

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

September 2026



FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the September 2026 edition of the Milang Community News.

I am so happy that Spring is finally here, it's so lovely to have some sunshine again.

Our thoughts are with all of the victims and families of the flash-flood and mud slide in Nepal, such a sad and distressing catastrophe. The SALA (South Australian Living Artists) event at Clayton Bay was a huge success and it was great to see so many people from Milang and Clayton Bay having fun and working together to support the event. Please see page 13 for some of the photo's.

There are a lot of fabulous events coming up at the Butter Factory over the next few months, please see page 30 and also the back page for details of the events. Please stay safe and have a great month.

Cheers

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Contributions to the Milang Community News

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

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Cathy Fish

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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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Chairperson's Monthly Report

August 2026



The monthly MADCA Committee meeting was held on Thursday 27th of August 2026, apologies from Committee Members Karen Burkinshaw, Sue Haeusler and Lyn Unwin.

Lakes Home Care Manager Annie Whyte presented the Lakes Home

Care monthly Management and Clinical Governance Reports:-

External consultants Ernst & Young Business Advisory Team final report was tabled and discussed. All recommendations are to be implemented. New Client management and compliance platform/alternate systems and technologies are under review to be compared against current platforms.

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 and youth training. Position documents for Kitchen Supervisor (casual) and Kitchen Attendant (casual) tabled for discussion. Asha Jones continues to manage weekend operations well.

Butter Factory nomination for Regional Showcase Award underway. Thanks to David and Sue Haeusler from Kanoetree Wines, Norm and Glenys Foster and "JB" Bradford for their on-going co-ordination of live music and Open Mic events which have maintained public attendance into the cooler months. JB is also working on a Friday evening "Music Bingo" night. Should be fun. Upcoming musical events include Galactic Jelly -Pop/Rock, Jed and Trudy Heintz- Country and Christine Clifford. Call 0480 512 457 to book your table.

General:- Lions Club Goolwa are seeking alliance to support MADCA emergency relief and homelessness work.

Grant application:- \$5000 Fleurieu Community Foundation grant for Emergency Relief has been submitted, Youth Hub Driveup application was successful /awarded \$2,100. \$5000 Alexandrina Council Wellbeing grant for Milang Youth Hub has been submitted awaiting outcome.

Federal grants are being researched regarding the redevelopment of the derelict BF Fodder Store into Milang Providor concept in conjunction with the Community Garden.

Child Care:- ESB inspection/findings acknowledged. Service approval and Provider Certification are now held.

Milang Youth Hub:- Re-construction is advancing. New Commercial grade aluminium windows have been installed, 3 of the 4 MOSHCC bikes have been repaired by Youth Hub participants. MOSHCC bike hire to be re-commenced.

Volunteers:- 109 registered volunteers with 7,272 hours contributed YTD. Welcome to the new volunteers.

Half yearly DHS/Survey results to hand reflecting 85% of participants reported stronger Community connection and 78% improved wellbeing.

Dates for your diary:-

MADCA AGM Thursday 24th of September 2026 6pm at Milang Institute with guest Andrew McDonald, Chief Executive Officer Alexandrina Council in attendance. Come along and have your say.

MADCA Committee nominations will be circulated to all MADCA members prior to the AGM extending the opportunity for you to become involved in the decision making processes affecting your Community association.

- MOSHCC 23rd Birthday @ ACE Space Friday 16th of October 2026.
- Final Friday Feast Luncheon @ ACE Space Friday 4th of December 2026
- Volunteers Christmas Luncheon @ Butter Factory Friday 11th of December 2026

Treasurers financial report for July and YTD against budget table by MADCA CEO. Significant variations against budget were discussed. Treasurer and CEO meetings to discuss remedial strategy going forward are ongoing.

Community Gardens update provided by Committee member Ros Francis. Garden Volunteers are again participating in the Strathalbyn Agricultural Show 2nd of October 2026.

Committee member Penny Whittaker requested MADCA consultation with Kidsafe SA as to whether the existing playground equipment at Milang Memorial Park is safe/fit for purpose following Council decision that the repositioning and upgrade of the existing playground equipment will not be part of the initial proposed re-development "because of the need to prioritise works within the available budget."

Don't forget that if you would like a FREE copy of our monthly Milang Community News all you need to do is contact MOSHCC reception on 85370687 and lodge your email contact details.

Kind regards

Wayne Footer/MADCA Chairperson

Rainfall for August 2026

Information sourced from the Elders
website - rainfall to 9am



Sat 01/08/2026	0.20	mm
Mon 03/08/2026	0.60	mm
Thu 06/08/2026	2.00	mm
Fri 07/08/2026	0.20	mm
Sat 08/08/2026	0.60	mm
Sun 09/08/2026	9.60	mm
Mon 10/08/2026	30.00	mm
Tue 11/08/2026	1.40	mm
Wed 12/08/2026	2.80	mm
Thu 13/08/2026	0.40	mm
Fri 14/08/2026	0.40	mm
Sun 16/08/2026	0.20	mm
Tue 18/08/2026	0.80	mm
Wed 19/08/2026	1.20	mm
Fri 21/08/2026	0.20	mm
Mon 24/08/2026	0.40	mm
Tue 25/08/2026	30.40	mm
Wed 26/08/2026	1.20	mm
Thu 27/08/2026	0.20	mm
Sat 29/08/2026	0.20	mm
August 2026 Total	83.00	mm



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



Notice of Annual General Meeting

Milang & District Community Association Inc.

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

Everyone Welcome

The details of this meeting are as follows:

Thursday 24th September 2026

at 6.30 pm

at the Milang Institute

Corner Ameroo Ave & Coxe St Milang

An information kit and nomination forms for Committee
and Office Bearers are available from the Milang Old
School House Community Centre and on the website
www.milang.org.au/madca

Nominations to be received by Thursday
17th September 2026

***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***



Short grey days devoid of colour,
washed and drowned out by the relentless
downpour.
My street resembles an angry black river.
It flows between the dark closed-up houses,
splitting the road and reflecting the cold moon
light,
this winter seemed to linger forever.

The tang of spring finally begins to sting my
nostrils,
a welcome sense of warmth comes with new
pollen.
Wet grey becomes verdant green bursting with
fresh flowers,
birds sing louder and bees buzz happily as they get
to work.
I have patiently yearned to feel the sun's rays.
Now spring fields make my heart sing
crops rippling in the wind.

When Winter turns to Spring
Joan Eisemann

Who set the calendar
for when winter turns to spring?
Today the spring has sprung
for we've had rain
and the scrub behind my house
has come alive; it breathes a breath
of rain-soaked air, and donkey orchids
wave their ears in silent jubilation.

Overnight the wattle, O the wattle –
little orbs of sunlight dancing in the sun,
green and gold for Australia,
they're here for everyone.

The rain has brought the spring.
Winter's woes are past,
I'll ignore the man-made calendar
For spring has come at last

Hip, Hip, Hooray
Now summer's on its way.



Dog and I huddle on the bed like two love birds
looking out of frosty windows, listening.
Rain falls like curtains of diamonds,
swirling away down the darkened street gutters.

We sit in cosy comfort thinking of walks in the park.
Sun on our face's, warmth pressed into bodies,
aches disappearing; strength reappearing.

Soon hearts will fill with the song of spring
the sweet smell of mown grass,
naughty water hens dashing back to the reeds,
corellas shouting and quarrelling rudely
while desecrating the trees,
River Murray flowing, chuckling with delight.

Oh, how we long for the springtime.
Dog and I stay silent as the time slips by.
Is it time for dinner yet? My companion gives a sigh
as long as we're together, 'tis the season we love
best.



Turn Turn, Time of the Season
by Earl O'Neill

Another week of dull heavy sky
That crushes sound and strips colour
And the dry cold
That cuts through
People hasten 'mid the gloom
Grey ciphers in the street

One fine day
I hope to see it
There will be light
And shade
Bare arms
Bare legs
Languid movements
Higher spirits

The beast shakes off
The drear of cold
Slouches toward seeding

Once again, as ever was
We gape and stretch
Toward the light of
New grown trees



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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.
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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

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

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MILANG KEEP FIT

Has just celebrated 25 years of keeping people fit, healthy and flexible.

It started out with Greta (my mum), who had a vision to hold a weekly fitness group for anyone, young or senior, fit or not, male or female. I was told they had heaps of fun, enjoyment, a lot of serious movements and did their best at keeping fit

But as life works in weird ways, mum nearing 90 yrs now, said it's up to me to keep it going, of course I obliged.

So, in 2021 a new era had begun.

My keep fitters have sores, aches, and pains, we all do, but we have coffee, biscuits, and a chat after, then automatically, pains be gone. The fun, laughter and friendship you develop are as good and healthy as anything else in life.

We have the best time ever, enjoy every moment and yes, we still do serious workouts, to keep the body moving and blood flowing.

So now I would like to thank our fit, strong, healthy, flexible group for coming each week and putting up with meeee, well I have to put up with you lot, so we are even.

Here's to all our future weeks, and let's keep it going for as long as it can.

Thanks, lovely people and enjoy life

Cheers Ingrid



Having fun playing ball games



At our 25th Anniversary lunch outing



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.



MEDIA RELEASE

18 August 2026

Milang Visit and Public Transport Project

One of the highlights of the winter break was spending a day in Milang with work experience student Emily, meeting local volunteers, community organisations and residents to hear firsthand about the issues and opportunities that matter most to the community.

Our visit included the Milang Railway Museum, where dedicated volunteers spoke about the challenges facing heritage rail operations and the potential impact of increasing compliance requirements on volunteer recruitment and retention. We also visited the Milang and District Historical Society Museum to discuss its ongoing efforts to preserve and celebrate local history.

A listening post at the Milang Bakery provided a wonderful opportunity to catch up with residents and discuss a range of topics including farming commodity prices, housing availability, roads, transport and NDIS supports. We also visited local community facilities, inspected areas affected by flooding and met with community groups working to strengthen Milang's future.

Particularly encouraging was meeting with the Milang Regatta Club to hear its vision for rebuilding activity at the club and creating a vibrant community hub once again. The passion, determination and community spirit displayed throughout the day were a reminder of what makes Milang such a special place.

Improving public transport remains one of my key priorities, and the conversations held in Milang reinforced how important accessible and reliable transport is for regional communities. As part of this commitment, my office has welcomed Adelaide University student Grace Hart through the South Australian Parliamentary Internship Program. Grace is undertaking a research project examining how residents access information about public and community transport services, identifying barriers and exploring practical ways to make transport information easier to find and use.

The project supports my election commitment to advocate for better-connected public transport networks across Finniss, including improved regional services, stronger connections between townships and better links to Adelaide. Understanding how residents access transport information is an important step in ensuring people can make the most of available services while strengthening the case for future investment.

Residents are invited to contribute to the project at the **Public Transport Forum on 9 September, 12 noon to 2.00 pm at the Victor Harbor Bowls Clubrooms**, or at the **Drop-In Session on 23 September, 9.00 am to 12 noon at the Goolwa Library**.

Thank you to everyone who welcomed us to Milang and shared their ideas, experiences and concerns. If your community group, organisation or business would like to arrange a visit or meeting, please contact my office.

For more information, contact the Finniss Electorate Office on (08) 8552 2152.



Lou Nicholson MP

Independent Member for Finniss

- ✉ Finniss@parliament.sa.gov.au
- ☎ (08) 8552 2152
- 📍 71 Victoria St, Victor Harbor SA, 5211

"My office is open, and I warmly welcome constituents to get in touch about the issues that matter to them and to our community. I am here to listen, to help, and to work with you"

Lou.

Local voice - community first





TICKETS \$22

BUS \$15

FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

what's new pussycat

What's New Pussycat is a joyous, foot stamping, hand clapping celebration of the swinging sixties. Vocal pyrotechnics! Breath-taking harmonies! Off the wall humour! The hits of Tom Jones, Burt Bacharach, Petula Clark, Aretha Franklin, Dusty Springfield, Carole King and The Fab Four performed by Australia's favourite cabaret duo.

"An irresistible double act". The Sunday Age "Age"

Departs MOSHCC at 1 pm for a 2 pm show at
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8537 0687

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14 CADELL STREET,
GOOLWA

Allsorts of ENTERTAINMENT

GARDEN TO PLATE

RAISED GARDEN AND WICKING BEDS



Join the Garden to Plate Team

Learn practical gardening skills with raised garden beds and wicking beds, while helping grow and harvest fresh produce for our community kitchen.

Friday's
10am - 12pm
LAKESIDE BUTTER
FACTORY GARDEN

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INFORMATION
8537 0687**

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Community Centres SA
Strengthening Local Communities

new time & day

MOSHCC MOVIE

WANT TO KNOW WHAT MOVIE IS UP NEXT OR BOOK YOUR SPOT? CALL MOSHCC RECEPTION ON 8537 0687

A fun, leisurely afternoon of movie-watching together! We'd love to see you there!

**SEP 25
2:00 PM**

AFTERNOON TEA \$2.50

ACE SPACE 24-25 Daranda Tce, Milang SA



FRIDAY FEAST

All Welcome

Come join us to enjoy
\$12 - 2 Course Meal

Vegetarian Options Available

Free meal raffle ticket drawn each week

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Call Reception - 8537 0687

**MILANG OLD SCHOOL HOUSE
COMMUNITY CENTRE**
23-24 Daranda Tce, Milang

12:30 pm Lunch

Free transport available

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🌱 GARDEN TO PLATE UPDATE 🌱

With the arrival of warmer weather, our (G2P) volunteers have been busy bringing new life to the Garden to Plate community garden. Recent activities have included repairing a leaking wicking bed, pruning and revitalising existing plants, and planting a range of new seedlings that will soon provide more fresh produce for use in our Community Kitchen.

A huge thank you to our dedicated volunteers Ron, Thea, Mully and Di, whose enthusiasm, hard work and care have helped rejuvenate the garden after a quieter winter season. A special welcome to Thea, our newest volunteer, and thank you for generously donating additional planters and seedlings to help our garden continue to flourish.

The garden is already showing signs of new growth, and we're excited to see the harvests it will produce for our community in the months ahead. If you'd like to enjoy some fresh air, learn new gardening skills, and be part of a friendly and rewarding community project, we'd love to have you join us!

 **Garden to Plate now meets every Friday**

 **10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

For more information, please contact MOSHCC on 8537 0687.

  New volunteers are always welcome! Together, we're growing fresh food, friendships, and community connections. 🌱💚



NEEDLE FELTING CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

CREATE ♦ RELAX ♦ LEARN A NEW SKILL

17th
SEP
2026

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

What you will learn:

- ✓ Build on your felting skills
- ✓ Learn shaping and detail techniques
- ✓ Create a more advanced project
- ✓ All materials provided

You don't need to attend all three workshops, but each session builds on the previous one and becomes slightly more advanced



WHAT TO BRING

- craft scissors
- long darning needle

Limited places Reserve your Spot!

Location: MOSHCC ACE SPACE

Time: 10 am - 12:30 pm

Cost: \$35

***payment required at time of booking includes equipment & light morning tea**

For more information and bookings MOSHCC reception 85370687

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24 Daranda Tce,
Milang SA

Perfect for a
relaxing,
creative, and
mindful
experience. ✨



The Clayton Bay Community

Annual SALA Exhibition

This year is the 10th year that the SALA exhibition has been held at the Clayton Bay Community Hall and it was again a huge success with a sensational and diverse display of arts and crafts for sale.

Each year there is a 'theme' and this year it was '50 shades of green'. This was demonstrated in a lot of the artwork and also in the amazing photo booth and dress up costumes which you can see in the photos.

There was a fabulous 'vibe' in the hall, lots of laughs and giggles, yummy food, artists demonstrating their skills and lots of great social interaction.

The exhibition would not proceed without the hard work of all of the volunteers and our the amazing exhibitors.





CLAYTON BAY
Spring
MARKET

FRESH • LOCAL • HANDMADE • COMMUNITY

SATURDAY
3RD OCTOBER 2026
9AM – 3PM
Clayton Bay Foreshore

Celebrate spring with a wonderful community day by the water! Discover a wide range of local produce, handmade goods, unique crafts, native plants and flowers, delicious treats and so much more.

FRESH PRODUCE | HANDMADE CRAFTS | HOMEMADE GOODS | NATIVE PLANTS & FLOWERS | A GREAT DAY OUT FOR EVERYONE!

Calling all stallholders!

We are now taking applications for the Clayton Bay Spring Market.
If you grow, make, create or sell quality local products, we'd love to have you on board!

Be part of our vibrant community market!

INTERESTED IN HAVING A STALL?
Contact us for more information or to register your interest.
CBMarket5256@gmail.com

Local makers. Local families. Local community. ♥ Let's celebrate spring, together!

Clayton Bay Spring Market – A Celebration of Local Community

Spring is in the air, and Clayton Bay is getting ready to celebrate!

The **Clayton Bay Spring Market** is preparing to bring the community together at the beautiful **Clayton Bay Foreshore on Saturday, 3rd October 2026** (9am till 3pm) for a relaxed day of local shopping, handmade treasures, fresh produce and community spirit.

Set against the stunning backdrop of the water, the market will showcase the wonderful products, talents and creativity of our local area. Visitors can browse stalls featuring **fresh fruit and produce, homemade goods, handmade crafts, local artisans, native flowers and plants**, and much more.

With the water, boats and beautiful Clayton Bay setting providing the backdrop, the market will be a great opportunity to enjoy a day out, catch up with friends and neighbours, discover something special and support local businesses and makers.

Calling all stallholders!

The Clayton Bay Market is a community-led, not-for-profit event and the organisers are still looking for local stallholders to join the market. If you grow, make, create or sell quality local products, we would love to hear from you.

Stallholders can contact CBMarket5256@gmail.com for more information or to register their interest.

Save the date – Saturday, 3rd October 2026.

Clayton Bay Spring Market – Supporting local. Connecting community. Celebrating Clayton Bay.

Kind regards

Milly Breward & Caroline Dickson - Clayton Bay Spring Market Committee

Email: CBMarket5256@gmail.com

Flower Arranging Workshop

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

2PM-3:30PM

AT THE BUTTER FACTORY

LEARN HOW TO PRESENT
ARRANGEMENTS IN VASES FOR HOME,
FRIENDS AND THE BUTTER FACTORY

BRING YOUR OWN FLOWERS, NATIVES AND VASE SO
YOU CAN TAKE YOUR ARRANGEMENT HOME

\$10

CONTACT MOSHCC FOR BOOKINGS

8537 0687

12 PEOPLE MAXIMUM



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LONG TERM GOAL: SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO ARRANGE FLOWERS ON EITHER THE 1ST, 3RD, OR 5TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH BETWEEN 4-5 PM OR SATURDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN 9-10 AM.

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.



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

Or

Anyone who would like to be part of the 'Just Yarning Group' group, please call Lyn on 0407 370 079.

We meet at 10.30 on Thursday mornings at the

Milang Mini Mart Café and Providore

to knit squares to be sewn together to make rugs that
will be distributed locally to those in need.

Donations of 8ply wool would be greatly appreciated
and can be left at (MOSHCC) Milang Community
Centre. If you are interested or have any queries,

Please contact Lyn - 0407 370 079



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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WINE, GIN AND
VODKA
TASTINGS

LOCAL PRODUCE

SPRING MARKET

SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2026
**WHERE: RICHARDSON HALL,
CALLINGTON ROAD
WOODCHESTER**
9-2PM

40 PLUS STALL HOLDERS SELLING A RANGE OF
BAKED GOODS, FUDGE, MEAD, FLOWERS,
BUNCHES, PLANTS, VINTAGE GOODS, JEWELLERY,
CANDLES, SOAPS AND BEAUTY, HONEY, JERKY,
EGGS, FRUIT, ARTS AND CRAFTS, BBQ
FUNDRAISER, LIVE MUSIC AND SO MUCH MORE!!

See you there

JUST YARNING

for cold weather.....



Scarves and Beanies (and a couple of coffees)



More crocheted Beanies to keep ears warm in the amazingly cold wet and windy weather we experienced lately.

We are amazed at the number of people who generously donate their time, effort and expertise to produce these 'works of art' and donate them to our worthy cause. **A BIG THANK YOU**, your efforts are put to a good cause.

WOW is back!

Join us for a planning catch-up and help shape future Women on Wheels activities. Share your ideas, meet new friends & reconnect with the WOW community.



Women's Planning & Social Morning
Help Plan Future WOW Activities



Limited seats!
Activity Costs - will be advised

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Wednesday 30th September
10am-11am
@MOSHCC ACE SPACE
Morning Tea provided

Book Now
MOSHCC Reception
8537 0687



Government of South Australia
SA Health



BreastScreen SA is visiting

Victor Harbor

Mid-August to early December 2026
then early February to early March 2027

If you are a woman aged over 40, especially 50 to 74 years, you can book a free breast screen. It takes just 15 minutes and could save your life.



Southern Fleurieu Health Service
In the car park on the corner of Malen Avenue
and Harbour View Terrace

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TRIVIA



By Jude Aquilina

Answers Page 48

1. In what year was the \$2 coin released?
2. Through what unusual orifice are Fitzroy River turtles able to breathe?
3. What is pecorino?
4. Name the largest organic construction on Earth
5. How old is Prime Minister Anthony Albanese?
6. How many events are in a heptathlon?
7. What is considered Japan's national sport?
8. Which city has the world's largest operating tram network?
9. How many stars appear on the Australian flag?
10. Name the only two mammals in the world to lay eggs

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The idea is simple: write down something that is worrying you and pop it into the Worry Box. Then, take a letter from the Love Box - filled with kind, encouraging and uplifting messages handwritten by the children.

The project has been guided by class teacher Madi and Loren from Reclink, with the children putting their own hearts and creativity into the painting and writing of the messages.

A big thank you to MOSHCC for supporting this wonderful community initiative.



CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENTS TRAINING

Friday 18th September

@ 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:

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MILANG YOUTH HUB WORKING BEE SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST



10:00am - 2:00pm

Dear parents, kids & volunteers...
You're all invited to come lend a hand as we sort, clean, organise the Youth Hub.

There'll be jobs for all ages and energy levels - from moving furniture and organising games, to cleaning, tidying and helping make the space feel fresh!
Come for an hour or stay for the duration - every little bit helps.

FREE BBQ LUNCH PROVIDED.

We'd also gratefully accept good quality donations of items that could help make the Hub feel more welcoming, creative and fun including;

Gaming consoles, e-games or retro games
Board games
Art and craft supplies
Good condition couches, beanbags or rugs
Lamps to make the space cosy
Basketballs, soccer balls or sports gear

Hope to see you there!



Fleurieu School Holiday Program

The Fleurieu School Holiday Program is packed full of free and low-cost activities for children, young people and families.

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Milang & Langhorne Creek R-6 Campuses

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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



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- > ~~28 AUGUST~~
- > 11 SEPTEMBER
- > 25 SEPTEMBER

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MILANG CAMPUS

Eastern Fleurieu School

Students at Milang enjoyed activities and dressing up as their favourite book character this week to celebrate Book Week.

Two Year 5 students from the Milang campus of Eastern Fleurieu school wanted to organise a Street Library for the local community to share their own love of reading. They worked together to come up with a design then asked every student at the school to draw their favourite book character.

This week Amanda Vivian, who worked at the Milang campus for 22 years and is now at EFS 7-12 Campus came to officially open the Street Library. Head of Campus, Susannah Cook said that it "Is great to see children so excited about books and wanting to share their books with others, we really hope that children who holiday in Milang and local children enjoy this little Library."

I am so proud of how the girls started this project and were really invested in making it come to fruition".



Milang playgroup children are learning about people around us in our Community.



We enjoyed a visit from Milang CFS on 11/8/26 who showed us how they can help us stay safe.



It was fun to see how the fire truck works, use the fire hose & learn how to stay safe around fire.



Milang playgroup meets every Tuesday 9 -11.30am at the primary school during the school term.

**Playgroup at EFS Milang Campus. Term 3. Me and my world.
Tuesday mornings 9am – 11.30am**



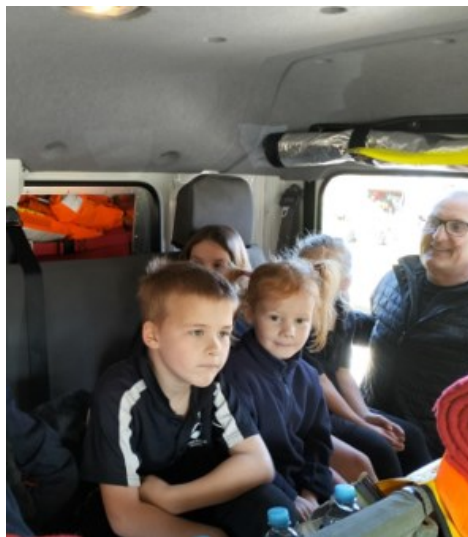
Week	Date	Activity focus.
7	1/9/26	Having fun together in our world. Visit Strathalbyn Kindergym For fun activities.
8	8/9/26	Learning together in our world Make a mural for School Art week next week.
9	15/9/26	Friends together in our world. Visit creche for a play in their yard.
10	22/9/26	Travel around the world. Cars, trains, boat play.

MILANG CAMPUS

Eastern Fleurieu School

CFS VISIT

The Milang Campus were happy to have the CFS volunteers come and visit us with their truck. The students loved climbing in it and having a turn with the hose.





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- Rural & Remote Mental Health 1300 515 951

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Red Cross News September 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 2nd September at 12.30 at Bec's Kitchen.

Thank you to Lee West for holding his poetry reading and raising \$100 for Red Cross. What a wonderful evening it was.

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

Community Consultations

Bridge naming Lake Road, Lake Plains

Council is seeking community feedback on a proposal to name a bridge, which is located over the Bremer River on Lake Road at Lake Plains, as “Findlater Bridge”.

Council welcomes any historic context that relates to either the subject bridge or the relevance of the “Findlater” name to the local Milang area.

Submit your
feedback before
**5 pm, Friday
18 September
2026**

For more information and to provide your feedback, visit

**[mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/
lake-plains-bridge](https://mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/lake-plains-bridge)**



Draft Strathalbyn and Surrounds Town Plan 2025 – 2041



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The Haven Goolwa

Haven contact details

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✉ goolwahaven@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

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The Haven Goolwa



The Haven Goolwa is a free and confidential community service located at the Goolwa Library, providing information, referrals, support, and social connection opportunities for women across the Fleurieu region. From regular social gatherings and financial counselling to assistance accessing support services and volunteer opportunities, the Haven offers a welcoming space where women can connect, seek guidance, and access practical help when needed.

No appointment is required, with friendly support available weekdays from 10am to 2pm.



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Our services

- Information and referrals
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- Assistance to access Family and Domestic Violence No Interest Loans
- Federal Circuit and Family Court Support in Adelaide
- Assistance to access Ombudsman SA
- Volunteer Program

Where to find us

📍 **Goolwa Library**
11 Cadell Street
Goolwa SA 5214



Find us inside the library. Visit the front desk and ask to speak with someone from the Haven.

Our opening hours are:

🕒 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday.

Sparking Connection



Loneliness touches everyone at some point. Through Spark, we're working alongside our community to develop creative, local solutions that help people feel more connected. Spark is an exciting partnership between Alexandrina Council, Skylight Mental Health and Adelaide University, bringing people together to create community-led solutions to reduce loneliness.

The Spark project is now gaining momentum across Alexandrina. Community members shared their ideas and experiences through three design challenge workshops, an online survey, and one-on-one interviews. We sincerely thank everyone who contributed their time, insights, and enthusiasm.

Our next step is to review and refine these ideas and recruit volunteer "Sparkies" to help bring them to life. These volunteers will play a vital role in creating opportunities for connection and strengthening community ties. Every small act of connection has the power to spark meaningful change.

To follow the Spark journey and hear about upcoming opportunities, including our volunteer recruitment campaign, sign up for the Spark newsletter at: <https://sparkconnection.org.au/>



From Dry Creek to Milang

This is the story of the Paddle Steamer "Mosquito" built at Dry Creek in 1857 by Mr. William Masson and his two sons who lived at Dry Creek and intended to use it on the River Murray. The boat was 50 foot long with a 13 foot beam and weighed 25 ton and was constructed from a nearby red gum tree.

In early April 1857 Mr. Masson travelled through Adelaide with 10 pairs of bullocks hauling the boat, which was sitting on a large trolley, and proceeded via Glen Osmond, Macclesfield and Strathalbyn to Milang where it was launched on the 21st April 1857 and christened by Mrs. Brook with much cheering. Mr. Masson was a cautious man and had ten bullocks in reserve in case they were needed on the long journey.

The engine and boiler were subsequently fitted in Milang and in August, 1857 Mr. Masson departed Milang and took the "Mosquito" up the River Murray to open up the shipping trade on the Murrumbidgee River which he entered on the 1st September and became the first to navigate with steam power on this River.

The "Mosquito" ended her days on Lake Alexandrina and was converted to a sailing schooner before being wrecked at Mosquito Point during a gale on the north shore of the Lake on 11th August, 1871 with all hands being rescued by the "Paddle Steamer Telegraph".

Contributed by Dianne Potter
Milang & District Historical Society.



Milang Cottage Garden Club

monthly outing report

August 12th saw a nearly full bus leave Milang on a cool but dry morning heading for McLaren Vale.

We arrived at our favourite Mitre 10 store which has the most extensive garden section around here, many bargains were purchased, not that we needed them, but it is nice to spoil oneself occasionally.

Where to go next was the question, someone said what about Bunnings, yes good idea so off we went. But, Peter being Peter turned the opposite way to what the majority of us back seat drivers would have gone so we are heading for Willunga, we love Peter's mystery tours.

More discussion and we asked if we could stop at the Jungle in Willunga, so we did and I got a fuchsia and another pot plant. More discussion, some said could we stop at a bakery as they had not brought any lunch with them so after some excellent driving from Peter we found a bakery, with a car park right outside. Then change of plans again we decided we would go to Bunnings at Victor instead. So off we went stopping at a park on the foreshore for lunch which did not take long as the breeze was bitter and lazy going through one instead of around.

After a leisurely look around Bunnings and not just the garden section we boarded the bus again. During the course of the morning, two members asked if I had made a decision as to where we were going for Christmas lunch as they had been to the Goolwa Life Saving Club which they said was very nice with lovely views. As we needed somewhere to have our afternoon coffee, we decided to try it out. It seems to

be an excellent place even though it is upstairs, there is a lift No.1 tick, No.2 tick views as described, No.3 tick good coffee, No.4 tick they were friendly and helpful, so we collected their number for future use. All in all a very good day out with friendly likeminded people.

The next trip will be on the 9th September and we are going to Raywood in Deep Creek National Park one of our favourites, you will need your lunch and a drink plus cash as the cards do not always work. Please ring if you wish to go 85370453.

Anne Feast



Milang Oval Museum

Open Sunday 1pm-4pm

Entry Gold Coin Donation

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

This year marks the 70th anniversary of the record River Murray flood which peaked at Milang in August and September 1956.

The Bagley's family home next to the Bagley's Bridge on the banks of the River Angas by the Lake Road was one of the houses under threat from the flood. During this event much time was spent by friends and volunteers sandbagging and raising the levee banks around the house as the River Angas was continuously in flood because 1956 was a wet year locally as well.

For some time, the Lake Road between Milang and the River Bremer was under water. I recall my father John, regularly travelling down to Bill Bagley's to check to see how they were getting on. This was in our 1942 Ford Tray top truck as the level of the water over the road was continuously rising making it impassable for a motor car. The situation worsened leading up to Sunday 9th September when a southerly storm blew up for 2 days pushing the Lake water back up the Angas River. The only way to get extra men and jute bags to the site was with our Massey-Harris 744 Diesel tractor towing Ted Burgess' 4 wheeled tray top trailer.

I remember John saying at the deepest place on the road, the water level was well over the front wheels and up to the driver's platform of the tractor and the tray of the trailer.

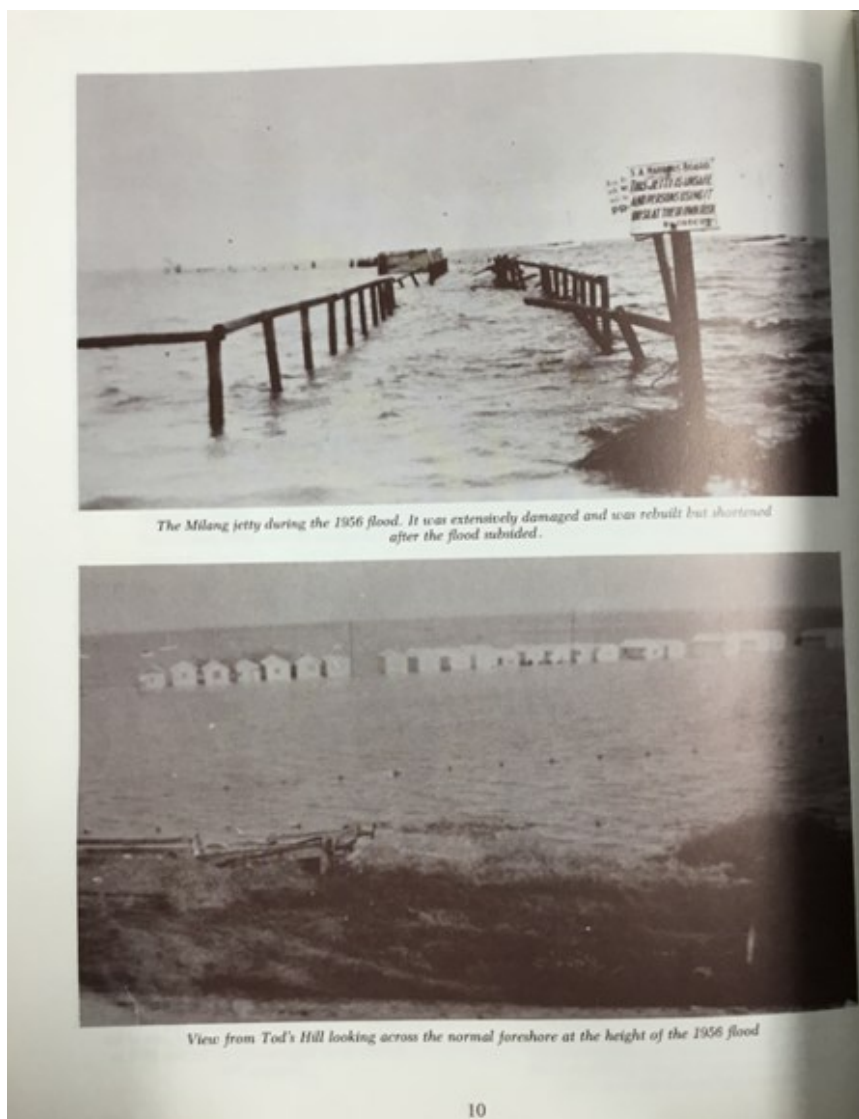
The local Fire Service operated the Rex 10.M. pump continuously for several days resulting in keeping the water from entering the house.

At the same time, because the water had risen above the Milang jetty, most of which was 100 years old and in poor condition, was severely damaged with many pieces of timber washed ashore east of Milang.

The men's bathing house and one shack were completely destroyed and some others damaged, as all had water through them as the Lake level was now at the base of Todd's Hill.

See photos from page 10 of our local history book, "Alexandrina's Shore",
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The Milang jetty during the 1956 flood. It was extensively damaged and was rebuilt but shortened after the flood subsided.

View from Todd's Hill looking across the normal foreshore at the height of the 1956 flood



Sam Hissey Ellie Boss

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Milang Lakeside Butter Factory Report

August 2026

Live music continues to be one of the mainstays of the Butter Factory with a wonderful concert by the Renegades on 9th August and a full house overflowing in all directions. On the 14th Norm filled in as compere for the Open Mic night which was successful with young new talent coming forward to entertain the crowd. Thanks to all of the audience who come to support our local musicians and entertainers. On the next Sunday Live session we welcomed 6 piece band Sevenfold with a diverse range of music and lovely harmonies.

Bidge Boyd & Nicole Matthews will be entertaining with a ticketed, seated country music performance on Sunday 30th of August. The usual sausage sizzle and desert will be available and the Kanoetree Wines cellar door will be open for business.

A special Father's Day event will be on 6th with Sam Hissey and Ellie Boss performing. The kitchen will be open and serving a Sunday Roast Beef with all the trimmings and Sticky Date Pudding for Dessert. The usual menu will also be available. Bookings essential Call Asha 0480512457.

On the work front, illness and holidays have slowed things down somewhat and the crew are helping out when they are able with the renovations to the Youth Hub. We are always looking for volunteers so don't be shy, pop in on the weekend and say g'day and someone will fill you in on how you could help.

With the rains we have had over the past week, the problems we have been having with puddles at the gateway and in the car park, have been resolved with the gravel top dressing.

Look forward to seeing you all soon

Cheers JB



Full crowd for the Renegades



Sevenfold on stage

What's on the horizon?



The populations of this region have faced many, many challenges in the past five years! As we recover from some and brace for the next, can we ever predict and prepare for what new challenges the community may face?

New research from the Coorong Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Research Centre (CLLMMRC) considers what and how we can learn from experience and prepare for future challenges, some we may be able to identify and plan for, while others may appear to come out of left field.

Horizon scanning of future challenges and opportunities for the CLLMM region uses a research approach that focusses on identifying future concerns by directly consulting with relevant community individuals and organisations. This can help identify and access threats and opportunities before they eventuate, highlight critical needs, and plan future research.

Dr Nick Whiterod, CLLMM's Science Program Manager, says horizon scanning is a well-established tool to gather information from a diversity of stakeholders, and assess who, how and where impacts will be felt.

"This first horizon scan in the CLLMM region with a diverse range of people interested in the future of

the region, providing a way for them to describe their experiences and share their concerns," he says,

"Our researchers ran a broad community survey of individuals and held workshops with stakeholders from viewpoints including tourism, agriculture, fishing, and First Nations. Their responses provide unique insight into how the region is recovering from recent events, how we can identify future threats, and inform timely planning to determine and apply appropriate actions.

Relevant issues - including the possibility of another algae bloom and emergence of bird flu – emerged in a region where water security and management is key to protecting our ecosystems, biodiversity, and fauna, and where the impacts of recent events on local residents is testing resilience.

The algal bloom of 2025 is a significant example of a sudden and harmful event in our region while the recent confirmation of H5N1 bird flu in the Fleurieu, in Australia, so long the sole continent without it, is being met with a level of preparedness at State and Federal government level.

Such events demonstrate how a horizon scanning from various information sources could assist in early detection of issues ie the development of the harmful algae bloom was first reported by local surfers. Similarly monitoring the rich bird life, particularly the physical condition of migratory species, can assist management agencies in current risk assessments.

"The outcomes of this horizon scan will provide strong forward-thinking direction on near-future priorities that are directly connected to the needs and priorities of this region's communities," says Nick.

For information about Avian Influenza

<https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/animals-and-plants/avian-influenza-h5-bird-flu>



Images courtesy of Jane French

ABOUT US: Based in Goolwa, the Coorong Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth Research Centre (CLMM RC) works collaboratively with First Nations, and community organisations on projects which investigate the significant challenges posed by climate change throughout the region.



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MILK AND CREAM SUPPLIERS TO MILANG BUTTER FACTORY

by Alvyn Hopgood

Frank Ball

Frank Ball was a supplier of cream to the Milang Butter Factory from his 15 to 20 milking cows. Frank Ball's property was approximately 800 acres and situated near the Nurragi railway siding. It was a mixed farm, with sheep, pigs and dairy cattle. His property was plagued by poor underground water, but stock eventually became accustomed to its brackish nature.

Frank's property had many *crab holes*, which were depressions in the ground about 25 yards across and two feet deep, often found in Bay of Biscay soil. In wet years, these became linked together with storm water, and the soil was quite tricky to cultivate, but when dried out, good grasses grew for his stock later in the year.

On one occasion, Peter Ball, Frank's son, was taking his 30 hundredweight motor truck to Adelaide with bales of wool, when a noise inside the cabin alerted him to a swarm of bees located between the inside lining of the cabin and the metal roof of the truck. Stopping the truck, and with a large amount of luck, he plugged the hole where the bees were coming out and drove on to the Port Adelaide wool store.

I can remember one wet year, when about 50 to 60 acres of Frank Ball's property was under water, making a large lake. I was fortunate to shoot a few wild ducks after feeding them with barley for a while. This area of water was only about 500 yards from my grandparents' home and was quite convenient for this sport. The water remained there well into the new year.

Frank Ball was a good lawn bowls player and contributed as a hard-working committee member for many years. His sister Ida was also a stalwart of the Milang Bowling Club.



Frank Ball



Ida and Frank, brother and sister



Frank and Peter Ball, stacking hay at Nurragi



MILANG CFS NEWS

by Alistair McInnes

Recently, Milang CFS volunteers successfully worked with Alexandrina Council to conduct a large controlled pile burn on crown land near the intersection of Marroo and Lyon Streets.

The sizeable pile was many years old, but with the assistance from the council and an excavator, it was separated and sorted so the burn could be done in a controlled manner. After much planning and consideration regarding the weather, Milang Brigade actioned the burn on the 22nd of August. We thank Langhorne Creek and Clayton CFS members who also volunteered their time to assist.

Milang Brigade did a school visit on the 11th of August where the playgroup and primary school students had a good look over the truck and all of its equipment. We also talked about the importance of calling Triple Zero (000) in an emergency, including what information to provide when making the call. Thank you, to Penny Whittaker from the playgroup who organised this.

Along with other brigades, we attended a large house fire at Angas Plains which unfortunately destroyed the house. And Milang CFS also attended a serious car rollover on the Milang-Finniss Road on Monday 10th of August.

With winter over and a hot, dry summer forecast, Milang CFS are gearing up for the bushfire season. New members are always welcome and can make contact via our Facebook page.



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Historic Graves of Milang Cemetery

The Cremer Family

by Alvyn Hopgood

I knew three of the Cramers at Milang: Dick, Elva and Nell. Elva married Charlie Honor, and Nell married a man from Narrung whose surname was Ayres. Dick Cremer was a fisherman, following in the trade of his father Dan Cremer. Their fishing boat was named *Rose*. Dick Cremer's grandfather, Ern Cremer, was appointed First Signalmen at the Murry Mouth from 1858 to 1864 on a salary of £150 per annum.

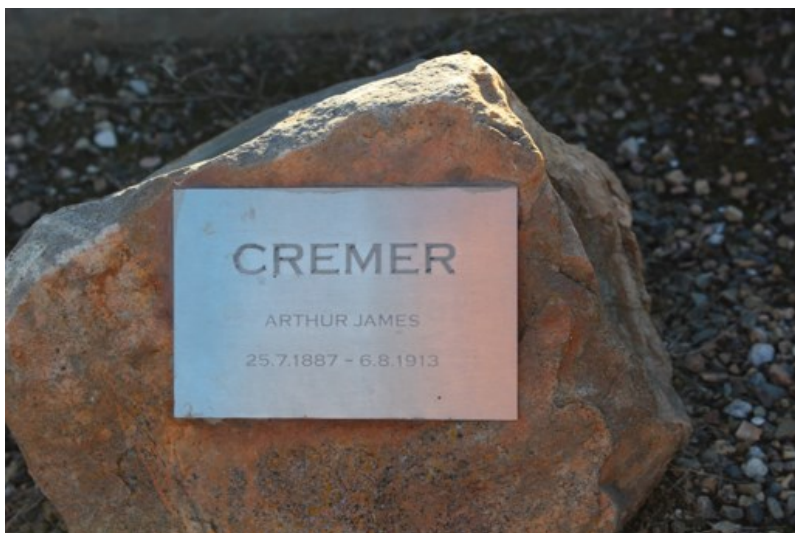


Dan Cremer, son of Ern Cremer was born in Goolwa in 1866 and served under Captain George Ritchie and others, and later came to Milang and took charge of the paddlesteamer *Jupiter* in 1903. He served as master of that vessel until 1930. On one occasion, in 1925, Captain Dan Cremer set out from Narrung in a gale force wind with cans of cream for the Milang Butter Factory. Zac Bowden was first mate and was sent down to secure the cream cans while Dan Cremer took over the wheel. Eventually it was decided to turn back to Narrung, as cream cans and firewood were swept into the lake, and engineer Fardy Kruse was running for cover. Next morning, they set sail for Milang again, arriving at 8am, none the worse for wear.

Dan Cremer's wife was Margaret (nee Jury) and they had two children: Margaret who passed away in 1918, aged six days, and Driscoll 'Dick' who died in 1971, aged 66. Dick's wife Antonia was 93 when she died in 1999.

In 1905, Alf Cremer and Arthur Cremer were playing football for the Milang Club. In 1894, when the shearers' strike was on, police protection was given to the steamer *Jupiter*.

After his fishing job was finished, around 1950, Dick Cremer was employed by ETSA at Strathalbyn. I often went with Dick Cremer to catch rabbits around the district and he showed me a new type of plate for the rabbit traps. I was called the 'Goldfinch Patent'. The plate of the trap was hinged to allow it to be more reliable in sandy conditions. It was very successful, and Dick used to take traps over to Meningie where 'Goldfinch' fitted these hinges.



Dick Cremer's sister Elva was a very good piano player and was always in demand for functions at the Milang Institute. Nell, Dick's other sister, I didn't see much, as she lived at Narrung. However, she came to Milang later with her son Dick Ayres, where his two cousins, Elva's boys Bill and Bob Honer, lived.

Members of the Cremer family who are interred in the Milang Cemetery are: Dan, Margaret, Margaret Jnr, Driscoll and his wife Antonia, and Arthur James.

Dates to keep in mind for Sticky Beaks adventures Projected activities for 2026

Month	Date	Event	Location	Note
Aug	17th	RM Williams Tour	Salisbury	Tours on Mondays only \$60 Bus \$15
Sep	15th	Aussie Apricots	Myponga 10am	\$35 includes tour/ tea/coffee & bbq Bus \$15
Oct	20th	Island Tour	Port Adelaide	One & All Sailing Ship \$5 Bus \$15
Nov	17th	Golf	Strathalbyn	9 holes/ 18 holes TBA Bus \$15
Dec	15th Christmas	South Lakes Putt Putt	Goolwa	Putt Putt (x1 round) \$19 Bus \$15

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Sticky Beaks

August 2026



The Sticky Beaks August trip was to the World-Famous RM Williams shoe and clothing factory. Six sticky beaks headed to the north of Adelaide stopping on the way at Ridge Park at Myrtle Bank for a cuppa, cake and stretch of legs. As our tour wasn't until 1pm, we drove through Salisbury, Elizabeth and Edinburgh Parks Industrial Areas noticing the changes since the demise of Holden back in 2017. Good to see that there is plenty happening out there, just the type of manufacturing has changed a bit.

We stopped for an enjoyable early lunch at Roulette's Tavern at Parafield and marvelled at Bill devouring their Mega Burger! (wish we had a photo, it was quite impressive)

The RM Williams tour was an eye opener for all. We were wired up with headphones so we could hear our tour guide and donned hi-vis vests. We started from the raw materials used such as Cow, Kangaroo, Ostrich and Crocodile leather, through to the building up of the upper, linings, sole and finally to the finished product.

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We all noticed the limited floorspace and sometimes cramped areas but couldn't help noticing how happy and cheerful everybody was, working hard, proud and enjoying what they were doing. Which is not usually something you notice in a process work environment. Unfortunately, we couldn't take photos inside the factory and had to settle for a group photo instead.

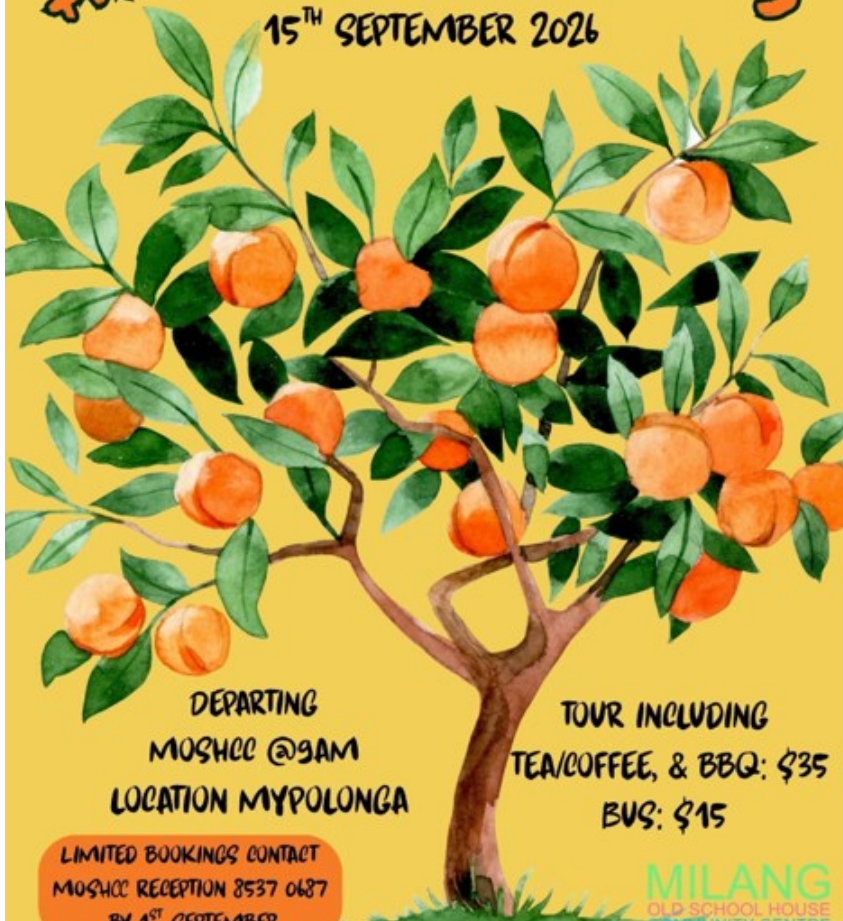
Plenty of discussion was had for the trip home, stopping by at Maccas for the obligatory soft serve.

A great day was had by all!

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All aboard

Movements on the Milang branch line were controlled from Adelaide by means of telephoned Train Orders. The three orders below show the movements of Barwell Bull railcar No. 55 on 30th July 1968.

The Train Order No. 4 was phoned to the Strathalbyn station master at 11:25am. It instructs the railcar guard to proceed to Sandergrove junction as train No. 387 and to move off the main line onto the passing siding. Then to wait there for further orders.

South Australian Railways
TRAIN ORDER
No. 377
TRAIN ORDER No. 4 311229
Motorman Car No. 55
To Guard and Engineer Train No. 387 at Strathalbyn Station.
Engine No. 1
*Proceed to Sandergrove.
Take Passing Siding*
Received at Strathalbyn Station 11.25 A.M.
Repealed from Strathalbyn Station at 11.29 A.M.
By Station Master [Signature]
By Guard [Signature]
By Engineer [Signature]
Controller [Signature]
This form must be handed to Relief Engineer and Guard when changing over, and subsequently attached to Engineer's Daily Report and Guard's Train Journal on completion of trip.
24/10/68-4.57 1/68

South Australian Railways
TRAIN ORDER
No. 377
TRAIN ORDER No. 5 311423
Motorman Car No. 55
To Guard and Engineer Train No. 387 at Sandergrove Station.
Engine No. 1
*Proceed to Milang
take main line
and return at 648
to Sandergrove
take passing siding*
Received at Sandergrove Station 11.58 A.M.
Repealed from Sandergrove Station at 11.59 A.M.
By Station Master [Signature]
By Guard [Signature]
By Engineer [Signature]
Controller [Signature]
This form must be handed to Relief Engineer and Guard when changing over, and subsequently attached to Engineer's Daily Report and Guard's Train Journal on completion of trip.
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South Australian Railways
TRAIN ORDER
No. 377
TRAIN ORDER No. 12 311426
Motorman Car No. 55
To Guard and Engineer Train No. 648 at Sandergrove Station.
Engine No. 1
Proceed to Strathalbyn
Received at Sandergrove Station 2.30 P.M.
Repealed from Sandergrove Station at 2.31 P.M.
By Station Master [Signature]
By Guard [Signature]
By Engineer [Signature]
Controller [Signature]
This form must be handed to Relief Engineer and Guard when changing over, and subsequently attached to Engineer's Daily Report and Guard's Train Journal on completion of trip.
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Train order No. 5 was received by the guard on the Sandergrove phone at 11:58am. It instructs him to proceed to Milang and, at the scheduled time, to return to Sandergrove as train No. 648. On arrival he is to stop in the passing siding and not proceed onto the main line.

Train order No. 12 was phoned to Sandergrove at 2:30pm and tells the guard that the railcar is to proceed back to Strathalbyn on the main line.



The orders were issued by a controller in Adelaide. He sat at a desk with a large chart which showed all the train movements in the Fleurieu Peninsular for that day.

Because most of the track was single, his job was to control where trains passed at stations. The photo is of the train controller at Peterborough.

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Local recycle and waste depot the **Milang Environmental Centre** (MEC) is bravely facing some testing problems and challenges. MEC has for the past twenty years lacked enough volunteers. Despite on-going incentive programs such as **Lyla's** fresh-baked cakes, regular BBQ's and an efficient, fun-filled workplace, more volunteers are needed. High on current MEC priorities of issues to be resolved is finding a new way to convert the growing green waste pile into saleable nutrient-rich mulch. The company which did this service has stopped. New MEC boss-dinosaur **Rod Saligari** told MCN: *“MEC wants to keep accepting green waste, converting it to quality mulch then selling it, but at the moment the future of this activity is uncertain”*. A second serious issue for MEC is preparing for an anticipated 40% - 50% increase in drink containers to be processed, stored and transported. MEC has made significant improvements to how it processes recyclables but currently needs at least twenty strong timber potato crates to store items particularly glass bottles prior to transportation.



The green waste pile at MEC gets bigger each week. MEC must urgently find a way to convert the green waste to mulch.



Empty crates to store glass bottles – MEC urgently needs an extra 20 crates.

MEC has been busy repairing and improving old crates, so they better suit the changed processing methods. Volunteers **Dave Barry** and **Charlie Boulton** have been doing the repair and upgrade work including putting plastic or rubber linings inside the old crates to prevent crushed recyclables from falling through gaps. Full crates 500 plastic bottles or 1000 aluminium cans are now loaded by forklift into large cages for bulk transportation. Full crates of glass bottles are loaded by forklift into a large tip truck. **Rod Saligari** said; *"It is essential that the crates are strong, robust and purpose-made for the type of loading MEC now does. Dave and Charlie are doing a great job"*



Volunteer Charlie Boulton installing a rubber floor to a crate for glass storage.

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‘NEW PLAYERS WANTED’

Winter sees the Milang Bowling Club lawn playing rink being ‘rested’. This off-season the club installed a system to try and stop galahs from digging holes in the surface of the green. Despite their best-efforts, greenkeeper **Greg Bowen “Bowie”** has some work to do to repair holes dug by the rascally birds. September will see bowlers return to the club for pre-season practice and trials in preparation for the competition season commencing in October. The club is hopeful it may pick up some new players after a successful last season which saw three club teams play in grand finals.



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Milang Bowling Club legend and President **Brian Patterson** told MCN; *“Last season the Club had only 28 playing members yet we reached three grand finals in the regional pennant competition. We would welcome any new bowler both those new to bowls who want to learn and experienced players. Both would help us consolidate last seasons’ success.”*

Milang Bowling Club has social fun “Night Owl” bowling sessions on Tuesdays starting at 5.30 pm. New bowlers can develop their game through fun games, and benefit from free mentoring and coaching. Pennant competition bowling takes place on Thursday mornings and Saturday afternoons Oct - March. Experienced bowlers have practice sessions on Tuesday starting 5.30 pm. The club hosts special bowling events regularly that attract bowlers from across the region. Excellent Club facilities including low-priced bar are enjoyed by members and guests. Twice a month the club hosts very popular inexpensive Friday dinner nights.



Bowlers from all over the region enjoying a day of social bowling and delicious lunch catered by Milang Bowling Club.

Emma from Skylight Mental Health!

Franki and I wanted to say a huge thank you to all who supported our eight Loneliness Awareness Week initiatives across the Fleurieu on August 3, 4, 6 and 9. The week was a wonderful success and true testament to what can be achieved when communities pull together and some beautiful conversations and stories were shared.

First, thank you to the beautiful Jaz at The Brew Box who provided delicious coffees on the road and to all to our amazing volunteers and hosts, we could not have done it without you:

- Mark Irwin at Rotary Victor Harbor
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- Maria and Tracey at Currency Creek Community Hall/CFS
- Laura Baker of the Mount Compass Working Women
- Samara Wyatt and Tina and Jorja Dewhurst from Belvidere Memorial Hall
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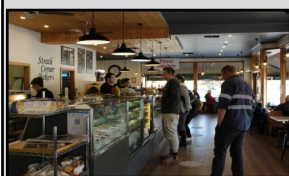
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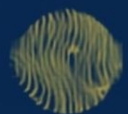
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