

# Yunta's North East News

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## Storms and Floods throughout the District



A narrow storm band lashed properties in the North East on 12<sup>th</sup> January, with roofs lost and trees uprooted. Properties impacted included Curnamona, Bindarra, Wiawera and Lilydale.

Jenny Treloar reported that the Wiawera RFDS clinic suffered damage to the dental room and homestead trees uprooted. She said the volume of the thunder and the closeness of the lightning was “pretty scary” and lasted about 20 minutes.

Lilydale manager Alastaire Lindner said that the woolshed and other buildings lost large sections of roofing with quite a degree of damage in the vicinity – and a poly tank yet to be found!

The Curnamona woolshed also lost half its roof with owner Bruce Nutt saying it was an eerie sight.

Rain storms swept through again on 28<sup>th</sup> January with Wadnaminga’s Jim Treloar reporting 70mm of rain falling within 2 hours. The Yunta and Winnininnie Creeks running ‘bankers’ and flood-outs in paddocks over a wide area. Sections of the rail line were also damaged in parts.

Pics: Jeff Allen



## Ministerial Visit in the North East

Barrier Highway communities were visited by the Hon. Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP (Deputy Premier of SA, Minister for Energy and Mining & Member for Stuart) and Hon. Vincent Tarzia MP (Minister for Police, Corrections and Emergency Services) on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January. Setting off from Peterborough, the 2-day trip included Yunta, Mannahill, Olary, Cockburn and Wiawera with communities welcoming the visitors. *More on page 3.*

Pictured below are: (L to R) Lisa Crawford, Hon. Dan van Holst Pellekaan, Gary Fuller, Paul Lewis, Sheryl Lewis, Hon. Vincent Tarzia and Mel Hampel at Yunta.



## Community Calendar

### February

- 1<sup>st</sup> RFDS clinic, Wiawera
- 4<sup>th</sup> Yunta Pub Pool Comp
- 17<sup>th</sup> RFDS clinic, Yunta
- 22-23 Wild Dog Trapping workshop

### March

- 8<sup>th</sup> Ladies Day, Mannahill
- 14<sup>th</sup> Public Holiday (Adel Cup)

**30<sup>th</sup> APRIL – YUNTA GYMKHANA**

## Community Briefs

Hello to all readers in the North East and beyond.

And so we begin the year with Covid still looming large - and wild weather leaving havoc in its path.

Australia Day at Yunta was a real splash (literally), with children (young and old) enjoying the pool. Congrats to those who contributed to the success of the day. And many thanks to the Outback Communities Authority for the **funding**.

In other 'sporting news', Yunta's 2022 Tennis Tournament will feature a Hoedown theme, so expect to see some enthusiastic costumes – and some awesome line-dancing on the Saturday night! YeaHah!

The Race Club will host an event on 30<sup>th</sup> April (Covid restrictions depending) with the likely omission of horse racing. The inability to secure affordable insurance has seen the abandonment of picnic racing throughout SA. What a sad milestone this is. But never fear, we are resilient and we **WILL** host an action-packed gymkhana program – with plenty of other attractions on the day.

Welcome to Nick and Ali Stevenson and children Ed and Rosie who have settled in at Curnamona. It's been a rough start for the family, with a storm impacting infrastructure and the unexpected passing of Ali's dad Marcus Moore. Better times are ahead.

While Curnamona owners Bruce and Julie Nutt were in residence to witness the storm damage, their North West properties were all impacted by flood waters. Best wishes to all who have an increased workload due to the storm damage and flooding.

The North East rains were patchy but resulted in some unexpected catchments and flows - and of course damage to floodgates and fencing. But we take the bad with the good.

Very few tales of rains and flooding arrived on the editor's desk, so apologies for the lack of details. May you dams be full and your flood-gates still standing.

Best wishes to all students for the new school year – however their studies are being undertaken.



Regards,  
Ros Breeding  
Editor

## RFDS patients are invited to book clinic appointments online

To make booking for RFDS clinics easier, patients can begin using the service HotDoc. They can see what appointment times are available, plus choose and book appointments quickly and confidentially at a convenient time. At present, only the Yunta clinic is trialling the system.

Customers will still be able to call their Clinic Coordinator and they will be able to book through HotDoc on your behalf, or call the Clive Bishop Medical Centre to book appointments.

This system will allow RFDS staff to manage appointments, patients' needs and requirements to be taken on the plane for the clinic e.g. vaccinations, dressings etc.

If you have any questions or feedback, call or email Annette Ohlsen the Community Coordinator at Broken Hill on 0439 731 256 or email [annette.ohlsen@rfdse.org.au](mailto:annette.ohlsen@rfdse.org.au)

*See detailed information on page 13.*

RFDS Clinics	February
Wiawera	1 <sup>st</sup>
Yunta	17 <sup>th</sup>

For appointments call:  
Jenny @ Wiawera on 8091 1526  
Sheryl @ Yunta on 8650 5099

Appointments can also be made at the  
Clive Bishop Medical Centre,  
Broken Hill, 8080 3780

or check out HotDoc on pg 13.

**Thank you for reading YNEN**  
**Deadline date for the March issue**  
**is 24<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Email: [rosjb@outlook.com](mailto:rosjb@outlook.com)**

# South Australian Ministers visit the North East

On 13 January Yunta was visited by Hon. Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP (Deputy Premier of SA, Minister for Energy and Mining & Member for Stuart) and Hon. Vincent Tarzia MP (Minister for Police, Corrections and Emergency Services) in their travels to the north east part of their electorate. Their tour also took them to Peterborough, Oodla Wirra, Mannahill, Olary, Cockburn and Wiawera.

During their visit in Yunta, the Ministers attended the Telecentre, CFS Shed, Caltex, Mobil, Yunta Police Station and the Yunta Hotel. They also added visits to the Yunta Aerodrome to view the progress on the re-sheeting project and the Race Club to view the progress of the rebuild project. It was nice to be able to share the efforts of our volunteers and they certainly appeared impressed with what they saw!

Ken Campbell, Black Rock CFS Group Officer and Peter Ickonopolos, Region 4 Outback Areas Officer attended the CFS shed visit and were able to provide insight into issues, concerns and priorities for the CFS including flow on impacts to the Yunta brigade. Inspector Mark Collise was also in attendance as part of the visit to the Yunta Police Station.



Yunta CFS volunteers turned out to meet with the visitors.

Community members were able to provide the Ministers with historical and relevant information about each location visited and raise any areas of concern or interest.

Hot topics covered across the day included outback roads, emergency services support, the OCA Outback Futures funding model, the challenge of attracting and retaining staff and volunteers in the future, communications technology and the lack of reliable communication services within Yunta and surrounds.

We hope the Ministers found their visit valuable and provided insight into matters relevant to our community.

*~ Lisa Crawford, Secretary, Yunta District Hall Inc*



The Ministers met with pastoralists at Wiawera Stn



The visiting Ministers met with Mannahill-Olary residents on the verandah of Wiawera's RFDS clinic. Jenny Treloar reported that it was a pleasant meeting with many topics discussed. The visitors headed to Cockburn after a light lunch in the clinic.

# Australia Day Pool-side!

On Australia Day the Yunta Children's Swimming Pool was a wave of colour, kids and splashtivities! Over 40 locals attended across the day with many enjoying a cool dip to stem off the muggy weather. It was wonderful to see so many in attendance and to make the most of the excellent facilities Yunta is lucky to have!

Little and big kids alike splashed around in the pool, enjoyed some cool drinks, much needed shade and a fabulous BBQ feast. All were able to have a chat with friends while reflecting, respecting and celebrating all that is great about living in the lucky country.



There were a lot of helpers before and on the day and the Hall Committee would like to say a big thank you to the following people for their contributions:

- Melanie Lewis for the delicious salads, helping set up, decorate and pack up;
- Kim Heinemann and Mick Goldsworthy for helping decorate, set up and pack up;
- Michael Dennison for ensuring the pool was clean and ready for use on the day;
- Janeen Groom for her donation of Australia day décor;
- Sheryl Lewis for helping with pre-day preparations and post lunch clean up;
- Mel Hampel for collecting and delivering the BBQ meat;
- Gary Fuller for cleaning the pool grounds;
- Luke Byerlee, Todd Casey, Cameron Crawford, Nicole Lewis, Alex MacLachlan, Al Lindner and the Lilydale crew for helping pack up; and
- to everyone who attended and made the day such a success!

The Hall Committee would also like to thank Peterborough Meat Supplies for their donation towards the day – it was greatly appreciated and the meat was delicious!

Lastly, the Committee would like to thank the Outback Communities Authority and the Australia Day Council for providing funding for the event to help ensure it was a safe and fun day for all.

## Hall Committee Roundup

YDH President Allen Hucks provided the Australia Day attendees with a recap on the previous 12 months. Despite the challenges of Covid 19, Yunta still saw lots of action including:

- the return of the Yunta Easter Tennis Tournament with a 'Carnivale' bringing fun to all involved;
- the signage and road work activity were completed at the OCA water station;
- the introduction of the OCA's proposed Outback Futures Model;
- the town getting vaccinated! The RFDS provided Covid vaccinations to nearly 100% of the community which was excellent! (Boosters will be coming in the near future); and
- a dignitaries visit with Hon. Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP (Deputy Premier of SA, Minister for Energy and Mining & Member for Stuart) and Hon. Vincent Tarzia MP (Minister for Police, Corrections and Emergency Services) stopping by on 13 January 2022.



## **Australia Day at Yunta Pool**

Thanks to Kim H and Lisa C for photos

Pool boys; Mick Goldsworthy and Morgan Macdonald

More on next page.....

The Yunta Hall Committee also kicked some goals over the last 12 months including:

- installing a shelter/awning at the back of the hall to prevent rain damage and provide sun protection (thanks to Duthy Homes) via a co-funded project with OCA;
- replacing the timbers on the bridge in the children's playground (thanks to Duthy Homes) via funding from OCA;
- successfully obtaining federal and state funding to re-sheet the airstrip;
- excavating and installing a new burn pit and cage at the dump;
- creating a Facebook page for the Hall which will be used to keep the community updated on issues, events and current projects. Follow us at [www.facebook.com/yuntadistricthall](https://www.facebook.com/yuntadistricthall)
- We also have a new email address which is [yuntadistricthall@gmail.com](mailto:yuntadistricthall@gmail.com); and
- holding first aid training on 9 November 2021 which was free to all participants.

Allen thanked everyone who helped to support the community over the past 12 months on behalf of the Committee. There have been a lot of people putting in a lot of effort and it is greatly appreciated. In particular the following people were acknowledged for their contributions:

- The Yunta Race Club and its band of dedicated volunteers who have put in countless hours of effort in the rebuild project. Volunteers have given up many Saturdays and weekdays for this project and it is a phenomenal effort. We have been told that there is no other community in the OCA group that can boast of a project like this. Also, thanks to those who have donated food and materials to the Race Club project. Overall, a big pat on the back to those involved!



Specifically, Chris Duthy and Melanie Lewis are thanked for their extensive contributions to the Race Club project. Without the dedication of them both, this project would not have been able to achieve what has been achieved.

- Sheryl Lewis for managing the RFDS clinics, as well as Janeen Groom, Roslyn Breeding and Keith Noble who assist with making sure everything is done in preparation and on the day;
- Our CFS and Ambulance volunteers;
- Ruth McLeod for continuing to manage bottles and cans;
- Michael Dennison for continuing to maintain the swimming pool;
- Keith Noble for all of his efforts, including weed spraying, watering plants, fixing the toilets when idiots back into the breather pipes, helping at the RFDS clinic and telecentre with maintenance, and his overall neighbourhood watch program!
- Mel Hampel for her efforts with the Telecentre gardens; and
- Sheryl Lewis and Mel Hampel for their support of the Hall Committee and the community with the post office.

Allen also thanked the Hall Committee for their continued efforts. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes and it is appreciated. Allen also specifically acknowledged the efforts of Gary Fuller and Lisa Crawford for their ongoing contributions to the town and for the airstrip refresh project.

### **What do you want from the Hall Committee?**

**Got new ideas?**

**Help us make Yunta the best it can be!**

**Give us your thoughts at**

**[yuntadistricthall@gmail.com](mailto:yuntadistricthall@gmail.com)**

**or if you are thinking of joining the committee, get in touch!**

*~ Lisa Crawford, Secretary, YDH Inc*



Melanie Lewis, Janeen Groom & Nikki Gaiter

## 50 years of the North East Branch of the Isolated Children's Parents' Association

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December saw the North East Branch of the ICPA hold its Annual General Meeting at the Burra Town Hall with 10 around the table and 16 kids running amok. We welcomed a new member to the branch, Josephine Williams, who grew up on Sturt Vale Station and has two young children who attend Burra Community School.

The meeting was not only a great excuse for us adults to come together and discuss ICPA business, after what seemed to be another challenging year of all things Covid and lock downs, but it was also a fantastic opportunity for the kids to catch up with old mates and share all their exciting news with each other from throughout the year. Lunch was a delicious smorgasbord from St Just Café and The Cook'O'Burra.

Nominations were open for all executive positions, though only one change was made. That being Kristina Crawford becoming the new Vice President, with Ros Breeding stepping down from the position.

There were a few key points of discussion throughout the meeting. One of them being the lack of services from CaFHS that families in the North East are missing out on, due to the fact that CaFHS are now working with the RFDS Central Operations out of Port Augusta. This has been an ongoing issue with families from the North East. Members moved that the annual branch memberships remain at \$44 per family or individual.



At the North East Branch 2021 AGM were (back, L to R) Penny Rasheed, Kristina Crawford, Kim Heinemann, Melanie Lewis, Josephine Drennan, Katie Robinson. (Front) Leisa Breeding, Ros Breeding, Glennis Crawford and Jane Gloster.

### The North East Branch will be celebrating 50 years as an ICPA branch in 2022.

Members are working toward hosting a celebration sometime in September.....so keep an eye out for more news to come on this exciting event!

~ Katie Robinson, Publicity Officer,  
North East Branch. ICPA.

Also at the meeting were all these kids!  
Well, that IS what ICPA is all about!



The 50<sup>th</sup> SA ICPA State Conference  
will be held at Pt August on 1<sup>st</sup> April

To learn more about ICPA or to join the North East Branch, follow the links on [www.icpa.com](http://www.icpa.com)  
– or phone NE Branch President Leisa Breeding on 88928656.



ICPA (Aust) is a voluntary, non-profit, apolitical parent body dedicated to ensuring all geographically isolated children's educational needs and aspirations are not disadvantaged because of where they live. ICPA seeks to have all elements of education (curriculum, cultural experiences, social contacts, participation in sport and other enriching activities) available for all children regardless of their home location.

## *Exciting Times Ahead for the Race Club*

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The 2021 Annual General Meeting of the Yunta Race Club Inc was held on 18.12.2021 with 12 attending and several apologies recorded.

The Executive Members of the committee for 2022 are:

President: Warren Breeding, Vice Presidents: Nick Rasheed and Chris Duthy, Secretary: Ros Breeding, Treasurer: Alexander MacLachlan, Assistant Secretary: Kim Heinemann, Publicity Officer: Melanie Lewis.

Committee members are: Richard Williams, Richard Steel, Gary Fuller, Lisa Crawford, Tim Taplin, Grant Breeding, Mike Groom, Jeff Allen and Mick Goldsworthy.

Richard Williams is sincerely thanked for his term as Vice Resident and Richard Steel is also thanked for his astute role as Treasurer over the past few years.

President Warren Breeding spoke of the mammoth effort contributed by local volunteers on the building of the new clubhouse. Over the past 15 months, 3000+ hours have been kindly offered by a small group of enthusiastic men and ladies.

Warren was effusive in his high praise of Chris Duthy and Melanie Lewis (of Duthy Homes) for their continued leadership and immersion in the project.

The Club looks forward to sharing this magnificent new facility with the entire district.

### ***What's next for the Yunta Race Club***

At the committee meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> December a discussion about the inability to insure Picnic Race competitors resulted in a sub-committee being formed to investigate options. This is a dilemma facing every outback race club and we continue communications with other clubs about possible eventualities.

At this stage, insurance coverage is available for gymkhana and other competitor activities; however outback events must be well-supported to realise profits after premiums are paid. The Club has decided that an event will be hosted at the Yunta Racecourse (Covid and weather permitting) on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April**. Please mark this date in your diaries, to ensure your attendance at the return to our annual social get-together.

### ***The Rebuild. Here's where we are at!***

Kitchen cabinetry installed with ss benchtops to be added. Central (island) cook and prep benches are being ordered. Two fridges installed near the servery benches.

Bar cabinetry and ice troughs installed, with fridges ordered.

Bathrooms fully-tiled with fittings ready for installation and plumbing to be finalised.



## OCA Matters



Yunta's Drinking Water Station is now fully set up

Directional and informational signage has been added to the Water Station which was installed by the OCA at Yunta in 2020. Access has also improved with the addition of gravel to enable travellers and local residents to enjoy the benefit of drinking water.

Users are to supply their own water containers and pay the low fee by credit card.

Mark Sutton, Director, Outback Communities Authority said that finalisation of the project had been delayed due to multiple factors.

The OCA is responsible for the maintenance of the Barrier Highway public toilets in the North East. It is planned that significant refurbishments of the Yunta and Mannahill toilets, as well as significant repairs to the Olary Public Toilets will begin in February.

Mark Sutton reported that “the OCA is investing in the refurbishment of the Yunta public toilets which will include renewal of all fittings and fixtures along with internal and external painting. This work is currently scheduled for February 2022, and will help improve local and visitor experience when using the facilities.”

Yunta's tired toilets will undergo repairs and refurbishment in February.



### *Thank you and Farewell*

#### **MARK SHIRLEY**

Our North East community organisations wish to thank Mark Shirley who is retiring from his role as Community Development Officer with the Outback Communities Authority.

Mark assisted our towns with numerous projects and demonstrated his support and enthusiasm during visits to our communities.

Mark is wished the very best for the future – and we know we will see him back in the North East sometime.

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### **OUTBACK FUTURES REPORT**

In December 2021 the Outback Communities Authority endorsed the Outback Futures Report which was subsequently provided to the Minister for Planning and Local Government on 20 December 2021.

As promised, the OCA is now publicly releasing the report for your information. You can access the report at:

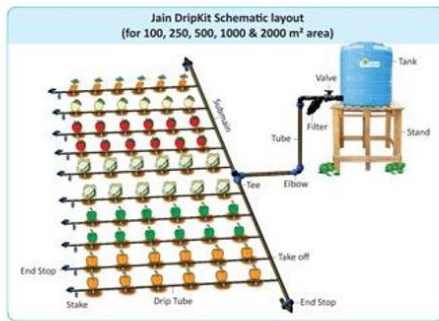
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- You get your electricity bill at least every three months.
- Your bill describes what you are paying for.
- You have 12 business days to pay.
- You can ask your supplier to check your bill if you think it's wrong and get a fair response.
- You can pay your bill in person or by mail.
- Some people can also pay by direct debit or CentrePay.
- If you need help paying, you can ask to make a payment plan.
- If you make a payment plan and keep making payments, your electricity won't be cut off.

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## Interruptions



- You will get a written notice if your electricity will be off for a while.
- If you don't get a notice, you can ask why your electricity was off.

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## Disconnections



- If your electricity gets cut off because you haven't paid, you can make a payment plan.
- When you have made a payment plan, you can ask for your electricity to be put back on.
- You will get your electricity back that day or the next business day.

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## Complaints



- You can complain about your bill or service to your supplier.
- Your supplier must respond to your complaint within a month.
- If you are unhappy with their response, you can ask the SA Energy and Water Ombudsman to help. <https://ewosa.com.au/>

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## Prepaying for your electricity

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If you choose to prepay, your supplier must:



- explain how prepay works and tell you all the costs
- get your consent to prepay
- tell you how to use the prepay method on your meter, so you can see how much credit you have left
- give you some emergency credit if your prepayments run out
- keep your electricity connected on weekends and before 10am and after 3pm on weekdays, even when your prepayments and emergency credit have run out
- change you back to post-payment without any cost, so you can pay after you use your electricity.

## Shooting Competition Returns to Yunta Club



Above: Target Rifle winner Phil Bradshaw is presented with the perpetual Shield from Club Captain Warren Breeding.

Below: Less abled shooters are well catered for in the sport of long range full-bore target shooting.



Despite the usual Saturday working bee underway at the new clubhouse, the Yunta Rifle Club hosted a Christmas Shoot at the Yunta Range on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Good weather but fickle winds set the scene for the 30 shooters with good results across the board.

It was wonderful to have many of our 'shooting family' back at Yunta after two years of very few Shoots.

Those attending were certainly primed for a weekend of fun and fellowship, with the evening weather conditions just perfect for al fresco dining.

Despite there being no kitchen to work in, Kerry and Ros maintained their culinary reputation with the usual sumptuous cold buffet lunch - and bbq dinners on the Friday and Saturday nights. Thanks to the donors of quandongs: the Quandong Slices were very much enjoyed. The girls were grateful to the visiting fun-loving ladies who helped in the kitchen on the day.

At days end, Club Captain Warren Breeding sincerely thanked all who attended the shoot and particularly, those who ensured it was a successful event either by target preparation, catering or donations of goods or prizes.

Congrats to the overall winners: Target Rifle, Phil Bradshaw and F Class, Malcolm Hill.

Brad Semmler and Lynlee Lowe won the Pairs Shoot (a formidable team!). Gordon Harrison won B Grade and Allen Hucks won C Grade.

A wonderful day on the range concluded with a stunning sunset which saw the visiting city slickers enjoying the comradery and photographing our tremendous panoramas.

~ Annie Oakley



1. Ask



2. Listen



3. Encourage action



4. Check in

# DO YOU HAVE THE BALLS?..

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January saw Yunta Hotel hold its first pool competition of the year. Twelve people played for the jackpot and the bragging rights that come with being King/Queen of the pool table.

To start the competition off it was just a Singles competition, and it was a success for the first competition. A great night was had by all locals and visitors who were there.



The pool competition started off a little slow with people warming up, and there were a lot of winners by default happening to start with; don't know if it was nervous, or just a pot of bad luck that night, but by the time the semi-finals and finals were played there were some very serious plays happening on the pool table.

In the final we saw Allan Hucks and Dave Donlon go head-to-head. It was a great game to watch, but Dave proved to be the better player this night, taking home the Jackpot.

Thank you to all who supported the night.

*We hope to see you all at the next Pool competition.*

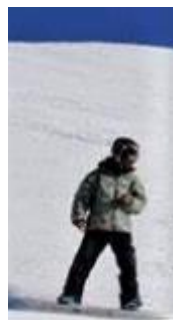


*~ Kim Heinemann*

## The XXIV Olympic Winter Games begin in Beijing on 4<sup>th</sup> February

Australia has confirmed a team of 44 athletes for the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic Games

A squad of 23 women and 21 men will compete in 10 disciplines. *Enjoy the telecast!*



## Valentine's Day ~ February 14<sup>th</sup>

We don't usually celebrate Valentine's Day, so the missus was very excited when I told her I'd booked us a table. I didn't know she liked 8-ball so much.

**For Valentine's Day, I got a new car for my husband.**

I thought that was an awesome trade.

**I bought my girlfriend a fridge for Valentine's Day.**

An unconventional present I know, but you should have seen her face light up when she opened it.



## New and Exciting RFDS Booking System for Yunta Clinic

Yunta is the first of the RFDS SE section clinics to work with a new booking system.

RFDSSE is always working on ways to improve our services to our communities. With our communities in mind, we are looking to improve our booking system for our clinics.

The RFDSSE is rolling out an App called HOTDOC <https://help.hotdoc.com.au/hc/en-gb/articles/204364254-How-do-I-book-an-appointment-with-my-practitioner> This is a link that explains what it is and how you use it. It is a private and confidential, no one else can see who is booked in only the Doctor and Nurses, also means you can book your own appointments 24 hours 7 days a week, when booking you will only see blank spots where appointments time are available, and you can choose and book your appointment quickly and confidentially at a time that is convenient to you.

**Customers at the Yunta clinic can use this system to book for the Clinic on the 17<sup>th</sup> of February 2022**

Customers will still be able to call the Clinic Coordinator as they will be able to book through Hotdoc on behalf of the customer or Clive Bishop Medical Centre to book appointment

This system will allow the staff to manage appointments, patients' needs and what is required to be taken on plane for the clinic e.g. Vaccinations, dressings etc.

If you have any questions or feedback, we would like to hear from you. Please call or email Annette Ohlsen the Community Coordinator based at Broken Hill, Phone 0439 731 256, email [annette.ohlsen@rfdsse.org.au](mailto:annette.ohlsen@rfdsse.org.au)

### *Smart Investing?*

Bank customer: "I want to open a joint account"

Bank Teller: "Who with?"

Customer: "With someone who has a lot of money!"



### Yunta's North East News

Produced for the residents of the North East of SA.

The deadline date is always the 24<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Content is sought from all corners of the district.

Please consider sharing your news  
with our wider community.

### *Quotes about Life.....*

To succeed in life you need 3 things:  
a wishbone, a backbone and  
a funny-bone.

*Reba McEntire*

The capacity to learn is a gift;  
the ability to learn is a skill;  
the willingness to learn is a choice.

*Brian Herbert*

The fact that jellyfish have survived  
650 million years despite not having  
brains gives hope to some people.

*Unknown*

**SAVE THE DATE...Tuesday March 8**  
**North East Pastoral Landscape Group presents**

*ladies day*

Succession planning with Jeanette Long,  
grant writing tips and seed bombs!

Childcare activities by RICE

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# Police News

by Brevet Sergeant Jeff Allen, OIC, Yunta Police Station.

Greetings,

As everyone is now aware the COVID 19 border controls at Oodla Wirra have stopped. It is pleasing to see that generally all persons moving around Yunta re locals and travellers when interacting with others, they are observing the requirements re masks and washing hands etc. I still and will make COVID 19 compliance checks. There is a risk that outsiders / travelers will bring it here so it is up to all of us to keep up the precautions.

On 10/1/2022 a motor vehicle was stolen from a resident at Cockburn. The stolen vehicle was intercepted at Nackara and the female offender was arrested. The vehicle was returned to the owner undamaged.

On 21/10/2022 Peterborough and Yunta Police engaged in a high speed pursuit of a vehicle and occupants from Paratoo into NSW. The offending vehicle was spiked by NSW Police south of Broken Hill and three persons were arrested for traffic and drug offences.

I can be contacted on my email [jeffrey.allen@police.sa.gov.au](mailto:jeffrey.allen@police.sa.gov.au) as well as the phone 86505004 for any enquiries.

~ B/S Jeff Allen



Following major works at the  
**YUNTA AIRSTRIP**  
It is again  
**OPEN FOR BUSINESS**

*Words and photos next issue!*

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The **2022 Australian Federal Election**  
will be held on or before 21 May 2022

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Daylight Saving ends  
Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022

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*Chinese New Year*  
**2022**  
*Year of the Tiger*

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## Housing assistance for Tertiary Students

Yugo, the Student Housing Company provides tertiary student accommodation in Adelaide, Melbourne and Perth.

As part of its sponsorship of the 2021 ICPA Federal Conference, the Student Housing Company has offered special rates for ICPA members until 31 March 2022. There is also an opportunity to win 12 weeks free rent.

To find out more about this generous offer, visit <https://yugo.com/en-gb/global/australia> to find out more about the Student Housing Company student accommodation.

## FLOOD PHOTOS

Supplied by Jeff Allen & Ros Breeding



Near Winnininnie



Teetulpa



## Rain could increase pig numbers in the North East

Reports of pig sightings received by the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board has increased considerably in the outback channel country, with Queensland floodwaters pushing into South Australia posing a further risk to the spread of pigs. With increased rainfall in the North East Pastoral District, now is the time to keep an eye out for any signs of activity and let us know.

We're also in the process of creating a North East Pastoral District group on the Feral Scan app where you can enter pig sightings and communicate with your neighbours about how they are tackling the issue. Pig numbers have been minimised across the North East through the hard work of land managers and now is the time to be vigilant and monitor and act on any increase in populations.

We are keen to minimise feral pig incursions in the North East and I am keen to assist land managers with signs of recent pig activity to consider management options. NSW Local Land Services are offering the webinar "How much are feral pigs impacting your bottom line?" Register to watch on February 2 or to receive an emailed recording.

### \* 2022 Calendar of events

Wild Dog trapper workshop – February 22-23 at Mannahill

Ladies Day – March 8 at Mannahill

Building Pastoral Sustainability grants – March/April

Grassroots grants – March/April

Wild dog bait distribution days – April 5-8

Neville Bonney Roadshow – April 10 at Yunta

*Other workshops being planned are:-*

Chemcert refresher training

Introductory Carbon Farming

Kids planting workshop

Koonamore erosion workshop

Mingary weed control workshop

\* COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) RESPONSE Please be advised that due to the changing nature of the COVID-19 health response, SA Arid Lands Landscape Board will continue to actively monitor the health directives and recommendations set out by Government, and will seek information from official sources to ensure that each of our events are delivered in a safe and responsible manner.

Do you have ideas for workshops you'd like to attend?

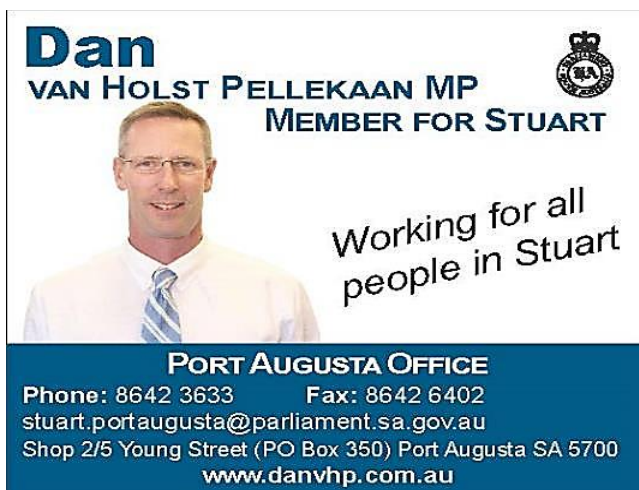
Please get in touch with myself or a member of your Landscape Group.

*Kind regards,*

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## INAUGURAL NORTH EAST PASTORAL WOOL SHOW

**SATURDAY 4TH JUNE 2022**

**YUNTA RACING CLUB**

The event will consist of wool judging, auction of goods donated by merchandise suppliers, Fashion parade, Guest speakers, Gala Dinner & Music.

The event is a great opportunity to shine a spotlight on what the North East can produce.

Once judged and the Growers have been awarded, all fleeces will be baled up and sold through Elders at no charge and ALL proceeds being donated to the RFDS Broken Hill who serve the North East District.



Proudly supported & sponsored by The Rotary Club of Peterborough Inc.

**If you would like to participate in this coming event or have any questions, please contact Tim Taplin.**

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