



Southern Gateway to the Barossa

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The historic Second South Para Bridge has emerged from the water's depths for the first time since the storage was filled more than 100 years ago.

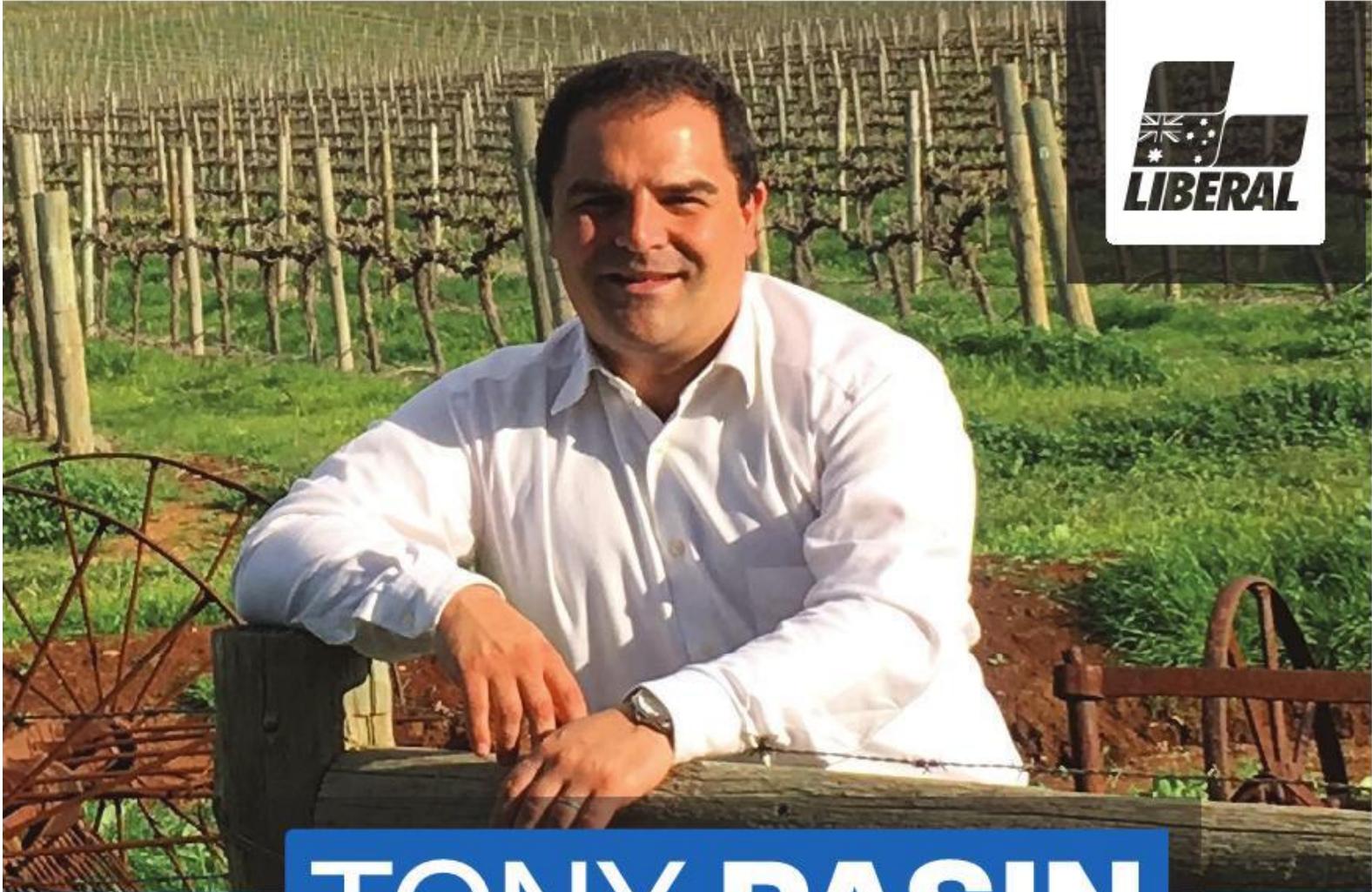


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Don't forget that while on-water access at Warren is temporarily closed, you can still drop a line in or go for a paddle at the nearby South Para Reservoir, which has recently welcomed Warren's native fish.

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Hundred Year Family Business Embraces Change

I met Melissa in the grounds of what used to be Smith Brothers Transport on a crisp autumn morning and was absolutely delighted to hear that her surname is – SMITH! Melissa and David Smith are now the owners of the entire land and buildings that once belonged to David's father, Ivan. David and Melissa bought the property from Ivan and Angie back in February 2022, strongly swayed by the fact that it had been in the Smith Family for generations.

To this property they literally bring a new lease of life leasing out sections of the land to local businesses:

- 'Barossa Landscape Supplies'.
- Brook Collins has his 'Collins Concrete Pumping' business sited here.
- Martin Bilney has his 'Stormwater Services'.
- Callum Tuffery has 'Tuff Concrete'.
- 'Install All', a Shed Building enterprise, is also located here.

There is also storage space occupied by a B double truck, a large bus, and cars, with room to expand.

Melissa and David's hope is to create 'a space' in Williamstown for many trades which might be expanding and outgrowing their backyard home space, plus providing flexible storage options.

As with all good ideas this change in purpose for the Smith Land did not come without lots and lots of hard work. The Smiths were kept very busy with a hundred years of 'treasures' to relocate, much cleaning and repurposing of land and sheds to attend to, and, being responsible developers, new fencing for security, and, for safety a full and comprehensive professional arborist report on all the native trees - which to keep, which needed to go. In addition, David and Melissa did everything they could to fast track and provide a new space for Barossa Landscape Supplies to expand their business. While they were about it, Melissa also renovated the Old Smith Home which is now rented out.

Melissa and David have travelled around Australia. They were married in Williamstown in 2005, even having wedding photos taken in the truck yard! They lived in Mackay for six years where their two children, a boy and a girl, were born and then came back to Williamstown. Melissa is a hairdresser by trade and currently manages their Smith Family Property, the leases and storage. David is a Diesel Mechanic currently employed as a Maintenance Coordinator in The Hunter Valley where he has two weeks of work and then two weeks off, although, at the moment, he is on Long Service Leave. He also has a local side business 'Hills Farm and Diesel' which undertakes, slashing, seeding, cultivating, spraying, firebreaks, mechanics etc.

For the future Melissa and David hope to increase the amount of storage they can cater for, introduce more shedding for trades to use and generally support local businesses. By implementing change, they have brought a very Long-Term Local Family Business, in which they take great pride, into the 21st Century. And it's still – SMITHS of Williamstown! L.L.

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The Williamstown Action Group.

-Sandy Creek Uniting Church Car Boot Sale

Sandy Creek Uniting Church held another successful car boot sale on Saturday 6th May. An early influx of keen buyers on a cool morning kept the morning tea room very busy.

A steady stream of visitors to the 11 car boot sites continued throughout the morning, entertained by buskers Andrew and Arlo Yip with their bluegrass friend, Michael Murphy.

The buskers generously asked that donations be made to the Pastoral Care Worker fund for Sandy Creek Primary School. These donations totalled \$120. Lynette Dayman operated the well-stocked cake stall which raised \$660. These proceeds along with the busking contribution totalled \$780 for the Pastoral Care Worker.

The Devonshire morning tea raised \$170 for the work of Uniting Church Frontier Services which provides chaplaincy and support services to people living in remote areas and the outback.

Leslee Carle, the church secretary said, "It was a great day." She thanked everybody who had helped make the sale a success. The church will hold another car boot sale on October 7th.



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Have your say on the Barossa of the future

For release 1 May 2023

The Barossa Council is planning for future growth and preservation of the region's character, and wants the community's valued input.

Mayor Bim Lange says it's the most significant community consultation of its kind since the Barossa Character Preservation District was introduced in 2013.

"With the State Government to undertake a review of *The 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide*, it's timely for us as a community to consider what characteristics make us unique – like our landscape, natural and built heritage, and the industries that rely on them – and how they are reflected in the new Regional Plan and planning policy," Mayor Lange said.

"Equally, we know there are increasing pressures impacting local housing, development and population growth. So it's important to understand how the community wants us to plan for future growth, what infrastructure is needed, and what are the non-negotiables when considering growth."

"Understanding community expectations is key to ensuring we both protect, and progress, our wonderful region."

Community feedback will help inform a draft Growth and Infrastructure Investment Strategy, as well as proposed amendments to the Planning and Design Code.

People can give feedback in a range of ways, including online surveys, in person at one of pop-ups across the region or by making representation to Elected Members at two community forums.

"We want to hear from all parts of the community, from agriculture, business and industry sectors to the everyday Joe who calls the Barossa home," Mayor Lange said. "Anyone who loves where they live should participate."

Consultation will run from 1 May to 30 June. For more information visit yoursay.barossa.sa.gov.au/barossa-growth-and-character-planning

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Caption: The Barossa Council Deputy Mayor Dave de Vries and Manager Tourism Services Jo Seabrook highlighting some of the assets that make the Barossa unique.

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Williamstown Community Gardens

There are some wonderful community minded people in Williamstown - some with great ideas and some who make the great ideas happen! Shana Green, a local who spent ten years as a nurse at Wirraminna but now runs Children's Health Programmes in South Australia, partnering with the Barossa Schools, is one who, in her 'spare time', is a volunteer who helps make great things happen. In November 2022 Shana collected produce from the local community and used it to stock a stall at the Wirraminna Strawberry Fair. This led to the introduction of 'Harvest Monday' at our local Williamstown Primary School.

Every Monday local produce comes into the School's Front Office on Margaret Street from the Community to provide students with Fruit and Vegetable Platters. One donator is Ron Fromm, who has given a great deal of his home-grown produce to the school for 'Harvest Monday'! At the beginning of Term 1, 2023 Shana and Liz Ninnes began cutting up 1 platter of fruit and vegetables but by the end of the term they were preparing 8 platters, such was the input from the community. Their hope is that soon they will be able to step back and that the students themselves will take ownership of 'Harvest Monday' and do the preparation themselves, perhaps in partnership with some of our skilled senior citizens from Wirraminna who enjoy working with the young folk! In winter there are plans to replace the platters with soup, as vegetables are more prolific at this time, and hands and tummies can both be warmed by a healthy brew! Every Wednesday Shana goes along to the Wirraminna Community Hall (previously the Senior Citizens/RSL Hall) to keep the Residents informed of progress within the Community and to "harvest their knowledge of gardening"!

Perceiving just how much produce was coming in, made Shana and Liz realise that they too could assist in growing fresh produce which could then be given to the community. Following a suggestion from Matt Hale, contact was made with Pam Cross of St. Peters Anglican Church and Peter Morgan of the Uniting Church regarding the use of Church Land for more extensive Community Gardens. With Shana and Liz co-ordinating the St. Peter's gardens and Peter Morgan the United Church's, there is great excitement about the collaboration. At this point Liz and Shana are in the process of drawing up a proposal to outline plans and visions for the Community Gardens. A logo has already been created incorporating community interests.

The Community will be kept up to date through a Newsletter posted on Socials/ Facebook but also a Notice will be displayed in the Williamstown Pharmacy. Thank you, Juliana! Meeting dates will be posted on Socials/Facebook. For those who wish to receive e-mails please contact Shana on shana.green@therootcause.com.au

If anyone has produce they would like to donate please drop it off at the School's Front Office on a Monday ONLY or contact Shana by e-mail! And 'Thank You' to all Contributors! The plan is for the gardens to be accessible to everyone. There will be a combination of 'Raised' beds and 'Swaley' beds, which utilize the rain run off in a terraced kind of way. (Sorry! Non garden speak!) In an effort to keep things locally funded, 'user-owned' and simple, the aim is to avoid having to apply for grants and to involve Groups like The Men's Shed or Barossa Landscape Supplies. Once the proposal for the Community Gardens has been approved, hopefully by the end of June or July, things will certainly start to hum! People can have as much involvement as they would like in the project – even if it means just sitting and watching!! It will be a Community Space to work or relax in! For the future - Workshops are planned.

The main outcomes of this project will be that our local younger generation is being encouraged to eat more fresh food and vegetables and to try new foods, often a tricky thing to accomplish!! In addition, our older generation is being valued and also encouraged to continue their involvement within their Community!! Well done all Community Gardens Personnel! L.L.



Shana Green with a school fruit platter using donated food.

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Williamstown Amateur Players Trivia Night

Wow, what a night that was!

Thank you to everyone that came along to the Williamstown Amateur Players Trivia Night, you should have been there!

Super Sues, MCing the night, Suzanne Mann and Sue Holstead. There were lots of tricky questions, fun games and lots of laughs to be had.

I want to start off by saying a big thank you to all the ladies who helped on the night and to just mention a couple names; Babs for scoring, Doreen, Chris, Jill, Brenda (who brilliantly packaged the raffle prizes, once again) and myself (Ally) for helping on the night. For a good friend of the W.A.P, Debbie for also helping on the night and to everyone else who helped set up, get ready for the night and also to friends and family for staying behind to clean up after the quiz.

Oh and I can't forget to mention a thank you to all the amazing people and businesses who donated prizes for the night; Phil Mann, Ben Peters, Nathan Holstead, Pernod Ricard, Williamstown Post Office, Barossa Valley Cleaning Services, Good Chef Bad Chef Catering, Earrings by Janita, Lashes by Kayla, Debbie Boehm - PartyLite, Magickally Wired, Ladies of Williamstown Amateur Players. (Our apologies if we've missed anyone).

Here are the WINNERS OF THE NIGHT!! Lucky numbers; Johnny Walker whisky won by Sharee J, Grazing box won by Chris Mc, Jameson whisky won by Jan W, toy pack won by Amanda. Lucky door prize \$46 family ticket to PIGS can FLY! - Joan B; Raffle- 1st prize, Anita; 2nd prize, Amanda; 3rd prize, Sam N; 4th prize, Deb B. There were also several silent auction items up for grabs.

We had 9 teams for the night, only 1 team got 10/10 in round 1, Table 6 "On a High". Final scores; 1st with 107 out of possible 130 points was "The Fish that John West Rejects" (won bottle of wine and block of chocolate each); 2nd with 100 pts was "Rusty Brains" (won coffee mug filled with tea, coffee, choc, biscuits); 3rd 89 pts "Shameless Thieves"; Equal 4th 88 points "F-one-11" and "On a high"; 5th 87 pts "Norfolk and chance"; 6th 85 pts "Lionessesssss "; 7th 73 pts "The Pats" and coming in last place on 47 pts "Wired Puppies " (won a jar full of smarties).

The in-between games were A-Z of flags maximum 26 points- highest score "Fish that John West rejects" got 25 right; State and territory emblems max 24 points- equal highest 13 points by "Rusty Brains" and "Norfolk and chance". Congratulations everyone!

Don't forget to keep an eye out on our Facebook page for details on our next show "PIGS CAN FLY" that will be held in October 2023!!

Ally Falting, Publicity Officer



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The Southern Barossa Mens Shed (S.B.M.S) welcomes men from all walks of life to attend our Shed, you can participate in a range of activities in the workshop if that is your desire or you can simply turn up for 'a cuppa' and socialise with others in a non-pressured setting. The Mens Shed does not follow a strict format but it does encourage fellowship.

Projects are also undertaken which benefit the community. Making or repairing furniture or homewares or toys, mending and fixing motors, renovating bicycles, arts and crafts, all examples (but certainly not the limits) of the activities that can be undertaken at the Shed depending on the knowledge and skillset of the members.

There is an emphasis on 'having a go' with projects but there is no pressure, it is most important for men to enjoy the activities, have a sense of belonging and feel happy in the Shed environment. Men with an interest in the activities of the S.B.M.S. are welcome to attend on Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 9am-1pm. at the rear of Wirraminna Little Shop of Treasures on Queen Street, Williamstown. Any enquiries relating the shed, membership or the hire of the meeting room (attached to the workshop) can be directed to Glen Venning on 0409 675 937. Restoration of a bench at the S.B. Mens Shed



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SAT Southern fried chicken burger, pickles, slaw, tasty cheese, served with house chips & Willy's woodfire relish **\$9**

SUN Woodfire Roast Beef porterhouse, roast potato, vegetables and gravy (GF) **\$12**

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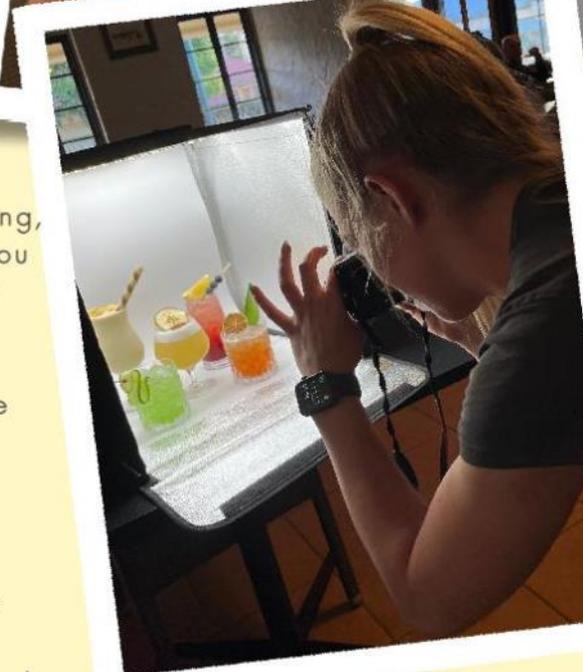
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Major recreation investment for the Barossa

For release 19 May

The Barossa Council has made a major investment in the future of recreation and sport with a significant land purchase at Lyndoch.

The purchase of land from Burge Family Winemakers will enable the future expansion of sporting facilities adjacent Lyndoch Recreation Park, including a full size second oval, netball courts, changerooms and office and canteen facilities, subject to funding.

Mayor Bim Lange says the \$1.6 million land purchase will future-proof sports and recreation in our southern communities.

"We've been consistently working towards this goal for many years. We are absolutely thrilled to make this acquisition facilitated by Burge Family Winemakers, and we thank them for being open to supporting our community and future generations," Mayor Lange said.

"This is a great outcome for our grassroots sports including football, netball, cricket, tennis, bowls, athletics and pigeon racing, and moves us closer to realising our long-held vision for a Barossa sporting hub in Lyndoch, which will benefit adjoining communities.

"The land purchase not only supports the relocation of Barossa Districts Football and Netball Club to Lyndoch, but also caters for future population growth resulting from the Concordia development.

"Additionally, it will provide year-round access for athletics, tennis and netball who have had shared-use arrangements of facilities at Lyndoch Recreation Park."

The new facilities will complement those in Tanunda, Nuriootpa and Angaston, making the Barossa a genuine destination for sports and tourism events, in line with Council's delivery of The Big Project.

"This will create new and exciting opportunities to attract major sports tourism events to the region by providing high-quality facilities within easy reach of Adelaide," Mayor Lange said.

"It also opens up new opportunities for investment at Queen Victoria Jubilee Park in Williamstown as an adventure and tourism destination.

"This land purchase is a long-term investment in the future of our region and we look forward to the opportunities it will create through increased participation in sport and as an economic driver for our region."

The land purchase was made official on Friday at a signing ceremony performed by Mayor Lange and Kirk Zeng representing Burge Family Winemakers.

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Lease and licence reforms deliver fairness and transparency

For release 19 May 2023

New reforms spearheaded by The Barossa Council are aimed at making community use of Council facilities fair, accountable and transparent.

Council is seeking community feedback on the draft Lease, Licence and Hire Permit Policy.

The framework aims to ensure all community members as individuals, groups or organisations have opportunity to access Council facilities, and that Council's fees and charges structure provides equity and value for money.

Mayor Bim Lange says historically there have been inconsistencies in the way Council has managed leases, licences and hire permits.

"Our fee structure has not reflected the many different user groups in our community, how our community facilities are used and by whom," he said.

"This has led to fee inequity and use agreements that are either too simple, overly complex or aren't reflective of community standards.

"For example, welfare and not-for-profit organisations are very different users to groups with a large membership base, income stream or commercial orientation, and therefore their capacity to pay is vastly different.

"In spearheading reform, our aim is to increase fairness and equity in the use of Council facilities, according to the user and the type of activity being undertaken."

As part of the reforms, Council is also clarifying the roles and responsibilities of user groups, so they understand the expectations that come with using Council facilities.

"As well as having more clarity, groups may also have more autonomy to work with others who share their facilities, removing what's commonly known as Council red tape," said Mayor Lange.

People can find out more and provide feedback on the Policy at yoursay.sa.gov.au from 24 May until 14 June.

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Caption: Mayor Bim Lange discusses the new reforms with chair of Southern Barossa Alliance, Zoe Phillips.

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Mornings

Our last Coffee and Chat was at the Barossa Chateau and a fantastic time was enjoyed by all.

We had 16 ladies attend which was great. We look forward to seeing you next month.

The Devonshire tea was delicious and many thanks to Mandy and staff for making us so welcome!

Our next Coffee and Chat will be at the Monkey Nut Cafe in Lyndoch on Thursday 8th June at 10.30am

We look forward to having new faces join us who live in the Southern Barossa area and if you require any further information please contact Judy on 0413606565.

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A Newsletter of the Lyndoch Bowling Club

JUNE 2023

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If you don't want to play pennants, Friday Social Night is on every Friday during the year from 5:00pm (practice from 3:30pm). Everyone is welcome to come to the club for a drink, snack and a chat. Social Membership is available and new members (playing & non-playing) will always be welcomed.

Calendar:

- ✓ **Fridays weekly** – Social Night – Bar Opens 5:00pm

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- ✓ Mount Pleasant – Wednesday's 12:00noon for 12:30pm start – \$5.00 - various formats
- ✓ Gawler – Wednesday's 12:00noon for 12:30pm start – 3 bowl triples
- ✓ Tanunda – Thursday's 12:30pm for 1:00pm start - \$7.00 – 3 Bowl Triples – drawn teams & positions
- ✓ Two Wells – Thursday's 12:00noon for 12:30pm start - \$5.00 – 3 Bowl Triples – own teams
- ✓ Tanunda – Saturday's 12:30pm for 1:00pm start - \$7.00 – 3 Bowl Triples – drawn teams & positions
- ✓ Gawler – Saturday's 12:00noon for 12:30pm start – 3 bowl triples

Lyndoch Bowling Club Hire:

The Lyndoch Bowling Club is available for hire (clubhouse and greens) for corporate or private events. Contact Club President Darren Green at lyndochbowlingclub@gmail.com

Presentation Day:



The Lyndoch & Districts Bowling Club held its annual Presentation Lunch at the clubhouse on Sunday 30 April 2023. It was well attended and the lunch was great – thanks to Graham & Kim and their helpers. Thanks also to those who supplied desserts and raffle prizes.

Pictured is the Mid-Week Division 2 Grand Final Winners.

Club Men's Singles Champion – Harry Sykes

Club Women's Singles Champion – Betty Williamson

AGM:

The new committee for 2023-24 is: President Darren Green; Secretary Denise Turvey; Treasurer Colin Davies; Chair of Selectors Graham Mattingly; Tournament Director Shaun Mahoney; Bar Kathy Thomson; Caterer Graham Mattingly; Men's Players Rep Jeff Pratt; Women's Players Rep Anna Traeger; Fundraising Rachael Martini; and Media Liaison Colin Davies. Colin Davies is also appointed to the BLBA Executive.



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care

The third Tuesday every month

JUNE 20th 2023

10 – 11.30am RSL HALL

'Scone Time'

\$5.00



Time for a scone,

(with jam and cream or savoury)

Plus..an endless cuppa tea or coffee

Plus...

This months chat....

*With Shana Green – talking
about community garden
prospects happening in our
community*



OR....

** information – do you need to know how to –*

- Contact My Aged Care?*
- Need help with rent assistance?*
- Help with something else?*

** or just some one to share a cuppa with or meet
new people in the town?*

EVERYONE WELCOME

Scone time with SONDER

A great time was had by all who attended our last Scone Time and found out more about Sonder.

SONDER, presented by 3 lovely ladies, gave us some Healthy eating habits, after we had eaten scrumptious scones, and gave us interesting facts and ideas about our health and well-being/

Thank you, SONDER, for attending and helping us enjoy the morning.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday June 20th 10-11.30 in the RSL



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Pioneers Mens Gathering

Thursday 8th June 2023

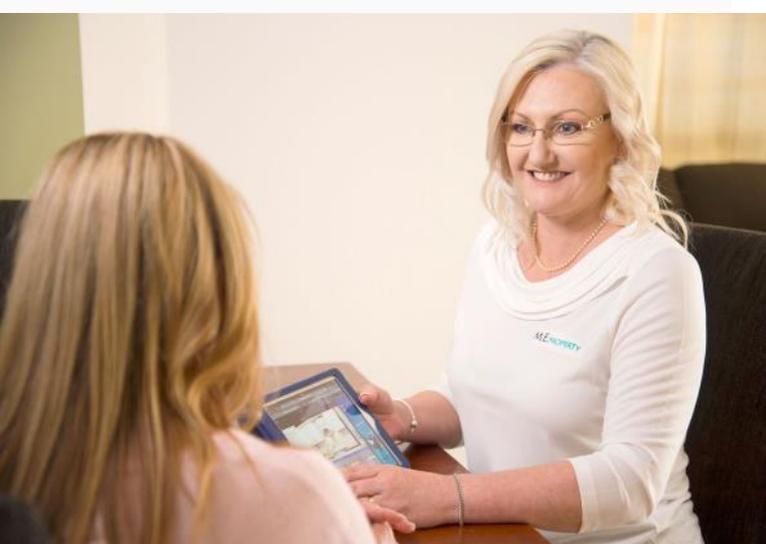
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PLACE: CURDNATTA PARK HALL
DAVIES RD, COCKATOO VALLEY

TIME: 6.30pm doors open 7pm START

DRINKS & NIBBLES
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TABLES OF 10

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Quiz Night

Williamstown Action Group

to raise money for the

2023 Christmas Fair

Friday JULY 14th 2023

Doors open 7pm

Starts 7.30pm sharp

Tea and coffee supplied.

BYO supper and drinks

\$15 a ticket

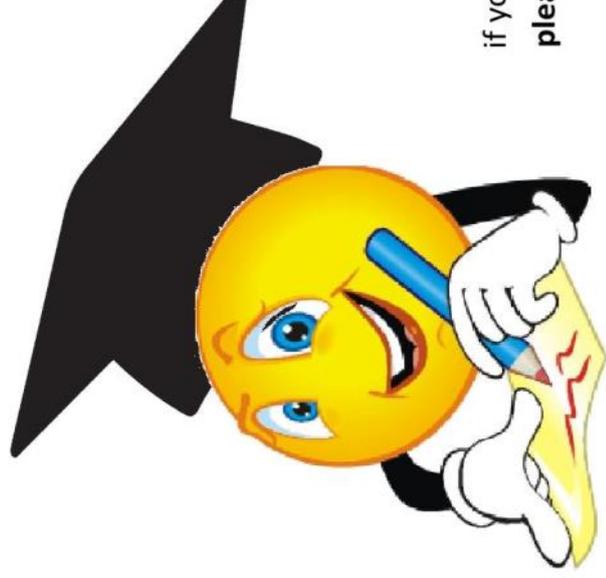
Raffles, Coin Toss, Wine Pull,

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Silent Auctions on the night so bring lots of coins and cash for a great, fun night.

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Tables of 8—10 available but not limited to filling a table to attend.



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