

Milang Community News

A journal of the Milang & District Community Association
Supporting the communities of Milang, Ashbourne, Clayton Bay,
Finniss, Strathalbyn and Langhorne Creek

\$2.50

June 2026



Congratulations!



FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the June 2026 edition of the Milang Community News and winter brrrr....Many of you may know that I am definitely NOT a winter person so all I can say is 'roll on summer'...hahaha On the upcoming June long weekend, the Milang Fibre Art Group will be presenting the annual 'Earth Wind & Fibre Fair' at the Milang Institute which will be a fabulous event. Please try and get along if you can—see page 5.

A HUGE congratulations to the Milang Bowling Club on their success at the recent competitions—please see pages 36 & 37 for more details.

On Thursday 25th June, MADCA will be holding a Public Meeting at the Institute Hall, please feel free to come along and hear what's going on—see page 8. Please stay safe, warm and have a great month.

Cheers

Cathy Fish

editor@milang.org.au

We acknowledge the Ngarrindjeri people on whose land we meet and we pay our respects to the Elders past and present.

Ngarrindjeri Vision for Country: Kungun Ngarrindjeri Yunnan (Listen to what Ngarrindjeri people have to say)

“Our Lands, Our Waters, Our People, All Living Things are connected. We implore people to respect our Ruwe (Country) as it was created in the Kaldowinyeri (the Creation). We long for sparkling, clean waters, healthy land and people and all living things. We long for the YarluwarꞤRuwe (Sea Country) of our ancestors. Our vision is all people Caring, Sharing, Knowing and Respecting the lands, the waters and all living things.” - From Ngarrindjeri Nation Yarluwar-ruwe plan 2006

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The Editor eagerly looks forward to receiving articles and welcomes suggestions from community members for stories and photographs.

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Chairperson's Monthly Report

May 2026



The monthly MADCA Committee meeting was held on Thursday 28th of May 2026 with apologies from John Whyte, Michael Galea and Karen Burkinshaw.

Lakes Home Care Manager, Annie Whyte presented the Lakes Home Care monthly Management and Clinical Governance Reports. External consultants Ernst & Young Business Advisory Team have been engaged to review.

LHC operations - new Client management and compliance platform and alternate systems and technologies are under review to be compared against current platforms that have been in place for the last 7 years.

MADCA CEO Stuart Jones presented his monthly report :-

Staffing: Butter Factory Kitchen staffing has transitioned from volunteer support to casual part-time local employment and continues to perform positively providing important benefits through local employment, youth training and alignment with MADCA charitable community activation.

General:

- Public donations via Already Read Books for the month of May have amounted to \$529.50. Thank you for the support.
- Alexandrina Council request of MADCA re a 3 year collaboration agreement towards more stable certainty and service delivery across our programs is progressing.
- The Youth Hub renovation delay originally scheduled for January 2026 to be investigated by MADCA CEO.
- Community Gardens transfer lease from SA Education Dept is progressing.
- Repairs to Milang main jetty following the Oscar W incident are progressing.
- A dog park jetty security gate has been installed by Alexandrina Council to discourage dogs scaring off the birdlife.

Grant applications:

- BDM Group has agreed to sponsor restoration of Butter Factory Plans thanks to Vice Chairperson Mike Galea's submission.
- Application for GrainCorp grant up to \$20K towards BF rainwater tank mural has been submitted.
- SA Water/Community Partnership program grant up to \$10K to support Community Gardens irrigation upgrade is underway.

Volunteers: 4 new volunteers joined in May 2026, welcome.

- Mental health program "5 ways in 5 days" successfully completed.
- Raffia Basket workshop was well received.
- MADCA volunteers connected with Lakeside Men's shed participate in Alexandrina Council Community Gardens filming project.

Other:

- MADCA CEO tabled Treasurer Karen Burkinshaw MADCA financial report April 2026 and YTD against budget.
- Secretary Cathy Fish tabled outstanding "Actions and Motions" spreadsheet for follow up.
- Community Gardens update provided by Committee member Ros Francis.
 - Wicking beds are currently be installed.
 - Consideration to be given to Security Camera install following the recent equipment burglary.

Dates for your diary:

- Stickybeaks River cruise on the PS Marion scheduled for Wednesday 3rd of June 2026.
- Volunteer First Aid training scheduled for Thursday 18th of June along with ongoing Child Safe Environments Training underway.
- National Volunteer week Volunteer luncheon at the Butter Factory is scheduled for Friday 6th of June 2026.
- Next MADCA Public meeting at Milang Institute scheduled 6.30pm Thursday 24th of June 2026.

Understand that the opportunity is available for your written feedback and/or constructive criticism to be addressed to MADCA CEO Stuart Jones email stuart@moschcc.com.au safe in the knowledge that your submission will be tabled and responded to at our next available Committee meeting.



WHEN/ WHERE

Wednesday 24th June 11am - 1pm

ECHUNGA Memorial Institute
Adelaide Rd, Echunga

ARTISTS

Grace Bawden, Lynette Harris, David Visentin, Daniel Goodburn, Jacki Hatcher
Your Italian favourites from Tosca, La Traviata, Madam Butterfly, La Boheme and more, Romanza, Tragedia, Drama e Vita

TICKETS

\$28 Adults \$25 Concession
Transport \$15

BOOKINGS (tickets sell fast)

contact MOSHCC RECEPTION
8537 0687

Departing MOSHCC @9:30am



MILANG & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

FREE EVENT

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
FRIDAY FEAST LUNCH
CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS

June 5th
FROM 12PM

LAKESIDE BUTTER FACTORY
22-23 DARANDA TERRACE, MILANG

CONTACT RECEPTION TO BOOK 8537 0687

MUSIC

National Volunteer Week
MILANG LAKESIDE BUTTER FACTORY
KANOETREE WINES
LAKESIDE BUTTER FACTORY
MILANG OLD SCHOOL HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE

19th of JUNE 2026

THE BAND OF THE SA POLICE

The Band Of The South Australian Police
is the longest-running and favourite police band.
Join us for a delightful performance by this sensational band.
Enjoy their extensive repertoire of classics and sing-alongs.
Bring the whole family as this show promises to be a musical treat for everyone!

Tickets \$22 plus transport from MOSHCC \$15
bookings via reception@moshcc.com.au
8537 0687

Departs MOSHCC at 1 pm for a 2 pm show at
CENTENARY HALL GOOLWA

We are the
FIBRE ART GROUP

We meet at the Milang Institute on
Tuesdays
at 10.30 am. to 3.00 pm.

Bring your own creative fibre work :-
Knitting, Crochet, Spinning,
Weaving, Sewing. etc. etc.

We charge a \$3 attendance fee which
covers Tea or Coffee and Hall fee.
Bring your own lunch!

Occasional Tutorials
during the year.

Phone Heather :-0424395503.

MILANG OLD SCHOOL HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE'S
"FIBRE ART GROUP" PRESENTS IT'S
ANNUAL

**EARTH
WIND &
FIBRE
FAIR**



JUNE 6th & 7th (Sat & Sun) 10am to 3pm

Milang Institute

cnr Coxe Street and Ameroo Ave Milang SA



weaving .. rag rug making .. knitters .. crafts .. spinning ..
homespun wool .. felting / needle felting .. basket weaving ..
fleece and equipment sales ..

Demonstrations by local Artisans

Light lunch and refreshments available (GF and veg options available)

Contact :- Danielle 0415692855 or Robyn 0431072195



MILANG
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COMMUNITY CENTRE

FUN | MUSIC | MOVEMENT
● COME & JOIN IN!

\$5
Session

Line Dancing

@ Milang Institute Hall
23 Coxe St, Milang

Every Tuesday
1pm-2:30pm

wear comfy clothes & bring your
water bottle

Register with reception: **8537 0687**



Tai Chi

helps open, support & protect the joints in the body.
It improves balance, flexibility & 'whole body' relaxation,
amongst other things.

Tai Chi is a continuous process, not a quick fix!
In Tai Chi, simple movements, body scan meditation &
Mindful walking allows opportunities for tension to release
so the body can relax.

Tai Chi eventually taps into internal energy
- mind, body and soul all connected.
It is an internal martial art, so the principles of centring,
grounding & harmony in movements apply

Nothing evolves without change - relax into this gentle art.
A continuous process.

As awareness grows, tension releases.
Take a moment now to breathe & relax down through your body.

Come and try - first session complementary.
Contact Jen for more information 0412595102

Milang Institute
Wednesdays 1 pm - 2 pm

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Stepping On'

Keep Active ... Stay Strong



Strength for Life

Tuesdays from 10—11am at
The ACE SPACE at MOSHCC

A weekly one-hour exercise class using gentle and controlled movements to improve strength, balance, flexibility and coordination in a fun and supportive environment. Small group, suitable for all abilities, (priority given to CHSP clients), EMAA (Easy Moves for Active Ageing) Trained Instructor.

Good balance is needed to keep us moving about confidently and safely.

Phone: 8537 0687 Cost: Gold Coin Donation



Over 50's Keep Fit Class

Milang Institute Hall

Thursday 10am-11am

All Welcome

For info call MOSHCC 8537 0687

We won't let our body succumb to old age.

Therefore, we try to prevent that by strength and stretch movements (and laughs and giggles)

Every Thursday between 10 and 11 o'clock.

So do your body a favour and join us.

Winter

Valma Aylesbury

Winter solstice to vernal equinox
Affects all animals even the odd fox
Many animals hibernate
While others simply migrate
Trees and plants then stop growing
Some areas experience snowing

Time for boots and woollen socks
Winter clothes come out of stocks
Welly boots, scarves and hats
On warm coats rain pitter pats
Out comes the umbrellas too
A bit dangerous for a few

Winter foods enjoyed by all
Soups, stews and a good casserole
Hot puddings, biscuits and cake
A custard in the oven to bake
A hot milk chocolate before bed
Really great for a sniffly head

Winter really not a bad time of year
Rain and storms we shall not fear
We need the rain in so many ways
So, let's enjoy the rainy days
Four great seasons have we
I celebrate them all with glee



POETS CORNER



Backbone Farmers
Lisa Crawford

Sun's clad
in a leaden sky
rain quenches
the stubbly dry plains

farmers
prepare fields
tilling the soil
to rustic crumbs
pastoral seeds
are sewn

in the hours of darkness
as they lay on their beds
heavy minds cradled
country folk dwell
on the outcomes
of hard days spent

thoughts tossed
like a coin
one side cruel,
of calamity and loss

the other, survival
a bounty of food
self-worth
and humble pride.

The Farmer's Work Ute
Dennis Lightfoot

In his Ute from door to door
An array of stuff strewn across the floor
A pressure pack of CRC, bits of wool with sheep dags
Three beer cans, empty, a bundle of oily rags,
Needle and strings the bag sewer
A couple of spark plugs off the motor mower
A claw hammer and a seized-up shifter
Part of what's left of a crop lifter
Nuts and bolts of various sizes
Bullet cases and fencing pliers
Two dog chains without their clips
Bright coloured ear-tags and other sheep bits
Pieces of gravel among the dust
Two screwdrivers coated in rust
Short length pieces of baler strings
A packet of green elastrator rings
Invoices in envelopes that need to be paid
Dozens of receipts from deals that he made
All kept on the floor ready to grab
Inside the sanctum of his farm ute cab.



Poets are encouraged to submit their poems for Poets Corner.

Poets must include their contact details for the editor.

Send poems to: PO Box 251 Milang 5256 or

jude_poet@yahoo.com.au

TRIVIA



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By Jade Aquilina

1. What is the term for a female swan?
2. What colour skin do emus have?
3. In area, which is the largest country in Asia?
4. Who was the first European to cross Africa in 1856?
5. Which small beetles are known for eating aphids?
6. Who was the Greek god of the sea?
7. Vermilion is a shade of which colour?
8. Which small flightless bird lives in New Zealand?
9. Name Australia's oldest chocolate bar.
10. What is the spiritual leader of Tibet called?

Milang & District Community Association Inc.

Notice of the General Meeting

This is to advise you of the upcoming General Meeting of the members of the Milang & District Community Association Inc.

Everyone Welcome

Thursday 25th June 2026 at 6.30pm

At the Milang Institute

Corner Ameroo Ave & Coxe St Milang



CARD AFTERNOONS

This is an open invitation to anyone who may be interested in coming to our card afternoons every Tuesday at the Community Centre.

Time is from 1pm to 4 pm with a cuppa and cake included at a cost of \$2.50. The games played are Crib, Canasta and Jonola, but could include Euchre and Rummy.

Those wishing to learn will be given free tuition. Come along for a fun couple of hours.

For more information,
phone MOSHCC on 85370687



Playgroup

Milang & Langhorne Creek R-6 Campuses

Our playgroups cater to families with children from birth to 5 years.
Attendance is FREE

Playgroup is a fun and welcoming space where children can learn, play, and make friends – all while building confidence and important social skills.

With varying programs each term, we endeavour to provide activities that challenge, stimulate and entertain!

Milang playgroup is run every TUESDAY morning during school term at the Milang R-6 campus. 9am - 11:30am
Head of Campus - Merran Jolley
ph. 85362455

Langhorne Creek playgroup is run every FRIDAY morning during school term at the Langhorne Creek R-6 campus. 9am - 11:30am
Head of Campus - Les Cameron
ph. 85362455



MILANG CAMPUS

Eastern Fleurieu School



Playtime

Loose parts play and the sandpit have been very popular during break times this term with lots of collaboration and communication skills being practiced. There are certainly some very creative students at Milang this year!



Playgroup at EFS Milang Campus June 2026



2/6/26	Who helps us in our community? Make box police cars/ambulances ..
9/6/26	Milang CFS visit.
16/6/26	Fire safety. How do we stay safe in our community? Aqua Play Water canal construction & boats.
23/6/26	Earth day this week. Play with clay & animals Remember Anzac Day & soldiers memorial gardens in Milang
30/6/26	End of term visit to the train station In our community..

**Looking for support that works
for rural and regional families?
So are we.**






**Take part in a new study aiming
to improve mental health and
wellbeing support for parents
in regional and rural areas**

If you have kids aged 0-12 years, and live in a regional or rural area, we'd love for you to be involved. Scan the QR code or follow the link to find out more.



[https://seed.deakin.edu.au/
our-research/project/family-foundations-trial](https://seed.deakin.edu.au/our-research/project/family-foundations-trial)

Ethics Approval: RCH HREC Reference Number - 117878

MILANG CAMPUS

Eastern Fleurieu School

Year 6 Community Service

In Term 2 the Year 6 leadership team at EFS Milang campus decide on a way to help members of the local community. This year they chose to visit the Friendship and Craft group who meet at the Church of Christ on a Wednesday morning.

Before they arrived, the team baked delicious choc chip biscuits to take and share with the group. During the craft session the Year 6's made tea and coffee for everyone and then chatted with the group about their craft projects and talked a little about themselves. They are hoping to return later in the term to learn and maybe try their hand at some of the crafting skills.



Playgroup visit to the Milang Community Garden. 12/5/26.

Worms !!

We had a lovely time exploring the Garden. It was great to pick fruit and vegetables to take home with us.

Exploring our Community.

A collage of four photographs showing a playgroup visit to a community garden. The photos depict children and adults exploring the garden, picking produce, and interacting with worms. The background of the collage is a solid green color.

Yoga

self help sessions in Milang

5:15PM-6PM EVERY TUESDAY
GOLD COIN DONATION



BASIC YOGA SESSION FOLLOWING A VISUAL PROGRAM TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN STRENGTH, BALANCE AND FLEXIBILITY IN A FUN ENVIRONMENT!

BRING YOUR WATER BOTTLE & YOGA MAT
LOCATED IN ACE SPACE MOSHCC
24-25 DARANDA TERRACE, MILANG

Contact reception for bookings
8537 0687



Rainfall for

May 2026



Sun 03/05/2026	1.4 mm
Mon 04/05/2026	1.8 mm
Thu 07/05/2026	2.8 mm
Sat 09/05/2026	2.6 mm
Sun 10/05/2026	1 mm
Sat 16/05/2026	0.6 mm
Sun 17/05/2026	0.2 mm
Tue 19/05/2026	0.4 mm
Wed 20/05/2026	2.4 mm
Sat 23/05/2026	0.2 mm
Mon 25/05/2026	0.8 mm
Wed 27/05/2026	1 mm
Fri 29/05/2026	0.2 mm
Sat 30/05/2026	1 mm

May 2026 Total 16.4 mm

Information sourced from the Elders Weather website

MILANG YOUTH HUB

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We Need Help With

- Art & Craft
- Cooking Classes
- Kayaking
- Fishing
- Woodwork

You may have heard we have a new YOUTH HUB in Milang!! We need volunteers for a variety of beautiful programs with passionate and committed people involved to provide the best for the young people in our community. In return we will help build a community around you!

Food, Fun and Laughs Provided.



Come join us!

REGISTER NOW

Volunteer Coordinator
vickie@moshcc.com.au

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Women's Circle

Fridays 10-11am

ACE Space @ MOSHCC

24-25 Daranda Tce. Milang

A non-judgmental space for women to be together, connect, share & chat over a cuppa.

Facilitated by Kathryn from AKOM Counselling

(not sure what to expect, have a chat with Kathryn 0447 144 119)

Free, bookings not necessary



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ALEISHA LODGE

THANK YOU

We are extremely grateful for your support of the Feast@Home program while Dee was on leave this month! Well done!



ASHA JONES



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VANDALISM HITS MILANG

Milang is currently suffering a surge in senseless vandalism and petty theft that is targeting community assets. The Community Garden have been robbed of tools. The Red Cross have been robbed. The public toilets at the Coxe Street Anzac Memorial Park are damaged by vandals every weekend.

The vandalism is costing the community and must stop. Suspects include a group of two youths and a girl. Some angry residents are talking about arranging stakeouts to catch the vandals in the act.

Others think the vandals may be crying out for help and if everyone in Milang assumes a "Neighbourhood Watch" approach it should not take long to identify the young culprits and provide information to the Police.



Park light broken by vandals



Park toilet damaged by vandals

MADCA VOLUNTEERS & STAFF

First Aid &

CPR TRAINING

Learn Skills That Save Lives!

Want to feel confident in an emergency? Join our hands-on 5-hour First Aid and CPR training and learn essential, life-saving skills.

- CPR & AED Use
- First Aid Basics
- Choking Response
- Emergency Preparedness



THURSDAY, JUNE 18

MOSHCC ACE SPACE
9AM - 3PM (approx)
lunch provided

Whether you're a volunteer, parent, teacher, coach, or simply want to be prepared, this training could help you save a life.

Limited Spots Available - Register Today!



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MILANG
OLD SCHOOL HOUSE
COMMUNITY CENTRE

24 Daranda Tce, Milang SA





Volunteers Needed

We need your help!

Looking for something to do during the colder months? We have a range of roles available, along with training opportunities to support our team. If you have a few spare hours and enjoy helping your local community, we'd love to hear from you!

- Reception/ Admin support
- Grounds maintenance
- Drivers
- Gardeners
- Kitchen Hands
- Youth Group support

More information ☎ 8537 0687 📧 reception@moshcc.com.au



DISCOVER THE ART OF NEEDLE FELTING!

Join us for a fun and relaxing needle felting workshop where you'll create your own handmade wool sculpture! No experience needed.

What you will learn:

- Learn basic needle felting techniques
- Create your own cute animal or decoration
- Explore colour blending and shaping
- Take home a finished handmade piece



Reserve your Spot!

Location: MOSHCC ACE SPACE

Time: 10 am - 12:30 pm

Cost: \$30

includes equipment & light morning tea

For more information and bookings
MOSHCC reception 85370687

25TH
JUNE
2026



"Perfect for beginners"
"Relaxing and mindful experience"



24 Daranda Tce,
Milang SA



★ NEW DAY! ★

Join us on the **4th Friday** of each month from 2:00 pm at the Milang Old School House Community Centre ACE Space for a relaxed afternoon of movie watching together

To find out what movie is coming up next, and bookings, please call

MOSHCC reception 8537 0687

☕ Afternoon tea: \$2.50
We'd love to see you there!

Bespoke Delights

Shop 2, Daranda Terrace, Milang

SATURDAY MORNING QUIZ

EVERY SATURDAY AT 10AM

JOIN US IN-STORE FOR A FUN, FRIENDLY MORNING!

- Weekly quiz from the *Saturday Advertiser*
- Questions read out - everyone welcome!
- Answers gone through afterwards
- Warm, cosy atmosphere
- Great coffee & treats
- Meet new people
- **LIMITED SEATS - 16 ONLY!**

Everyone welcome!



COME ALONE OR BRING A FRIEND - WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU!

See you Saturday!

New Publicans bring fresh energy to the Bridge Hotel @ Langhorne Creek



The Bridge Hotel has entered an exciting new chapter, with husband-and-wife team Anna and Richard stepping in as the new publicans. With more than 30 years of experience in the hospitality industry, they bring passion, professionalism, and a genuine love for community-focused service.

They're committed to maintaining the high standards the Bridge Hotel is known for, while also introducing new features to make the venue even more inviting. Already, a brand-new pool table has been installed, and Friday night meat-tray raffles are now on the weekly calendar. Planning is also underway for fun-filled trivia nights, set to become a regular highlight.

Looking ahead, Anna and Richard are exploring long-term plans for an on-site Air BnB development — a welcome addition given the region's shortage of temporary accommodation.

The Bridge Hotel remains a vital hub for the Langhorne Creek wine region, and the Milang Community News warmly welcomes Anna and Richard to our area. Locals and visitors alike are encouraged to drop in, say hello, and support the new team as they settle into their new home.

	Tuesday: Bar opens 4pm to 8.30pm Meals 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Bookings 8537 3010	Wednesday to Saturday: Bar opens 11.30am to 9.00pm Meals 11.30 am to 2pm and 5.30pm to 8pm
Fine Beer	
Great Food	
Great Wines	Sunday: Bar opens 11.30am to 8.30pm Meals 11.30am to 2pm and 5.30pm to 7.30pm
	Schnitzel night Thursday nights 5.30pm - 8pm

Why Imperfect Marks

Make Stronger Art

There's a quiet misconception that holds many artists back: the idea that good drawing or painting is clean, controlled, and free of error. Beginners, especially, often strive for smooth lines, polished surfaces, and flawless proportions. But if you look closely at compelling artwork—across styles, eras, and mediums—you'll find something surprising. The most engaging pieces are often built on marks that are anything but perfect.

Imperfect marks carry energy. A slightly uneven line reveals the movement of the hand that made it. A broken edge or a visible brushstroke records a decision in real time. These marks aren't just describing an object—they're describing the act of seeing and responding. That immediacy creates a sense of life that overly refined work can sometimes lose.

When every mark is controlled and corrected, the result can feel static. It may be technically accurate, but it often lacks presence. Imperfection, on the other hand, invites the viewer in. It leaves space for interpretation. A loose line can suggest form more powerfully than a rigid outline because it allows the eye to complete the image. In this way, imperfection becomes a collaboration between artist and viewer.

There's also an honesty in imperfect marks. They reveal process rather than hiding it. You can see where the artist hesitated, adjusted, or committed. This transparency builds a kind of trust. The work feels human. It acknowledges that seeing is not instantaneous or exact—it's exploratory.

For the artist, embracing imperfection is liberating. It shifts the focus from "getting it right" to "responding to what you see." Instead of erasing every deviation, you begin to ask: does this mark contribute to the feeling or structure of the piece? Often, what first appears as a mistake can become the most interesting part of the work. This is particularly important when learning to draw. If you're overly focused on avoiding errors, you tend to draw symbolically—relying on what you think things should look like. But when you allow your marks to be tentative, searching, even awkward, you start to truly observe. Your lines become questions rather than statements, and in that questioning, your visual understanding deepens.



Art Classes
Saturday & Monday Morning
Classes available
Beginners to Experienced welcome

General Mentoring Classes
Portrait Classes
One Day Workshops
Short Courses

Book Your Spot
online: maearts.com.au
email: madielkinartist@gmail.com
mobile: 0401 839 592
(local artist: Madeleine Elkin)

Many great artists have relied on this principle. Their work is alive with variation—thick and thin lines, shifts in pressure, visible corrections. These “imperfections” create rhythm and hierarchy, guiding the viewer’s eye through the composition. They are not flaws; they are tools.

So rather than aiming for perfection, aim for responsiveness. Let your marks reflect what you’re noticing in the moment—the weight of a shadow, the tilt of a form, the energy of a scene. Allow some lines to be wrong. Let others overlap or remain unresolved. Over time, you’ll find that these imperfect marks don’t weaken your work—they strengthen it.



This idea sits at the heart of my recent painting *Father & Son*. Rather than smoothing out the surface or refining every edge, I allowed the palette knife to leave broken, imperfect marks that echo the emotional connection between the figures. The slight shifts, the unresolved passages, and the visible decisions throughout the painting aren’t distractions—they’re what give it life. They reflect not just what I saw, but what I felt in the moment of painting, reminding me that it’s often the imperfect marks that carry the strongest sense of truth.

Cheers

Madeleine Elkin - Artist

Clayton Bay, South Australia



**Today marks the one-year anniversary
of *Feast at Home*.**

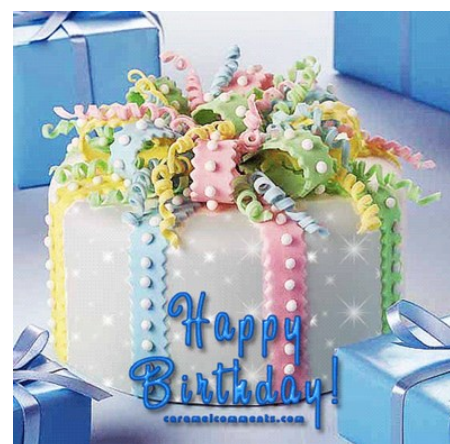
28/05/2026



I would like to congratulate the entire team who have worked so hard to take this initial pilot program through to a successful first year of operation.

Dee, alongside her kitchen team, has worked tirelessly to ensure that the meals provided are not only nutritious, but also affordable for our consumers. Feedback and surveys have consistently shown this to be a highly valued and successful initiative.

Well done to everyone involved — and a special thank you to you, Dee, for your dedication and leadership in making *Feast at Home* such a success.



FEAST @ HOME

Delicious fresh cooked meals by our chef

EVERY THURSDAY

Ready to eat meals!
preorder your choice of meals
for collection or delivery

Call reception for more information 8537 0687



(Free local delivery to your door)

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LAKES
HOME CARE
your community
your choice



**Calling all Knitters/Crocheters,
ex & wannabe Knitters /Crocheters!!**

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(Including the Port Milang Museum, Lakeside Men's Shed & the South Australian Fire Fighting Vehicles & Equipment Museum)

“35 Years On”

It was 35 years ago on the 18th May, 2026 since a small group of volunteers took on the challenging task of moving the former Milang Railway Station building from John Wilson’s block on the corner of Lang and Stephenson Streets in Milang back to the original site at Daranda Terrace.

Peter Vogelsang offered his time, including his Kenworth Prime Mover and we borrowed the low loader trailer from the Strathalbyn District Council at no cost. On Saturday 18th May, a local group of volunteers jacked up the station building off it’s blocks onto the low loader and proceeded down Lang Street into Coxe Street and left into Luard Street to its original site and then proceeded to unload the building onto besser brick piers, where it sits today.

At that time, the then, Milang Progress Association and the Milang and District Historical Society had formed a sub-Committee to preserve and promote Milang’s Railway History.

A 1914 South Australian Railway’s Centenary Carriage had been purchased the previous year for \$1500 (\$1000 from the Progress Association and \$500 from the Historical Society).

The carriage was transported from Strathalbyn to Milang earlier in 1991 on a low loader. Because the former South Australian Railway land at Daranda Terrace was now under control of the Strathalbyn and District Council, permission had to be obtained for the station building to be returned to its original location.



Bob Franks, who lived in Milang and I met most of the Councillors and some of the Council staff on site and explained what we wanted to do. Everything seemed fine that day, but at the next Council meeting, permission was refused, because it could become an eyesore.

After we gathered together a petition with many signatures to present to Council, the decision was reversed. The whole project nearly did not happen.

Look at the Milang Railway Museum now!

Allan F. McInnes, Foundation Member & current Committee Member.
Ph 0437800811.



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CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENTS TRAINING

Wednesday 8th July

@ 12.45 pm SHARP

**Arrivals after 12.55 pm will have to rebook*

session time 1 pm - 4 pm (approx)



**Location: Milang Lakeside Butter Factory
22-23 Daranda Tce, Milang SA 5256**

ABOUT CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENTS: THROUGH THEIR EYES TRAINING

CSET: topics include:

- child protection in context, values and attitudes
- legislative obligations when working with children and young people (including screening obligations)
- risk and harm – abuse-related trauma
- sexual abuse and online grooming
- responding to disclosures
- child safe environments in organisations
- reporting a reasonable belief of risk and harm.

The training supports participants to understand types of risk of harm to children and young people, including:

- neglect
- psychological/emotional harm
- domestic violence
- sexual abuse, and
- physical harm.

If you are concerned about attending this program, please speak to the facilitator before attending the course to discuss your options.



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“Survivor Truck”

The following story relates to a 1942 Ford Truck that the McInnes family purchased secondhand in May 1953 from L.C. Kemp's, the Ford dealer at Strathalbyn after our neighbour, Gus Schubert traded it in on a new Ford Truck. The price of the 1942 Ford Truck was 400 pounds, and we traded in a 1936 Indiana model 86 tray top that was valued at 150 pounds.

The Ford Truck has an interesting history, it was fully manufactured in the Ford factory in Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., right hand drive with a steel tray featuring slip on stake side hurdles with the Ford script embossed on the rear of the tray.

The speedometer is in kilometres per hour, not miles. The reason being that a batch of these trucks were to be sent to the Dutch East Indies as part of the American Lend-Lease scheme to assist allied countries during the Second World War.

Before the shipment arrived, the Dutch East Indies fell to the Japanese, the shipment was then diverted to Port Adelaide. Some of the trucks were made available to carriers and other essential services in South Australia.

Gus Schubert who originally came from near Charleston purchased the truck in 1942 as he was a livestock carrier as well as a dairy farmer. When he moved to a property north of Milang in 1946 the truck came too and has been part of the Milang District's history, being sometimes the local Fire Truck before and after our Fire service had a Fire Truck. One example, the Black Sunday fires on 2nd January, 1955 at Strathalbyn.



The furthest it travelled under our ownership was when my father John and I drove the truck up to Caltowie to pick up a secondhand 65 bag bulk grain bin in July 1967 as we had changed to a header that only had a grain auger fitted to the side.

We got to Clare when a big end bearing in the V8 motor began to knock but we continued on and returned home next day. Rather than overhaul the side valve Ford V8 motor, we looked around for another one. My uncle Don Warren had laid up his 1951 twin spinner Ford Ute a few years previously and offered us the motor which we swapped over at Jim Williams' garage in Stephenson Street, Milang. This involved fitting a different bell housing and water pumps.

The truck was last registered for road use in 1973 and then became just “on farm use”.

The truck is now a family heirloom as it played an important part of our past farming history such as carting 7 ton of bagged super from Port Adelaide to Milang on the old road through the Adelaide Hills. See photo of it being used to pick up limestone after cultivating on the stony ground.

Contributed by Allan McInnes.

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Red Cross News

June 2026

Thanks to everyone for your support for the Red Cross.

The Cheer Up Hut will be open on the 1st Wednesday & 1st Saturday of each month from 9am until Midday, depending on volunteer availability.

If anyone needs clothing at any time, please Contact or Tracy on 0417299391. Discretion is assured.

The small trading stall by the oval entrance has a selection of Books, DVD's, Plants & Toys etc. A donation Box is available at the stall.

We would love to have more volunteers they are urgently needed. If interested, please Contact Tracy on the above No.

Our meetings are now Bi-Monthly on the first Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be on the 1st July at 12.30 at Bec's Kitchen.

Please do not leave donations at the Shop or Hut unless we are there.

Please follow our Facebook page for any updates.

Doris & Chris Lambert

Publicity Officers

MILK AND CREAM SUPPLIERS TO MILANG BUTTER FACTORY

by Alwyn Hopgood

The Tee Family

The Tees' dairy was situated on Gun Club Road, approximately three kilometres north of Milang and consisted of about 350 acres. It is now owned by the McInnes family.

The property joined my grandfather's on the north side and we were often in contact with the Tees regarding fencing and stock problems. I remember one visit, when Mr Jim Tee told us he had been to Werribee in Victoria and purchased a very good pedigree Australian Illawarra Shorthorn bull, which he hoped would improve his dairy herd in the future.

I do not know how many cows the Tee family milked, but at a guess, it would be 20 to 25 of the Australian Illawarra Shorthorn breed. I remember seeing these cows in the paddock and they all looked alike—dark red in colour and large framed.

Mr Glouster Tee and his wife were early owners of the property with siblings George, Jim, Fred, Mabel and Selena all helping out with the milking at some time. However, I am sure Mr Jim Tee was the main dairyman in the family.

Jim Tee was the one I knew the most, and I'll always remember his prominent gold teeth and his habit of getting the most rain in the district, but to put this in perspective, you had to ask him first how much rain he recorded, and then you could often trump him!

The Tees' supply of cream and milk to the Milang Butter Factory was always of a high quality.



Tees; old dairy, 2020



Tee family milk can

Historic Graves of the Milang Cemetery

The Pavy Family

by Alwyn Hopgood

The Pavy family have a long connection with the Milang area. In 1855, brothers Henry and Phillip Pavy purchased section 2066 in the Hundred of Alexandrina.

In 1857, W Pavy, with AH Landseer and G Chalklen, purchased the Pier Hotel from Mr W Brooks. The year before, in 1856, a steam-powered flour mill was built by Albert Pavy, but it burnt down in 1869 – with AH Landseer securing the machinery for his own mill in 1871.

In 1861, the Congregational Church held its meetings in Pavy's Mill; Reverend CD Watt was in charge. B Pacy chaired a public meeting in 1864 about the laying of the foundation stone for the new Congregational Church. Lieutenant Pavy of the Milang Rifleman Corps coached his team to second place in a contest with SA Free Rifles, Strathalbyn Corps and Macclesfield Corps, held in Milang.

In 1868, W Gosling purchased Philip Pavy's dwelling house in Coxe Street, Milang, adding a second storey and shops. There was a butcher shop at one end and a baker shop opened in 1870. Henry Pavy was a miller. Will Pavy, Bev Pavy and Philip Pavy were partitioners in a successful bid to end 'Bremer Council control', and form Alexandrina Council. In September 1901, farmers including Henry Pavy of Milang, took up sections 565, 567 and 570, Hundred of Alexandrina. eHen

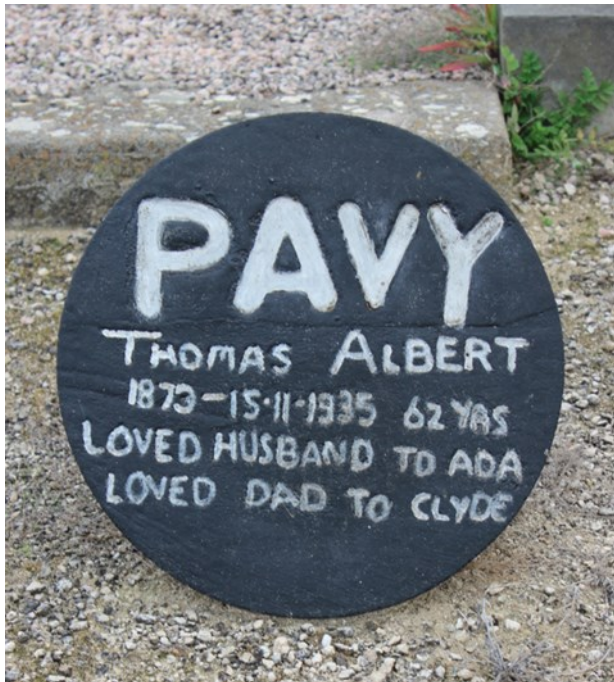
Albert Pavy was a member of the select committee to pursue a railway to Milang from Sandergrove. Large quantities of flour were being sent to Milang and Pavy's Mill, now Landseers, was performing very well in the period from 1881 to 1890.

In 1892, the three-masted schooner *Ada and Clara*, owned by LP Pavy, had to acquire a Certified Mariner Certificate to keep operating as a passenger service and light goods carrier.

Congregational Church picnics were held at Albert Pavy's paddock about two miles toward Finnis, and were very popular. In 1908, the Church of Christ jubilee celebrations were held in Milang, and the Pavy family was prominent. Mr and Mrs Albert Pavy, Mrs Henry Pavy, Ruby Pavy, and Mrs Jack Pavy were all involved.

The Milang Regatta Club, football club, tennis club, butchers shop, bakers shop and others were all supported by the Pavy families for many years. Jim Pavy was a fisherman and later worked for Bleasedale Winery at Langhorne Creek. And, before motor-transport, Harry Pavy often drove cattle to Strathalbyn Market along the main road.

Brad Pavy and Allan Pavy both still live in the district. There are at least 21 members of the Pavy family interred in the Milang Cemetery, plus a great number of 'nee' Pavys.



On Country and in partnership: freshwater research guided by Ngarrindjeri knowledge



Eddie Banks and Uncle Lawrie Agius—photo by Nick Whiterod

On the Youngusband Peninsula, science is taking a quieter approach – one that begins by listening.

A CLLMM Research Centre project exploring freshwater soaks in the Coorong is being shaped not just by satellite imagery and fieldwork, but by close collaboration with Ngarrindjeri Elders and Indigenous rangers.

Soaks have long provided vital freshwater for people and wildlife. These natural water storage areas are formed when water collects in sand, rock holes or sandy creek beds. But the Centre’s research has found that many of the historical soaks mapped across Australia’s longest coastal dune system are no longer visible today.

“Pretty much all the soaks that were identified on South Australian maps from about 100 years ago are no longer apparent in the modern landscape. That suggests the dunes are really dynamic,” said project lead Associate Professor Margaret Shanafield, Flinders University.



Kartoo soak and aerial drone shot – photo’s by Eddie Banks

To understand what has changed, the CLLMM Research Centre team worked side-by-side with Ngarrindjeri community members, combining scientific methods with cultural knowledge. Researchers spent time consulting with Elders, sharing maps and stories, and learning how soaks were used and understood long before modern mapping.

“The Youngusband Peninsula is absolutely full of cultural heritage – Ngarrindjeri have lived here for many generations,” said Associate Professor Shanafield.

“So, it was important to us to tread carefully on this Country and we had Ngarrindjeri Elders and typically also rangers with us every time we went out,” she said.

Fieldwork brought Elders, rangers and researchers together on Country to visit sites identified through satellite imagery. Most of the soaks they found were brackish, in contrast to the low salinity soaks mapped a century earlier. Stories shared on site provided vital context, including knowledge of middens, burial sites and significant events connected to these locations.



NPLAC rangers with the research team from Flinders University—photo by Sue Ellison

“We have learned so much from the Ngarrindjeri partnership in the project, and it was nice to be able to also give back by getting people out on Country to a place that’s special to them but hard to access,” said Associate Professor Shanfield.

Soaks are still critical to the Coorong’s iconic native wildlife. By identifying where soaks remain and how they function, researchers and Ngarrindjeri rangers can work together to monitor and protect them.

“A better understanding of where there are soaks in the modern landscape will help land managers and Indigenous rangers to keep an eye on them and protect them into the future,” said Associate Professor Shanfield.

“If we value the raw beauty and possibilities that this landscape offers, from fishing to showing our children native wildlife, then we need to also safeguard the resources that the ecosystem relies on.”

About the CLLMM Research Centre

The CLLMM Research Centre, launched in January 2024, is part of the Goyder Institute for Water Research. It works with communities, First Nations, managing agencies and scientists to investigate the impacts of climate change on the CLLMM. It hosts the largest ever scientific collaboration in the region, with over 150 project team members, including scientists, community and managers, and more than 17 local organisations, and 26 state, national and international collaborators involved in the delivery of 29 scientific projects. <https://cllmmresearchcentre.org/>

Additional information on the Freshwater soaks research project

<https://cllmmresearchcentre.org/project/freshwater-soaks-cllmmrc/>

<https://cllmmresearchcentre.org/news/then-and-now-freshwater-soaks-in-youngusband-peninsula/>

<https://cllmmresearchcentre.org/news/freshwater-soaks-team-heads-out-into-the-field/>

CLLMM Research Centre contact: Dr Tiffany Nay, Education Program and Science Communication Coordinator, 0467 242 900, tiffany.nay@goyderinstitute.org

Date	Activity
1 MAY	DRUM WORKSHOP
8 MAY	FREESTYLE BMX CREW
15 MAY	MAKING CLIME
22 MAY	DRUM WORKSHOP
29 MAY	MARK - AERSOL ART
5 JUNE	MARK - AERSOL ART
12 JUNE	SAM - FLERUIEU BIKE
19 JUNE	SAM - FLERUIEU BIKE
26 JUNE	HENNA & DAY SPA
3 JULY	ROLLER SK8 EXCURSION
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CONTACT LOREN
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Milang Cottage Garden Club

monthly outing report

The May trip of the Milang Cottage Garden Club should have taken place on Wednesday 13th May, but the driver Peter turned up to say the bus was not there as it had been doubled booked. This seemed strange as the booking for the whole of 2026 was made in November. So, after a fortifying cup of coffee at Bespokes, I went up to the Moshcc to see if any light could be shone on this problem.

It soon became apparent what the problem was, someone had not put our request for the bus in the right book so we did not have a booking although we have had the bus on the second Wednesday of the month for going for more than twenty years.

So, after a discussion with the nice lady on the desk we hope the problem is sorted out by giving her the future dates we require the bus as these were not in the book also, we will resume our pleasant trip to various nurseries around the area.

Next month on the 10th June we will try for Murray Bridge area going to State Flora, Serenity and Notts nurseries among others. We do have some spare seats so please call 8537 0453 if you would like to join us, you will require the bus fare of \$15, an item for the raffle box and your lunch as we do not always find somewhere to buy it.

We leave at 9.00am returning approx. 3.30 to 4.00pm.

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Milang Community Garden

June 2026

There is always a sense of quiet change in the garden through May. The air has a fresh chill in the morning, the light softens with longer shadows and the colours of the falling leaves and bare branches in the orchard, signal the coming of Winter. Bare beds begin to show new green dots of life as the new Winter veggies emerge from the soil. The brassicas are now maturing, hiding under the white nets, protecting them hopefully from moths and other critters ready to set up home!

There has been much activity at the garden cleaning up old pots and other stuff that has accumulated over time. The place now looks clean and tidy with lots of space we forgot we had! The berries have finally been controlled and cleaned up, thanks to a very big effort from our gardeners.

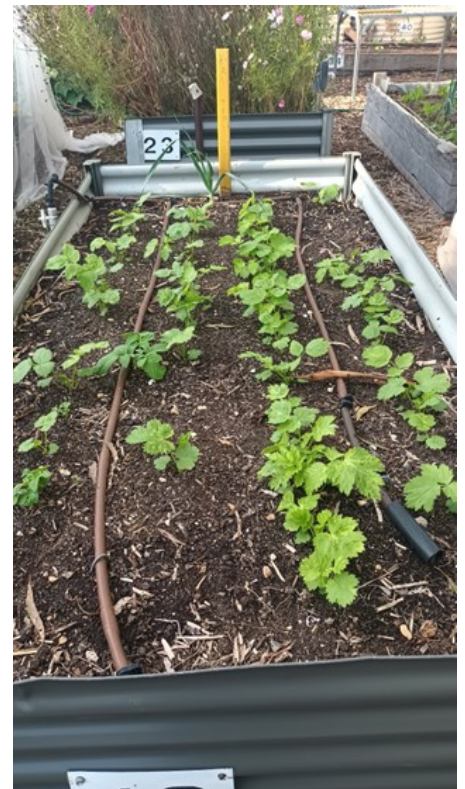
The choko vine has been producing lots of nice fresh fruits which we are not only eating ourselves but also introducing to visitors who come in looking for something to take home. Chokos are an old-fashioned plant that produce a green fruit that is similar in taste to a zucchini with a texture no unlike a rockmelon. They are great to slice and cook in a frying pan with some butter and seasoning, and in stir fries, soups and pickles. The flavour is subtle and takes on other favours in mixed dishes.

We look forward to harvesting the new veggies as we move into the Winter season, ready to make hearty soups and stews!

As always, we welcome visitors on Tuesdays and would love to have more keen gardeners or *gardeners-to-be* join our merry band of volunteers!



Chokos



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Jude Aquilina, editor, publisher

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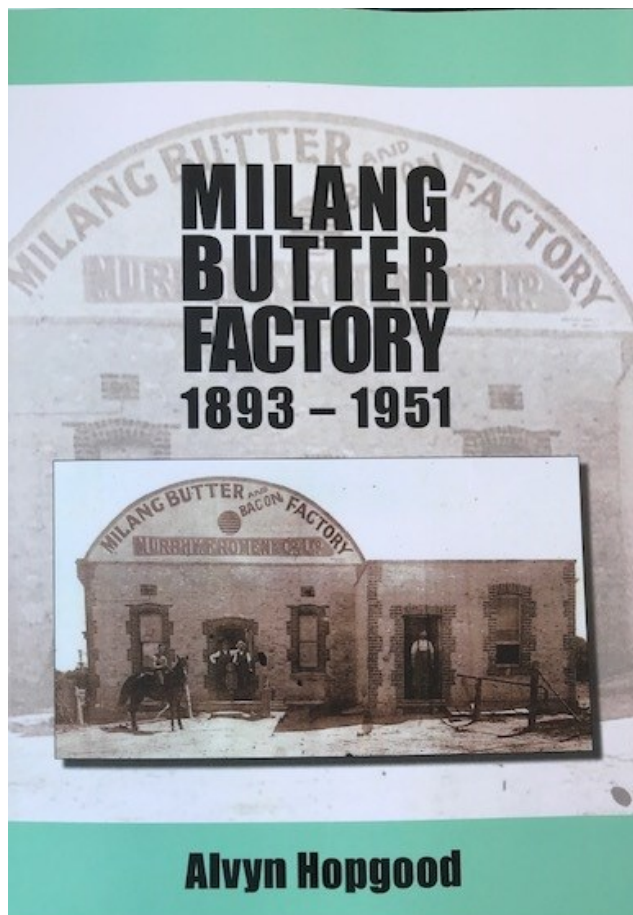
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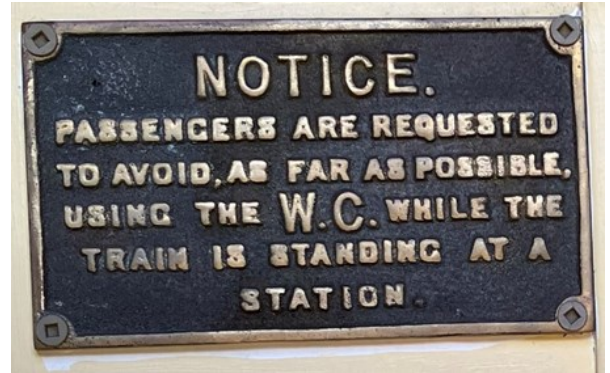
Saturday & Sunday 10—4 pm



Alvyn Hopgood

All Aboard

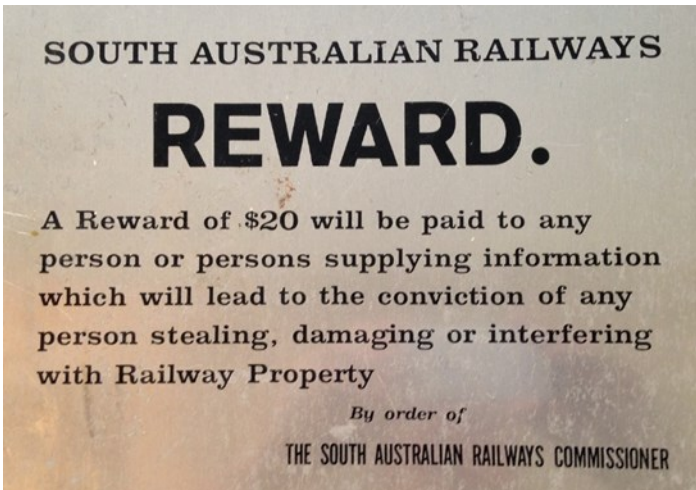
In the Milang Railway Station there are some very interesting signs.



That's because everything you did landed on the track below the train!



A strange piece of negative advertising. If it didn't wash clothes, what did it wash?



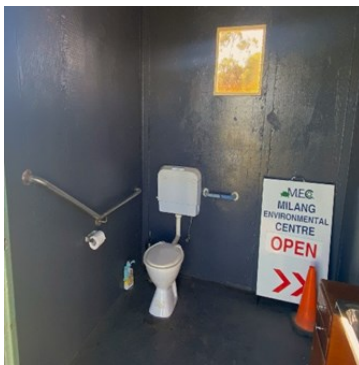
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Milang Environmental Centre (MEC) is still undergoing changes to both the site and processes. Mindful that volunteers often suffer headaches due to the onerous task of distinguishing between different types of plastic drink containers, and different types of mixed drinks that are classified as “beer”, the MEC has developed a formal “**RECEPTION**” section. Volunteers may attend the “Reception” area for much-needed rest, relaxation and Panadol Rapid. However, MEC management have ensured there is no lingering in “Reception” by making the interior décor a wee bit sombre and dull to make certain volunteers do not overstay but make timely return to their duties in the main operations section counting drink containers and refunding deposits.



Milang Environmental Centre Serving our community

The Milang Environmental Centre is a community run organisation and an asset to the residents of Milang.

Ph: Geoff 0428 845 171 or Chris 0411 474 529



Services:

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- Bottles and cans deposit paid.
- Recycled items for sale.
- Electronics, household and garden wastes incur a fee.
- Nutrient-rich Garden Mulch for sale

Hours: Wednesday and Saturday 10am - 3pm

Corner of Weeroona Drive and Jupiter Street MILANG

Young volunteer **Kai Cullabine** returned to MEC during the recent school holidays. Kai is becoming quite a regular, valuable contributor as he applies his training to a variety of complex tasks such as using the “**wide broom**”. Kai told MCN that he was informed a senior MEC volunteer took almost 12 months to learn the techniques of wide brooming. *“I find it interesting that it took me just 5 minutes. Makes you think -especially when he was reluctant for me to try.”* Kai is an expert at using the crushing machine at MEC affectionately known as “The Depressor”. He took time out to show local lad **Orlando** how to use the machine to crush plastic bottles and aluminium cans. MEC volunteer **Dave Barry** rewarded Kai for his efforts by taking him on a mulch delivery trip to the Langhorn Creek school, then showing Kai how to dismantle a microwave oven extracting brass and other valuable metal components.



Above: Young volunteer Kai Cullabine mastered the complex wide-broom techniques in record time.

Left: MEC visitor Orlando enjoyed learning to use the MEC crushing machine - ‘The Depressor’

MILANG BOWLING CLUB NEWS: JUNE 2026

“GRAND FINALISTS”

The **Milang Bowling Club** enjoyed a very successful 2025-2026 season in the Great Southern Bowling Association Fleurieu Regional Open Pennants Competition. Both the Milang **Open Division 3 team** and **Open Division 5 team** reached the regional **Grand Finals**. Club President **Brian Patterson** predicted in February that each of the three Milang Bowling Club pennants competition teams would play finals. Both Grand Finals for the Open Pennants were played on Saturday March 21 at the Goolwa greens. The **Milang Division 3 team** were pitched against giants Victor Harbour Blue who have an enormous number of bowlers vying for playing positions. Victor Harbour Blue had beaten **Milang Division 3 team** 65 to 51 in their only completed game during the minor round and 61 to 49 in the semi-final. The **Milang Division 5 team** would battle against a very strong Clarendon team who had convincingly beaten Milang 92 to 44 in the last game of the minor rounds. Nevertheless, both Milang teams were reasonably confident after the **Milang Ladies Pennants Division 2 team** won their Grand Final on 19 March. Club President **Brian Patterson** encouraged a philosophical approach and urged all Milang players to be proud of their accomplishment and enjoy the Grand Final day no matter what happened. It was to prove good advice.



Milang Division 5 Team #1: Left to Right: Skip- Kym Witcher, Lead- Colleen Jacobs, Third- Sue Bond and Second- Cheryl Butlin.

Milang Division 5 Team #2: Left to Right: Skip- Peter Miller, Third- Irene Westley, Second- George Dziadek and Lead- Jane Sorrell.



Supporters drove from Melbourne to cheer Milang bowler **Brian Addison** of **Division 5 team #3** in the Grand Final. Conditions on the warm day were superb with a light breeze and the greens were well prepared. The Goolwa Bowling Club provided excellent facilities for the many spectators and supporters. **Milang's Division 3 team** lost to Victor Harbour Blue 61 to 49 and **Milang's Division 5 team** lost to a determined Clarendon 61 to 57. At a function back at Milang Bowling Club, President **Brian Patterson** again told players to be proud to have reached their respective Grand Finals and thanked them all for contributing to a very successful season for a small club competing against regional giants.



Milang Div. 5 Team #3: Lead-Deb Haywood, Second-Brian Addison, Skip-Heather Maddern and Third- Peter Harris.

Lakeside Men's Shed at the oval

BBQ every Thursday (donation)

From 12:00 noon

Come and experience our relaxed atmosphere and share yarns with other like-minded people.

Take the opportunity to check out the Men's Shed facilities and current projects.

The Lakeside Men's Shed is working to assist in men's metal health issues and is supported by SA Health and the local community.



MILANG PIER HOTEL

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS JUNE 2026

The local hotel Social Club has changed the format for their Friday night **MEMBERS LUCKY DRAW**. Since 24 April the Social Club draws a paid-up members number and if they are present at the draw, they win \$10. However, if the member whose number was drawn is not present at the draw the \$10 will **JACKPOT** to \$20 for the next Friday night. A second draw each Friday for a six-pack kindly donated by the Pier Hotel will also jackpot to two six-packs if the member whose number is drawn is not present.

The ticket raffle offering \$50 cash prize will continue unchanged.

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Sunday Service 10.00am

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Enquiries—Rev. Alex Stone 0405 084 794

Sunday Service—8.15am (1st and 3rd Sundays of the month)

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Pastor Matthew Edgecomb 8536 3322

Catholic Church—Good Shepherd, East Terrace, Strathalbyn

Father Richard Morris 8391 1053



Sticky Beaks Men's Group

On the 3rd Tuesday of the month, the men's group set off on the bus to have a stickybeak at places and spaces around the area.

They usually find a shady spot for morning tea, spend time checking out places of interest (a different one each month), and have lunch at a pub, bakery, or restaurant.

If this sounds like something you would like to do and join in the adventures, contact **Milang Community Centre** for more information on 85370687.



Sticky Beaks Men's Group

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Month	Date	Event	Location	Price
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Jun	3rd	PS Marion Day Cruise	Swan Reach - Bowhill	Tour \$75 bus \$15
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