

Street Parade and Party Sat., Dec 1st!

food, drink, entertainment, great family fun!

Let the Good Times Ro

The council elections are done and dusted, and I'd personally like to thank all who took the time to vote. It was quite the challenge this year, as there

were 22 contenders for the 11 positions for council. As you should know, Michael Seager who has represented Mount Pleasant for 31 years decided that it was time he stepped back and took some time for himself. It was a long and distinguished career, and he presided over many issues both contentious and gratifying. He has seen it all and we thank him for his amazing service to our community. In a future issue I want to sit down with Michael and get his take on those years.



Choosing who to vote for was quite a task, and it took me over half an hour to consider the options, as there were a lot of quality nominees with a diverse range of experiences and skills, and I wanted to make sure that I chose people I felt would best represent our council area, and Mount

Pleasant in particular.

Bim Lange threw his hat into the ring for Mayor and was successful over the incumbent, Bob Sloane. And yes, the old man got in at number 9. What was really pleasing was the amount of people in the district who must have voted. Clearly they see a need for local representation. Mike Williams was also running, and it was great to see two candidates from our town, and although he wasn't successful this time, we congratulate him for stepping up to serve his community.

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In the last newsletter of the year I usually

go over the events of this year, and because I'm pushed for time and have no better ideas, I'm doing it again - sorry it's a bit long!

January saw our Australia Day Breakfast attract a huge crowd, and we just had enough food. It was a great morning and it was really pleasing to see some young people as recipients. Remember that if you know someone, who you think should receive recognition for work within the community, please let Paula know. We may only be a small community as far as population goes, but as we have found, there are over forty groups, organisations and clubs represented here, and all of them rely on volunteers and unofficial 'helpers' in order to carry on. That said - we are always looking for more! The **Tour Down Under** riders turned the corner at the Showgrounds and sped on to Palmer - and this year they will be



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Santa's Mailbox is once again taking pride of place at the Post Office - have you posted your letter, yet?



Coming events

January:

- Australia Day Breakfast
- TDU

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turning left at Cricks Mill Road and going on to Williamstown, then back to Springton. I guess we're not exciting enough for them to stop! Michael and Margaret Seager will be coordinating some decorations, so if you'd like to help put us on the telly in a small way, please catch up with them, as I'm sure they could use the help.

During **February** the district experienced some extended internet outages, which was annoying for some, but particularly for those businesses which rely on it. The official line from Telstra was that there was a breakdown of equipment. The Red Cross Garden Party at Glen Devon was held in glorious weather, and once again Sophie Thomson held court and passed on her gardening wisdom. Val Broadbent, a stalwart of the South Australian Red Cross cut the 175th Anniversary of Settlement Cake - made by Mary Starkey. Paula gave a small presentation about Mount Pleasant's origins and explained that this was the beginning of a year of small celebrations for the 175th. At the Community Dinner Stephan Knoll (who became Minister for Transport, etc after the election), spoke about retaining Mount Pleasant in the Schubert electorate, so that he will still represent us in state parliament. Craig Grocke from the Regional Development Association and Jo Thomas from The Barossa Council spoke about the masterplans and The Big Project - and we were asked to take the opportunity to comment on the Talunga Parks masterplan. What a difference a few months makes! But of course the biggest event was the opening (finally) of the Men's Shed. A great event, with the official opening being performed by patrons Hugh & Fiona MacLachlan, with most of the invitees making the effort to attend and help us celebrate. The huge crowd spilled out into the surrounding verandahs and we partied until all the food and most of the wine had gone. February was also the month we started canvassing opinions on reviving the Community Association.

In **March** our wonderful **show** was again held and the crew that start planning the day after the show ends must have felt mighty proud of the way things went. Don't forget, even though the organisational side of the show is well underway, the Show Committee welcome volunteers with open arms - check out their Facebook page. The elections were held and the liberals held Schubert. Stephan's brothers camped at the hall and handed out 'how to vote' information and generally entertained us. (You cannot possibly miss who they'd be supporting - the Knoll genes are strong in that family!) That was also when we learned that most of us had been pronouncing his name wrongly all these years! Instead of anglicising it and having a silent 'k', it's actually pronounced 'K-noll'. There you go. Another successful Twilight Market was held, and John Mac had fun with 'Cromer Analytica' and the Men's Shed.

In **April** the cricket pitch was removed from the oval as it was proving dangerous for all users, marking the end of an era. The **Red Cross** group received a national Distinguished Team Award, and we had another **internet outage** – apparently a different part broke. **The Barossa Council** was talking up big projects, although once again it seemed we were largely overlooked. The **Market** again hosted another successful **Tasting Australia** event – and it's a

warning to those who want to go next year to get in early for tickets as they always sell out! (That would be me.) Chris & Steve Birrell opened the grounds of the old Police Station to celebrate not only 175 years of settlement, but also the **150**th **birthday** of their beautiful home. We had some vintage Police Vehicles as well as members of the Police Historical association and many retired police officers - a few of whom had also called Mount Pleasant 'home'. The Men's Shed started talking about celebrating the centenary of rail in Mount Pleasant, and the Community Dinners celebrated three years. The first meeting of the **2018 Street Party** group was held under the auspices of the **Community Association**, which was now holding regular meetings. (As an explanation - the Mount Pleasant Community Association Inc. is the umbrella organisation for small events and groups, such as the Australia Day Breakfast and the Street Party. It also oversees the Mount Pleasant District Historical Research Group. Whereas the Mount Pleasant Progress Association Inc, deals with The Barossa Council and oversees the two council assets - namely the Soldiers' Memorial Hall and Talunga Park.) The Anzac Dawn Service formed part of the 100th anniversary of World War 1, and again drew a large and impressive crowd, which was beautifully captured in Glynn Jackson's evocative photos (find him on Facebook)

Ruth Shanks (Australian President of the Associated Country Women of the World) was the special guest of the CWA during May, and the Top of the Torrens Theatre **Group** held their 42nd production appropriately named '42'. The MP Progress Association presented their plan for a generational tree planting project and people were encouraged to purchase trees to plant. As May is **History Month**, Paula had organised another great Cemeteries tour, which included lunch at Mannum, and we opened the Hall and the archives to interested parties who wished to research family history. Paula and I also attended our second workshop for the year and learned that we were a long way off being able to do what we'd like, to properly display the historical information Paula has been gathering and collating (largely unassisted) since the History Room opened. But we can now take great photos!

In June we celebrated Violet Day with The Chicago Showband and all of us joined in the ABBA tribute – twice! Kath Fisher was also presented with the Premier's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service, recognising her years of tireless work for the Street Party – and she's still doing it! The Market Time Capsule was launched – not without incident – and in 25 years, it will be opened and will hopefully provide a snapshot of life in Mount Pleasant in 2018. John Mac wrote about mental health for the Men's Shed and the Men's Shed walkers started up. The Springton Progress Association hosted the Girls' Day In at their hall, and hopefully it's not the last one.

In **July Rebekha Sharkie** was re-elected to Mayo with an increased majority, but it will be the last time she represents us due to the redistribution of electoral boundaries, at the next federal election we will be in the seat of Barker represented by MP Tony Pasin from Mt

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Gambier. Paula and I had some time off after we attended a writer's workshop in Naracoorte, gathering more information and ideas for presenting our history. Now all we need is a bucket load of money and a lot more space!

August brought on SALA - in Mount Pleasant AND Springton, and this year we joined with other small towns in a SALA trail. We also saw some movement as regards the 2006 Main Street masterplan, when we finally got some paving and drainage issues addressed. Sadly, that included ripping up some that had been done 2 years previously, and it also highlighted the lamppost sitting in the middle of the path, as opposed to all the others placed closer to the edge. The Men's Shed hosted a farewell for John and Charmaine Macgowan, who have moved to Western Australia to be closer to family. A loss for the Men's Shed and community, and a big loss for our newsletter, as his articles were enjoyed by one and all. We also had another Fleece & Fibre Fair, and the wonderful Bill and Barb Tapscott kicked up their heels in the last Weekend of **Dance** –as they have decided to stick to small events.

September was a big month with something on every weekend - starting with our (now) annual Quiz Night, put on by the Community Association. The CFS Comedy Night came next, then our celebration of the Centenary of Rail in Mt Pleasant, unveiling the latest of Bowdy's corrugated creations - soon to be seen in the Street Parade. The **Spring Garden Fair** rounded up another frantic month.

The History Walk postponed from the Time Capsule launch finally took place in October, and the Springton **Spring Fair** was held in glorious spring weather.

Remembrance Day was commemorated twice and council elections took place in November, with a good result for Mt Pleasant.

Throughout the year, various people have contributed articles for the newsletter, which has made my life easier! I'd especially like to thank **Peter Wilde**, who has supplied me with some wonderful poems over the year. He often has a different take on things and has written some joyful and poignant prose that I'm sure has been enjoyed by all of us. And now - we have the **Street Party**. Paula and I really enjoy our involvement in this great event, but we are very glad when it's over - because even though it's fun, it is a lot of work. Luckily we have a great team, all of whom helped last year. Thank you to our team - Nicole, Kath, Di, Chris, Wally, Vicki, Doreen, Jean, Sid, Glynnis, Liv, Tim and Paul. Thank you also to our stallholders and fantastic sponsors - all of whom are listed in the programme. It is our privilege to bring this to you, and we hope you enjoy it. And just in case anyone would like to come on board for next year - please see us at the admin desk and we'll take your details.

Have a very Happy Christmas, and Fantastic New Year!

Sue Barrett with Paula Bartsch





New Council Sworn in

On Monday 26th November, the new Barossa Council was sworn in. There have been a few changes - and we look forward to a great working relationship with them.

Mayor: Bim Lange Deputy: Cr John Angus

Councillors: Don Barrett, Leonie Boothby, Dave de Vries, Dave Haebich, Tony Hurn, Russell Johnstone, Richard Miller, Kathryn Schilling, Cathy Troup and Carla Wiese-

We congratulate those who were elected and thank those others who put their hands up to represent their community. We especially thank those ratepayers and eligible people who took the time to vote. (photo: The Leader)



MP Australia Day 2019

Community Awards



On Australia Day, we will be presenting awards for the 2018 Senior and Junior Mount Pleasant Community Awards, as well as an award for the Best Event of 2018. Nominations are open until 17th January. Is there someone you'd like acknowledged for their community work? Is there an event you think deserves an award?

The Presentation will be held at 9am during the Australia Day Breakfast in the CWA Garden.



We request that you simply give us details regarding the person's or event's worthiness, via email or on via These can be sent COMMUNITY to mtpsmhall@gmail.com, posted to Paula Bartsch, ASSOCIATION INC. PO Box 130, Mount Pleasant SA 5235, or handed to Paula prior to 17th January 2019.

Mt Pleasant Community Association - Australia Day Group

Men's Shedding

On Friday 9th November a special Remembrance Day service was held at the RSL so that the students who created 100 crosses, representing those in our district who fought in WW1. The senior students have been working on projects with members of the Men's Shed for several months as part of an ongoing project, and as they were leaving to visit Canberra (and the Australian War Memorial), it was important that they be present for the commemoration.



RSL news

Remembrance Day was held on Sunday 11th November in prefect conditions. A really good crowd turned out to commemorate to 100th Anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, to end World War One, or as it was known then, The Great War. President Mike Williams led proceedings assisted by members of the RSL and CFS.



Senior students (pictured above) with their mentors from the Men's Shed John Bowd, Murray Henderson & Don Barrett, with Mike Williams, President of the MP RSL. (below) The whole of the school made the trip down the hill.

Our President Colin Ford and partner Di Picard will be relocating to another town, so will be leaving us in the not too distant future. Colin has been a great president, a calm and reasonable person, approachable and knowledgeable, he has been an asset to our Men's Shed. We're organizing a good send-off, so we'll keep you posted as to the details. Members: don't forget our Christmas Show on 9 December.



Wednesdays from 9am.

Call Don on 0400019586 for information.





November - Remembrance Day - eight members of the Mt Pleasant RSL attended a service and dinner given by the Gumeracha RSL. A large number of people

attending represented city and country sub-branches. On arrival, guests were welcomed with drinks and shared platters of nibbles, and entertained by the Brass Quintet of the Band of the South Australia Police.

A Remembrance Day service was conducted within the hall when the chimes of Big Ben striking 11am were played for 1 minute prior to 6.30pm. This was symbolic of the guns that were fired right up to 11am, then falling silent. 6.30pm in Adelaide is 11.am on the Western Front.

The main meal and dessert were then served. Our small group did well in winning six prizes in the competitions and raffles conducted over the evening. It was a wonderful evening with lots of conversation and laughter.

The Brass Quintet entertained us throughout, as well as conducting musical quizzes.

The Mt Pleasant members who attended were Dan Delaney
- Vice President, Liv Andersen - Secretary, Merry Schaeffer

- Social Officer, Tim Sutcliffe & Kim Yap.

Merry Schaeffer - Social Officer

MISSION

In 2018 Mission Australia conducted its 17th annual survey of young people aged 15-19. The survey is distributed nationally through schools and organisations and aims to identify young people's values, aspirations and concerns.



Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander

Top 3 personal concerns:

- 1. Coping with stress 43%
- 2. School or study problems 34%
- 3. Mental health 31%



Almost half were extremely confident or very confident in their ability to achieve their study/work goals



A higher proportion of males (55%) than females (44%) feel confident that they

Top issues identified in Australia today



Mental health 43%



Alcohol and drugs



Equity and discrimination

The % of young people identifying mental health as an issue of national importance has DOUBLED in the past 3 years 21% to 439

"People need to be more aware it is okay to have issues with mental health and they should be spoken about Female, 15, Vic

Trent in Print

The Protector is the first book by 19 year old Mount Pleasant author Trent Moullae. It has been five years in the making and is a work of passion, where he has delved into the world of fantasy. Trent has always had a fascination with the fantasy genre, as the myriad possibilities of amazing characters and what can happen are endless. He loves to explore the capabilities of the human mind and create something out of nothing.

The Protector began as a dream, which became reality, the story evolving as Trent has honed his skills as a writer. He began writing in year 8, where he had to write a short story and translate it into Japanese. He failed the assignment because he used Google Translate, but the seeds for the creative writing process were sown and he started writing The Protector, which has been a long and enjoyable journey, incorporating his love of storytelling and imagination.

The Protector will appeal to a young audience who are fans of anime, manga and fantasy novels. He has woven a dream into reality showing that anything is possible when you dedicate yourself to a cause and work to achieve it. Come and explore new frontiers with Trent, an emerging writer in the science fiction / fantasy genre and an exciting young talent. The book is available from Star Books in Mount Pleasant, and online.

For the first time in 2018, young people were asked whether they felt there were barriers which may impact upon them finding work and moving out of home

Top 3 barriers to finding work



School responsibilities 20%



Lack of skills/experience 15%



Lack of jobs 12%

Top 3 barriers to moving out of home



Housing costs 70%



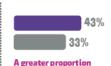
Financial stability 63%



Availability of housing 42%



Nearly 4 in 10 ung people felt that there are barriers impacting upon them finding work



of females than males reported the presence of barriers to finding work





of females (28%) compared to males (14%) reported security/safety as a potential barrier to moving out of home

"I am concerned about my financial security because I think I will be unable to get a job in the future. For this to be resolved 1 think 1 need more opportunities for jobs." Female, 16, SA

We recommend that governments and organisations:

- Expand programs to support young people to re-engage with education and provide resources to prepare young people for future work
- Provide evidence-based universal mental health prevention and intervention programs in schools
- Increase Youth Allowance and rent assistance payments and boost investment in affordable and appropriate accommodation for young people
- Expand online and face-to-face services and resources for young people and their support networks including family and friends

If you are a young person and need someone to talk with, you can contact Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800 (24/7) kidshelpline.com.au

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TRENT MOULLAE

Crystal shines

Crystal Stewart (nee Henderson) has been named the Country Education Fund's inaugural Community Alumni Champion. After receiving assistance from CEF's local Torrens Valley Foundation in 2010 to pursue her degree in education, she is now living on Kangaroo Island with her husband. A passionate educator, Crystal has joined CEF's Kangaroo Island foundation. Since graduating from Flinders University in 2011, Crystal says, "living in a small community has challenges, but I absolutely love it. I love the connectedness that I've gained from working and socialising in the community."

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Seen at the Market in November - The one and only Glen Dix! Looking as sprightly as he did all those years ago when he waved off the first Adelaide F1 Grand Prix. While he was at the Market he caught up with John (and his grandson) from Springton Hills Wines. John and Glen became good friends when John used to race at Mallala. Glen and his wife had attendee a rally in the Barossa and were on their way home to Adelaide.





Farmers Market Christmas Raffle

1st prize: Market Hamper 2nd prize: Enviro Gift Pack 3rd prize: Market Voucher Tickets available at admin desk or look out for volunteers sellers Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5.00



How about a farmers market Christmas Hamper? Place your order at Administration Desk this Saturday?

Pleasantly historical:

on marking 175 years of settlement

A couple of years ago the History Team recognised that 2018 was going to be an important year for Mount Pleasant. With the British settlement of the region, we were a town in the middle of several which did not have a Lutheran Church. Our town heritage is predominantly English and Scottish, with pastoralists taking up land in the region - firstly the English in the 1840s, then in the 1850s it was the Melrose family settling at Rosebank, and in the 1870s it was Glen Devon with the Gilmours, then of course we have the Irish McGorman family with another property in the region.

Presbyterian and Church of England churches were opened in the 1860s and the town grew quickly at this time. The ploughing matches quickly led to the Show Society and a school was well established having opened in 1858 as a private school. The Police Station was built in 1867, and a Union Bank (which became Bagots, Shakes & Lewis, stock & station agents) opened in 1868, so there were several milestones to be celebrated within the town.

The Historical Research Group decided to encourage the community to keep a historical theme to their usual annual events, on the understanding that we would not be able to host one particular event for the celebration of 175 years of settlement. This seemed to work, but it has meant a very busy year as people want to know more of the history of their families or places in the district, and to have an understanding of the first settlers who chose Mount Pleasant as their home.

As a group we hosted the annual Violet Day High Tea, which proved a successful afternoon with the Chicago Showband entertaining us throughout our tea and cakes.

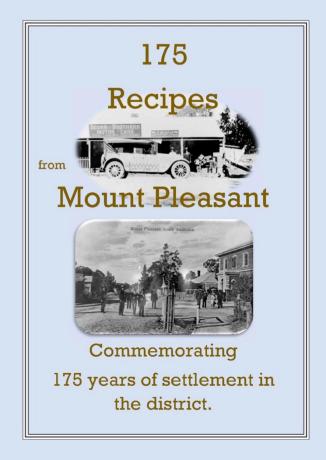
The railway opened a century ago and the Historical Research Group were supported in their commemoration by the construction of a model train built by the members of the Mens' Shed. This amazing machine is entered in the Christmas Street Parade – something to watch out for. The 'Cocktails & Carriages' event to commemorate this milestone was an enjoyable evening and much enjoyed by those who attended, but it was disappointing that it was not supported by more of the community.

I have come to learn that not all in the district appreciate the history as I do but our small team at the History Room are continually researching and collating the collection, to enable others to appreciate our district. We have just completed 175 years of history, which means that South Australia was just 7 years into settlement when this district was first settled; I think that is something to be acknowledged and admired.





Paula Bartsch Historian



On sale at the Street Party



'175 Recipes from Mount Pleasant'

Will be available for purchase for \$20, as well as the last of the

175 Muscat,

also \$20.

Tree planting project

Contact Genevieve Hebart if you'd like to be a part of this great project: secretary@mountpleasant.sa.au

The **Talunga Park improvements** are now underway, and we should see a huge difference in the aesthetics of the area over the next few years. These

trees have been chosen especially for this space, and will improve the look of this complex and surrounds.



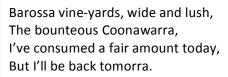
Pete's Poem

South Aussie Heritage



I love our wine-drenched country, Merlot, Shiraz, Tokay, I love McLaren's full, rich reds, And un-wooded Chardonnay.

Our sparkling whites, our gutsy reds, So excellent, so CHEAP, I'd drink lots more than I do now, If I didn't need to sleep!



I still have hair upon my head, And a little on my chest, I attribute my enduring health, To the drink I love the best.

Long may The Vignerons prevail, Where the precious grapes entwine, And long, Oh long may I imbibe, Our great South Aussie wine.



Pete - The Peripatetic Poet

Nature Therapy

Fancy a walk with some history and botanical information thrown in? Meet the group at 8am on Mondays and Wednesdays at Talunga Park.





Understanding the

Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety

Free information session - Understanding the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety

- When: Thursday, 13 December from 2:00pm to 3:30pm
- Where: COTA SA, 16 Hutt Street, Adelaide

Join us at this free information session discussing the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety, recently announced by the Federal Government.

Topics covered include:

- . What is a Royal Commission?
- What are the Terms of Reference and timeframes involved?
- Who can make a submission to the Royal Commission?
- Will the Royal Commission want to hear my story?
- · What support is available to help me tell my story?

This free information session is co-hosted by the Aged Rights Advocacy Service, Carers Australia (SA) and COTA SA, and will also feature presentations from Relationships Australia and Professor Wendy Lacey, Dean and Head of the School of Law at the University of South Australia Business School.

Call (08) 8232 0422, 1800 182 324 (free for country callers) or email events@cotasa.org.au to book your place.





Explain the Handcuffs!

A responsive and engaged audience enjoyed the penultimate performance of 'Explain the Handcuffs' Saturday night. The soap opera story of Frank and Maud's marriage, coupled with Frank's irresponsible use of a Time Machine and the troupe's lusty renditions of a few well-known standards ensured we had a great time.

Pictured below are the audience, Merry belting out a tune, the chorus, & the cast taking a bow.



Calling all budding actors

TOTT will be holding auditions for the following production:

'Bunkered' by Lynn Brittney

an Amateur Production by arrangement with ORiGiN™ Theatrical, on behalf of Playstage.

Reminiscent of Dad's Army characters and slap-dash Carry On, our production transports you to a decommissioned British Naval Intelligence Cold War bunker somewhere on the south coast of England. Back in 1991, long after the end of the Cold War, the staff were made redundant along with the bunker, except that somehow they all seemed to have slipped through the net and continue to receive their monthly pay cheques from the Ministry of Defence computer. With a strong sense of responsibility our stalwart few have arrived for "work" on time for the past 20 years, nurturing their various hobbies and pastimes in works time! All goes well until, nearing retirement age and feeling a tad guilty, Chief Petty Officer, Peter, drafts in a friend to bring all the intelligence-gathering equipment upto-date – with calamitous consequences! Time to call in the Marines!

Cast of 8

- 3 males in their sixties
- 1 male in his twenties/thirties
- 3 females in their sixties
- 1 female in her late teens/early twenties

Auditions at the Top Of The Torrens (Pentelows Road, Mount Pleasant SA 5235) on **Saturday 15 December from 10.00 am.**

- 10.00 am Read-Through
- 12.00 pm Free BBQ
- pm Auditions

To book a time for your audition or for further details please contact the director Mo Johnson on hayseed@live.com or telephone/text **0410 149 850**, or just turn up on the day.

Auditions will be in small groups. Please learn a limerick and a knock-knock joke to tell on stage. You will also workshop a small section of the script, which will be provided on the day. Bring energy, a smile and great voice projection! Rehearsals start on Tuesday 15 January 2019 at 7.15 pm to 10.00 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays and some Sundays nearing production.

Season is 25 May to 2 June 2019 (5 performances) at the Mount Pleasant Soldiers' Memorial Hall.





Friends of the Mt Pleasant Hospital



RED CROSS branch news: Another Award!

It may not have been the best weather, but a small and dedicated group of supporters attended the annual Fete at Glen Devon on the 20th November. Milton Vadoulis from Vadoulis' Garden Centre in Gawler was the guest speaker and he made the best of the situation dispensing witticisms and garden advice before selling the beautiful plants he had bought with him. Paula spoke about how Glen Devon came about, who had lived there and when it came into the MacLachlan's hands. The Friends had put on a lovely lunch, and we all took advantage of the cabana to chat and eat. It was a damp but happy group that went home at the end.

Once again the local Red Cross branch has been the recipient of an award – this time for raising the most money in their population category. This time Sophie Thomson was on hand when we received the shield, and as much of the success of the Garden Parties is due to her tremendous support, it was fitting that she be there.



The Soldiers' Memorial Hall advisory group dinner

The Soldiers' Memorial Hall group had their Christmas gathering at the Totty during the week and as well as enjoying a wonderful meal, chatted about the origins of the Street Party, which incidentally was started by the Totness Inn hotel Social Club (we think) around 1985. Well, that's what Michael and Margaret reckon, and Bill and Barb think they're not far off. Barb reminisced about the huge Christmas stocking that used to feature in the raffle, and we resolved that somehow we'll bring back the tradition and make one for next year – I thin it's a bit late for this year, and anyhow Di already has the raffle prizes well in hand. During the meal we discussed some issues regarding the hall that are concerning us, as well as some plans that we would like to bring to fruition.

We welcome interested people who'd like to join the group and work to maintain our marvelous hall.



COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



We have been busy with the Street Party, and organising the Australia Day Breakfast, so there will be a break until next year. Notes from past meetings are available on the Facebook page in the photo album 'notes from Meetings'.

Paula Bartsch- Chairperson





Mount Pleasant

Street Party and Parade

The Judges have been out for the Best Decorated Residence and Business, and Chris, Kath, Jean and Di were out be-ribboning the trees! It must be Christmas.

We've had a great response to the call for parade entries and it promises to be bigger than last year – certainly the addition of the Band of the SA Police has added a lot of interest. There will also be more gorgeous vintage vehicles and a welcome return from the Market. We will also have a few new entries – but you'll have to wait until Saturday to see what they are!

The amount of support we continue to get from our wonderful community once again has been very pleasing, and Nicole has been busy organising the large number of food stalls and the craft stalls, which will be there.

The temperature looks like being in the high twenties and no chance of rain! After last year – that is very welcome news. The street will officially close at 5pm, and we are asking that no cars park in that section of Melrose Street after Saturday lunchtime.

Council workers, the CFS volunteers and Police will be on hand to deal with the road closures, and we ask that you respect the signs and also that you slow down when you see people working to set up before the official closure.

The parade will leave Talunga Park around 5.45pm, and continue to the hall – and a certain gentleman is set to make an appearance as a special treat for youngsters.

Please note that the CWA will be in the Hall in the Kanga Café – a new initiative this year. They will be selling Devonshire Teas, and there will also be a Face Painter there. We will also be providing a quiet area for parents of young children who may need it so that they are able to feed their children and babies in relative peace. There will be a small box of toys that may help to amuse toddlers and FREE Face painting by Jen & Jamilla.

We will also have a Street Party bag available for purchase for \$2 from the Admin desk. This will contain some small trinkets, and give children the chance to enter a quiz and receive a prize or two. You may also purchase raffle tickets there and Paula's '175 Recipes' book will be available for purchase, as well as her books on the Show and Soldiers.

Many hands make light work and we welcome volunteers to help us put things to rights at the end of the party.

MP Street Party Group



COMMUNITY DINNER



On the 25th we held the last Community Dinner for 2018 – dinners will resume in February.

We had a great crowd who enjoyed a Christmas feast, prepared by the fantastic group below.

Penny Kazla from the CFS was also on hand to talk about being bushfire ready, and Don gave a small speech thanking those who voted for him and promising to work hard for our community whilst he is in office.

Thank you for your support – have a great Christmas and see you next year!



eBook holiday reads

Access this summer's popular eBook & Audiobook titles at:

libraries.sa.gov.au/holiday





On 24 Nov SFF Peter Wilde and DGO Jason Sabeeney were able to surprise Bill Tapscott with clasps 1,2 and 3 for 50 years service to CFS and the Mt Pleasant Community. A great achievement.





Last for 2018! December 2nd



For more information, contact Barb on 85682160 or email: billbarbtap@bigpond.com

Sponsored by: The Barossa Council



At this dance we will present cheques to the Mt Pleasant CFS, The Friends of the Mt Pleasant Hospital & the Mt Pleasant **Primary School**

Library news Christmas Holiday Fun

Tuesday 18 December

Angaston Library 10am Tanunda CWA Hall 2pm

Wednesday 19 December

Nuriootpa Library 10am Mt Pleasant Library 2pm Ages 4+ - Cost \$2





Crafts, Books, Games, Science (Christmas slime)

Curious Creatures

From real creatures to the imagined, actual to mythological, microscopic to megafauna, and Australia's marvellous marsupials to all the classification of Animalia in between, this summer children will be encouraged to explore and connect with a curiosity of creatures.



from December 1, filled with your reading log, activity booklet and other fun things to keep you busy during the school holidays.



Visit the Summer Reading Club website for more information, fun games and reading recommendations.

READING CIB www.summerreadingclub.org.au



Fill in a donation slip for a chance to WIN a \$40 Raven's Parlour gift voucher

Share the love of books and reading this Christmas

Donate a NEW book, for children aged 0-18 years, and deliver to any Barossa Library branch or Raven's Parlour Bookstore in Tanunda. All donated books will be presented to Lutheran Community Care who will distribute to less fortunate children in our local community in their Christmas hampers.





December 16th - Collier Park, Palmer - from 5pm to 8pm. Santa will be making an appearance, with an opportunity for parents to take pics of their children with Santa. Each child will get a little bag of sweets.



Christmas Market AT THE COACH HOUSE

MOUNT TORRENS Sunday 2nd December 9.00am - 2.00pm







EVERY SATURDAY 9.00AM - 2.00PM

LOVELLS BAKERY / LOVEACUT COMPLEX

155 MELROSE ST

MT PLEASANT

FOR DETAILS: REFER TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR CALL PAULA 0448 566 070

OFFICE FOR THE AGEING

Invites Community Members to a Workshop on ESTABLISHING THE NEW ADULT SAFEGUARDING UNIT

Workshop on Establishing the New Adult Safeguarding Unit

The Adult Safeguarding Unit, expected to begin operations in mid-2019, will be a one-stop shop responding to reports of abuse or neglect of vulnerable adults, and providing safeguarding support tailored to the needs and wishes of the person experiencing the abuse

Office for the Ageing (OFTA) is seeking members of the community to attend a workshop on the establishment of this Unit. Participants will have the opportunity to give feedback on the draft Charter of the Rights and Freedoms of Vulnerable Adults, and to share views about how the new Unit can keep the rights of vulnerable adults at the centre of the way it works.

- Date: Thursday 6 December 2018
- Time: 10.30am 1.30pm
- Location: Adelaide Pavilion Parkview Room, Veale Gardens Corner South Terrace and Peacock Road, Adelaide

RSVP by Friday 30 November 2018 online here or phone 08 8204 2420 to book your place.



CELEBRATING FEAST 2018

COTA SA celebrates Feast

Feast is Adelaide's only not-for-profit LGBTI Queer Arts and Cultural Festival that celebrates pride and diversity. Feast began in 1997 providing a safe and inclusive platform for the LGBTI community to share and express themselves through art and culture.

We're proud supporters of Feast and particularly older LGBTI South Australians, many of whom lived their lives in secrecy and as a result continue to fear or expect prejudice from people around them.



Women's' Football Come & Try session! Dec 13th @ 6.30pm. Dinner & bar available



Williamstown Christmas Parade

Sunday 9 December - 2pm (Parade starts 3pm)

Lobethal Christmas Pageant

Sunday 23 December I 7.30pm - 8.15pm





2nd December

Open mic-licensed bar-light meals-from 11am 191 Bank Road, Sedan 0413 314 749

New Year's Eve Party





Mt Pleasant Hotel Motel Motel Motel Motel

Live music 1st, 7th & 14th
December!





Mt Pleasant Bowling Club Thursday nights, at 6.30pm. Tea available - \$5 per person and the competition starts from 7pm. There are full bar facilities. Come as a team of four, or come and join one. Bowls are available, or bring your own. Experienced players are available to coach. All ages are welcome. Players must wear flat soled shoes Contact Bo Hambly – 0417047812.

Elysian Springs

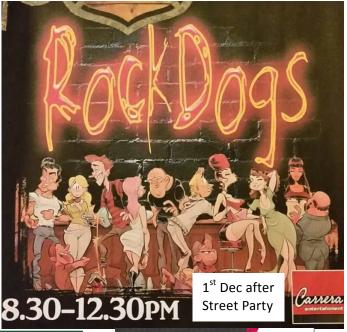
December
Saturday Session
Dinner
1st December



Flaxman Wines



Totness Inn Hotel







http://www.cirkidz.org

Something coming up?

Email: info@mountpleasant.sa.au **Deadline:** 3 days before end of month

What's on in December



Events

Thank You for your support ~





| Date | Event | Details |
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| 1, 7, 14, | MP Farmer's Market | 8-12, Saturday @ Talunga Park |
| 1, 7, 14, 21 | Market at the Mill | 9-2, every Saturday @ Totness Mill |
| 1, 7 & 14 | Live music @ Mt Pleasant Hotel Motel | From 7pm |
| 1 Dec | Live music @ Totness Inn Hotel | After the Street Party |
| 1 Dec | Christmas Street Parade and Party | From 5.30pm, Melrose Street |
| 1 Dec | December Saturday Sessions Dinner | 5 to 9 @ Elysian Springs, Springton Rd |
| 2 Dec | Sunday @ the Barn - Open Mic | Old Barn, Sedan @ 191 Bank Rd, Sedan |
| 16 Dec | Palmer Country Market | From 9am, Collier Park, Palmer |
| 21 Dec | Twilight Market | 5-9 Talunga Park |

Meetings



Check the website for more: www.mountpleasant.sa.au

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| Committee / Group / Organisation | Details | |
| CFS Training | Every Tuesday @ 7pm | |
| CWA | 1st Tuesday, 1.30pm @ Soldiers' Memorial Hall | |
| Community Dinner Group | 1st Tuesday, 6.30pm @ Soldiers' Memorial Hall | |
| Friends of the Mount Pleasant Hospital | 10am, 2 nd Tuesday | |
| Men's Shed | Third Wednesday @ The Men's Shed. Open Wednesday from 9 | |
| MP District History | 1-4pm, every Thursday @ History Room, SM Hall | |
| MP Farmer's Market | 8-12, every Saturday @ Talunga Park | |
| MP Inc | 6.30pm, 2 nd Tuesday @ MPNRC | |
| MP Show Society | 2 nd Monday | |
| MP Spinners & Craft Group | St John's Church Hall, 10-3 on Wednesdays | |
| MP Table Tennis | 7.30pm, every Wednesday @ BHS Gym | |
| Playgroup | 9.30-11.30am, every Friday @ MP Kindy | |
| Pleasant Painters | 10-2, 2 nd & 4 th Friday @ MP Library | |
| Red Cross | 1.30pm, 4 th Thursday @ SM Hall | |
| RSL Social | 3 rd Wednesday - Social gathering | |
| RSL Meeting | Alternate month, last Sunday - Bi-Monthly meeting | |
| SM Hall VAC | 7.30pm, 4 th Monday @ SM Hall | |
| Talunga Park VAC | 1st Monday @ Talunga Park | |
| Writer's Group | Please email: mrdonblataceaser@gmail.com | |

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Thank you:

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