



Why not Volunteer?

# Topping the Torrens

Our thoughts are with those throughout the state who have been affected by the catastrophic weather conditions we have experienced over the last few days. Although it seems that those of us who live in the hills are usually well prepared for emergencies, it might be a good time to re-assess your action plans for extreme weather events – and start thinking about making sure your



homes and properties are fire (and water) safe, and your families and loved ones know your Bushfire (Flood) Action Plans.

The CFS website has a checklist.

## Council Plan



Please go to The Barossa Council website to check out the documentation on the (left) Draft Infrastructure Asset Management Plan. Our feedback is vitally important. close on the 9<sup>th</sup> November.

**Draft Infrastructure Asset Management Plans**

Draft Infrastructure Asset Management Plans (IAMPS) have been prepared for the following categories: - Recreation Assets, Buildings and Structures, Stormwater Assets and Bridges. Copies of the draft Plans are available from Council's website [www.barossa.sa.gov.au](http://www.barossa.sa.gov.au)

Council welcomes feedback from the community relative to these documents. Submissions can be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer PO Box 867 NURIOTPA SA 5355 or email – [barossa@barossa.sa.gov.au](mailto:barossa@barossa.sa.gov.au) and will be received up until **5.00pm Wednesday 9 November 2016**.

Any further enquires can be directed to Brendon Lyons – Manager – Assets and Infrastructure on 8563 8472 or [blyons@barossa.sa.gov.au](mailto:blyons@barossa.sa.gov.au)

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The Barossa Council



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## Citizen of the Year 2016

Do you know someone who deserves recognition for his or her volunteer commitment to the Mount Pleasant Community?

Our Committee aims to recognise outstanding contributions from individuals and organisations from within the Mount Pleasant district community.

Forms at the Post Office & Library.



Want to be part of something special? Do you have an interest in the Mount Pleasant Farmers Market and have a background in any of the following fields community development, tourism, legal or financial? If so, would you like to be part of the Mount Pleasant Farmers Market Board? We would love to hear from you !!!! Please call 0418 301 121 or email us [managempfm@bigpond.com](mailto:managempfm@bigpond.com). You could be part of this awesome, not for profit, community organisation. Monthly meetings held on the 3rd Monday of the month in Mt Pleasant.

## Spring Garden Festival

A fantastic day – and hopefully the first of many!

# SALA

Well our first foray into the SALA experience has been a great success, with a number of our exhibiting artists selling works to our community and many visitors stopping in our town. The success of the exhibition has ensured that we will again participate as a community next year, and on the premise that you can't start your planning too soon, we are now looking to expand our group of local artists who will exhibit, and are looking for a number of you to help us form a Mount Pleasant SALA sub-committee.

The exhibition was run this year by a small group from the Mt. Pleasant Farmers Market, but it is the intention next year that the Mount Pleasant Progress Association Inc. [Mt. Pleasant Inc.] will be the organization leading the sub-committee and representing our community to ensure an even more successful outcome.

If there are any artists out there who are keen to be a part of our 2017 SALA experience, please contact the MP Inc. Secretary - [chebart@bigpond.com](mailto:chebart@bigpond.com) or come and see Gen at the admin desk on Market day.





# Men's Cheffing

## or How to Wrangle a Burger without really

Following the revelation that Pineapple would be on the plate for September's Community Dinner Gourmet Hamburger menu, one of our regular Sunday Night Dinner Devotees asked the question, 'What about Beetroot?' Again I was able to reassure our 'MPMS Gourmandisers' that yes, beetroot would be available for those 'Discerning Diners' that flock to the Sunday Night Community Dinner.

And there was a further plus there in that the chefs preparing the Super Sunday Special were our very own. Those rejects from My Kitchen Rules who have downed tools on our building site and stepped up to the hot plate, Roger, Murray and Bill, assured me that, 'You ain't tasted a burger until you taste the Super Sunday Special!' And they weren't wrong.

The Men's Shed Community Dinner surpassed all – in my (not so) humble opinion.



Sid was back spinning the wheel, and Roger modelled the new Men's Shed shirt.

The Men's Shed is progressing well – despite the inclement weather. The frame is up and as soon as the weather improves, we should start to see a lot more happening.



John Macgowan:  
Men's Shed-der



# Re-purposing the FLOUR MILL



Chris at the Community Dinner  
& two views of the ruined Flour Mill



Chris Payne was the guest speaker at the September Community Dinner. He started by telling us all about his journey – firstly with buying and restoring his house, then the flour mill. He said it has been a huge labour of love – something he wanted to do to give back to the community. Some of the issues he has had to deal with – apart from those normally associated with restoring a burnt out, derelict building – has been with council where the building inspector wanted to impose modern building design and specifications on something that was built in the late 1800's – to Chris' mind this would have perverted the history of the building. He wanted to see the building restored as a reflection on how people thought when it was built.

He anticipates that it will be officially opened during November, and although there are a couple of tenants lined up, he is still looking for more. He'd like a mix of tenants and envisions perhaps some artisans would find it a good fit.

If you are interested, please contact Chris on 85682235.

## + Did you know?

The Flour mill was built in 1862. In the mid 1860's a second pair of millstones was installed. By 1866 a blood & bone crushing mill, a bark mill, a lime room, creamery & butter & cheese factory had been added. In 1900 the mill was modernised and was producing 3,500 bags per annum. It was operational until it was burnt out in 1923, with the tall chimney being demolished in 1951, as it had become unsafe.

# Uncovering Mt Pleasant's past: Coaches & Courage

*The Register (Adelaide, SA : 1901 - 1929) Friday 11 August 1916 p 9 Article*

## A TIMELY HALT.

CHAIN OF PONDS, August 9.-The few passengers and driver who happened to be journeying on the mail coach between Adelaide and Mount Pleasant had a fortunate escape here this morning. The driver found that the brake was not working properly, and alighted to make an examination. It was discovered that the king bolt of the undercarriage had broken in halves and had allowed it to slip forward. The breakage was found at a most opportune time, for had the coach gone far on Red Hill serious results would have probably followed. After a delay of two hours, during which period the local blacksmith made a new bolt, the coach was able to proceed on its journey.



*The Advertiser (Adelaide, SA : 1889 - 1931) Thursday 24 August 1916 p 8 Article*

MOUNT PLEASANT, August - A large number of residents met to bid God-speed to Signaller Leslie Harding last evening. Mr. F. Dewell occupied the chair. Speeches were delivered by Messrs. C. A. Bax, A. C. Follett, and J. Tamblvn and the Rev. F. W. Wilkinson. Items were contributed by Misses M. Tamblvn, G. Speed, M. Adamson, and J. Bax and Mr. Perry, and a comedietta, "A Lamé Dog," by Misses D. Northridge, E. Kemp, F. Langford, and J. Talbot. Gifts were presented to the guest, including new Testament from the teachers and scholars of the Presbyterian Sunday School, a prayer-book by the Rev. F. W. Wilkinson,, and a pipe and tobacco from the young people's intelligence committee. Supper and a dance followed.



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Mount Pleasant District History

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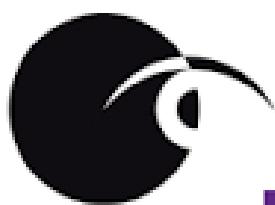
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### Why volunteer?

- Connecting you with others
- Make new friends and contacts
- Enhance your social and relationship skills
- Team building and bonding
- Good for mind and body

If you think you could help promote  
Mount Pleasant & District and can  
spare an hour or two, please contact:  
Sue on 85682985, 0403012339, or  
email Paula [info@mountpleasant.sa.au](mailto:info@mountpleasant.sa.au)



**rsb**

The Royal Society for the Blind



**RURAL INDUSTRIES**  
Research & Development Corporation

The Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC) Rural Women's Award identifies and supports emerging women leaders who have the desire, commitment and leadership potential to make a greater contribution to primary industries and rural communities.

**Applications close on Monday 31 October for the 2017 RIRDC Rural Women's Award.**

The award provides women the opportunity to realise their visions for primary industries through a project of their choice and to meet a network of equally passionate and innovative peers. The Award is open to all women involved in primary industries and/or rural Australia.

Each state/territory winner is awarded a \$10,000 financial bursary through RIRDC to implement a project or initiative that will benefit primary industries and rural Australia. They also have the opportunity to participate in leadership development opportunities.

South Australia's state winner will represent SA against the other state and territory winners in the national award later in 2017.

Further information and application details are available at [www.rirdc.gov.au/rural-women's-award](http://www.rirdc.gov.au/rural-women's-award), or via the contact details below.

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Helping people who are blind or vision impaired has always been the mission of the Royal Society for the Blind (RSB), but what about those who have seen 'too much'?

Operation K9 Assistance Dog Program is for veterans living with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

Operation K9, a joint program provided by the RSB and the Returned & Services League (RSL-SA), is part of the RSB's Assistance Dog program.

The RSB Assistance Dogs involved in Operation K9 may accompany their owners everywhere, including public transport, shopping centres, cinemas and restaurants, and are trained to carry out a range of tasks aimed at reducing anxiety, as well as being a 'friend' and companion to those living with PTSD.

"To see the special relationship between veterans in need and their RSB Assistance Dog is a beautiful thing."

The Mount Pleasant RSL will be hosting members of the Royal Society for the Blind (RSB) who will be explaining how they train dogs for operation K9 and the special tasks they need to carry out for those with PTSD. Anyone interested in seeing this special relationship between dog and veteran are welcome. Come along and hear how assistance dogs are making a huge difference to our returning veterans and their families.

A puppy educator will be in attendance to talk to us about what's involved.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00 pm, at the RSL Sub Branch, 156 Melrose Street, Mount Pleasant.

As we have limited space, contact Wally or Marie Birch on 0434 627 190 to secure a place. Everyone is welcome, not just RSL members. So please come along for an enjoyable evening. Tea and coffee will be provided free of charge by the RSL.



**World Space Week 4 - 10 October**  
**Space themed activities & crafts**

Tues 4 Oct, 10am Angaston Library  
Wed 5 Oct, 10am Nuriootpa Library  
Wed 5 Oct, 2pm Tanunda CWA Hall  
Thurs 6 Oct, 10am Lyndoch Library  
Thurs 6 Oct, 2pm Mt Pleasant Library

**Cost \$2**  
**Ages: 5-10**  
**To book phone: 8563 8440**



# Out & About



# Grand Cru & the mad Hatters

In conjunction with the Open Garden promotion the Grand Cru Winery included a sculpture show and also invited TOTTs to participate in The Mad Hatters Tea Party. TOTT used the opportunity to promote the Fashion Show and our Christmas Capers production.

All entered into the spirit of the event with costumes and unscripted pop up performances of the trial of the Knave Of Hearts (David) who had been accused of stealing tarts. The Queen of hearts (Sue) was insistent with 'Off with his head' while the King of hearts (Pete) allowed witnesses to be called. Alice (Amelia), The Mad Hatter (Brad), the Cheshire Cat (Meg) and the Hares (Maddy & Elaine) were all unable to provide any evidence. The Cook (Carole) however was convinced with the crumbs from the tarts that were left on the tray. The Knave was given the benefit of the doubt and he quickly absconded with the Cook.

There were many requests for photos of the group from a lot of the patrons attending the weekend.

Big thanks to all that took part and to Roz Seppelt for her donation of wine, which we will use for raffle prizes.

**Dave Evans**



Once again Talunga Park and Mount Crawford Forest played host to the annual Scouts RallySA. This year there were 35 competitors – over half of who were from interstate – and large numbers of people travelling from all over the world to watch and enjoy the thrills and spills. The date for this rally is determined every year by the World Rally Championship. This year the competitors were set up at Talunga Park, whilst the “command centre” was based in the Westphalen Room at the SM Hall.

+ Well done to Jamie Fahner – Mt Pleasant winner of the Reading Olympics at the Library!

# Bits and bobs



TOTT has some great fun in store for the Christmas Season:  
 Christmas Capers, which includes two plays –  
 'The Plight Before Christmas' &  
 'Live at Pudding Creek'.  
 Mt Pleasant: 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Nov &  
 Gumeracha: 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Nov



14<sup>th</sup> October

## Red Cross Big



### Australian Red Cross

THE POWER OF HUMANITY

## Front of the Post Office



### Mud Café Bush Sand Pit

### Dirt Art Studio Story Nook

The grounds of the Bushgardens will be open to explore and families are encouraged to stay, explore and picnic.

**Tuesday 11 & Wed 12 October 10am -2pm**

**Cost: FREE      Ages: 3-12 years**

Enquiries & to collect a **Nature Play Passport** contact Barossa Library: 8563 8440 or Bushgardens: 8562 4775



### +Tidbits:

The Eden Valley community will be celebrating on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October.

Birdwood also has a Family Fair on the same day.

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fair 2016



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October events and meetings

Check the website for more:  
[www.mountpleasant.sa.au](http://www.mountpleasant.sa.au)



Community Dinner  
 Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
					1 8-12: MP Farmers Mkt	2
3 Talunga Pk Advisory group	4 CWA meetings <b>7.00: CFS Training</b>	5 9.30: Men's Shed MPNRC 7.30: Table Tennis @ BHS Gym	6 10-12: Writers Group - MP Library 1-4: MP History Room	7 9.30-11.30: Playgroup @ Mt Pleasant Kindy 10-2: MP Art	8 8-12: MP Farmers Mkt	9
10	11 10.00: Friends of the Hospital @ Day Care 6.30: MP Inc. <b>7.00: RSL Operation K9 7.00: CFS Training</b>	12 7.30: Table Tennis @ BHS Gym	13 1-4 : Mount Pleasant History Room	14 9.30-11.30: Playgroup @ Mt Pleasant Kindy Red Cross Big Cake Stall: MP Post Office	15 8-12: MP Farmers Mkt	16
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24	25 <b>7.00: CFS Training</b>	26 7.30: Table Tennis @ BHS Gym	27 1.30pm Red Cross mtg SM Hall	28	29 <b>Newsletter deadline</b>	30 <b>Community Dinner</b>
31 <b>Newsletter</b>						

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