lynn.

Although the couple moved to Glenelg three years ago for family reasons, they still visit their Marion Bay holiday home regularly, and Peter continues to support the local brigade.

“If there's a major issue down there, I hop in my ute and head down,” he said.

Over the years, Peter has responded to many bushfires with the Port Germein and Marion Bay CFS brigades, as well as with his own farm fire unit on his prop-

erty in Bangor, in the southern Flinders Ranges.

“We were among those affected by the Bangor bushfire in 2014,” he said.

“The fire burnt right up to the edge of our house, and we lost 510 sheep.

“I will be forever thankful to the Port Germein CFS because I was there on my own in that bushfire.

“My wife had just told me to get the hell out and forget about the house.

“I was just about to leave when they showed up and saved the house.”

Peter encourages anyone considering joining their local CFS to give it a go.

“It's about being part of a team, the comradeship, and giving back to the community,” he said.

“It's more than firefighting.

“At Marion Bay there's no SES, no police — we are everything.

“I've responded to car fires and drownings, and once helped a helicopter land in the dark after it picked up people near Althorpe Island when their boat capsized.

“One year, I even drove the fire truck to deliver Father Christmas to the town hall.

“You should definitely join the CFS if you're considering it.”

## Drink driver caught at Edithburgh

A 62-YEAR-OLD St Marys man has been reported for drink driving after being stopped at Edithburgh on Saturday night.

Police pulled over a Toyota van on St Vincent Highway at about 9pm on June 7 for a random breath test.

The driver allegedly returned a blood alcohol reading of 0.094.

He was issued a six-month immediate loss of licence and will be summonsed to appear in court at a later date.

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# Push for A-double access on Upper Yorke Road gains traction

A-DOUBLE road trains may soon be permitted on Upper Yorke Road, following an appeal to the South Australian Government.

Narungga MP Fraser Ellis urged Transport Minister Tom Koutsantonis to gazette the newly upgraded section between Kulpara and Arthurton for 30 metre A-double access during a parliamentary session on Thursday, June 5.

Mr Ellis said Yorke Peninsula Council had recently announced plans to gazette all local government roads for 30m road trains, and that local farmers and transport operators wanted the same access extended to state-managed roads.

He argued that such a move would improve freight efficiency and expand market opportunities for local agricultural products through better transport accessibility.

Mr Koutsantonis praised the council for its decision and indicated his willingness to consider Mr Ellis's request.

"If you give a mouse a cookie, it is going to want a glass of milk, so if we go one distance you (Mr Ellis) are going to want to go further," Mr Koutsantonis said.

"My instincts are you are going to want to go all the way to Maitland.

"We will have a look at the entire network and see if it is capable."

Mr Ellis said the minister's response — both to the initial proposal and the potential extension to Maitland — was encouraging.

"This request also coincides with the Yorke Peninsula Council's request to gazette all local government roads under the same condition, which is currently subject to departmental approval for intersections with state roads," he said.

"An assessment was expected by May 31; however, I am awaiting advice on the outcome.

"If the department approves gazettal from Maitland to Kulpara, along with council road access, the entire Yorke Peninsula could soon be open to 30m A-double road trains."

Mr Ellis said recent upgrades to Upper Yorke Road made it well suited for the larger vehicles.

Tens of millions of dollars were invested to bring the stretch up to at least a three-star safety rating, following its designation as South Australia's Worst Grain Road in a 2022 Grain Producers SA survey.

Improvements have included pavement rehabilitation, shoulder sealing, installation of safety barriers, vegetation management and audio tactile line marking.

Final works this month include upgrades to the South Terrace, Ardrossan Road and Upper Yorke Road intersection, as well as a 700m stretch of Arthurton Road north of the township to the Upper Yorke Road intersection.

The upgrades are part of a \$168 million joint investment in South Australia by the national and state governments under the Australian Government's Road Safety Program.

**“If the department approves the gazettal for the entirety of the stretch from Maitland to Kulpara, in conjunction with the council roads gazettal, this will see the entire Yorke Peninsula accessible to 30m A-double road trains.**

- Fraser Ellis, Narungga MP

## Volunteers supporting SA's most vulnerable

Each week, the YP Country Times highlights local volunteer groups and their vital work across Yorke Peninsula. If you're part of a group and have a story to share, email [joanna@ypct.com.au](mailto:joanna@ypct.com.au).

**Joanna Tucker**  
JOURNALIST

SOUTH Australians are being encouraged to volunteer with the Department for Child Protection to help create safe, nurturing environments for children in care across the state.

About 180 DCP volunteers regularly assist children through a range of tasks from driving them to school to helping with homework and more.

Moonta local Lynton Francis is one of these volunteers.

He dedicates time each week to drive children in care to school and appointments across the region.

Mr Francis said he discovered the opportunity through a connection at DCP and wanted to ease the burden on staff in Kadina.

"I've always been involved with coaching kids' sport," Mr Francis said.

"I also needed motivation to get up and do something."

He said volunteering his time has been a rewarding experience.

"I get gratitude out of helping people," he said.

"I've always loved helping people."

DCP volunteers play a vital role in the child protection and family support system by providing reliability, consistency and a listening ear to children in care.

Mr Francis encourages others to consider volunteering.

"Do it, it's brilliant," he said.

"It's so rewarding to see the kids be happy and have fun."

Minister for Child Protection Katrine Hildyard said children and young people need steady adults in their lives who are there for them.

"Helping ensure children are safe, nurtured and cared for is a whole-of-community responsibility," Minister Hildyard said.

"Collectively, each year, this group of really kind people contribute about 30,000 volunteer hours.

"The remarkable benefits of volunteering for both the volunteer and the child are immeasurable."

Department for Child Protection chief executive Jackie Bray said volunteer support was crucial to the department's work.

"I can't thank our volunteers enough for the time they give up time and again, helping create a brighter future for so many young people who really need their support," Ms Bray said.

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, hold a driver's licence, and have or be willing to obtain a Department of Human Services Working with Children Check.

The induction process includes learning about the department, understanding volunteer rights and responsibilities, and completing the Safe Environments for Children and Young People (Through Their Eyes) training.

For more information about volunteering with DCP, visit [childprotection.sa.gov.au/make-a-difference/volunteers](http://childprotection.sa.gov.au/make-a-difference/volunteers).



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SA Health was also working with LHNs across the state to “go through a really thorough future planning process” for hospital and health service delivery, Mr Mullighan said in response to a question from The Barossa Leader about a lack of funding for a new hospital in their region.

YPCT also asked Mr Mullighan why YP had received no budget funding for telecommunications or power infrastructure upgrades, nor compensation, following the mega outage on March 14 and the many experienced before and after.

“I can’t speak so much about the telecommunications infrastructure, I can talk about the power infrastructure,” he said.

“We are aware of those power outages and the fault in the ElectraNet infrastructure that caused that.

“The Energy Minister Tom Koutsantonis has actually changed legislation in recent months in parliament to introduce a new compensation regime for households and businesses that are at a financial loss as a result of losing those services.”

YPCT understands this regime is for Small Claims Compensation Scheme, which only applies to losses caused by surges, not outages

(see YPCT 6-5-25).

However, Mr Mullighan advised that YP could expect to benefit from some of the broader regional initiatives announced in the budget, including the government’s headline \$395M investment in law and order.

“As part of the road safety package, what the Yorke Peninsula can look forward to is an increased police presence, particularly from motorcycle police, who are our frontline police from a road safety perspective,” he said.

“The extra 98 police security officers (funded in the budget) are being deployed to the regions to free up frontline sworn police officers to actually be out on the beat in regional communities and not stuck doing administrative tasks and support roles.

“And the road upgrades and white spot upgrades that are funded in this budget will be delivered for communities including the Yorke Peninsula.”

While funding allocations are still being planned, Transport Minister Tom Koutsantonis confirmed to YPCT that audio tactile line marking would be installed on Upper Yorke Road from Kulpara to Artherton and Port Broughton to Bute later this year, and 6.7 kilometres of St Vincent Highway will be resurfaced.



STATE BUDGET... Premier Peter Malinauskas and treasurer Stephen Mullighan handed down their fourth and final budget on Thursday, June 5, ahead of the state election in March 2026.

## ‘REPEATEDLY IGNORED’: MP

MEMBER for Narungga Fraser Ellis has expressed discontent over the lack of specific mention of the electorate in the state budget.

“For the fourth year in a row our region has not received anything that merited specific mention in the glossy highlight pages of the state budget,” he said.

“Despite the pleading and begging we have done for significant health upgrades, a continued pipeline of improvements to our road network and upgrades to our telecommunications network to name just three portfolios, nothing has made it into the final budget.

“Unfortunately, it lends truth to the view that this government can’t see past Gepps Cross.”

Mr Ellis said Narungga was not alone in regional South Australia missing out on significant funding.

“While not necessarily objecting to these projects, it is difficult to

look at some of the metropolitan investments and not consider how far alternate uses of that money could have stretched in regional SA,” he said.

“It’s hard not to look at the \$3.2 billion assigned to the Women’s and Children’s Hospital and wonder what good that could have done upgrading our local hospitals.

“It’s hard not to look at the \$15.4 billion assigned to South Road upgrades and consider what good that could have done fixing our plethora of failing roads.”

However, Mr Ellis said the budget was not the only opportunity to secure funding.

“Last year we secured massive investment in upgrading the road from Port Broughton to Bute and Kulpara to Artherton, both outside of the budgetary process,” he said.

“There are also past (budget) an-

nouncements that are due to arrive next financial year, among them an upgraded ambulance station and paramedic crew at Wallaroo, investment from the Regional Jetty Fund and a brand new co-located CFS/SES facility in Maitland.”

Mr Ellis said he would focus on developing a manifesto of the region’s priorities ahead of the state election in 2026.

“I hope that the lack of any specific health initiatives for our electorate has been deliberate, pending the outcomes of the now very nearly completed health inquiry that was triggered by our petition,” he said.

“I keenly await the recommendations by the Economic and Finance Committee, which I anticipate will be announced in coming weeks.

“I intend to collate all of the needs of our electorate into a document that will be put forward in

the lead up to the next election, including the results of our health petition inquiry.”

### Opposition response

The state Liberal Party says the budget lacks plans to solve the housing crisis, bring down power bills or alleviate the cost of living.

Opposition leader Vicent Tarzia said the Malinauskas Government was “steering South Australia towards a debt iceberg” of \$48.5 billion by 2028-29, to fund the new Women’s and Children’s Hospital and the South Road tunnels.

“The debt iceberg will sink the dreams of future South Australians,” Mr Tarzia said.

“A budget like this leaves South Australia vulnerable to economic shocks, which could come from any direction in the current economic climate.

“My message to South Australians

is, when Labor runs out of money, they’re coming after yours, like they are with water bill increases.”

Shadow treasurer Sam Telfer said the government was using levies, fines and penalties to prop up the economy, but had failed to deliver any major election promise.

“To blame the hit to our bottom line on our in-crisis farmers and the Whyalla Steelworks is quite frankly insulting when government departments have blown their budgets by a combined \$1.6 billion,” Mr Telfer said.

“Whyalla was meant to be funded by the hundreds of millions set aside for the failed hydrogen project, and now it’s coming at a cost to the taxpayer.

“What we have seen is economic mismanagement on a colossal scale, with the government posting record debt levels, despite receiving record revenue.”



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  - ◆ **Law and order**  
\$395.1M, including to grow the police force to 5000 sworn officers by 2030-31.
  - ◆ **Early childhood**  
\$178M to support infrastructure projects that will increase enrolment capacity.
  - ◆ **Cost of living**  
\$96M to continue the \$200 materials and services charge for public school students.
  - ◆ **Business**  
\$20M for small businesses to invest in energy-efficient equipment.
- ## FOR REGIONS...
- ◆ **Drought assistance**  
\$55.4M for preparedness and resilience programs, electronic identification tag subsidies, pest management, standpipe upgrades, mental health support, and events, clubs and school camps. Eligible primary producers will also receive a 12-month rebate of the Emergency Services Levy.
  - ◆ **Emergency services**  
\$11.1M for extended CFS aerial firefighting aircraft, \$5.9M for improved training for CFS volunteers responding to structural fires, \$2.8M for bushfire risk mapping, and \$345k for the volunteer marine rescue.
  - ◆ **Road safety**  
\$10M for maintenance on regional roads, \$7.5M for infrastructure, and \$1.4M for changing unsafe behaviours.
  - ◆ **Telecommunications**  
\$5M to improve mobile coverage on regional highways and major roads, via the Regional Roads Australia Mobile Phone South Australia Pilot.
  - ◆ **Business**  
\$605k for profitability and growth programs.
  - ◆ **Fishing**  
Developing a snapper rebuilding plan and reworking a recreational fishing management plan.

## Boat touted to solve bloom

Sarah Herrmann  
JOURNALIST

A NEW coastal research vessel has been funded in the state budget to help monitor marine issues like algal blooms, but residents on southern Yorke Peninsula are doubtful it will make a difference. The \$44.4 million joint investment by the state and federal governments aims to provide “an early warning system of any problems in South Australian waters in the future,” state treasurer Stephen Mullighan said. However, Corny Point citizen scientist Lochie Cameron said the current algal bloom was “a much broader problem than a boat’s going to fix.” “It needs to be incredibly targeted, like Kangaroo Island has one of their own — those people know where to go, know what to look for, and have

been on it from the start,” he said. “Any money towards coastal protection is good, but when this blooms again you’re looking at far more than \$44M in losses if it collapses the prawn or tuna industries.” Mr Cameron said the government was underestimating climate change’s role. “The science points us in the direction that climate change is partly responsible for this event,” he said. “If we don’t invest and commit to fixing the damage, we’ll just see repeat or worse events.” He welcomed the \$109.7M budget allocation to the River Murray, and said its flow issues could be contributing to the bloom. Port Moorowie water sampler Russell Boord agreed nutrients from River Murray floods must be kept from reaching the ocean. He also said reducing bag limits would help fish stocks recover.

Both Mr Boord and marine ecologist Dr Mike Bossley called for greater transparency from government about their research. Mr Cameron added the government should fund tools to identify algal species as quickly as community researchers had. **Vessel details** The new 37.7 metre research vessel will support marine studies in fisheries, aquaculture, climate science and oceanography, as well as respond to significant events like harmful algal blooms, Industries Minister Claire Scriven said. The vessel will be equipped with advanced sensors and technology to collect critical data, helping fill national database gaps and improve oceanographic forecast models, she said. It will also support the deployment and maintenance of coastal

observing platforms, including moorings fitted with sensors to detect harmful algal blooms and guide response strategies. The high-tech vessel will collect water samples and data from multiple depths in the water column. The \$44.4M investment includes \$25.35M from the state and \$19M from the federal government through the National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy. Replacing the 40-year-old MRV Ngerin, which completed over 500 voyages, the new vessel will be designed to meet growing scientific demands. It will be the only dedicated coastal research vessel operating in southern Australia east of Esperance. Expected to operate over 200 days a year, the vessel will support agencies, universities and industry across the nation and is due to be operational by late 2029.

## Purpose built Maitland CFS/SES shed on its way

A NEW co-located CFS and SES facility at Maitland is set to begin construction next year, after being announced in a previous state budget. The multi-million-dollar upgrade will consist of seven appliance bays, a training room, communication room, storage shed, changerooms and amenities across separate buildings, located west of Central Yorke School. “(The current facility) has never been a purpose-built facility,” Yorke Valley CFS group officer Andrew Cadd said. “I think it was an old carpenter’s shop and storage years ago, and it’s a little bit worse for wear. “We’ve outgrown it and the trucks have outgrown it — we’ve only got room for two trucks in that building and we really should

have at least three trucks including a bulk water carrier, plus a spare bay if another demand vehicle is needed, which we will have in the new building.” Mr Cadd said the upgrade would also provide space for working with other agencies and allow volunteers to heat up food or have a tea or coffee — something the current building doesn’t allow for. “Training or meeting in this weather, it’s either cold or it gets that loud (with rain) in the shed you can’t hear yourself,” he said. “It’ll be a lot nicer for the volunteers to use. “We’ll actually have decent bathroom facilities — because what we’ve got there is makeshift arrangements — a nice meeting room, a nice training area, and a kitchen.”



NEW HOME... Yorke Valley CFS group officer Andrew Cadd is looking forward to construction starting on a new co-located CFS and SES facility at Maitland.

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Presented by Honeycomb.Design, the session will introduce AI tools like ChatGPT and Canva, and show how AI can save time, boost productivity and help you stay safe online.

The workshop will be held at the Minlaton Bowling Club, 4pm-6pm on Tuesday, June 24; register at [trybooking.com/DBTUJ](https://trybooking.com/DBTUJ).

Key worker homes handed over to SA Housing Trust

TEN new homes for key workers on the Copper Coast have been handed over to the South Australian Housing Trust.

The properties include four homes in Kadina, and three each in Wallaroo and Moonta.

According to Housing Minister Nick Champion, four homes are already occupied and two are tenanted.

Those homes have gone to education and ambulance workers, Minister Champion said.

The remaining properties are expected to be listed on the private market with government leases attached.

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Kangaroo survey to take off

AN aerial kangaroo survey will take place across Yorke Peninsula and other regions from June 16 to July 4.

Conducted by the Department for Environment and Water, the survey will use trained observers in a low-flying Cessna to estimate populations across eight South Australian regions, including Yorke Mid North.

Last year's count estimated 5.2 million kangaroos in SA.

DES senior ecologist Dr Amanda McLean said this year's data would help assess the impact of dry conditions and inform management of kangaroos and pest species such as goats and deer.

Flights will occur early mornings and late afternoons.

Details: [environment.sa.gov.au](https://environment.sa.gov.au).

Church doors close as congregations dwindle

Michelle Daw  
JOURNALIST

ONE Anglican church on Yorke Peninsula is preparing to close its doors, while another faces an uncertain future.

The churches at Curramulka and Maitland each have just one remaining parishioner — both elderly and struggling to maintain the ageing buildings.

At a meeting in late May, the Ministry District Committee of the Anglican Church, joined by the Bishop of Willochra, Reverend Jeremy James, voted to formalise the deconsecration of Saint Christopher's Anglican Church in Curramulka.

The committee also agreed to begin formal discussions on deconsecrating Saint John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Maitland. Both decisions were made at the request of the remaining parishioners.

Committee chair Robert Cook has called on the Maitland community to support the local church so it can continue offering services such as communions, funerals and baptisms.

"I am absolutely flabbergasted that a place like Maitland can't rustle up enough people to go to church," he said.

Mr Cook said once the churches were deconsecrated, the buildings would be sold and the proceeds would go to the broader Anglican Church organisation — not the local community.

Reverend Christine Smith, of the Anglican Church's Ministry District of Yorke Peninsula, said it was sad to see the local churches closing.

"We don't like to see our beautiful old churches closing, but the



LAST DAYS...  
Reverend Chris Smith at St John the Evangelist Anglican Church, Maitland, which is likely to close.

bishop does respect the request of the last remaining parishioners who are caretaking and finding it very difficult," Reverend Smith said.

She said it was especially sad because this year marked the 150th anniversary of the Maitland church, which needs major repairs to address salt damp and structural cracks.

"There is no way we could raise enough money for it," Reverend Smith said.

She attributed the decline in attendance to younger generations of parishioners no longer coming to church.

"The younger ones move away for work and the farming fami-

lies that stay then have children and they become involved with their sports and different needs on weekends," she said.

"A lot are believers and quite spiritual, but they don't have the urge to attend a church."

Reverend Smith said, while many churches now offered online services, there was no substitute for attending in person.

"It's the spiritual strengthening and community worship with music, which is all part of the experience of that spirituality and it's uplifting to be in company to do that," she said.

"The ambience of a worship

space, with stained-glass windows, candles, flowers and music, is part of the sensory experience."

The Anglican Church holds morning prayer and Eucharist services every Sunday at one or more churches in the southern Yorke Peninsula, including Ardrossan, Port Vincent, Stansbury, Edithburgh, Yorketown, Warooka, Port Victoria and Minlaton.

To help keep the Maitland Anglican church open, contact Robert Cook (email [bsarma@netyp.com](mailto:bsarma@netyp.com), phone 0409 696 787) or Reverend Christine Smith (email [cm-sith@diowillochra.org.au](mailto:cm-sith@diowillochra.org.au), phone 8837 3299).



Enlightening local history

LIGHT streams through the striking stained-glass windows of Saint John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Maitland, crafted by renowned artist Cedar Prest.

Installed in 1976 as part of the church's extensions and upgrades, these windows hold deep historical and personal significance.

Following the church's centenary in 1975, the windows were designed to depict life in the district during its first 100 years, in-

corporating the philosophical reflections of French Jesuit priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin.

Donated by local families, they serve as tributes to loved ones, showcasing scenes of farming life, Maitland's main street in 1900, and the nearby seaside.

At the front of the church, a striking window features an eagle, the symbol of Saint John the Evangelist.

This piece also commemorates the late Harvey Charlesworth, a distinguished Royal Australian Air Force officer in World War II, former headmaster of Maitland Area School, and devoted church volun-

teer alongside his wife, Ida.

Before the church was built, weekly services were held in settlers' homes and huts from around 1873.

The Rogers family, believed to be the district's first settlers, generously donated the land on Caroline Street where the church stands today.

They are honoured in one of the windows.

Mrs S. Rogers laid the foundation stone on December 8, 1874.

A porch and vestry were added in 1901 and, in 1920, the altar was dedicated in memory of those who lost their lives in World War I.

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# WRC draft budget focuses on infrastructure and rate relief



PPLANNING...Wakefield Regional Council mayor, Rodney Reid, stands on Edward Street in Port Wakefield, where upgrades are to go ahead within the next 12 months.

PHOTO: Ethan Allen

WAKEFIELD Regional Council has released its 2025-26 draft plan, with a key focus on asset renewal.

The plan outlines a total capital spending budget of \$9.29 million, with \$8.08M allocated to renewal capital works and the remainder to new capital projects.

Asset renewal remains a priority, with maintenance works set to support existing infrastructure such as roads and public assets.

The council is also proposing to raise \$11.55M in general rates in the 2025-26 financial year, an increase of 4.7 per cent on the previous year's \$11.03M.

Community grant programs will continue, with both minor and major grants remaining part of the council's long-term Wakefield 2030 vision.

Road maintenance, particularly of unsealed roads, continues to be a key focus.

WRC has prioritised unsealed roads to improve safety and meet the targets outlined in its Wakefield 2030 plan.

While this has meant sealed road maintenance has progressed more slowly in recent years, council now believes it is on track to address both.

WRC mayor Rodney Reid said the emphasis on unsealed roads had made a noticeable difference.

"We've had a large focus on our unsealed road renewals since aligning with Wakefield 2030, which has seen a major reduction in the backlog of unsealed renewal," Mayor Reid said.

"With this gap closing, now's the time to act on our sealed renewals to ensure sealed roads within our townships are maintained."

The proposed rate rise will include a fixed charge of \$358 and a general rate increase of 4.7 per cent.

The council will offer rate relief through a cap for property owners facing valuation-driven increases over 10.7 per cent, excluding cases involving property improvements or sales.

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# Port Vincent seeking shade for sun safety

Sarah Herrmann  
JOURNALIST

A YEARS-LONG mission to protect local and visiting children from harmful sun rays is coming to fruition, despite opposition from those concerned about having their views blocked.

Port Vincent Progress Association has received council consent to erect a shade structure over the town's foreshore playground, pending development approval and funding.

PVPA hopes to have it installed by this coming summer, president Pam Hickman said, after the idea was raised by a holiday resident back in 2020.

"She takes her grandchildren to the playground all the time during the holidays and was concerned that there's no shade over the area to protect the children from the sun, especially during the hottest months of the year," Mrs Hickman said.

"So she created a petition which was signed by many, including attendees at that year's (New Year's Day) Gala Day."

The shade structure was also voted to be PVPA's top priority project, chosen over other options including a pump track and relocation of the foreshore toilet block, in a recent community survey.

However, in consultation with 15 landowners whose line of sight may be impacted by the structure, PVPA received 10 responses, all of which opposed the structure.

The main arguments were the impact on residential views and associated concerns with property value, safety concerns regarding reduced visibility to the water and boat ramp, perceived lack of benefit due to number of children in the town, particularly during winter, and shade already existing nearby and at the town's other playground.

PLAY SAFE... Port Vincent Progress Association president Pam Hickman and treasurer Sue Hall are looking forward to making the town's foreshore playground more sun safe.  
PHOTO: Rachel Hagan



Multiple respondents were especially opposed to a barrel vault shade design, deeming it overly intrusive to their views, so PVPA is proceeding with a twin shades option instead.

Yorke Peninsula Council elected member Tania Stock encouraged PVPA to be as considerate as possible towards the landowners.

"As I understand it, no one really has a right to a view, which is unfortunate for those people who purchased the property and expect that

their view would be available to them for the lifetime of their property," she said at council's May ordinary meeting, at which the project was approved.

"But it's just one of those things that can't be guaranteed and they don't have the right to."

"So I guess the more empathetic the progress association can be to work with those people the better."

Mrs Hickman said PVPA was now getting

updated quotes and submitting a development application to council.

Current quotes for the twin shades are about \$90,000, some of which PVPA has funds secured for, but is also seeking assistance from YPC.

"We're also hoping to add fencing, gating and seating for parents to sit at," Mrs Hickman said.

"I thank committee members past and present for their hard work and dedication to getting this project off the ground."

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## Have your say: Kadina info session for state public transport review

AN information session at Kadina Town Hall next Monday, June 23, will give locals a chance to help shape the future of South Australia's public transport network.

Held from 4.30pm to 6pm, the session is part of a broader SA Government review responding to the state's growing population, increased public transport use and rising traffic congestion.

Michelle Spagnoletti, Department of Infrastructure and Transport director of service planning, said the review would guide a new Public Transport Strategy and support better decision-making.

"This process allows us to identify gaps in existing services and recommend improvements that ensure access to integrated, accessible and effective transport for regional communities," Ms Spagnoletti said.

**Key considerations in the review include:**

- Bus services are the primary transport mode in regional areas, though availabil-

ity varies across regions.

- The current network connects residents with major service centres, education providers and retail hubs.
- Regional populations are growing and ageing, increasing demand on transport.
- Some residents travel long distances for vital services.
- Passenger comfort and safety are critical, especially on higher-speed open roads.
- Journeys may require transfers and involve multiple ticketing systems.

Feedback gathered through information sessions like Kadina's will directly inform future planning and help ensure services meet local needs.

Community members can also provide written submissions or complete an on-line survey, both via <https://www.dit.sa.gov.au/about-us/strategies-plans/public-transport-future>.

Consultation is open until June 27.

## Rex Minerals owned by Indonesian group

SOUTH Australian copper and gold company Rex Minerals has been bought by MACH Metals Australia, a subsidiary of Indonesia's Salim Group.

The \$393 million deal, finalised in October, was backed by Rex's board, shareholders, the Foreign Investment Review Board and the Federal Court.

The acquisition supported Salim Group's investment in the Hillside Copper-Gold Project near Ardrossan, Australia's largest undeveloped copper deposit.

## Road realigned

THE new section of the Yorke Highway near Ardrossan, realigned as part of upgrades linked to the Rex Minerals Hillside Project, was completed in April.

The realignment was designed to improve access, safety and traffic flow, a McMahon Services spokesperson said.

Motorists were encouraged to drive with care and follow all onsite signage when navigating the new alignment to ensure a smooth transition, the spokesperson said.

"We appreciate your continued patience as we work to improve road safety and connectivity on the Yorke Peninsula," they said.



# Full circle for Dale

**WHAT GOES AROUND...** Former Kadina mayor Dale Morphett is now a resident at Estia Health Kadina, which he helped officially open back in 1980 when it was known as Kadina Homestead Nursing Home.

**Sarah Herrmann**  
JOURNALIST

DALE Morphett is reaping the rewards of his actions many decades ago.

The 91-year-old former Kadina mayor is now a resident at Estia Health Kadina, which he helped officially open back in 1980 when it was known as Kadina Homestead Nursing Home.

Back then, The Homestead had accommodation for 31 residents and employed 38 staff, according to the October 16, 1980 edition of the YP Country Times.

Homestead managing director Laurie Ebbinghaus had enlisted Dale's late wife Joy to work there as a nurse, Mr Morphett remembered.

"They had a few problems getting staff but they didn't get as many (residents) as they'd hoped, because I suppose it was something new, and they were bringing residents down from Broken Hill," he said.

"It's not surprising that people were a little bit tentative about it — it was something new and different — but I had no hesitancy about it whatsoever.

"People just probably wanted to wait and see; well, they haven't got to wait and see any longer, have they?"

Indeed, elderly South Australians are now waiting an average of 253 days to be placed in aged care — the longest in the country, and almost double the national average of 136 days, according to the Report on Government Services 2023-2024.

Estia Health Kadina now has 72 beds and a "terrific reputation", Mr Morphett said.

One of his favourite things about residing there is seeing the many friends he already had before living at Estia.

"One of the statements I think I made at the time (of the opening), and I'll say it again now, is we don't want people who have lived here all their lives to have to go away (to get a place in aged care)," he said.

"Some of those people mightn't have any family left, they might come here with virtually nothing, but they come here with the knowledge that they've lived in this community all their life.

"I think that should be the aim — to have enough accommodation for the people who have lived in a place all of their lives."

Formerly of Tickera and involved in local government for around 17 years, Mr Morphett remains passionate about both.

He will act as tour guide on an upcoming bus trip where he will show his fellow residents the Point Riley and Tickera areas.



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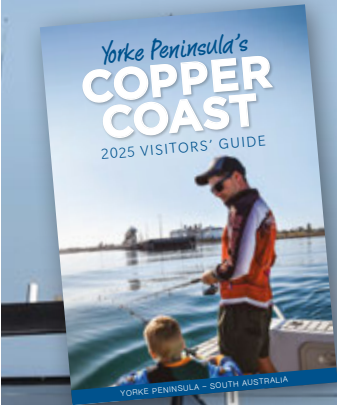
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**WINNERS...** Members of the SACWA CYP branch who won the Spencer Group Table Day shield: Helen Joraslafsky, Barbara Buttfield, Marilyn Camp, Kathleen Baker, Di Galloway, Jenny Highett, Muriel Brokate.

# SACWA Spencer Group holds annual Table Day

SOUTH Australian Country Women's Association Spencer Group held its annual Table Day at Port Vincent on Monday, June 2.

Member branches Ardrossan, Central Yorke Peninsula, Maitland, Moonta, Port Victoria and Yorketown were competing for the Spencer Shield.

About 30 members attended, along with judges and speakers. They gathered at Port Vincent Institute for an enjoyable and interesting day of speakers and competition.

The proceedings were opened by Pam Hickman, Port Vincent Progress Association president, who outlined the problems, work and achievements of the association, and explained how her personal interests aligned with SACWA activities.

Bindi Hawkey, SA Country Fire Service Region 2 regional community engagement officer, gave an informative talk about CFS activities, bushfire safety, and the necessity for everyone to have a bushfire survival plan.

Some members took advantage of a break to have a look at Vincent Cottage, across the street in Curramulka Road, and heard about planned renovations.

The morning was completed by Donna Hickman, of Country Home Services, giving information on services available through the Commonwealth Home Support Program, Home Care Packages and Veterans Home Care, and upcoming changes to these by the Australian Government.

Judging of branches' handicraft, cooking and floriculture, along with photography and crafts submitted by individuals, took place during the morning.

Following lunch, the results of the Spencer Shield competition and judges comments were announced.

The theme of the day was "We are surrounded by sea", with the stage of the institute suitably decorated and the nautical theme flowing through the competition items.

Branch handicraft entries comprised crafts taught by the SACWA handicraft committee, an item made by recycling material from the sea and a knitted or crocheted novelty item.

Cookery section entries featured a round sponge cake filled with jam and cream with



**CONGRATULATIONS...** SACWA CYP branch president Marilyn Camp accepts the Spencer Shield from SACWA Spencer Group president Helen Joraslafsky.

icing sugar on top, five savoury scones and a bottle of homemade cordial.

A single bloom, a multi bloom and an arrangement of seven stems in a wine bottle were required for the floriculture contest.

The individual competition section (not included in the branch entries) included photography of a seaside scene, a wall hanging depicting the theme, and an article featuring shells.

A prize was awarded for the most outstanding item on a handicraft table, which went to Marilyn Baker (Port Victoria) for her novelty bag pipe man.

Linda Vaiana (Port Victoria) was awarded the most outstanding item in the room prize for her seven stems in a wine bottle.

Members contributed matinee jackets for newborns, which were displayed and will be donated for SACWA baby parcels, which are given to new mothers in need.

The Spencer Shield was won by Central Yorke Peninsula branch, followed by Yorketown and Ardrossan.

Helen Joraslafsky



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## FROM THE ARCHIVES



**PASSIONATE VOLUNTEER...** An enthusiastic angler with a passion for promoting sustainable fishing practices and protecting the coastal environment, Rex Saunders, of Moonta Bay, was awarded the Premier's Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Volunteer Service. (YPCT, June 10, 2015.)

### 50 YEARS AGO JUNE 1975

- Yorke Peninsula's Julie Siebert, crowned Adelaide Children's Hospital Girl of the Year Miss Charity Queen, won a Chrysler Charger
- Brenda March, Kadina, became a counsellor with the Nursing Mothers Association of Australia
- A contract was signed to build the Norman McCauley Homes for the Aged in Moonta

### 40 YEARS AGO JUNE 1985

- Meals on Wheels SA served its 13 millionth meal, 14 years since its launch
- YPCT published 109 years (1876-1994) of monthly and annual rainfall totals recorded by Kadina post office, compiled by farmer G. T. Larwood; driest year was 1914 (237mm/9.5 inches) and wettest 1889 (694mm/27.75 inches)
- Michael Ford, Minlaton, earned an Associate of Theology, qualifying as an Anglican lay preacher

### 30 YEARS AGO JUNE 1995

- Royal Australian Navy vessels MSA Wallaroo and MSA Bandicoot visited Wallaroo to mark the 52nd anniversary of HMAS Wallaroo's WWII sinking
- "Sparkplug" reported 26 Maitland Auto Preservation Society members were among the 741 entrants in the Kernewek Lowender cavalcade
- CMS Crows' Sharon Glazbrook and Jo Kemp congratulated Fiona Pointon on her repeat selection for the state U17 netball team

### 20 YEARS AGO JUNE 2005

- Verity Wilkinson was the first Yorketown Girl Guide to earn the Junior BP Award, the peak achievement for guides aged 7 to 11
- Chris Geater-Johnson and Philip Woodward were Arthurton Bowling Club 2004-05 singles champions
- YPCT journalist Kathryn Crisell enjoyed a tour with Quenten Agius through Innes National Park to launch his new business, Yorke Peninsula Aboriginal Cultural Tours

### 10 YEARS AGO JUNE 2015

- Moonta Bay, Wallaroo and Kadina ranked top, third and fourth in realestate.com.au's SA suburbs/towns with the best buying conditions, May 2014-April 2015
- The 1860s track between Clinton and Moonta was signposted; historically, it reduced travel from Adelaide from several days (ship) to 10 hours (ship and horse conveyance)
- Erected by progress association members, the historical Warooka Southern Cross windmill became a new landmark in the town centre



**GETTING GROUNDED...** Arts and cultural facilitator Molly Flanagan-Sjoberg, Yorke Peninsula Arts and Cultural Working Group member Robyn Clasohm, YP Council economic development and business sustainability admin assistant Amanda Yarrow, YP Arts and Cultural Working Group member Meg Honner and YPC elected members Tania Stock and Trevor Clerke.

# GROUNDED returns to light up Yorke Peninsula

THE GROUNDED Art Festival returns to Yorke Peninsula from August 15 to 24, featuring more than 30 workshops, performances and events across 12 towns.

And eight exhibitions will showcase the diverse talents of South Australian artists.

With a prize pool nearing \$20,000, artists are encouraged to enter the photography, sculpture and fine art exhibitions. Entries are now open via [ypart.com.au](http://ypart.com.au).

Thanks to the dedication of local volunteers and the Yorke Peninsula Arts and Cultural Working Group,

this year's event promised to be bigger than ever, arts and cultural facilitator Molly Flanagan-Sjoberg said.

Ms Flanagan-Sjoberg praised the region's collaborative spirit.

"GROUNDED is a celebration of regional creativity, community and culture," she said.

"We are incredibly proud to see our townships once again come alive through art, thanks to the hard work of local volunteers and the support of progress associations across the peninsula.

"It's fantastic to see our commu-

nities working together to establish this as an exciting destination event."

### What to expect at GROUNDED 2025

• **Ardrossan:** Sea of Light by Patch Theatre — a hands-on installation where families can 'paint with light'.

• **Yorke Peninsula:** Exquisite Familiar, a digital art display at Weaners Flat Hall, presented with Access2Arts, showcasing work by artists with disability.

• **Edithburgh:** Open photography and sculpture exhibitions at

the Institute.

• **Maitland:** The fine art exhibition, with categories for schools and open entries.

The full program will be released soon.

Whether you're a practising artist or simply enjoy the arts, GROUNDED would offer something for everyone, Ms Flanagan-Sjoberg said.

"We are incredibly proud to see our townships come alive through art," she said.

For more information or to enter, visit [ypart.com.au](http://ypart.com.au).

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# Community

## Prostate cancer: what every bloke needs to know

THIS is about the C word — specifically, prostate cancer, the most commonly diagnosed cancer in Australia.

In fact, one in five men will receive this diagnosis at some time in their lives.

Blokes, during Men's Health Week, June 9 to 15, Copper Coast and Yorke Peninsula prostate cancer support groups have one simple request: ask your GP for a referral for a PSA blood test.

This test can be included with your routine bloodwork and is a crucial first step in early detection.

If needed, an MRI can follow for confirmation and to guide treatment options.

You'll be relieved to know that the PSA test has largely replaced the old rubber glove method.

The Band of Brothers in our support groups are often shocked by how little is known in the community about prostate cancer — its detection, treatment and impact.

Yet, early detection significantly improves outcomes.

### Risk factors include:

- Family history of prostate cancer on your father's side — risk increases with increased numbers of affected male relatives

- Breast cancer on your mother's side, especially where certain genes are involved

### The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia recommends PSA testing from age 40 for:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men
- South Sea Islander men
- Men with a family history of prostate or breast cancer

Unless your PSA level is abnormal, follow-up testing is typically done every two years to monitor changes.

A tip: Keep your own PSA records. Don't rely on the system to do it for you.

During Men's Health Week, PCFA's fundraising campaign Walk for Him supports research into prostate cancer; visit [www.walkforhim.org.au](http://www.walkforhim.org.au) to learn more.

Now's the time to take action — get tested, get involved, and help save lives.

For information about local support, contact Robert Kidd (Yorke Peninsula Council region), 0438 532 404; or Brenton Sutton (Copper Coast), 0400 183 645. Or speak with a PCFA specialist prostate cancer nurse on 1800 22 00 99.

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*Brenton Sutton, Robert Kidd*



**LIFE SAVER...** During Men's Health Week, local prostate cancer support group coordinators Robert Kidd and Brenton Sutton urge men aged over 40 to ask their GPs for a PSA blood test. It might just save your life, they say.

## Mustering resilience at Lochiel

FARMERS and regional residents are invited to connect over conversation, footy and mental wellbeing at the Farming Mates Muster at Lochiel Community Centre on Monday, June 23.

Running from 6pm to 8.30pm, this free community event features a standout lineup of speakers — including former AFL star and media personality Bernie Vince, who will deliver the keynote address.

Also speaking are ex-Adelaide Crow and Fat Farmers ambassador Brett Burton, Grain Producers SA chair John Gladigau, and BeWellCo wellbeing specialist Esme Fabry.

Hosted by Wakefield Regional Council and supported by PIRSA's Connected Communities Program, the evening aims to foster social connection and encourage open conversations about mental health in rural areas.

"There is a deeper understanding of the value of connection in regional communities, particularly in tougher times," WRC mayor Rodney Reid said.

"Our farming community is the social and economic backbone of this region, so the underlying health theme of the evening speaks to that."

Catering will be provided by the Rising Sun Hotel, and a licensed bar will be available.

Bookings are essential, to reserve your spot, visit [wrc.sa.gov.au](http://wrc.sa.gov.au).

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# Support and advice on offer at ostomy group meeting

MEMBERS attending the most recent YP Ostomy Support Group meeting were pleased to gain valuable information from a special guest speaker.

The meeting was held in the Joyce Olsen Room at Wontama Homes, East Terrace, Kadina, during April.

Maeve Carmichael, a dietitian from the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network's Community and Allied Health Service, gave an engaging talk about healthy eating for people living with an ostomy.

An ostomy is a surgically created opening, or stoma, in the abdominal wall that allows waste to exit the body when the usual method of elimination is disrupted.

Her advice focused on maintaining good health and avoiding common issues.

Many questions were asked, and several concerns were addressed during the session.

Stomal therapy nurse Tim Garfield, based at Wallaroo Hospital, also attended.

He introduced members to a range of new products developed by medical supply companies to help make daily life easier and more comfortable.

Tim answered numerous questions and, as always, his expertise and dedication to patient care were appreciated.

The ostomy group next meets at 2.30pm, Tuesday, June 18; the venue will again be the Joyce Olsen Room.

Omnigon SA/NT manager Susanne Olsen will be the guest speaker.

She will bring product samples supplied by the company, answer questions about items currently in use, and assist with any concerns.

Susanne will also provide a special afternoon tea for members.

Anyone with an ostomy or ileostomy is welcome to attend, along with their partners.

Support and advice are always available.

For queries, contact group coordinator Helen Colliver, phone 0419 839 869.

# Ardrossan SACWA members celebrate success and prepare for 79th birthday

MEMBERS of the Ardrossan branch of the South Australian Country Women's Association proudly attended the 2025 Spencer Group Table Day and placed third.

Held at Port Vincent on Monday, June 2, the event was themed Surrounded by Sea, and showcased excellent displays from all participating branches.

SACWA continues to promote friendship, support and knowledge across communities. Congratulations to all winning branches for their outstanding work.

In July, the Ardrossan branch will celebrate its 79th birthday at their meeting room. Home Link Kapunda will attend in friendship, and guest speaker Julie Bailly will speak about SACWA's State Baby Parcels initiative.

The Baby Parcels program is supported by donations from branches across South Australia and helps mothers in emergency situations.

If you know of a mother who needs support, please contact the Ardrossan branch.

The branch also sponsors the local school breakfast program to support students in the community.

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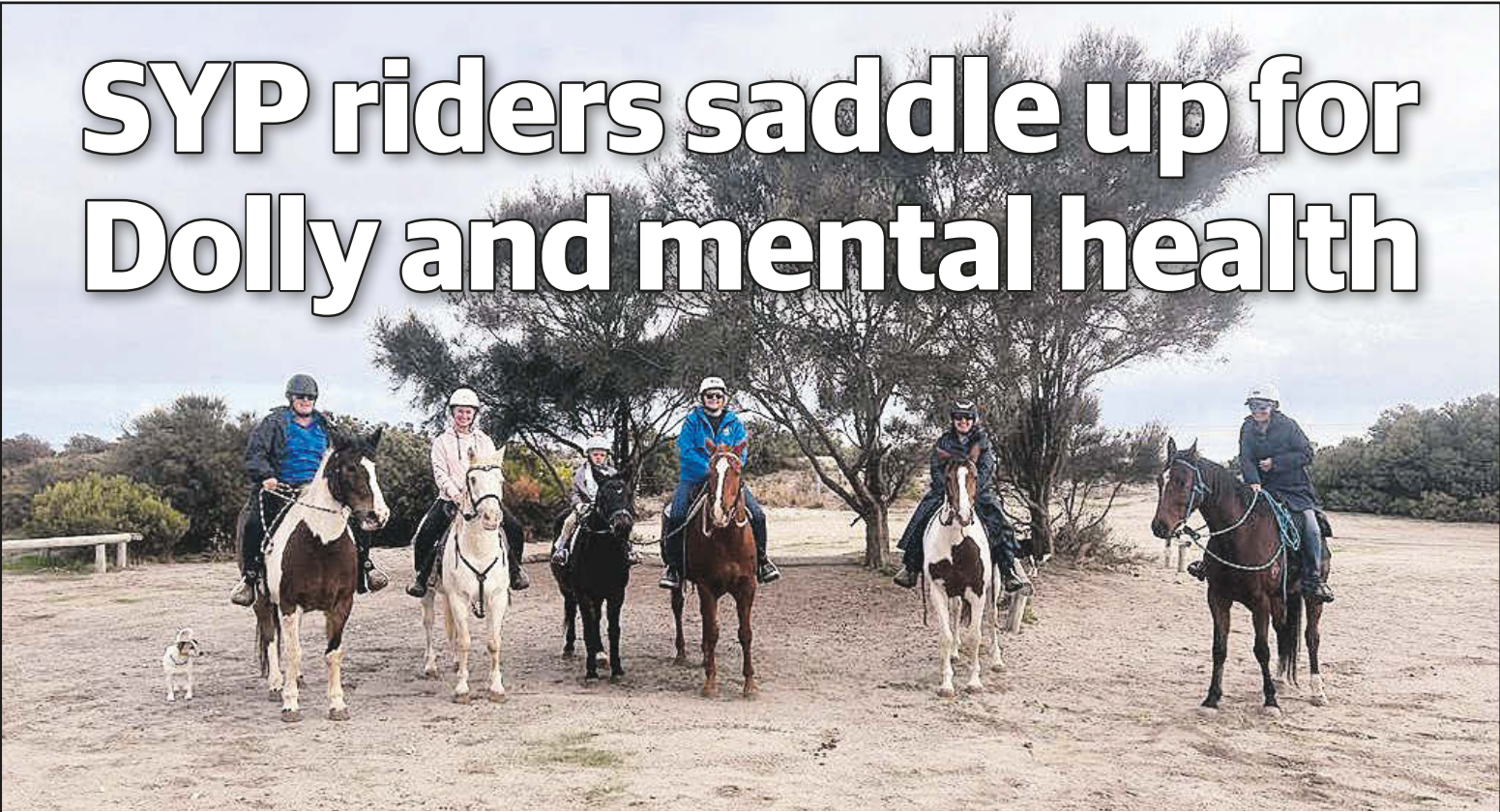
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# SYP riders saddle up for Dolly and mental health



**RIDING FOR DOLLY...**Donna Hickman, Meg Geppert, Evie Walton-Liddiard, Tiff Walton, Tammy Gutsche and Kylie Grey brave wintry weather and unusually high tides to complete their 16.4 kilometre Ride for Dolly.

**Austinn Lane**  
JOURNALIST

SOUTHERN Yorke Peninsula Riding Club held a Do It For Dolly Day ride on Sunday, May 18, covering 16.4 kilometres from Point Souttar to Corny Point.

The ride was organised by Tiff Walton.

Inspired by the Australian Trail Horse Riders Association, the event supported the Do It For Dolly initiative, which promotes kindness and mental health awareness.

This is the second year the SYP Riding Club has taken part in ATHRA's national campaign; in 2024, the campaign raised more than \$49,000.

Kristan Every, president of the SYP Riding Club, said participating in the Do It For Dolly Day promoted a culture of kindness and inclusion around the club.

"It also highlighted that we prioritise mental-health awareness," Kristan said.

The ride offered club members, especially younger riders, an opportunity to unite for a meaningful cause, she said.

Alongside fundraising events such as Do It For Dolly, the club also participates in the Bublacowie Anzac Day service each year.

Members ride to the service and take part, giving their ride purpose and strengthening community connections, Kristan said.

## National songwriting competition

THE 2025 National Songwriting Competition is now open for entries and promising to be the biggest yet.

The largest such competition for school-aged children in Australia has a prize pool of more than \$30,000 and is aimed at fostering creativity, self-expression and nurturing the next generation of songwriters.

For more information, visit <https://acmf.com.au/national-songwriting-competition/>.

Entries must be submitted online no later than September 15.

## Know the signs

THE Leukaemia Foundation is urging Australians to know the five key symptoms of blood cancer and act early, potentially increasing survival rates by up to 40 per cent.

Blood cancer cannot be screened for or prevented, making early detection critical.

"Timing is everything — early diagnosis often leads to better outcomes, less intensive treatment and improved quality of life," Leukaemia Foundation chief executive Chris Tanti said.

Key symptoms include:

- \*Persistent fatigue
- \*Frequent infections
- \*Unexplained bruising or bleeding
- \*Unexplained weight loss
- \*Swollen lymph nodes

With blood cancer set to become Australia's most diagnosed and deadliest cancer by 2035, the foundation is calling for greater awareness and faster action.

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# Hats, Snakes, Smiles



THROUGHOUT June, artworks by Kadina artist Marius Ghita and his 8-year-old grandchild Mia are on display at the Ascot Gallery in Kadina.

The art of Heru Muhawa and Murivale Vasile Muresan is also featured in the Hats, Snakes and Smiles exhibition, which is open 10am to 3.30pm weekdays.

Entry is free.

**EXHIBITION... Mia Oliphant and her grandfather Marius Ghita have their artwork on display at the Ascot Gallery during June.**

## Voting now open for Agricultural Town of the Year

PUBLIC voting is now open for the 2025 South Australian Agricultural Town of the Year Award, with a record 97 towns nominated from across the state.

Yorke Peninsula's nominees are (in alphabetical order): Ardrossan, Bute, Coobowie, Curramulka, Maitland, Minlaton, Moonta, Moonta Bay, Port Broughton and Stansbury.

Voting is open until Friday, June 20. The 10 towns with the most votes will progress to the next round, where they'll submit a written application to an independent judging panel.

Finalists will then host town visits before the winner is announced later this year.

The award recognises towns that excel in agriculture, community strength and regional leadership. Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, Clare Scriven, encouraged public participation.

"South Australia's regional towns are the heart of our state — driving innovation, food production, and economic strength," she said.

"This award is a fantastic way to celebrate these communities and acknowledge the incredible role they play in our state's prosperity."

To view the full list of nominated towns and cast your vote, visit [www.AgTown.com.au](http://www.AgTown.com.au).

### Improved access for community

**ACCESSIBLE... Floss Foster and Emma Taylor on the new access ramp at BankSA, Moonta. The ramp improves access to the branch for all community members, branch manager Victoria Holtham said.**

## Casting call for amateur bakers

ONE of Yorke Peninsula's own could be Australia's next star baker.

Amateur bakers from Yorke Peninsula can apply for season 9 of The Great Australian Bake Off, with casting now open.

The popular television series is seeking home bakers from across the country to step into the Bake Off Shed.

Applicants must not bake professionally but should have a passion for creating cakes, bread, pastries or savoury bakes.

People of all ages, backgrounds and baking styles are welcome to apply — whether baking is a weekend hobby, part of a family tradition or something shared at local events.

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# George Hewett signs on with Blues until 2027

Peter Argent  
REPORT BY

As he approaches his 200th AFL game milestone, Carlton midfielder and Broughton-Mundoora product George Hewett has re-signed with the Blues for a further two seasons. The new deal will see Hewett remain in navy blue until at least the end of the 2027 campaign.

Hewett is enjoying a career-best season, averaging 27.8 disposals, 6.7 clearances and nearly six tackles per game.

One of his standout performances came in round 6 against North Melbourne, where he racked up 34 disposals at 82 per cent efficiency, 12 clearances and nine tackles.

His efforts earned him the inaugural SuperClash Superhero Medal, awarded to the best player on ground.

He backed it up the following week against Geelong, gathering 29 disposals, eight tackles and a crucial last-quarter goal in a hard-fought contest.

Known for his consistency and work ethic, Hewett has long been respected within the playing group for his quiet determination and dedication to his craft.

Clean and composed around

the contest, Hewett is currently ranked sixth in the AFL for effective disposals per game.

He also sits in the top 10 for total clearances, stoppage clearances and contested possessions per game.

Defensively, he has been just as vital — ranking equal first at Carlton for tackles alongside captain Patrick Cripps, and leading the club in disposals, handballs and goal assists.

“George has arguably been in the best form of his career this year, and we are so excited to see him commit to the Blues for another two years,” Carlton’s list management head Nick Austin said.

“He is a very consistent and reliable footballer who has the flexibility to play any role that is asked of him.

“An outstanding team player, George is regularly praised not only for his commitment to his craft but also for mentoring those around him: he is the definition of leading by example.”

After playing with North Adelaide and attending Prince Alfred College, Hewett was drafted to the Sydney Swans.

He made his AFL debut in 2016, playing 120 games for Sydney before joining Carlton. He has now notched up 70 games for the Blues.



AFL... George Hewett (middle) at the coalface for Carlton at Adelaide Oval in round 8 of the 2025 season. Adelaide won the match 16.14 (110) to 7.8 (50).

# Junior football carnival to debut at Moonta Oval

Austinn Lane  
JOURNALIST

A new Yorke Peninsula Football League initiative kicks off at Moonta this Sunday, June 15.

Two games, featuring the league’s under 13 and U14 players, will provide a fresh format aimed at boosting development and selection opportunities across YP.

U15 zone coach Murray Gardner said the carnival would benefit players, coaches and families.

“It will help with our selection for zone sides,” he said.

“Instead of picking from a handful of players, by having this weekend we now get a close look at around 100 players who are all vying for a spot on the zone teams,” he said.

“The U14s don’t have a standalone game in the zone, so this covers that void too.

“They’ll get a good opportunity to represent the U15 zone

side.”

Yorke Peninsula Football Clubs will be split into two sides, SYP and NYP, for the carnival. Gardner explained that NYP would be made up of players from Moonta, Wallaroo, Kadina, Paskeville and Bute, while the remaining four clubs (CY Cougars, Ardrossan, CMS Crows and Southern Eagles) will form SYP.

“We’re hoping this weekend can reignite the north versus south rivalry that used to take over the Yorke Peninsula,” he said.

Matches will be played for the Haylock Cup (U14s) and Brand Cup (U13s), named in honour of YPFL president Bradley Haylock and secretary Phil Brand.

“We hope to make this an annual event — a day of footy for kids to enjoy and a great outing for families,” Gardner said.

Zone coaches Ricky Mackereth (U13), Cam

Faulkner (U17) and Gardner will attend to scout talent for upcoming zone competitions.

The carnival will be held at Moonta Oval, with organisers encouraging the community to attend and support junior football.

Each game will also feature two best-on-ground medals: the Haylock Medal for U14s and the Brand Medal for U13s — awarded to one player from each side.

“The day will be a bit of fun for the kids — they get to play with teammates from other clubs and prepare for zone footy,” Gardner said.

“It will also give coaches a good look at all the players and gives everyone a chance to showcase their talent.

“We encourage people to come down, support the players and enjoy a good day out with the family.”

The U13s play at 10.30am and the U14s at noon.

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<b>SYP</b> <b>Coach: Craig Fitzgerald.</b> <b>Ardrossan:</b> Ned Lawrie, Cohen Treloar, Silas Carthy. <b>CMS Crows:</b> Henley Dutschke, Charlie Borgmeyer, Archie Cook, Baillie Bennett, Jacob Hoyle, Lachlan Lennerth, Xavier Kokar. <b>CY Cougars:</b> Harry Honner, Oliver Whittaker, Samuel Cross, Hunter Schulz, Sam Meaney, Gregory Wanganeen, Lincoln Wegener. <b>Southern Eagles:</b> Lukas Rowe, Kye Sheppard, Lachlan Dart, Lewis French, Archie Phasey, Jett Wheadon, Frederick Honner, John Slade.	<b>SYP</b> <b>Coach: Blake Macgowan.</b> <b>Ardrossan:</b> Finn Wake, Kyren Brown, Seth Colliver, Ethan Hewitson. <b>CMS Crows:</b> Darcy Walsh, Angus Liebelt, Noah Macgowan, Max Hamilton, Riley Hughes, Jude Hender. <b>CY Cougars:</b> Billy Hickman, Ned May, Mitchell Hasting, Archie Schulz, Austen Mann. <b>Southern Eagles:</b> Cruze Storan, Leo Honner, Charles Murdoch, Jacob Webb, Ryley Evans.
<b>NYP</b> <b>Coach: Brett White.</b> <b>Bute:</b> Albert Cock, Brodie Bettess, Nate Bettess, Brody Green. <b>Kadina:</b> Darby Toole, Drelan Elliot-Karpany, Ryder Hobbs, Clayton Francis, Hugo Neumann. <b>Moonta:</b> Bede Mackereth, Eli Lawson, Xander Jarvis, Jave Ramsey, Jack Keleher, Jayden Goddard, Aidan Galley, Dale Leicester, Chayce Manners, Bentley White. <b>Paskeville:</b> Patrick Papps, Sam Pridham. <b>Wallaroo:</b> Lucas Finn, Austyn Paxton, Connor Davey.	<b>NYP</b> <b>Coach: Murray Gardner</b> <b>Bute:</b> Jeddah Giles, Liam Batchelor, Nicholas McArdle, Maverick Crosby. <b>Kadina:</b> Tyson Henshaw, Declan Grimmond, Kayden Wood, Elijah Penhall. <b>Moonta:</b> Jaiden Groben, Grayson Hann, Declan Wiltshire. <b>Paskeville:</b> Beau Feltus, Chase Secker, William Garland, Fletch Bussenschutt, Oliver Toogood. <b>Wallaroo:</b> Hunter Mumford, Chase Phillips, Riley Davey, Dylon Sutton, Jordan Duncan, Taite Williams, Chayce Dekort, Griffen Miers, Austin Miller.

# YP locals recognised at 2024 Bowls SA Awards

Austinn Lane  
JOURNALIST

Yorke Peninsula was well represented at the 2024 Bowls SA Awards, held at Morphetville Racecourse on May 30.

Three YP locals brought home awards, with several others nominated for their contribution to lawn bowls in South Australia.

Michael Wildash (Wallaroo), Harrison Geater-Johnson (Arthurton) and Brian May (Kadina) were all named winners in their respective categories.

Wildash was named Coach of the Year, recognising a 30-year coaching career, including seven years based at Wallaroo.

"It's great to receive some reward for the work I have put in over 30 years," Wildash said.

"I think it is just as good for the bowling club to get some recognition and reward — there aren't many clubs around with a qualified coach available."

Wildash said coaching brought him great satisfaction, particularly seeing others improve.

"I love seeing improvement in people and their game — it isn't a hard game to learn if you have the right coaching," he said.

Wildash has also supported Arthurton's Thursday (women's) competition side over the past two seasons and assisted

Port Victoria's preseason preparations.

"I am open to coach anyone who wants to be coached," he said.

In addition to coaching, Wildash has enjoyed a decorated playing career spanning 39 years.

Geater-Johnson was jointly awarded the Media Recognition Award, alongside Pete Matthews and Phil Eichner, hosts of the Drive to Draw podcast.

"I have always enjoyed media and working in media," Geater-Johnson said.

"Since I was young, I used to make my own sports edits and videos, which turned out to be great practise for what I'm doing now."

Arthurton Bowling Club now receives around 6000 interactions on its social media posts — an impressive achievement for a country club.

"It is an award I am honoured and proud to receive," Geater-Johnson said.

"It's also great for the club to get recognition."

"It's a great club where volunteering is a massive part of the culture."

May received the Volunteer Groundskeeper of the Year award.

He has been maintaining the greens at Kadina Bowling Club for over 15 years and has served as the official greenkeeper for the past seven.

"I helped the past two greenkeepers around the club, which gave me good

experience," May said.

"It's the same now — everyone helps out around the club. It takes a team to maintain."

May commutes from Wallaroo to Kadina, often making up to three trips a day and spending five days a week at the club.

"It's lovely for the club to be recognised," he said.

"Seeing people happy with the greens is rewarding."

"Visitors say they are up there with the best in South Australia."

He thanked his fellow club members.

"No one person can do it alone," he said.

Bob Scott, Daryl Steinwedel and Donald Bennett were also acknowledged for their Australian Senior Sides Championships (over 60s) — Men win.

YP had plenty of other nominees across the night, including:

- Will McPharlin, men's state representative of the year
- Donald Bennett, over 60s state representative of the year
- Debbie Dennis, women's state event player of the year
- Will McPharlin, men's state event player of the year
- Simon Geater-Johnson, men's country carnival player of the year
- Michael Collins, official of the year
- Ava Vass, under 18 girls player of the year



**BOWLS SA AWARDS...** Harrison Geater-Johnson (right) with fellow Media Recognition Award winners, Pete Matthews and Phil Eichner from the Drive to Draw Podcast.



**BOWLS SA AWARDS...** Brian May, Kadina Bowling Club, Volunteer Groundskeeper of the Year.



**BOWLS SA AWARDS...** Michael Wildash, Bowls SA Coach of the Year.

## On an elevated stage

Peter Argent  
REPORT BY

### Super Netball League

The NSW Swifts lost to the West Coast Fever, 68-79, at Ken Rosewall Arena on Saturday night.

Yorke Peninsula export Sarah Klau contributed one intercept and three centre pass receives during the match.

In the Melbourne derby, the Vixens overcame the Mavericks 66-57 at John Cain Arena on Sunday.

CY Cougars 2015 premiership player Sasha Glasgow featured at both goal attack and goal shooter. She achieved a perfect five from five in standard shooting and three from five in super shots.

Glasgow also recorded 12 goal assists, two rebounds, five centre pass receives and 15 feeds.

Adelaide Thunderbirds lost narrowly to the Giants, 63-64, at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre on Sunday afternoon.

Georgie Horjus (Bute and Ardrossan connections) played a significant role, starting at wing attack before moving into the shooting circle.

She amassed 22 goal assists, 28 centre pass receives, and 47 feeds.

In the shooting circle, Horjus scored one goal and converted two of five super shot attempts.

### AFL

In Sunday night's feature match at the Melbourne Cricket Ground, Carlton secured a hard-fought eight-point victory

over Essendon, winning 11.12 (78) to 11.4 (70) in front of 74,280 fans.

The Blues established a commanding 28-point lead by halftime. Despite a spirited comeback from the Bombers, Carlton managed to hold on for the win.

Midfielder George Hewett (Port Broughton) continued his consistent form, recording 29 disposals (14 kicks and 15 handballs), five marks, nine tackles, and a clearance, along with 440 metres gained.

**SANFL League**

Woodville-West Torrens delivered a commanding performance, securing a 38-point win over Port Adelaide, 10.9 (69) to 4.7 (31), at Maughan Thiem Kia Oval on Saturday.

Defender Max Litster (Minlaton) was instrumental in the backline, recording 24 disposals and contributing significantly to the Eagles' defensive efforts.

Emerging talents Jett Hasting (Maitland) and Kade Herbert (Bute) continued to impress, each showcasing their skills and contributing to the team's success.

Bailey Hann (Wallaroo) also made a notable impact, demonstrating his versatility and commitment on the field.

This victory stands as one of the Eagles' most comprehensive performances of the season.

South Adelaide had a heartbreaking one-point loss to the Adelaide Crows at Noarlunga on Saturday.

The Panthers led by 38 points at half-time but were overrun in the second half,

falling short 7.8 (50) to 7.9 (51).

South Adelaide captain Jake Summerton (Wallaroo) delivered a solid performance in defence, contributing seven disposals and four tackles.

**SANFLW**

In round 3, West Adelaide faced a challenging match against South Adelaide at Noarlunga on Saturday.

In a defensively dominated contest, the Bloods managed only two behinds, succumbing to the Panthers 4.6 (30) to 0.2 (2).

Despite the tough conditions and low scoring, midfielder Hannah Button (Stansbury) stood out with a remarkable 24 tackles, complemented by 12 disposals and three clearances.

Key forward Nicole Hooper (Maitland) contributed one of the team's two points in a match where scoring opportunities were scarce.

**VFL**

Caleb Poulter (Ardrossan) delivered a standout performance in Footscray's commanding 44-point victory over the Coburg Lions at Coburg on Saturday.

Poulter contributed four goals and was instrumental throughout the game, finishing with 18 disposals, five marks and three tackles.

His efforts helped the Bulldogs secure a 17.9 (111) to 9.13 (67) win.

**SANFL reserves**

The Woodville-West Torrens Eagles reserves had a narrow one-point loss to Central District, 4.15 (39) to 5.10 (40), at

Woodville Oval on Saturday.

Jordan Tilbrook (Edithburgh) was a standout in defence, collecting 19 disposals — including 15 kicks — along with a team-high seven marks and three tackles.

Midfielder Will Neumann (Kadina) also impressed, amassing 23 possessions, seven tackles and six clearances.

Despite the team's inaccuracy in front of goal, it was one of the Eagles' most competitive performances of the season.

**SANFL Under 18**

The Eagles' underage matches were played at Oval Avenue on Thursday night, June 5.

The Under 18s delivered an outstanding performance, defeating the Bulldogs by 25 points, 9.10 (64) to 5.9 (39), after dominating the second half.

"Freddie Wilson (CMS Crows) played his best game of the year in the ruck," coach Shane Reardon said.

"He won his hit-outs, took five marks — including five contested — and used his 12 possessions well, going at an impressive 83 per cent efficiency."

Jack Mumford (Wallaroo) also impressed.

"He gave a great contest all night," Reardon said.

"One day he'll take mark of the year."

"Jack worked hard for his team without getting a lot of reward."

Mitch Harris (Kadina) stood out in defence.

He took five intercept marks — three of them contested — made five spoils,

laid four tackles, and had 12 possessions, playing a key role down back.

**SANFL Under 16**

The WWT Eagles U16s were gallant once again but fell just four points short.

Returning from college football, Will Trengove (Bute) was a strong contributor with 23 disposals, three clearances and a goal (plus one behind).

Archie Davies (CY Cougars) collected 11 touches, while Cash Meyers (Ardrossan) had seven disposals and kicked a goal.

Jack Northeast (Wallaroo) finished with six disposals.

**AFL U18 boys championships**

South Australia produced a strong performance in the national AFL Under 18 Boys Championship, defeating Victoria Metro by 61 points at Alberton Oval on Sunday, June 8.

In wet and wintry weather, the Croweaters took control in the second quarter and ran away with a 15.10 (100) to 5.9 (39) win.

The result gave SA back-to-back victories to start the championships.

Jim Kelly (Mundoorra connections) was a standout on the wing, finishing with 15 disposals — including 13 kicks — along with four marks, three tackles and three clearances.

This is SA's best showing at the national championships since 2018, when the Croweaters last claimed the title.

The team returns to Alberton this Sunday, June 15, for a pivotal clash against Western Australia.



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# Neil Craig: From Yorke Peninsula prodigy to AFL trailblazer

Yorke Peninsula's  
**TOP 25 SPORTING ICONS**

Neil Craig, the youngest of five siblings brought up at Sandilands, has enjoyed a long and successful football journey spanning more than 50 years as a player and coach.

Beginning his football life with Maitland, he was recruited at just 13 years of age and boarded at Norwood's player residence, Carmel Court, in Kensington, Adelaide.

By 15, while studying year 10 at Norwood High School, Craig won the 1971 McCallum Medal as the SANFL Under 17 competition's fairest and most brilliant player, believed to be the youngest recipient at the time.

In the following season, he claimed the Tomkins Medal for best player in the U19 competition.

Craig made his league debut in April 1973 against North Adelaide at age 17, playing seven senior games in his first season.

Known throughout his career for his meticulous preparation, he was part of Norwood's breakthrough 1975 premiership — the club's first in 25 years — and the famous one-point win over Sturt in the 1978 grand final at Football Park.

In 1977, Craig won Norwood's best and fairest and was named in the SANFL Team of the Year.

He played 126 games for the Redlegs before moving to Sturt in 1980, where he added 134 more matches, captaining the club in 1985 and 1986.

He also captained the South Australian state team in 1984 and represented SA in 11 games.

Craig was the second overall pick in the largely forgotten 1981 VFL draft.

He later joined North Adelaide, playing 61 games between 1987 and 1990, finishing his SANFL career with 321 games across three clubs.

A centreman who played primarily on the ball, Craig combined inside toughness with outside run and carry.

He transitioned into coaching in 1991, taking the helm at Norwood for five seasons.

Under his leadership, the club reached three finals series and the 1993 grand final against Woodville-West Torrens.

Craig, who holds a sports science degree, worked with the Australian cycling team at the Olympics and served as a senior sports scientist at the South Australian Institute of Sport.

He worked alongside Charlie Walsh at the Australian Cycling Federation.

In 1997, Craig became the Adelaide Crows' fitness adviser, credited with developing a mid-season training program that helped the team peak during finals — contributing to back-to-back AFL premierships in 1997 and 1998.

After a brief departure in 1999 to prepare the national cycling team for the Sydney Olympics, he returned to the Crows as an assistant coach in 2001.

He became caretaker senior coach in 2004 and was appointed full-time in 2005, leading the club to its first minor premiership and two consecutive preliminary finals.

He was named AFL Coaches Association Coach of the Year in 2005.

Craig resigned from Adelaide in 2011 but continued to contribute to the AFL, serving in roles at Melbourne (where he was interim senior coach in 2013), Essendon, Carlton and Gold Coast.

He also advised high-performance programs in rugby union for England and Australia.

His contributions have been widely recognised.

He was inducted into Norwood's Hall of Fame in 2022 and the SA Football Hall of Fame in 2002.

He is a life member of both the Adelaide Football Club (2021) and the AFL (2024), and in 2023, he received the Neale Daniher Lifetime Achievement Award from the AFL Coaches Association.



AFL... Neil Craig enters the ground before engineering Melbourne's first win under his interim command in 2013.

PHOTO: Peter Argent



SANFL LEAGUE... Neil Craig played for Norwood in the 1970s.

## Region's students recognised in state sport squads

Austinn Lane  
JOURNALIST

The Yorke Peninsula region continues to foster sporting talent, with a strong group of student athletes already gaining state-level selection in 2025.

This year, nine students from local schools have been selected to represent South Australia across five different School Sport SA teams, alongside one coach from the region.

The range of sports and number of students selected highlighted the role school sports programs played in creating development opportunities for young athletes, YP School Sport zone coordinator Aaron Smith said.

Schools also play an important role in recognising and celebrating individual achievements, and it was pleasing to see students from a variety of sports gain recognition, Smith said.

"It reflects the determination of our students, supported by both schools and the wider community," he said.

"While we've had students make state teams in the past, in recent years there have been more pathways across a broader range of sports, which is a positive step."

Increased engagement with professional coaches and organisations such as SANFL, Tennis Australia and SACA is helping generate interest across more levels of sport.

"Having students selected for state teams brings a sense of pride within the community," Smith said.

"School programs remain a key avenue for students to explore new opportunities, especially when schools work with sporting organisations to provide exposure and learning."

### State selections representatives

Yorke Peninsula school students selected in South Australian representatives team so far in 2025:

Football — Chayce Manners (Moonta Area School), 12 years and under boys; Jaspa Barnes (formerly Port Broughton AS); Hunter Mumford (Kadina Memorial School), 15 and under boys.

Hockey — Novak Duka (formerly KMS), 15 and under boys; Tayla Mengersen (KMS), 15 and under girls.

Netball — Xander Leong (Minlaton District School), 15 and under boys; Stella Hewett (KMS), 15 and under girls.

Basketball: Charlotte Keleher (KMS), 16 and under girls; Grant Keleher (former YP teacher/principal), coach, 16 and under girls.

Bowls — Tahlia Stringer (PBAS), 18 and under girls.

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3.	Fraser McCracken, Kadina	81
4.	Mark Northcott, Kadina	80
5.	Steve Busch, Wallaroo	80
6.	Bradley Depledge, Wallaroo	80
7.	Rob Stevens, Moonta Bay	80
8.	Melissa Rolton, Kadina	80
9.	Ken Rudd, Kadina	80
10.	Mark Schroeder, Wallaroo	80
11.	David Williams, Kadina	80
12.	Hanna Turner, Kadina	79
13.	Carolyn Webster, Yorketown	79
14.	Matthew Penney, Wallaroo	79
15.	Craig Wissell, Ardrossan	78

## ROUND 14

Please circle your selections

**Thursday, June 12**  
St Kilda v Western Bulldogs (MRVL) (N)

**Friday, June 13**  
Hawthorn v Adelaide (UTAS) (N)

**Saturday, June 14**  
Brisbane v GWS (G)  
Essendon v Geelong (MCG) (T)  
North Melbourne v Fremantle (OS) (N)

**Sunday, June 15**

Port Adelaide v Melbourne (AO)  
Winning margin.....

West Coast v Carlton (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast, Richmond, Sydney

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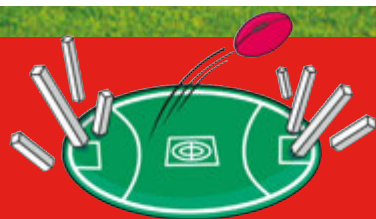
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**Entries must be received by 3pm Thursday, June 12, to be eligible for this round.**

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**Bernie Schulz**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
**Brisbane** v GWS (G)  
Essendon v **Geelong** (MCG) (T)  
North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
**Port Adelaide** v Melbourne (AO)  
West Coast v **Carlton** (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 5 TOTAL: 65



**MD Mystery Tipster**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
**Brisbane** v GWS (G)  
Essendon v **Geelong** (MCG) (T)  
North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
**Port Adelaide** v Melbourne (AO)  
West Coast v **Carlton** (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 5 TOTAL: 78



**Mark Ravenscroft**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
**Brisbane** v GWS (G)  
Essendon v **Geelong** (MCG) (T)  
North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
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North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
**Port Adelaide** v Melbourne (AO)  
West Coast v **Carlton** (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 4 TOTAL: 72



**Miriam Errington**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
**Brisbane** v GWS (G)  
Essendon v **Geelong** (MCG) (T)  
North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
**Port Adelaide** v Melbourne (AO)  
West Coast v **Carlton** (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 6 TOTAL: 80



**Sue Barke**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
**Brisbane** v GWS (G)  
Essendon v **Geelong** (MCG) (T)  
North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
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West Coast v **Carlton** (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 5 TOTAL: 71



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**Glen Blythman**

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Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
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North Melbourne v **Fremantle** (OS) (N)  
Port Adelaide v **Melbourne** (AO)  
West Coast v **Carlton** (OS) (N)

Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 4 TOTAL: 66



**Ashley Schmidt**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
Hawthorn v **Adelaide** (UTAS) (N)  
**Brisbane** v GWS (G)  
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Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 6 TOTAL: 78



**YPCT Mystery Tipster**

St Kilda v **Western Bulldogs** (MRVL) (N)  
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Byes: Collingwood, Gold Coast,  
Richmond, Sydney

Last week: 4 TOTAL: 72



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# YPFL continues to crackdown on umpire abuse



**UMPIRING...** Nathan Bruce, Yorke Peninsula Football League umpire and 2022 golden whistle winner, throws the ball up during the round 2 clash between Wallaroo and CMS Crows.

Austinn Lane  
JOURNALIST

Umpire abuse has long been a feature of sport, and Australian football is no exception. This season in the AFL, criticism of umpiring has intensified, with frustration spilling over into offensive language directed at officials.

Locally, the Yorke Peninsula Football League has strengthened its efforts in recent seasons to address umpire abuse and improve the treatment of officials.

YPFL umpire coordinator Rob Rankine said, while some progress had been made, there was still room for improvement.

Recruiting and retaining umpires remained a challenge, said Rankine, who has been part of umpiring within the YPFL for five or six years.

"In my time involved in umpiring, I've seen multiple umpires who were close to walking away, simply from the number of derogatory terms they heard from the sidelines," he said.

To help combat this, Rankin said the league has implemented stricter penalties.

"We've increased our penalties for umpire abuse and derogatory language," he said.

"Any offensive language now results in a yellow card and a reportable offence.

"If you call an umpire a cheat, you're sent off immediately and face suspension."

Rankine said support from the tribunal had reinforced these measures.

"We've had one player suspended this year for offensive language, so it feels good for the umpiring group to have that strong backing," he said.

In the past, umpires have requested to avoid certain teams temporarily to ease tensions.

Mr Rankine said umpires understood the game's intensity but asked for mutual respect.

"All umpires try very hard," he said.

"We know we won't always get it right, and not everyone will agree.

"But we ask to be treated with respect and kindness, as we aim to treat everyone in the game the same way."

YPFL preview...

# Carnival done, it's back to local footy this weekend

“Eric ‘Tippy’ Tipwood”  
REPORT BY

With the long weekend and no local football action, Tippy ventured to Mallala to watch the association team take on surrounding leagues.

YPFL's carnival didn't get off to the best start, with two players doing hamstrings on the Thursday before the game. Apparently, most footballers keep a close eye on the weather, and it was tough work finding someone to fill spots!

Thankfully, Fin Hansen and Daniel McDonald answered the call. Both acquitted themselves well.

Conditions were brutal with plenty of rain throughout the day; it felt like footy from a bygone era.

The first match for YP was against the Northern Areas Football Association. This was a tight contest.

YP had plenty of the ball and opportunities to win, but a couple of late defensive errors cost us, with NAFA sneaking home by a couple of points.

That was followed by a pretty clinical win against Adelaide Plains.

Tippy's best players for the day included William Schultz, Abraham Helfand and Isaiah Wilksch, along with award winners Seth Harris and Otis Carthy.

Now it's back to YPFL for the final game of the first round. Bute currently sits on top but has the bye.

Round 9 tips

**CMS Crows v Kadina**

Kadina will be looking to stay in touch with the top three when they meet CMS Crows at Stansbury. Crows boast quality across the board, led by YPFL captain and leading goal kicker Angus Glazbrook, along with YPFL player of the carnival, Carthy. They'll go in as favourites. That said, they're coming off a loss to Bute and might be slightly off their best.

*At the final siren... Crows by 3 goals.*

**Wallaroo v Ardrossan**

Ardrossan raised a few eyebrows with a solid win against Southern Eagles last round and will be keen to string a couple of wins together. Hopefully, the week off hasn't stalled the Roos' momentum. Wallaroo is

coming off a break, as is every other team playing this week, and should have fresh legs, but they've conceded 1015 points this season — -for context, the Roos have conceded just 669. As the adage goes, defence wins championships.

*At the final siren... Ardrossan by 6 goals.*

**Southern Eagles v CY Cougars**

Eagles have been doing it tough this year, while the Cougars are coming off a strong win against Pasky. They've got talent across the park. Eagles will be hoping that the move to Warooka as their home ground gives them more of an edge than Edithburgh did, but that feels like a long shot.

*At the final siren... Cougars by 4 goals.*

**Paskeville v Moonta**

This one has the potential to be a ripper. Pasky needs a win to break back into the top five. Moonta is coming off a double bye — will it be a bit flat after the break? Could we see an upset? Pasky has struggled to kick a winning score, managing more than 12 goals only twice this season. Moonta has done it five times.

*At the final siren... Moonta by 3 goals.*

YPNA preview...

# A lesson in rain or shine

“The Benchwarmer”  
REPORT BY

Wow, what a weekend at the Netball SA Country Championships in Adelaide!

Well done to our resilient junior netballers who gave us all a lesson in how to keep on going no matter what the weather!

All teams played their hearts out in trying conditions, not to mention the efforts from coaches, team managers, umpires and parents who were there every step of the cold, rainy way!

I think some of our senior netballers are thanking their lucky stars they escaped playing in those conditions. But back to it this week and, while the weather won't be as horrendous, it will still be fresh so rug up spectators and benchwarmers.

Round 9 tips

**CMS Crows v Kadina**

She'll be breezy by the ocean at Stansbury, weather our indoor-playing friends from Kadina will not be used to. Patchy showers may also slow down the running game of both sides. Kadina will go into this game

with nothing to lose and knowing that the Crows can be beaten. The Bloods also have goalies Kayla Russel and Neve Smart, who have some of the highest shooting percentages in the competition. Rest assured those goals will need to go in as any rebounds will be snapped up by Crows' defenders Georgina Farrow and Lauren McSkimming, who will have a height advantage in the circle.

*At the final whistle... Crows by 14.*

**Wallaroo v Ardrossan**

Ardrossan will be very keen to get back on the winners' list and edge back into the top four this Saturday; however, Wallaroo is no easy beat. The Wallaroo goalie combination of Emily Ramsey and Izzy Glasgow is getting better every week and youngsters such as Natalia Bagnato and Mackenzie Wood keep improving. Wood and Bagnato played with Ardrossan's Alexa Simmons in the YPNA 17 and under team at Country Carnival so may have some insight into how she moves around the circle. Unfortunately, Wallaroo doesn't have anyone who can match up on the height of Roos' Sophie Thornton and this could be the difference.

*At the final whistle... Ardrossan by 3.*

**Southern Eagles v CY Cougars**

Cougars have a newfound confidence with a couple of consecutive wins under their belt. Things are finally starting to click and goalies Iluka Zilm-Smith and Gabrielle Hickman are finding their feet. Eagles are also coming off a confidence-boosting win against Ardrossan and would be keen to sneak up that ladder. Jada Pedler, Cougars, and Charlize Bunney, Southern Eagles, were funnies playing in the YPNA 17 and under team on the weekend but will be foes this Saturday — who will get the bragging rights?

*At the final whistle... Cougars by 5.*



**Paskeville v Moonta**


Moonta has had its fair share of demons — injuries and controversies — thus far this season but still has a well put together A grade side. Will two consecutive weeks off be an advantage or disadvantage? Fitness shouldn't be an issue, but hopefully the Demons don't take too long to get back into game mode. Pasky, on the other hand, is coming off a frustrating loss against Cougars before the bye. Pasky needs to dig in and an upset like this one would help its finals quest.

*At the final whistle... Moonta by 8.*

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# YPFL comes back to clinch U17 title



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17...** The winning YPFL under 17 team, back: coach Cameron Faulkner, Mitchell Miller, Tyson Gray, Jack Southwood, Angus Ingram, Gus Hall, Lachlan Bodie, Hunter Wellgreen, Cohen Mummery, Riley Wake, Jonny Poulton, Harry Rennie, Kaleb Johnson, Tyler Pontifex, assistant coach Ben Waller; front: James Richardson, Fraser Heinrich, Blake Karpany, Francis Goryan, Tex Neumann, Tahj Madigan, Riley Phelan, Will Gow, Rhegan Towers, Ethan Osborn.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17...** Eli Ackland, NAFA, braces himself as he is about to be tackled by Hunter Wellgreen, YPFL.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17...** Blake Karpany, YPFL, is helped to his feet by teammate Mitchell Miller after slipping while kicking a goal against NAFA.

## NEFL v APFL

The opening match of the carnival was a low-scoring, one-sided affair, with all the play and scoring confined to one end of the ground.

Despite dominating possession in the first half, NEFL struggled to convert opportunities, heading into the break with just 1.2 (8) on the scoreboard, Adelaide Plains holding a slender seven-point lead.

The second half mirrored the first, with most of the action again taking place at the same end of the ground. This time, however, it was APFL that made the most of its chances.

Campbell Simpson broke the deadlock late in the match, slotting a crucial goal to give APFL a three-point lead.

Minutes later, Connor Willmer snapped truly from a stoppage, the ball skimming along the wet turf and through the big sticks to seal the victory.

APFL's late surge was enough to book it a spot in the grand final, while NEFL was left to rue missed opportunities in front of goal.

## YPFL v NAFA

YPFL secured a place in the U17 grand final with a commanding 35-point win over NAFA in challenging wet and windy conditions.

The game began at a high intensity, with both sides showing clean skills and swift ball movement despite the weather.

The ball spent much of the opening term between the arcs before Blake Karpany broke through with the first goal, sparking YPFL's momentum.

Jonny Poulton added a second just before the main break, capitalising on several missed opportunities by NAFA.

On the cusp of halftime, Will Gow stretched the margin to 18 points, handing YPFL a valuable lead in the difficult conditions.

YPFL handled the slippery ball with more composure throughout the match. Their strong overhead marking was a standout, particularly impressive given the greasy surface.

After another low-scoring opening to the second half, Karpany struck again with



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17...** YPFL's best player Mitchell Miller.

a sharp finish 10 minutes in. He soon followed up with a third major, pushing the lead out to 28 points as NAFA continued to struggle to hit the scoreboard.

Tyson Gray sealed the result with a final goal, confirming YPFL's dominance and booking his team's place in the grand final against APFL.

## NAFA v NEFL

In tough conditions, NEFL handled the challenge best to secure a 49-point win over NAFA and take third place in the U17 competition.

The match to determine third and fourth began slowly, with both teams struggling to gain momentum in the inclement weather.

NEFL eventually settled, opening the scoring through Cooper Wurfel before Darcy Andrews added another from the goal square just minutes later.

NEFL maintained forward pressure for the remainder of the half but was unable to convert further majors, taking a modest lead into the break.

The second half began with a score-

board stalemate, until Codie Palmer broke through with a composed finish. Andrews followed up immediately with his second, pushing the margin to 32 points and keeping NAFA scoreless.

NEFL finished the match in style with goals to Mason Baraglia, Palmer (his second) and Coby Bigg, sealing a convincing 49-point victory.

## YPFL v APFL grand final

In what was undoubtedly the match of the day, YPFL staged a dramatic late comeback to defeat APFL and claim the Nutrien Ag Solutions Cup.

YPFL struck early through Riley Wake, who opened the scoring eight minutes in, before Blake Karpany added a second to give his side an 11-point lead.

But momentum shifted after back-to-back 50 metre penalties gifted APFL's Campbell Simpson a close-range set shot, which he converted.

APFL capitalised on the swing, with Michael Daly quickly following up to snatch the lead.

As rain began to fall again, APFL finished the half strongly with goals to Hamish Wildbore and Riley Ansell, taking an eight-point advantage into the main break.

Adelaide Plains looked to continue its dominance after halftime, with Noah Henwood extending its lead. But YPFL wasn't done yet.

Jonny Poulton brought some life back into the contest with a goal from the square. For the next 10 minutes, YPFL locked the ball inside their forward 50 but couldn't convert as pressure and desperation mounted.

With time running out, Karpany broke through with his second major, cutting the deficit to a single point and sparking a final surge.

Moments later, Lachlan Bodie gathered and snapped quickly from a pack to put YPFL in front with just seconds left on the clock.

As the ball was returned to the centre, the final siren sounded, sealing a stunning five-point win and a memorable cup win for YPFL.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17... Eli Ackland, NAFA, and Angus Ingram, YPFL, compete for a mark.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17... YPFL Under 17 coach Cameron Faulkner addresses his players at a break.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17... Kaleb Johnson, YPFL, fires out a handpass against NAFA.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP... Lachlan Vandepeer umpired the Under 17 games representing YPFL.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17... Tyson Gray, YPFL, picks up the ball on the run against APFL.

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A GRADE – ROUND 1

Northern Areas	1.4	2.6	(18)
Yorke Peninsula	1.2	2.4	(16)

Best players: NAFA: C Combe, W Combe, B Kirk, L Bowman, T Head; YPFL: O Carthy, P Foster, T Nield, G Ellis.

Goalkickers: NAFA: J Clark, W Combe; YPFL: O Carthy, A Glazbrook.

A GRADE – ROUND 1

North Eastern	3.4	4.5	(29)
Adelaide Plains	0.0	0.1	(1)

Best players: NEFL: L Hayes, L Jaeschke, L Hoile, W Pratt; APFL: D Haydon, B Arthur, P Binyon, D Kaipara.

Goalkickers: NEFL: H Glacken, M Longbottom, A Morgan.

A GRADE – CONSOLATION FINAL

Yorke Peninsula	2.1	5.4	(34)
Adelaide Plains	2.1	4.2	(26)

Best players: YPFL: A Helfand, S Harris, I Wilksch, O Carthy; APFL: D Kaipara, J Thomson, K Olds, B Arthur, T Nottle, W Gutsche.

Goalkickers: YPFL: B Nash 2, P Foster, A Glazbrook, A Turner; APFL: J Kovacic 2, B Arthur, C Duncan.

A GRADE – GRAND FINAL

North Eastern	2.4	4.6	(30)
Northern Areas	1.1	1.2	(8)

Best players: NEFL: M Grigg, T Nicholls, W Sandow, J Lee, A McShane; NANA: A Lavery, C Combe, K Freer, W Combe.

Goalkickers: NEFL: J Lee 3, D Launer; NANA: W Combe.

UNDER 17s – ROUND 1

Yorke Peninsula	3.3	6.5	(41)
Northern Areas	0.3	0.6	(6)

Best players: YPFL: H Wellgreen, M Miller, T Neumann, B Karpany; NANA: A Sedunary, E Ackland, A Hombsch, L White.

Goalkickers: YPFL: B Karpany 3, W Gow, T Gray, J Poulton.

UNDER 17s – ROUND 1

Adelaide Plains	0.1	2.5	(17)
North Eastern	1.2	1.2	(8)

Best players: APFL: J Davies, I Stodart, H Wildbore, T Dark; NEFL: C Bigg, W Lawry, C Weckert, A Jaeschke.

Goalkickers: APFL: C Simpson, C Willmer; NEFL: C Wurfel.

UNDER 17s – CONSOLATION FINAL

North Eastern	2.4	7.8	(50)
Northern Areas	0.0	0.1	(1)

Best players: NEFL: C Bigg, R Griffin, C Harrold, C Wurfel; NANA: J Voigt, L White, A Sedunary, C Nicolson.

Goalkickers: NEFL: D Andrews, C Palmer 2, M Baraglia, C Bigg, C Wurfel.

UNDER 17s – GRAND FINAL

Yorke Peninsula	3.1	6.2	(38)
Adelaide Plains	4.3	5.3	(33)

Best players: YPFL: M Miller, F Heinrich, T Neumann, J Richardson; APFL: H Wildbore, H Bailey, C Willmer, AJ Bergamin.

Goalkickers: YPFL: B Karpany 2, L Bodie, C Mummery, J Poulton, R Wake; APFL: R Ansell, M Daly, N Henwood, C Simpson, H Wildbore.

# Wet and windy day at Mallala for Nutrien Ag Solutions Cup

Austinn Lane  
JOURNALIST

It was a wild day in Mallala as the squads of four football associations rolled into town to battle for the Nutrien Ag Solutions Cup on Saturday, June 7.  
Senior men's and Under 17 boys' sides from Yorke Peninsula, Adelaide Plains and North Eastern football leagues and Northern Areas Football Association went head-to-head for bragging rights.  
The day began with U17 action, with the seniors hitting the oval from 1pm.  
The U17s did YPFL proud, claiming the 2025 title, while the seniors finished third.  
Mitch Miller was named YPFL's best U17 player of the carnival; for the senior side, Otis Carthy was the best YPFL player for the Nutrien Ag Solutions Cup and Seth Harris the best U21.

# YPFL's patches of brilliance on a day to forget

### NEFL v APFL

NEFL secured a place in the Nutrien Ag Solutions Cup senior men's grand final after it held off APFL in a strong first-half performance.

NEFL came out firing, controlling the play with clean ball movement through the middle and persistent forward pressure. Its efforts were rewarded 10 minutes in with the opening goal from Harry Glacken.

Maintaining its dominance, NEFL added further majors through Alex Morgan and Matt Longbottom to take a commanding 22-point lead into the main break.

As rain set in, the match became a scrap. Both teams struggled to move the ball forward with any consistency, and scoring dried up. There were only three scoring shots (1.1 to NEFL and 0.1 to APFL) in the second half, with NEFL ahead 28 points at the final siren.

### YPFL v NAFA

NAFA held off a fast-finishing YPFL in a gripping two-point win.

YPFL was forced to make late changes ahead of the clash, with Jacob Tidswell, Kaleb Gerschwitz and Nathan Allen sidelined through injury. Key inclusions Fin Hansen and Daniel McDonald helped steady the line-up.

YPFL made a strong start, with leading goalkicker Angus Glazbrook opening the scoring inside three minutes. NAFA responded quickly, courtesy of a composed finish from Will Coombe.

Giles Ellis was a standout down back for YPFL, marshalling the defence with key intercepts, while Phoenix Foster impressed in the ruck with dominant contests through the middle.

NAFA held a narrow two-point lead at halftime, setting up a tense second half.

YPFL controlled early play after the break, locking the ball in their forward half but struggling to convert.

Midway through the term, Otis Carthy broke the deadlock with a vital goal to give YPFL a five-point lead.

Seth Harris also stepped up with a strong performance in the second half, but it wasn't enough to stop a late NAFA surge.

Jaxon Clark kicked truly against the run of play to put NAFA back in front by one.

YPFL pushed forward in the closing minutes but couldn't find a match-winner.

The game ended with the same margin as halftime — NAFA by two points.

### YPFL v APFL

YPFL bounced back from its narrow loss to finish the carnival on a high, defeating APFL by eight points to secure third place.

Phoenix Foster provided a dream start for YPFL, kicking the opening goal inside the first minute. APFL responded quickly, but YPFL soon took control of the match.

Giles Ellis was once again a steady presence down back, collecting key intercept possessions and driving the ball forward.

Ben Nash gave YPFL the edge late in the first half with his first major, while Seth Harris continued his standout form with a dominant display through the midfield.

Just before the halftime siren, APFL levelled the scores, setting the stage for a tense second half.

APFL struck first after the break, applying early pressure. But YPFL rose to the challenge. Nash slotted his second to fire up his side, before Aidan Turner restored the lead with a composed finish.

Momentum firmly swung YPFL's way, and it was capped off by a moment of brilliance from Angus Glazbrook.

Crumbing a pack in the right forward pocket, he dribbled through a goal with the help of a crucial goal-line shepherd by Jake Hodby, one of the best goals of the day.

With the result secured, YPFL managed the final minutes well.

An APFL goal on the siren trimmed the margin to eight points, but the victory was never in doubt.

Seth Harris capped off an outstanding carnival with another midfield masterclass, while Isaiah Wilksch impressed with his run and link-up play across the ground.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE... William Gutsche, APFL, handpasses away from YPFL's best under 21 player Seth Harris in a muddy centre square.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE... Connor Knight, YPFL, has his arm grabbed as he tries to get a handpass against APFL.



NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE... Isaiah Wilksch, YPFL, is sent flying as he tries to spoil a marking attempt against NAFA.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP...** The YPFL A grade team, back: trainer Christian Alba, trainer Michael Edwards, trainer Paul Schultz, goal umpire Martin Borlace, Fin Hansen, Otis Carthy, Jayga Warmington, Giles Ellis, Phoenix Foster, William Schultz, Benjamin Nash, Daniel McDonald, Dylan Slack, Will McKay, Connor Knight, runner Nick Polkinghorne, assistant coach Craig Fitzgerald; front: Seth Harris, Sam Taylor, Tyler Nield, Aidan Turner, Angus Glazbrook, coach Luke Pridham, Oliver Mullins, Abraham Helfand, Callum George, Jake Hodby, Isaiah Wilksch, Riley Davey, assistant coach Bill Matheson, mascot Taite Pridham.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP...** Broughton-Mundoora representatives in the NAFA A grade team: Jacob Akker, William Hewett, Kallis Freer, Kane Bowley, Lachlan Dolling, Samuel Meschede, Aaron Laverty, Bodhi Sims and team manager Andrew Bowley.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE...** YPFL best player Otis Carthy gets a kick out of the centre against NAFA.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE...** Abraham Helfand, YPFL, covered in mud during a break against NAFA.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE...** Kane Bowley, NAFA, has the ball kicked between his legs by Jayga Warmington, YPFL.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE...** Mud flies as Jackson Richman, NAFA, looks to clear the ball from the centre square away from YPFL players Phoenix Foster, Tyler Nield and Seth Harris.



**NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP A GRADE...** Phoenix Foster, YPFL, gets a kick past NAFA's Will Combe.

# Great performances by YP teams at Netball SA Country Championships



## Stunning turnaround for 13&U

**COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS...** Netball SA Country Carnival 2025 13&U division 3 champions, YPNA's representative team, back: Chelsea Gum, Lexi March, Sophia Hickman, Mia Marlow, Blair Williams; front: Sophie Richardson, Savannah Wandel, Eloise Johns, Lucy Mattschoss, Oliva Adams.

The 13&U team delivered an inspiring performance, turning a difficult start into a remarkable finish. After recording just one win from 11 minor round matches, the team regrouped and produced three consecutive victories on finals day — two of which were against teams they had previously lost to.

YP's campaign was highlighted by a thrilling semifinal comeback from seven goals down to win by one goal with seconds to spare, before going on to secure a dominant six-goal win over Roxby Downs in the division 3 grand final.

The turnaround was a testament to the players' resilience, teamwork and growth over the course of the tournament.

Co-coaches Bridget Johns and Nicky Mattschoss praised the players for their effort and spirit across all 14 games, noting that they played their hearts out and backed each other every step of the way.

Thank you to the many family members who travelled to support the team — the presence of parents, grandparents, siblings and friends on the sidelines made all the difference.

With such a strong and spirited finish to the tournament, the future of netball on Yorke Peninsula is looking bright.

*Bridget Johns*

Regular Yorke Peninsula Netball Association matches paused for the June long weekend, as four junior representative teams travelled to Adelaide to compete in the Netball SA Country Championships.

The teams — 11 and under, 13 and under, 15 and under, and 17 and under — all featured in their respective age group's finals series.

Putting in a strong performance across the three days — Saturday to Monday, June 7 to 9 — the 13&U side won that age group's division 3 grand final.

After the pool rounds, the 15&U team was second in pool A, placing it in division 1 for the finals series. YP won its quarterfinal but lost the semi-final for an overall third place.

In the 17&U age group, YPNA was third in pool B after the round robin matches, earning a place in the division 1 quarterfinals, where it lost, finishing equal fifth overall.

The 11&U competition was run and won on the Saturday.

After five pool matches, YPNA was second in pool B but lost the pool A v pool B play-off for overall third/fourth to Adelaide Plains, 13-21, finishing the tournament in fourth.



**COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS...** YPNA 13&U team co-coaches Bridget Johns and Nicky Mattschoss, and players, in a team huddle, about to hit the court.



**COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS...** Eloise Johns looks for a 13&U YPNA teammate in the rain. PHOTOS: Stephanie March



**COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS...** GS Chelsea Gum jumps to defend while GA Mia Marlow waits for the ball to drop.



**COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS...** WA Lexi March in control of the ball in the 13&U division 3 grand final win against RDNA. After previously losing 13-14 to RDNA in the pool games, YPNA won the final 20-14.

# Fifth place for 17&U

Despite wild, wet and freezing weather across all three days, the YPNA 17&U girls showed incredible determination, teamwork and spirit.

The girls hit the courts early, playing six games on Saturday in cold, relentless rain. It was a gruelling start, but they didn't let the weather dampen their energy. They played with heart and resilience, securing four strong wins from their six day 1 matches.

The challenging weather continued, but so did the girls' momentum. With tired legs and focused minds on Sunday, they fought hard in every match.

Their teamwork and court movement sharpened each game, and their determination never wavered.

A couple more wins and some very close contests meant the girls ended the day with their sights set on finals.

While they didn't come away with the win on day 3, the team fought hard right until the final whistle, showing true grit and pride in their performance.

This group of girls — and their families — were a fantastic bunch to be around.

A big thank you to Belinda Wood for coaching the team with such passion and care.

Thank you also to all the parents for your amazing support throughout the three days; your help was invaluable.

Dianna Bagnato



COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS... YPNA's 17&U team finished third in its pool but bowed out in the quarterfinals, back: Natalia Bagnato, Charlize Bunny, Alexa Simmons, Mackenzie Wood, Cailey Papworth, Amelia Bugg; front: captain Jada Pedler, Isabella Hann, vice-captain Hallie Koch, Maeve Cockshell.



COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS... YPNA's 15&U team placed third at the Netball SA Country Championships: Jada Clasohm, Caitlyn Wheare, Maggie Walsh, Summer Koch, Amelie Hickman, Jemima Polkinghorne, Stella Hewett, Annie Cook, Jayme Koch, Amara Pedler.

# Strong showing for 15&U

The 15&U girls began the tournament strongly, winning the first game against Whyalla 27-6.

They took this form into the next game, defeating Kowree-Naracoorte-Tatiara by 15 goals.

The weather turned wet and windy for the rest of the day but, even though the weather was challenging, the girls showed great resistance by playing smart netball, displaying great skills and unwavering effort.

They went on to defeat Adelaide Plains 21-23, Barossa and Light 26-20, Eastern Eyre 11-20 and Kangaroo Island 35-14.

The last game on Saturday, against Limestone Coast, was a nailbiter. The lead seesawed throughout the last quarter and scores were level at the final whistle, to finish the day with six wins and a draw.

All the girls had plenty of court time while coaches, Marissa Hewett and Narelle Koch explored several playing combinations.

On Sunday, it was evident the players were listening and implementing the advice given to them by their coaches. The defenders set up in front of their players and blocked out for rebounds. The centre court players assessed their options, clearing, reoffering and feeding smartly into the goalies. The goalies timed their leads, holding their position and considering the space.

Their strong team game with defensive pressure all over the court resulted in many turnovers.

YP had convincing wins against Riverland, Mid South East, River Murray and Mid Hills in heavy rain, freezing temperatures and even hail.

They headed off to watch the Adelaide Thunderbirds that afternoon, feeling happy with their effort and feeling confident for the next day.

Finishing second in pool A as signed them to division 1 for the finals on Monday.

Against Hills in the quarterfinal, YP played smart, steady netball on a wet, slippery court resulting in an easy victory 34-17.

Progressing to semifinal against Great Southern, the players made lots of intercepts and defensive touches to turn the ball over, but lost by three goals to the eventual championship winner.

The girls battled hard throughout the whole weekend in trying conditions but always with a smile on their faces, positive attitudes and great sportsmanship.

Thank you to Marissa and Narelle for their time and commitment. Their extraordinary netball knowledge was evident in the guidance and advice they gave the players — the girls were very lucky to have them coaching for the weekend.

Brooke Schubert

KDNA SCORES

Round 5 results 3-6-25

SENIORS

Gems 37 drew with Synergy 37. Abby Munzer, Dani Chapman; Kimberly McKibbin.

Centennials White 57 d Centennials Gold 13. Tayla Nates, Biana Hammond; Erin Gilfillan, Sarah Griffin.

CJs 56 d Centennials Black 28. Kadence Murphy, Angelique Vanderveen; Sarah Coombe. Centennials Green, bye.

UNDER 14

Centennials White 50 d Centennials Green 11. Lacey Millard; Kailee Ellis.

Gems Red 35 d Centennials Gold 30. Charlotte Keldermans; n/a.

Ignite, bye.

UNDER 11

Centennials 20 d Gems White 2. Addison Carter; Tia Chapman.

Gems Black 16 d Gems Red 7. All played well.

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# Wallaroo Bowling Club Seafood Spectacular

Wallaroo Bowling Club's annual Seafood Spectacular tournament attracted 96 players from all parts of the state on Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8.

Winners on Sunday were Ben Fidock, Phil Miller, Daryl Carter, Graham Wilson; runners-up: Glenn Wickstein, Craig Mills, Geoff Munn, TJ Saunders and President Kevin Cock; third: Martin Quinn, Karen Quinn, Mal Rudd and Wendy Rudd.

Event sponsors included the Weeroona Hotel, Wardle Co Real Estate, The Lane Vineyard, Anglers Inn and West End.

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SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Sunday winners Ben Fidock, Phil Miller, Daryl Carter and Graham Wilson, with WBC president Kevin Cock.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Club president Kevin Cock (right) congratulates Sunday runners-up Glenn Wickstein, Craig Mills, Geoff Munn and TJ Saunders.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Third-placed Martin Quinn, Karen Quinn, Mal Rudd and Wendy Rudd accept their awards from Kevin Cock.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Moonta's Ian Hatcher releases a bowl.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Kevin Robinson stays focused on the head as he bowls.



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SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Graham Wilson, Kadina, signals three shots up to his skipper during Sunday's win.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Kadina's Phil Miller was part of Sunday's winning rink.



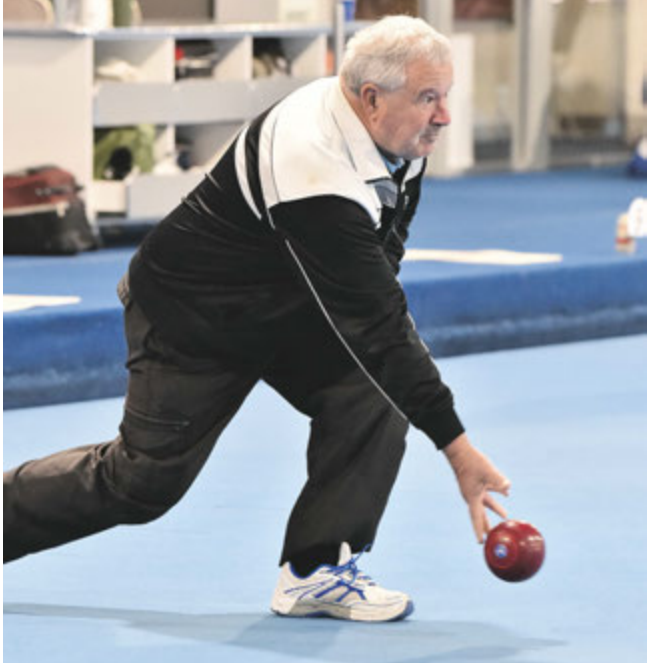
SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Massimo Castiglia, Yorketown, bowls during the tournament.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Martyn Moloney, Arthurton, keeps track of his bowl.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Anthony Ferguson, Arthurton, skippered a team on the weekend.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Daryl Carter, Wallaroo, was part of Sunday's winning team.



SEAFOOD SPECTACULAR... Wallaroo's Bob Brandt sends a bowl toward the kitty.



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BOWLS

**Walleroo bowls: Results 2-6-25** — There were 24 bowlers at the Monday Scroungers competition, from Maitland, Port Broughton, Ardrossan, Alford, Kadina, Moonta, as well as our locals. Winner Bob Brandt, r-up Allan Weber. Game winners: game 1 Bob Simpson; game 2 Robyn Zipple; game 3 Trevor Bruce. **Results 4-6-25** — Wednesday Drawn Pairs attracted 24 bowlers also, who came from Ardrossan, Auburn, Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo. Winners Roy O’Connell and Mike Wildash 18up, runners-up Russell Williams and Darrell Carter 13up, third Graham Wilson and Keith Robinson. **Results 6-6-25** — Friday Triples had 42 attending, coming from Two Wells, Yorketown, Auburn, Arthurton, Ardrossan, Maitland, Alford, Port Hughes, Moonta, Kadina and locals. Winners John Williams, Amanda Nash and Trevor Wallis, runners-up Simon Geater-Johnson, Kym Rickard and Annie Pryor. Winners of the losers were Ken Rickard, Dave Rogers and Megan Falco, while touchers went to Jeff Williams and Daryl Mackiewicz. Mystery chocolates went to Steve Yandell, Daryl Mackiewicz and Janice Ward. Another great week for all, keep it going. *“Topsy”*

FUTSAL

**YP Futsal Association: Results 4-6-25** — Women: Samurai Pizza Cats 9 d Stansbury Strikers 0, Chicks With Kicks 4 d Samurai Pizza Cats 2. Men: Ardrossan Anglers 6 d Minlacowie Powerkickers 3, SYP Futsal Club 7 d White Pointers 2, Martians 2 d Watsacowie 0 (forfeit). Under 16: Edithburgh Sharks 12 d Stansbury Stingrays 4, Bluff United 8 d Minlaton United 1. U13: Renegade Runners 2 d Minlaton Bandits 0 (forfeit), Edithburgh Stingrays 12 d Stansbury Spirit 2, Stansbury Sharks 4 d Minlaton Strikers 0, Red Devils 10 d Edithburgh Sea Dragons 3. U10: Stansbury Flatheads 4 d Stansbury Stars 0, Minlaton Blues 16 d Minlaton Thunder 0, Rockets 6 d Minlaton White 2.

GOLF

**Ardrossan Tuesday: Results 3-6-25** — Last week was the third club championships qualifying round. Winners, division I: Sharon Wheare 70 net c/b Jude Foster; div II: Carolyn Clift 71. Ball winners: Sharon Wheare, Jude Foster 70; Carolyn Clift 71; Naomi Chambers, Tracy Watson 72. NTP: 8 (Ardrossan Post Office), Jenny Harbutt; 16 (Moonta Crash Repairs), Sharon Wheare (hole-in-one). Longest putt: Sharon Wheare. *“LCD”*

**Bute Tuesday: Results 3-6-25** — Six ladies and two crows contested the first round of the Laurel Wreath. The crows swooped and stole both players’ balls on the first hole, and tried again on the second! Golf rule 11.1b/3 was invoked meaning both players dropped a new ball in the approximate place of the stolen balls. All players watched the circling crows for the rest of the matches. Kellie Davidson d Jo Harris 5/3. Beck Crosby d Renee Hewett 2/1. Raelene Taylor d Lesley Piggott after a hard-fought match on the 19th hole, 1up. Ros and Meagan played ninr holes. Most fairways: Kellie Davidson 15. Kellie also had a birdie. *LP*

**Copperclub: Results 3-6-25** — Stableford: K Ryan 36; P Schultz, A Raymond (Kadina GC) 35; D Hillebrand, R Kelling 34; T Wait, A Piper 33; D Yearbury, J Halse 32; J Harvey 31; N Reid 30. NTP: 4, A Raymond; 7 and 13, T Wait; 16, T Pridham. **Results 4-6-25** — Stableford: J Gordon 34; C Harvey, L Williams 30; C Marshall 29; M Langford 28; L Markovic 27; K Fogden 24; J Harrison 23; P Nitschke 21. NTP: 16, J Harrison. **Results 5-6-25** — Shotgun Thursday Stableford: N Tutthill, M Daly 33; R Bock 32; R Earle, A Brown 31; K Gloede, R Kelling 30; J Harvey, P Ward, R Forrest 29; B Cugley 28. NTP: 4, S Saffell; 7, D Yearbury; 13, R Forrest; 16, R Earle. **Results 7-6-25** — Stableford: S Box, S Teakle, J Richardson (Future Golf) 27; J Harvey 25; R Thomas (Grange GC SA) J Russo (Grange GC SA) 24; D Birchard, J Wagner (Grange GC SA) 22; J Birchard 20; P Smith, J Howatson (Highercombe G CC) 19. NTP: 13, J Birchard; 16, S Teakle. Pcc: 3.0

**Kadina Tuesday: Results 3-6-25** — Winner of the third Club Medal and Newbery Chemist voucher was Natalie Bruce with 72 net. Well done! Ball winners: division I, Ros Rawson 74; div II, Helen Crosby 74; nine-hole competition, Jan Harvey 44. NTP: 6, Robyn Spurling; 14, Desra East. Chip-outs: 1, Robyn Spurling; 11, Nicole; 9, Julie D. It was great to play off a lush green course. Thank you to our ground volunteers. *NP*

**Maitland Tuesday: Results 3-6-25** — There were 20 women out for a Stableford with some great scores. Alex Wakefield won the Jeff Brind Trophy with 42 points. Other winners: B grade, Merri Ferguson 38; C grade, Belinda Wundersitz 35. NTP: 3, Alex Wakefield; 5, Julie Greenslade; 6, Victoria Johns; 12 and 16, Judith Davies; 14, Merri Ferguson. Sponsors: J&D Southwood, Maitland Freight, Tucker Transport, Sally Davey, Julianne Vandepeer, Betty Patten, Maitland Bakery. *FS*

**Maitland Sunday: Results 8-6-25** — Nineteen players took part in a Stableford. Winner: Bill Edwards 36. Other scores: M McInerney, G Klopp, M Roos, H Kakoschke 35; A Hollams, P Kakoschke 34;

W Klopp 33; Z Jarrett 32; C McInerney, M Errington 31; D Ramsey 30; D Armstrong, C Wuttke 29; P Jarrett, R Schulz (Port Victoria), R Edwards 28; C Nikias (Federal GC) 26. Tourism award: P Eckerman. NTP: 6 (ANZ), M Roos; 9 (Noola Farming), M Errington; 12 (Southwoods), H Kakoschke; 14 (CC Pharmacists Advice), H Kakoschke; 15 (Rockleigh), M Roos; 16 (Centrestate), G Klopp. Moonta Gourmet Meats: D Armstrong; Maitland Hotel: D Ramsey. This week is the 4th qualifying round and the Edithburgh Open. *DR*

**Minlaton Tuesday: Results 3-6-25** — The second club championships round and Barb Lucas Putting were played. Overall winners: stroke round Charmagne Edwards 66 net; Barb Lucas putting, Charmagne Edwards 26. A grade, off-stick: winner Di Finch 90, r-up Jill Mumford; net: Jill Mumford 69, r-up Anita Pennington 75 c/b Di Finch; putting: Di Finch 27. B and C grades, off-stick: winner Charmagne Edwards 94, r-up Kylie Langhorn 102; net: Charmagne Edwards 66, r-up Kylie Langhorn 72; putting, Charmagne Edwards 26. Litster points: Charmagne Edwards 5pts, Jill Mumford 3, Kylie Langhorn 2. Nine-hole stroke and putting competitions, net: Helen Glazbrook 35, r-up Ann Shields 37.5; putting: Helen Glazbrook 13. Vice-captain’s points: Helen Glazbrook 5, Ann Shields 3. *“Auntybert”*

**Moonta Tuesday: Results 3-6-25** — On a good day for golf, participants enjoyed the second stroke round for club championships qualifying, Bowman Points and count your putts. Winner (Ye Olde Cafe voucher) Diane Gillings 94, r-up Di Bernhardt 95. Best net Jo Coombes 70. A ball for effort in putting went to Liz Wiltshire, Le-Ann Cook and Chris Edwards for 18 holes. Ball awards for the nine hole competition went to Kath Lamshed 42, r-up Marcie Dall 43. Most putts: June Willson. Rain came on Thursday in time for the YPGGA Women’s Teams Event held at Ardrossan. *LM*

**NYP veterans: Results 5-6-25** — A total of 41 players converged on the Bute Golf Club for the annual NYP Veteran Golfers Association Stableford match. NYPVGA secretary David Smart defended his crown taking the win on 38 points, after a three-way countback from Darryl Chynoweth and Russell Sard. A grade: winner Darryl Chynoweth 38 c/b r-up Russell Sard, 3rd Gary “Red” Ryan 36 c/b Tony Ridge. B grade: winner David “Doc” Holman 36, r-up Geoff Richardson 34 c/b Steve Busch, Ray Rontaunay and Allan Steff. C grade, winner Greg Bone 36, r-up Geoff Bussenschutt 34, 3rd Simon Copley 33 c/b Darren Lemon. Seniors (over 75s): winner Tony Jamieson 35. NTP: 5/14, Darren Lemon; 9/18, Gary Koch. Long Putts: 8/17, Russell Sard; 3/12, Darren Lemon. President’s Encouragement Award: John Vidau. Birdies: Phil Johns, Tony Jamieson, Paul Moebus, Darren Lemon, Grant Donovan, Danie Pretorius, Darryl Chynoweth, Dean Errington, Tony Ridge, David Smart and Gary Ryan — who also had a brilliant eagle on no. 3. Four-pointers: John Shakespear, Richard Jesser, Phil Gray, Gary Koch, Greg Bone, Geoff Bussenschutt. Lucky cards: Mark Malcolm, Les Rochester, Tony Jamieson, Steve Evans, Gary Koch, Phil Gray and Gary “Red” Ryan. The next game is for the club championships at Kadina, 9.30am for 10am hit-off on June 19. *LR*

**Stansbury: Results 3-6-25** — Seven players contested a stroke competition for the second club championship round. Winner Amber Poulton 93 off-stick c/b Di Forrest, r-up Gerri Bowley 75 net. Fairways: Di Forrest. NTP: 7/16, Gerri Bowley. **Results 5-6-25** — Six players came along for the 12-hole social competition on Friday. Winner Richard Smith 65/44, r-up Graham Klose 60/45. Least putts: Richard Wheeler 16. NTP: 7/16, Graham Klose. Chipping challenge: Richard Smith. *“Trinny”*

**Walleroo Saturday: Results 7-6-25** — Golf on Saturday was for the diehards! It was a maximum temperature of 16 degrees Celsius and felt like 7.5 due to wind speeds of 50 to 70km/h. Twenty-seven players took on the conditions in a par competition for the John Harris voucher and the 3rd President’s Trophy. Day’s winner: Brad Jamieson sq, great golf in the circumstances! A grade: Nathan Lawson 3dn, r-up Brenton Jamieson 5dn c/b Jamie Chivell, Ian Shaw. B grade: Ricky DePledge 3dn c/b John Gore. C grade: Cooper Jamieson sq, r-up Andrew Scoot 5dn. NTP: 3, no one; 6, Brenton Wilson; 11, Ian Shaw. Long drives: no one for A and B grades; C grade, Viv Baker. Long putt: Greg Price. Encouragement award: Brenton Wilson. Good effort from all players and a big thanks to the course crew for all you do. *JG* and *“Oscar Bravo”*

SHOOTING

**Walleroo Pistol and Shooting Club: Results 3-6-25** — Air pistol/600, women: Michelle Sieben 521; men: Bronte Wurst 481. Action/480, rimfire modified: Bronte Wurst 338; centrefire production: Bronte Wurst 276. **Results 8-6-25** — Action/480, rimfire production: Stephen Penney 467, Scott Gibbs 458, Roy Winther 432, Dakota Videon 402; centrefire production: Stephen Penney 405, Roy Winther 103. Field rifle/250, scoped 50m: Roy Winther 229, Dakota Videon 220, Scott Gibbs 204, Stephen Penney 201. The club thanks sponsor Not the Jeweller’s. *MS*

MDBC hosts successful come and try day

Moonta Dirt Bike Club’s recent come ‘n’ try day was well patronised, with both junior and senior riders attending.

All three tracks were well utilised and riders enjoyed the day.

Junior riders adjusted well and ventured farther into the enduro track, finally completing a full circuit.

The club’s next ride day is on June 15; gates opening at 10am for a noon start.

All classes will be catered for, including sub-juniors, juniors, intermediate and seniors.

All tracks will be utilised with each class enjoying four rounds. Barbecue and drinks will be available.

Ridersport licences are needed, although day licences can be issued at the event.



JO MOONTA DIRT BIKES... Dale Leicester on his KTM bike.



MOONTA DIRT BIKES... Olando Memory on the MX track.



MOONTA DIRT BIKES... Lila Zanker tries speedway.

Linke's harness racing double at Globe Derby

After the win of classy mare Magic Storm at Globe Derby Park on Sunday, June 1, there were more smiles than usual around the Copper Coast Council office last week.

Trainer Tyson Linke, an IT specialist with the council, organised for eight other employees to become part-owners of Magic Storm, along with several friends.

Linke trained a double at the meeting with the promising 3-year-old grey Sea Salt also successful.

Magic Storm, purchased from Victoria for \$4000, has been a wonderful introduction to harness racing for many of the ownership group.

The win in the Globe Bar and Gaming Pace (1800 metres) was her 12th for the group under Linke’s care.

Magic Storm won her first seven SA starts and has picked up about \$45,000 stake money.

Race favourite, the 7-year-old mare was given a good run by driver Wayne Hill before coming with a well-timed run to finish 2m from Rocknroll Yankee with Diamond Mounted, 3.5m away third.

The mare finished in 1:57.1, with a last half of 57.1 seconds.

“I’m so pleased for the ownership group,” Linke said.

“For many, it is their first involvement in the sport, so they are having a lot of fun.

“Such has been the success, I now have a waiting list of 15 so I am trying to find another suitable purchase.”

Linke said Magic Storm had been having

no luck with barrier draws.

“She has drawn the back row in three of her last four starts.

“When that happens you generally need a bit of luck to get into the race.

“Her win on Sunday was excellent and I’m sure the owners are going to have a lot more fun over the next few months.”

Linke said he was also excited about the potential of Sea Salt which made it two wins from two runs after taking out the Thank You Dean Elliott Pace (1800m).

“She is learning on the job,” he said. “She is still very inexperienced and can only improve with racing and time.”

Owned and bred by Linke’s sister Tara-Shae, Sea Salt, driven by Wayne Hill, raced away to win the race by 22.5m rating 1:57.9, with a last half of 58.2 seconds.

“On debut at Port Pirie she was very green, and Wayne (Hill) made a few gear suggestions which I used on Sunday, and she handled a lot better,” Linke said.

“She still was a bit awkward around the home turn but was definitely a lot better.”

Linke said Sea Salt, a grey filly, would now be aimed towards a heat of the Emerging Stars Pace Series.

The heats are for a \$25,000 final at Globe Derby Park on June 28.

Quick Dip ran second for Linke in the inaugural Emerging Star Final last year.

Sea Salt is likely to have five runs, including a trip to Mildura, before having a short break.

*Graham Fischer*

# Schools event at Copperclub

The Yorke Peninsula qualifier competition for the Golf Australia — SA 12 and Under School Event was played at Copperclub, Port Hughes, on Monday, June 2.

A field of 25 junior golfers took to the links in fantastic weather after a 90-minute clinic led by PGA pro Matt Deans and Copperclub community instructors.

The top nine finishers will progress to the state final at West Beach Parks Golf (Executive Course) on Monday and Tuesday, July 28 and 29.

Winner was Sebastian Thom, second Issac Sims and third Oscar Schultz.

Other finalists: Zara Clifford, Fletcher Hughes, Isabelle Crawford, Eddie Player, Harriet Crosby, Eloise Crosby.

NTP: 7 Eddie Player; 9 Eloise Crosby.

Thanks to the Copperclub, Bridgestone Golf, Port Hughes General Store and YP Group Golf Association for their support of this event.

Kevin Ryan



**UNDER 12 EVENT...** Placegetters at the YP heat of the Golf Australia - SA 12 and under School Event are runner-up Issac Sims, winner Sebastian Thom, third Oscar Schultz.

# YP women's teams day

Yorke Peninsula Group Golf Association annual women's teams day was contested at Ardrossan on Thursday, June 25.

Ten clubs — Ardrossan, Bute, Copperclub, Kadina, Maitland, Minlaton, Moonta, Stansbury, Wallaroo and Warooka — were

represented.

Winners were Kadina's Carrie Ramsey, Ros Rawson, Sonya Wheeler, Desra East and Nicole Pearce with a total of 171 Stableford points, after a countback against Minlaton and Warooka. Individual winner

was Jan Halse (Wallaroo) with 44 points.

NTP: 8, Carol Ryan (Copperclub); 12, Ros Rawson; 16, Sonya Wheeler.

Thank you to Ardrossan for hosting the day.

DD



**YPGGA TEAMS EVENT...** Kadina's Carrie Ramsey, Ros Rawson, Sonya Wheeler, Desra East and Nicole Pearce, winners of the annual YPGGA women's teams day competition.

# Cross Roads cush bowls

**Results 6-6-25**

It was husband against wife when Cousin Jacks played Roulettes. In an entertaining and close game, Roulettes prevailed, winning 12-9.

Swifties were all over Mascots

for the first eight ends; however, Mascots fought back in the second half to make it a draw, 13-13.

Old Bags, with their young captain, registered another good win, this time against Rubies who

had an off night, 16-5.

Triple As all played well especially for a team in their first year, and registered their first win of the season, upsetting Cobalts 16-7.



**Above: CUSH BOWLS...** Julie Davey, Old Bags, bowls watched by daughter Janelle Phillips, granddaughter Imogen Phillips and teammate Bede Mackereth.

**Left: CUSH BOWLS...** Tamika Mackereth, Swifties, takes a bowl, watched by teammate Carly White and son Bentley White.

# Kadina Dart Club holds doubles championships

**Results 6-6-25**

It was a fantastic night at the Kadina Dart Club's doubles championship on Friday, June 6.

It was great to see everyone having a good time and supporting the club.

Women: winners Tania McCourt and Caroline Dart, runners-up Vanessa Thomson and Lee Tremayne.

Men: winners Phil Rowland and Lachie Wileman, runners-up David Brooks and Brett Bateson.



**KDC DOUBLES...** Men's event winners Phil Rowland and Lachie Wileman.



**KDC DOUBLES...** Men's event runners-up David Brooks and Brett Bateson.



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## PIRSA investigating spray drift report

PRIMARY Industries and Regions SA is investigating a reported case of herbicide spray drift damage near Warooka last week.

A PIRSA spokesperson said a visual inspection of the reported damage is scheduled for this week.

"PIRSA continues to investigate any reports of alleged misapplication of agricultural chemicals and will enforce compliance if misuse is found," they said.

"If you observe spray drift damage or the application of chemicals in contravention of mandatory label instructions, PIRSA strongly

encourages the reporting of all incidents to the Chemical Trespass Hotline."

As part of its work to ensure agricultural chemicals are used correctly, PIRSA regularly conducts compliance checks on producers, including in the Mid North and Yorke Peninsula. These checks include reviewing chemical records and ensuring label directions for spray drift are followed.

"Where non-conformances are detected, PIRSA educates users, can organise future compliance checks to monitor practice change

and has the capacity to prosecute when appropriate," the spokesperson said.

"To date no prosecutions have occurred from such compliance checks in the Mid North and YP."

"PIRSA has scheduled further compliance checks to occur in the region in coming weeks."

Suspected incidents of off-target chemical damage can be reported to PIRSA's Chemical Trespass Hotline on 1300 799 684 or by email to [pirsa.ruralchemicals@sa.gov.au](mailto:pirsa.ruralchemicals@sa.gov.au). Reports can be made anonymously.



**BLEACHED....** Echium plants, also known as Pride of Madeira, in a home garden in Yorketown, which appear to have been affected by spray drift. **Right: DIFFERENCE....** Fuchsia plants at Murdoch's Nursery, Yorketown. The plant on the left is believed to have been exposed to spray drift.

## Nursery owner concerned by suspected drift damage



**AFFECTED...** Vanessa Murdoch, of Murdoch's Nursery at Yorketown, with lobelia seedlings she says appear to have been bleached by Overwatch drift.

**Michelle Daw**  
JOURNALIST

A YORKETOWN nursery owner says she believes her plants have been affected by Overwatch herbicide drift for the fourth consecutive year.

Overwatch is a pre-emergent herbicide manufactured by FMC Australasia. It is used in grain crops to provide residual control of ryegrass and some broadleaf weeds.

The product has been the subject of complaints from Yorke Peninsula residents since 2021, including 26 reports in 2023 which were investigated by Primary Industries and Regions South Australia.

Vanessa Murdoch, of Murdoch's Nursery, said the damage always occurred around seeding time, with a distinctive bleaching effect appearing soon after suspected exposure.

"We have lost thousands of dollars' worth of stock over the four years," she said.

"Some of the stock we lose completely and some of it can

recover if we cut it back hard."

In early May, Ms Murdoch noticed bleaching in 35 punnets of lobelias and nemesias, about 10 fuchsias and other plants — all placed outdoors under shade cloth. Most could not be saved, resulting in an estimated retail loss of about \$460.

She recalled a more significant loss in autumn 2023.

"It was late evening, about 5pm or 5.30pm, I had just put a heap of brand-new stock on display, and I could smell it on the air," Ms Murdoch said.

"I checked with the neighbour and she could smell something as well and then immediately I brought the stock back in."

"The stock was only probably outside on display for 10 or 15 minutes and that was enough to have an effect on it."

"We lost about \$800 worth of stock with that event."

"I contacted our insurance company and they said unless we could prove who had sprayed it, we couldn't do anything about it."

Ms Murdoch, who grew up on a southern Yorke Peninsula farm, said she was not opposed to agricultural chemical use.

"Obviously, chemicals need to be used in modern-day agriculture, but when they can travel so far and are not targeted directly to what their specific use is, then I think it becomes problematic."

She said she had noticed similar damage in gardens around Yorketown, and customers had brought in photos of their bleached plants.

Yorketown resident Shane Bishop said he also believed his garden had been affected by Overwatch drift in May.

"Apparently, the Overwatch product doesn't drift, but we see this (bleaching) in the middle of Yorketown every year," he said.

"These chemicals get on our roofs and into our rainwater tanks — it can't be good for us."

FMC Australasia's head of development and regulatory, Geoff Robertson, said spray drift was a broader industry issue and not limited to one product.

"All products have potential to cause off-target impact if applied incorrectly or during unfavourable conditions, such as an inversion," he said.

"If Overwatch herbicide is involved in a spray drift incident, sensitive plants can show a colour effect that appears as a bleaching of the plant."

"Typically, this effect is temporary, and the plants will grow out of it."

"Many other factors such as soil, nutritional, environmental conditions and the use of other agricultural chemicals can also cause symptoms on plants which may be misdiagnosed as symptoms of Overwatch herbicide."

Mr Robertson said FMC had worked proactively to promote correct application, providing face-to-face stewardship training, webinars and educational materials to growers, resellers and agronomists.

FMC staff had also participated in spray application workshops across regional South Australia, he said.

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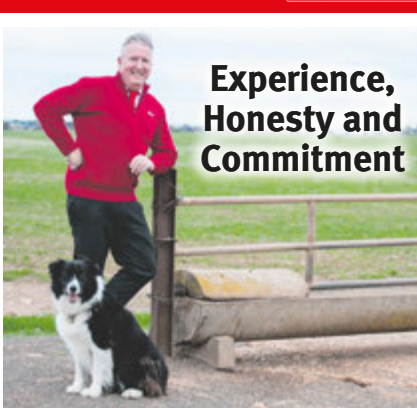


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# New funding model, agreements deliver \$3M-plus for grain research projects

CROP protection, carbon sequestration and nutrition management projects are among the beneficiaries of \$3.12 million in new research funding from the South Australian Grain Industry Trust and its partners.

In its first year under a new funding model, SAGIT has funded 23 new grains research projects to a value of \$2.36M. Co-funding agreements have increased total project funding to \$3.12M.

SAGIT chair Dr Andrew Barr said, despite crop production in 2024-25 being the lowest since 2008-09, a change to the levy collection method in 2024 from the previous rate of 30 cents per tonne to 0.12 per cent of farmgate value had enabled SAGIT to maintain consistent funding.

This had enabled SAGIT to extend its reach, along with funding from Grains Research and Development Corporation, the SA Drought Hub, the SA Research and Development Institute and the SA Sheep Industry Fund.

“SAGIT has worked with each of these co-funders to ensure that where priorities overlap, we can quickly and efficiently reach a decision, allow the funds to flow and not burden researchers with extra reporting requirements,” Dr Barr said.

“We’re also pleased the changes to the grower levy are now in place, which sees SAGIT receive 0.12 per cent of the farm gate value of all grain sold by SA growers.

“We are grateful for the ongoing support of South Australian grain growers who continue to see the value in funding a unique research organisation such as SAGIT.”

Dr Barr said it was also pleasing to see the strong engagement from the research community, with a total of 54 project applications submitted for this year’s funding allocation.



FUNDING... SAGIT Project Manager Malcolm Buckby, trustee Lou Flohr, chair Dr Andrew Barr and scientific officer Dr Jenny Davidson.

A wide range of projects has been funded, including those covering crop protection and disease management, weed management and herbicide use, soil health, climate resilience and risk management, market development, and capacity building.

Successful applicants include Trengove Consulting of Bute, for a project to assess the role of grain protein maps in improving nitrogen fertiliser response across variable environments and crop rotations.

The Society of Precision Agriculture Australia was funded to present the SPAA 2025 Precision Ag Expo and Frontier Farming Systems will investigate maximising the economic value of metribuzin tolerant lentils.

The Hart Field Site Group’s regional internship was also supported in the funding round.

The University of Adelaide was funded to assess the risks associated with dry sowing, to build capacity to manage exotic snails in grain crops, and to improve genetic diversity in barley for drought resilience.



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## Sea views and space to roam near Port Broughton

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Marketed by David Bussenschutt and Samantha Mitchell from Ray White Yorke Peninsula, the property is described as the perfect blend of country charm and modern convenience.

The homestead features a large open-plan living and dining area with combustion heating and ducted evaporative cooling.

A timber U-shaped kitchen includes a walk-in pantry, gas cooktop and dishwasher, while a formal dining area and second living space offer flexibility for families or entertaining.

The master suite includes sea views, a walk-in robe, ensuite with spa, and an infrared sauna.

Upstairs, a versatile space with sweeping sea and country views could serve as a fifth bedroom, creative studio or rumpus room.

Three further bedrooms offer sea views or verandah access, with the fourth bedroom currently used as an office.

Outside, the property includes multiple entertaining areas, a paved verandah, and a man cave with an outdoor kitchen and heater.

David says the home's sustainable features — including a 5kW solar system, Tesla battery, rainwater tanks, veggie gardens and chicken coop — make it an ideal lifestyle option for those looking to live more self-sufficiently.

With eight horse paddocks, stables, a tractor shed and workshops, the property also offers potential for hobby farming, farm stays or holiday letting.

The home offers a peaceful escape with the added bonus of income potential, Samantha says.

The property is being sold by online auction through the Auctions Live platform; bidding is now open and will close at 4pm tomorrow (Thursday, June 12), unless sold beforehand.



### FEATURE PROPERTY

**PORT BROUGHTON**  
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**Agent Phone** Ray White Yorke Peninsula RLA 228054  
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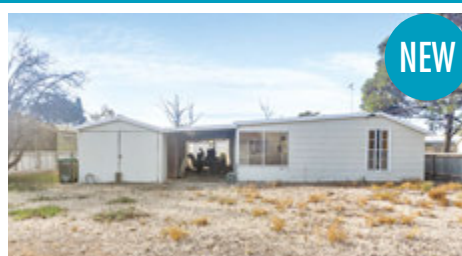


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**TEAM LEADER (ASO6)**  
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**Fulltime contract to 30 June 2028**  
**Ref no. 676451**  
**\$98,478 – \$104,165 (ASO6)**

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# Entertainment

## What's been Trending

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**LA protests:** A 9News journalist was struck by a rubber bullet while covering immigration raid protests in Los Angeles. Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese said he has raised the incident with the US Government. The protests began after US Immigration and Customs Enforcement made dozens of arrests across the city over alleged immigration violations.

**Beef:** The Australian import ban on certain US beef products could be used as leverage in negotiations to remove tariffs introduced by US president Donald Trump. Some Australians have raised biosecurity concerns about the risk of mad cow disease.

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**SATURDAY, JUNE 14**  
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10am-11am, bible study;  
11.30am-12.45pm,  
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Walleroo: 6pm.  
Yorke town: 6pm.

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**Salvation Army**  
Kadina (Copper Coast):  
10.30am.  
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**Catholic**  
Port Broughton: 6pm.  
Moonta: 8.30am.  
Kadina: 10.30am.  
Minlaton: 9am.  
Ardrossan: 11am.

**Anglican**  
Walleroo: 10.30am, Eucharist.  
Minlaton: 9.30am, MP, Cook.  
Yorke town: 9.30am, MP, Cheryl.  
Stansbury, 11.15am, HC.  
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Minlaton: 10am, HC.

Yorke town: 9am, HC.  
**Uniting**  
Ardrossan: 10am.  
Edithburgh: 9.30am  
Kadina: 9am.  
Maitland: 10.30am.  
Minlaton: 10am.  
Moonta: 9.30am.  
Moonta Mines: 11am.  
Port Vincent: 10am.  
Stansbury: 11am.  
Walleroo: 10.30am.  
Warooka: 11am.

**Church of Christ**  
Kadina: 10.30am.  
**Community Church**  
Stansbury: 10.30am.  
**Gospel Church**  
Minlaton: 10am,  
33 Main Street,  
[gospelchurchminlaton.com](http://gospelchurchminlaton.com).

**Australian Christian**  
**Churches**  
Kadina: 10am, [www.facebook.com/FuturesChurchCopperCoast](http://www.facebook.com/FuturesChurchCopperCoast).  
Ardrossan: 2pm,  
Light Church.  
Minlaton: 10am,  
Eternity Chapel,  
64 Maitland Road.  
Edithburgh: 10am,  
Light Church.  
**Christian Community**  
**Churches of Australia**  
Kadina: 10.30am,  
Walleroo Bible  
Fellowship, Room  
R1, Harvest Christian  
College, 10 Pannan  
Street, Kadina.

**The Congregation**  
**at Moonta**  
Moonta: 11am, Town Hall  
supper room.

**MONDAY, JUNE 16**  
**Catholic**  
Kadina: 9.30am.  
Tuesday, June 17  
**Catholic**  
Moonta: 9.30am.

## Starscopes

**♈ ARIES—March 21-April 20**

This week the thrifty Aries may do an about turn, finding it delightful to enjoy new extravaganzas. Happily, you are blessed by modest financial good fortune. A new acquaintance should develop into a faithful friend.

**♉ TAURUS—April 21-May 22**

A partnership dispute could intensify before easing up. Compromise is the key, but don't give in more than 60 per cent! A phone call or email from overseas may offer a pleasant surprise.

**♊ GEMINI—May 23-June 21**

Home improvements are positively accented, but stay within your budget. The time is favourable for taking on additional work. A Taurus or Leo may enter the friendship picture now.

**♋ CANCER—June 22-July 22**

You could advance in a professional organization, but don't be afraid to be a little aggressive. Rapport with an older person deepens. Accounting chores require prompt attention.

**♌ LEO—July 23-August 22**

A shift in roles starts taking place with a romance partner or work mate. If travelling, enjoy a surplus of pleasant surprises. In diet and exercise make moderation your keyword.

**♍ VIRGO—August 23-September 22**

Your vitality peaks and you are able to tackle any work chore, no matter how intimidating. One thing you cannot handle is a showdown with a loved one. Bargain hunting could bring good returns over the weekend.

**♎ LIBRA—September 23-October 22**

Restraint and a more conservative approach could help resolve a recent financial difficulty. Nip any work or family problems in the bud - it can get out of hand very quickly.

**♏ SCORPIO—October 23-November 21**

A differences of opinion could lead to a health debate with a family member or neighbour. Drop-ins arrive at your door through the weekend. Your writing talents could lead to profits.

**♐ SAGITTARIUS—November 22-December 22**

The accent is on continuity. Focus on present tasks rather than starting all new ones. Strained relationships become sweeter when you take the initiative. Career conflicts end amicably.

**♑ CAPRICORN—December 23-January 20**

Romance will thrive through the week. There may be some interesting developments in your work situation. Diplomacy is your present strong point, winning you plaudits in professional and volunteer organizations.

**♒ AQUARIUS—January 21-February 19**

Romantic relationships become less intense and more relaxed. Aiming high helps you realize goals a little ahead of schedule. A brand new career opportunity may open up in the near future.

**♓ PISCES—February 20-March 20**

The accent is on simplification. Don't try to complicate everything at home or the work place. Travel planning and educational pursuits are highlighted on the weekend.

### BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

You are energetic, passionate, suspicious, mysterious and fairminded. Quite simply, you are one of the most complex characters around. The spotlight is on financial expansion. Your energy proves a great help, but your suspicious nature may be a liability.

## Sudoku

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Solution No.1884

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### HOW TO SOLVE SUDOKU!

Fill the grid so every row and every 3x3 square contains the digits 1-9

# Entertain Us

by Sarah Hermann

## Dish up!

WHO would've thought a food podcast would be a hit?

Listening to talk of mouthwatering cuisine without being able to experience its enticing scent and taste kind of sounds like torture, but Dish makes it a joy.

The British production is hosted by broadcaster Nick Grimshaw and Michelin star chef and restaurateur Angela Hartnett, in partnership with Waitrose.

The hosts sit down at an intimate dinner party for which Hartnett has cooked a meal based on their guest's palate, and paired it with a beverage.

Together they talk food, drink, entertaining and the star's latest work.

They have featured some of the best UK celebrities, including Cynthia Erivo, Jade Thirwall, Simone Ashley, Chris O'Dowd, Florence Pugh... seriously the list goes on and on.

It's surprisingly not pompous at all, but rather very relaxed and fun.

Harnett gives great cooking tips and you can also visit the Waitrose website for the recipes she concocts.

You can also watch a video version of the podcast



on YouTube, so even if you can't eat the food yourself, you can still salivate over it with your eyes.

I wouldn't suggest listening while hungry, but the podcast is a great companion in the kitchen while making your own dinner.

It doesn't make you feel bad about your cooking skills because Harnett is very humble about her expertise, and it is offset by Grimshaw and the celebrity's lack of it, so you don't feel useless.

## #Throwback This day in history

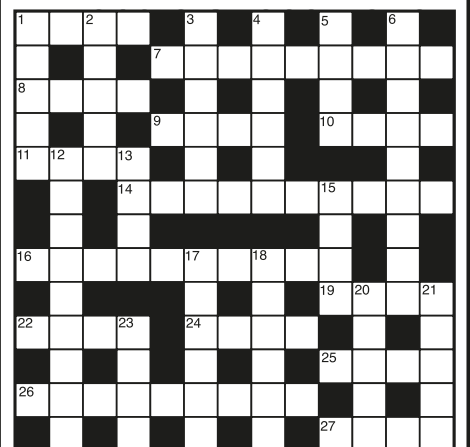
**June 11, 1964:** The Beatles began their three-week tour of Australia. In Adelaide, 300,000 fans turned out to see the band drive in a motorcade from the airport into the city.

**June 11, 1971:** Neville Bonner was sworn into the Australian Senate, becoming the first Aboriginal federal parliamentarian.

**June 11, 2002:** Reality competition TV series American Idol debuted, becoming one of the most watched shows in the US.

**June 11, 2010:** Africa hosted the FIFA World Cup for the first time.

## Crossword



### Across

- Island (Vic) (4)
- Gashed (9)
- Beyond (4)
- Mix (4)
- Flower (4)
- Restriction (10)
- Actress, singer and dancer (5,5)
- Small (4)
- Imitated (4)
- Frolic (4)
- Arm (4)
- Valuation (9)
- Remain (4)

### Down

- Reptile (5)
- Fear (5)
- Container (6)
- Rummage (6)

### No. 2143

- Shout (4)
- Small town (NSW) (9)
- Sweets (9)
- Blemish (4)
- Relative (4)
- City (Tas) (6)
- Marsupial (6)
- Nincompoop (5)
- Crayfish (5)
- Grime (4)

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Solution 2142

# Personal Notices

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## Births

**LARWOOD** (nee Mills). Nick and Jacqui are thrilled to announce the arrival of Eliza Jane Larwood on 23rd May, 2025.

A beautiful little sister for Sophie Claire.

Thank you to Monika Skubisz at GLOW Obstetrics and to all our family and friends for their well wishes and support.

## Deaths

**BETTESS**, Judyth. The Bute Football Club offers its condolences to the Bettess family.

Judyth was a valued volunteer, great supporter and is forever a life member of the club.

**HICKS**, Terence Herbert Edward.

(Calf, Boof, Herbie). Passed away at home 2nd June, 2025, aged 79 years.

Devoted, precious husband of Joan. Dedicated father and father-in-law of Stephen, Terraise and Steve, Simon and Sam.

So much loved best Pop of Chelsea, Charlize, Callum, Josh, Thomas, Kai and Reef.

**HICKS**, Terence Herbert Edward (Calf, Boof, Herbie). Ex wharfie.

Passed away at home 2nd June, 2025, aged 79 years. Soul mate of Joan.

Our precious Herbie left us after a struggle with cancer.

Our family's hearts are broken, shattered to pieces. How do we go on without Herbie? He tried to stay for us but his pain won.

We granted our darling's wish to be home when he had to leave us.

Our precious one is now free of so much pain.

"Bye my darling" (See ya Hon).

**HICKS**, Terence Herbert Edward.

Love you Dad. I will always be your little girl. Terraise. xx

**HICKS**, Terry. Remembering the good times.

A true friend. RIP. Bluey and Colleene Feder. x

**JAMIESON**, Marjory Dawn.

Died 25th May, 2025, aged 95 years.

The pain is deep, we treasure your memories.

Leaving behind a lifetime of impressions of love with us. In God's care.

RIP. Judy, Kingsley, Toni, John, Michael, Emily, Kimberley and Jake.

**JONES**, Christine Elizabeth. Passed away peacefully on 28th May, 2025, at Yorketown Hospital with her family by her side, aged 78 years.

Dearly loved wife and best friend to Mic for 56 wonderful years.

Cherished mother of Darren and Mark.

Loved mother-in-law and adored Gran.

So dearly loved, so sadly missed.

A private service has been held as per Christine's wishes.

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**TALBOT**, Dr Graham.

The Maitland Community's Health Centre Board members express their deepest sympathies and pass on their condolences to Helen and family following the passing of Dr Graham Talbot.

His 35 years of service to our community and surrounding districts as a GP was exemplary and immensely appreciated by all he served.

## In Memoriam

**HAMMILL**, Doug.

In loving memory of our loved husband, father, grandfather and friend.

You may have gone from our lives but the place you rest in is in our hearts.

Until we meet again, all our love.

Lorna, Richie, Michael, Susan, Trevor, Julia and grandchildren.

Still fishing.

**HAMMOND**, Sydney.

6-7-1969 – 4-6-2020

Hard to believe we said our goodbyes to you five years ago.

Syd, your absence is deeply felt and though you are no longer here with us, your spirit lives on in the laughter, love and cherished memories we hold.

Forever held tight in our hearts.

Loved and missed by Linda and her family.

## In Memoriam

**LAWRY**, Peter. 8-2-1938 – 14-6-2015 In loving memory. Ten years have passed so quickly.

We all miss your games of crib.

Love Janet, Jill, Des and Thomas (both deceased), Sam, Tom and James.

**MCGRATH**, Melva.

13th June, 1995.

Mum, the years have passed.

We will always love and remember you.

Love from Eunice, Donald, Annette and Darren, and families.

**SMITH**, Heather.

Passed away 14th June, 2017.

Eight years have now passed since we lost our mother and friend.

Always remembered with love and missed every day. Julianne and Lee.

## Return Thanks

**BIRBECK**, Renira.

Mervyn and family thank everyone for the kindness shown on the recent passing of Nira. The expressions of sympathy were very comforting.

Please accept this as our personal thanks.

Thank you again to the staff at the Star of the Sea for the care and support they provided to her.

## Funeral Notices

**HICKS**. The relatives and friends of the late Terence Herbert Edward Hicks are respectfully advised his funeral service will be held entirely in the Ardrossan Town Hall on Thursday, 12th June, 2025, commencing at 1pm.

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## Deaths

**BETTESS**, Judyth Eleanor (nee Pontifex).

Formerly of Bute.

Passed away peacefully at Barunga Village, Port Broughton, on 4th June, 2025, aged 95 years.

Loved and loving wife of the late James Bettess Senior (2007).

Dearly loved Mum of Helen (deceased), Marilyn (deceased), Pauline, Jim and Anthea.

Loved mother-in-law to Pat, Chris and Lynette.

Grandmother to 13. Great-grandma to 23.

Thank you for your wisdom, love and guidance.

Life has to end, love doesn't.

Sincere thanks to Barunga Village staff for all their dedication and wonderful care they gave.

Private funeral.

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**BETTESS**, Judyth.

Members of the Bute History Group are saddened by the passing of our respected founding member and patron, Judyth Bettess.

Her vision to preserve our valuable historical records of the former Bute District Council have left us with an asset of great value for Bute and local districts.

We extend our sincere condolences to the family.



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**Articles and photos:** Community articles and photos to accompany for Tuesday's edition to be submitted by previous Thursday.

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**FOR SALE:** Rhino pack rack to fit Forester Subaru, 6 months old. Phone 0438 845 915.

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**GARAGE SALE:** Wallaroo Uniting Church, Emu Street, Thursday, 1pm-3.30pm, Saturday, 9am-noon. Sausage sizzle on Saturday. Jigsaw puzzles, crafts, material, books, jewellery, children's toys and books, lots of white elephant. New goods are added daily. All welcome. We have the usual and the unusual. We may have the treasure you have been looking for.

**KADINA COTTAGE GARDEN CLUB:** Next meeting will be held at 10am on Wednesday, 18th June, at Rex Herde's home, 169 Martinga Road, Kadina. Guest speaker from YorkKreations, talking on companion planting. They will also have plants for sale. BYO cup and chair. Visitors welcome. Enquiries 0438 273 264.

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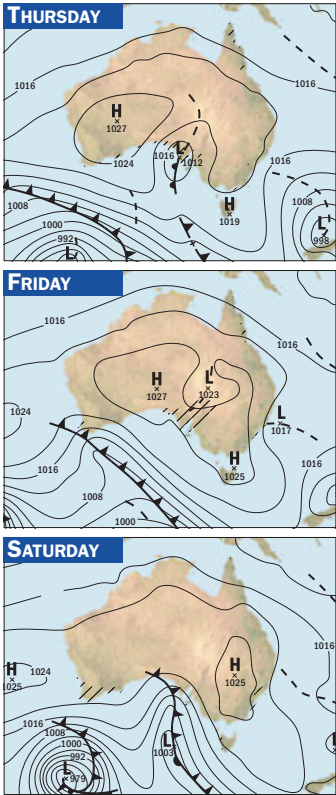
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**DELUGE...** Tim Short sent in this photo of Lindsey Short at Tucker Avenue, Brentwood, after they recorded 75mm of rainfall in about 90 minutes on April 29. To have your noteworthy photo featured here, send it to [editorial@ypct.com.au](mailto:editorial@ypct.com.au).

Weather forecast issued at noon, June 11, 2025

Supplied by Bureau of Meteorology



## STATE

**Thursday:** Showers about the central and western agricultural areas, possibly extending into southern parts of the pastoral districts. Possible storms about western and central coasts. Dry further north. Maximum temperatures near to below average. Fresh northeast to northwesterly winds, with fresh to strong west to southwesterly winds in the west. **Friday:** Mostly dry apart from isolated light showers about western coasts and Flinders district. Patchy morning frost and fog, mainly about central and eastern districts. Maximum temperatures near to below average. Southwesterly winds, although easterly in the east, becoming light and variable tending northerly in the west late. **Saturday:** Showers developing about the agricultural areas, more frequent about the windward coasts and ranges. Dry about the north. Possible storms about the western and central coasts. Maximum temperatures near to below average, grading to near to above average in the north. North to northwesterly winds, fresh about the coast, tending west to southwesterly in the west later.

## YORKE PENINSULA DISTRICT

**Thursday:** Cloudy. High chance of showers, most likely in the morning and afternoon. Winds northerly 20 to 30 km/h turning east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h in the afternoon then becoming light in the evening. **Friday:** The chance of morning fog. Mostly sunny afternoon. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the morning then tending northwest to northeasterly during the day. **Saturday:** Cloudy. High chance of showers, most likely in the afternoon and evening. Winds northerly 20 to 30 km/h turning west to northwesterly 25 to 40 km/h during the day.

## SPENCER GULF

**Thursday:** Winds: Northerly 15 to 20 knots shifting east to southeasterly 10 to 15 knots in the late afternoon. Seas: 1 to 1.5 metres, decreasing below 1 metre by early evening. Swell: South to southwesterly around 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 1.5 metres south of Port Neill to Port Victoria. Weather: Partly cloudy. 70% chance of showers. The chance of a storm south of Port Neill to Port Victoria. **Friday:** Winds: Variable about 10 knots becoming northerly 10 to 15 knots during the evening. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: South to southwesterly below 1 metre, increasing to 1 to 2 metres south of Cowell to Wallaroo. Weather: Mostly sunny.

## GULF ST VINCENT

**Thursday:** Winds: Northerly 15 to 20 knots turning east to northeasterly below 10 knots in the late afternoon. Seas: 1 to 1.5 metres, decreasing below 1 metre during the afternoon. Swell: South to southwesterly below 1 metre. Weather: Partly cloudy. 60% chance of showers. **Friday:** Winds: Variable below 10 knots becoming north to northeast 10 to 15 knots during the evening. Seas: Below 0.5 metres. Swell: South to southwesterly below 1 metre. Weather: Partly cloudy.

## WEATHER

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### Kadina

**THURSDAY** ▼5° ▲15° Mostly sunny  
**FRIDAY** ▼4° ▲17° Mostly sunny  
**SATURDAY** ▼5° ▲16° Rain  
**SUNDAY** ▼5° ▲16° Mostly sunny  
**MONDAY** ▼5° ▲17° Clearing shower  
**TUESDAY** ▼5° ▲17° Mostly cloudy

### Maitland

**THURSDAY** ▼9° ▲14° Mostly sunny  
**FRIDAY** ▼7° ▲16° Mostly sunny  
**SATURDAY** ▼8° ▲15° Windy with showers  
**SUNDAY** ▼9° ▲16° Mostly sunny  
**MONDAY** ▼9° ▲16° Clearing shower  
**TUESDAY** ▼9° ▲16° Mostly cloudy

### Warooka

**THURSDAY** ▼11° ▲15° Mostly sunny  
**FRIDAY** ▼9° ▲16° Mostly sunny  
**SATURDAY** ▼11° ▲14° Windy with showers  
**SUNDAY** ▼11° ▲14° Mostly sunny  
**MONDAY** ▼13° ▲15° Clearing shower  
**TUESDAY** ▼12° ▲14° Mostly cloudy

## SHIPPING NEWS

**Wednesday, June 11:** Nord Yilan arrives Wallaroo 7am.  
**Thursday, June 12:** Nord Yilan departs Wallaroo 7am.  
**Monday, June 16:** Nord Yilan arrives Wallaroo 7am.  
**Tuesday, June 17:** Nord Yilan departs Wallaroo 7am.  
**Daily:** Accolade arrives Klein Point 7.30am and departs 12.30pm.

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	WEEKLY TOTAL	JUNE TOTAL	2025 TOTAL	JUNE AVERAGE	ANNUAL AVERAGE
Arthurton	18.5	20.5	62.5	63.5	475.5
Bute	14.0	14.0	28.8	52.5	393.2
Curramulka	0.0	0.0	17.3	58.0	423.6
Edithburgh	21.8	22.8	82.0	56.6	383.2
Kadina	18.4	18.8	48.2	40.9	319.2
Maitland	16.8	18.2	71.7	68.1	502.3
Minlaton	16.3	16.3	78.1	60.7	427.1
Moonta	26.8	28.0	49.2	48.8	369.2
Paskeville	11.8	11.8	46.6	51.9	386.6
Pine Point	21.0	21.0	62.8	49.3	373.1
Port Broughton	20.0	20.0	26.6	46.3	349.1
Port Victoria	16.6	16.6	40.4	50.3	379.1
Port Vincent	21.6	21.6	51.8	48.4	359.4
Price	6.4	6.4	14.9	37.2	325.2
Snowtown	16.0	16.0	32.4	50.3	367.2
Stansbury	14.3	16.3	68.1	55.0	403.0
Stenhouse Bay	33.4	34.4	98.2	73.6	451.0
Wallaroo	16.6	16.6	34.8	47.4	356.8
Warooka	31.2	32.2	37.8	64.3	442.5
Yorketown	12.8	15.8	54.8	61.0	416.6

## TIDE TIMES

### Port Adelaide (Outer Harbor)

Time m			Time m			Time m				
11	0450	1.92	14	0024	0.48	17	0200	0.55		
	1005	0.89			0612		1.89		0815	2.22
	WE 1634	2.79			SA 1132		0.83		TH 1409	0.88
	○ 2324	0.46					1803	2.79		2002
12	0517	1.91	15	0054	0.51	18	0220	0.63		
	1033	0.86			0643		1.88		0850	2.28
	TH 1703	2.82			SU 1204		0.85		FR 1457	0.99
	2353	0.46					1834	2.72		○ 2034
13	0544	1.90	16	0124	0.55	19	0241	0.75		
	1102	0.83			0715		1.88		0932	2.28
	FR 1733	2.82			MO 1238		0.90		SA 1600	1.14
							1906	2.62		2109

### Wallaroo

Time m			Time m			Time m		
11	0040	0.54	14	0214	0.55	16	0328	0.56
	1644	1.95		1821	1.94		1923	1.79
	WE	SA		MO				
12	0107	0.53	15	0251	0.55	17	0406	0.58
	1716	1.97		1852	1.88		1952	1.64
	TH	SU		TU				
13	0139	0.54	16	0328	0.56	18	0439	0.63
	1748	1.97		1923	1.79		2010	1.45
	FR	MO		WE				

## MOON SYMBOLS

● New Moon    ◐ First Quarter    ○ Full Moon    ◑ Last Moon

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**FULL FEED...** Scott Humphris and mates Irwin and Fieldy had a day out in the boat in Wallaroo Bay just after the big blow, managing to land this feed. We've run out of Catch of the Week entries – now's the perfect time to send us yours! Email your photo to: [editorial@ypct.com.au](mailto:editorial@ypct.com.au). We love shots of people proudly holding their catch and don't forget to tell us who's in the photo, what they caught, where and when.

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## HOT FISHING TIPS

with Greg James [www.gregjamesfishing.com.au](http://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](mailto:greg@gregjamesfishing.com.au).

**Wallaroo:** A few big squid have been caught from the jetty here and the rocks at Point Riley, but not in large numbers. Prawn trawlers had come and gone before those long weekend storms cracked in with the huge tides. Boat crews will be targeting King George whiting and squid when the weather permits.

**Moonta Bay/Port Hughes:** KG whiting are down at Cape Elizabeth and the Steamer channel. West Light has a few squid and garfish while shore-based anglers are plodding the sand for flathead and mullet.

**Port Victoria:** Squid, a few scattered and lazy KG whiting, garfish and sprat tommy ruff (Australian herring) for the boaties and squid from the jetty have been the main reports during the week, but windy and rough conditions limited fishing opportunities. Balgowan and Chinaman's Well are also worth a try for whiting and squid on the drift.

**Point Turton:** Boat crews keen for a fish over the weekend took shelter close to the

shoreline at Hardwicke Bay. Mullet, squid and small tommies were the resultant catch. The jetty has small tommies and squid at night.

**Stenhouse Bay/Marion Bay:** Offshore fishing was a mere dream in the big seas last week, but crews can expect red nannygai, blue morwong, big flathead and squid when conditions permit. Shore-based fishing has mullet at Berry Bay and Gym Beach. The jetties have occasional mullet (Marion Bay), tommies (Stenhouse Bay) and squid when the water is clear.

**Edithburgh:** KG whiting reports are for fish to 40cm in the deeper waters at Orontes Bank (Stansbury/Port Vincent) and Tapley Shoals (Edithburgh). Coobowie has a few garfish and squid as does Sultana Point, while mullet, tommies and squid can be found at the jetty.

**Pine Point/Ardrossan:** Gar and small squid were the main catches for boat crews as they used local weather knowledge to find shelter from the westerly winds last week. Long Spit has KG whiting and the shoreline has mullet and an occasional flathead off Pine Point and Tiddy Widdy beach.

*Tight lines and see you next week!*



## U17s victorious

NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS CUP UNDER 17..  
YPFL's best player Mitchell Miller gets a  
kick out of a muddy centre square during  
the final against APFL. PHOTO: Rod Penna



# Solid results for YP teams

Yorke Peninsula's netball and football representative teams put in strong performances across the June long weekend.

In Adelaide, four Yorke Peninsula Netball Association junior teams competed at the Netball SA Country Championships from Saturday to Monday, June 7 to 9.

The 13 and under team led the way,

claiming the division 3 grand final.

The 15&U side finished third overall in division 1, while the 17&U team placed equal fifth after reaching the division 1 quarterfinals.

The 11&U team finished fourth after falling to Adelaide Plains in the playoff for overall third/fourth.

YP Football League's senior men and U17 boys representative teams travelled to Mallala for the Nutrien Ag Solutions Cup on Saturday, joining sides from Adelaide Plains, North Eastern and Northern Areas football leagues.

The U17 boys impressed, securing the 2025 title, while the senior men's side

finished third.

Both codes showcased the depth of young sporting talent across the peninsula, with players, coaches and supporters successfully representing the region in highly competitive fields.

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