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Uncovering the BIG history of Littlehampton this May

Residents are invited to the Littlehampton Community Association's 175 years of Littlehampton celebrations from Saturday 18th – Sunday 19th May.

Coinciding with the 2024 South Australia History Festival, keen history buffs can join a History Bus Tour to explore their own backyard. Departing from the Littlehampton Peace Memorial Hall, passengers will be transported throughout Littlehampton by local tour guide, Glenn Liebelt.





Passengers will hear stories of the town and learn how Littlehampton helped to shape Adelaide in the early days. They will discover the stories behind Littlehampton's famous horse race, how the town was named, and learn where Littlehampton started.

Tour Guide Glenn says, "We are looking forward to this weekend, and I am personally very excited to share our town's history with locals and

According to Glenn, Littlehampton has, "many visitors alike." hidden historic locations with remarkable stories behind them."

The bus tours start and finish from the Peace Memorial Hall and last for approximately 90 minutes, departing on the hour from 11am - 4pm both Saturday and Sunday. Bookings are required.

For bus tour bookings, please contact Glenn on 0412 324 022 or littlehamptonhistorymonth@gmail.com



In addition to the Bus Tour, the Peace Memorial Hall will be the centre the



celebrations, with a historic display opened from

11am – 4pm each day for residents to visit.

For a gold coin donation, visitors can immerse themselves in Littlehampton history, with local family stories, artifacts, and historic displays.

Further information about the festivities can be found on page 3 or at www.littlehampton.net/events

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EDITORS NOTE Let's make LITTLEHAMPTON the FRIENDLIEST town in fillent

Are you still waving as you drive or walk past someone in our very special town? It DOES make a difference, so don't forget!!!

LITTLEHAMPTON PHOTOS

Keep sending any photos you have of any part of Littlehampton and I will make up a collage page in the each newsletter with all the photos vou send. Send them anvtime martyr53@gmail.com. No names will be attached.

Marty

LITTLEHAMPTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

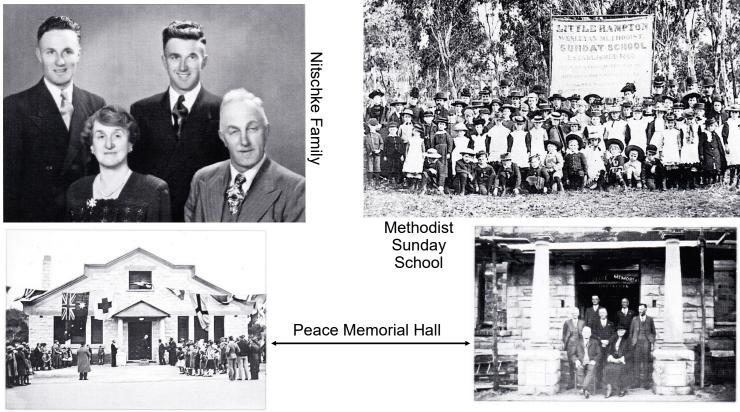
Hello fellow residents of Littlehampton.

I hope you had a pleasant and safe break over the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The Littlehampton Community Association was there during the break to keep a watch on what was happening in Littlehampton. We have been attending meetings organised by our Council, on how to be more resilient in the face of a disaster. We also held our annual Chairman's Dinner in Miels

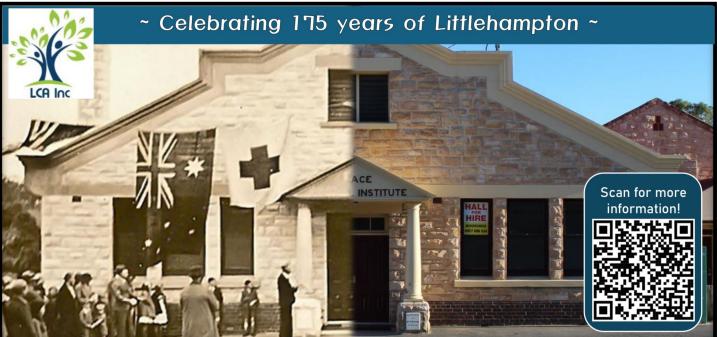
Park. This is a free dinner for all the LCA Members to thank them for the help in the past twelve months. Coming up in May is History Month. This year we are planning historical displays in the hall and a few bus trips around the township and surrounds, picking out some of the historical buildings this great town has to offer. This will happen on the weekend of Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th of May. This is a great opportunity to learn about the history of Littlehampton. Things like: How do you spell Littlehampton? Where is Andrewville? What famous horse race was in Littlehampton? What was Prudence famous for? and where did Littlehampton start?

See you there.

Glenn Liebelt



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You are invited to Littlehampton Community Association's **The BIG History of Littlehampton** Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th May 2024

Come along for a...

History Bus Tour

Join a local guide on a history bus tour of Littlehampton. Hear the stories of town and learn how Littlehampton helped to shape Adelaide in the early days. Discover the stories behind Littlehampton's famous horse race; who was Prudence; where did Littlehampton start; and so much more! Soak up the town's rich history as you visit historic locations throughout the tour.

- **()** Tours depart hourly from 11am 4pm
- Start and finish from Miels Park (adjacent to Littlehampton Peace Memorial Hall)
- Includes a sausage sizzle voucher to be redeemed after tour
- Bus tour is not wheelchair accessible
- Bookings required, contact details below
- S Cost: Adult \$22 / Senior \$20 / Children \$18

And join us for...

175th

Celebrations

Join the community for 175th celebrations in the Littlehampton Peace Memorial Hall. Explore historical displays presented by pioneer families, local residents, and historic businesses in the town.

Open from 11am – 4pm
Sausage sizzle available
Wheelchair accessible
Bookings not required
ENTRY: Gold coin donation

For Bus Tour bookings & all enquires, please contact Glenn Liebelt:

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*Closed Christmas Day

Snapshot of Littlehampton in 2021 Data collected from Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2021 Census

Ever wondered how many people call Littlehampton home? Or how most residents travel to work? The below statistics might just surprise you!



Families	968
Average number of children per family for families with children	1.9
Average number of children per family for all households	0.9



People	3,300
Male	49%
Female	51%
Median Age	40



All Private Dwellings	1,241
Average number of people per household	2.8
Median weekly household income	\$2,086
Median monthly mortgage repayments	\$1,733
Median weekly rent	\$360
Average number of motor vehicles per dwelling	2.2



Country of Birth	%
Australia	82.6%
England	6.6%
South Africa	1.1%
New Zealand	0.8%
Netherlands	0.7%
Scotland	0.7%



Marital Status	%
Married	56.2%
Separated	2.3%
Divorced	9.1%
Widowed	3.2%
Never married	29.1%



Method of travel to work on the day of the Census	%
Car, as driver	65.5
Car, as passenger	3.5
Bus	2.2
Walked only	1.0
Truck	0.5



<u>Littlehampton Primary School</u> <u>Report</u>

Message from the Principal

During 2023, we began working with the Department for Education's four Areas of Impact: Learner Agency, Effective Learners, Wellbeing and Equity and Excellence.

The learning capabilities described in these Impact Areas are a natural part of how children are at school: how they learn, build independence and confidence, get along with people, solve problems and influence their world. These capabilities are already part of what has always happened here at Littlehampton Primary School, and we will continue to build around them in coming years. These Impact Areas will become more familiar to families as children work with them in 2024

I value children developing a sense of place in their community and beyond. I want children to belong, to feel that they can influence what happens here and to enjoy their childhood as they learn and thrive. I will continue to work hard, together with children, staff and families to do this important work even better.

Coppins Bush Visit

On Wednesday this week a keen group of Year 5/6 students interested in the local environment all visited Coppins Bush with Barb O'Connor (Teacher Librarian), and Julie Claridge one of Littlehampton's retired teachers who is an avid bird watcher and naturalist. The students explored the paths and took photographs of the environment and animal habitats. Julie was able to identify the sounds of different native birds including the Grey Fantail, Striated Pardalote, White-plumed Honeyeater, Grey Currawong and the New Holland Honeyeater. The students took a few minutes to be silent to listen to the call of the birds before departing. Suddenly the bush erupted in sound as the birds created a ruckus with their different bird calls. Julie explained this was a warning to other birds that a predator was in the area. Sure enough a bird of prey, a Brown Goshawk was patrolling the sky, possibly on the lookout for young rabbits seen in the area. The joys of being in the Australian bush!



Swimming Weeks

During the first term students in Reception to Year 5 took part in our swimming program at Woodside Pool. The students participate in this program each year and enjoy this experience. Swimming Instructors from the Woodside Pool teach all of our students the importance of water safety as well as build their confidence for swimming.



Year 6 Aquatics Day

On Friday 1st March our Year 6 students took part in an Aquatics Activity Day up at the Murraylands Aquatic Centre. The weather was perfect and the students all enjoyed the day greatly. The students all under the guidance of the instructors gained knowledge and experience in a variety of water sports activities, such as Knee Boarding, Canoeing, Skiing and Sailing.

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Courier Cup Competition

On Thursday 29th February a group of students represented Littlehampton Primary School at the Courier Cup Swimming Competition which was held at the Mountain Pool in Mount Barker. Leading up to the event they also attended a few early morning training sessions. The day was a great day and we are proud of all of them for representing our school in this competition.

The 2024 Premier's Reading Challenge has begun!

All students are encouraged to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge at Littlehampton Primary School. The challenge is to read 12 books during each year.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is most successful when parents show interest and support their children. Help your child read their 12 books for the year and you will be making a positive difference to their future.



You can be their reading legend. Reading just 20 minutes each day makes a difference

Research confirms reading to children just 20 minutes each day strengthens literacy, models positive reading behaviour, and builds children's self-esteem about reading. It doesn't stop there. You can show your children that you value reading by reading yourself. Having books in your house makes a big difference too. Either books you own or books you borrow from the library remind children of the importance and fun of reading.

Debbie Jackson

Gym Hire Available

Our gym is available to hire. Our gym has heating and industrial fans for cooling, kitchen facilities, and seating 200, on-site parking. for some wheelchair access and disabled toilet. This facility is perfect for church groups, sporting groups and community activity space. For further inquiries and bookings, please contact Michelle Calderwood on (08) 8391 1194 or email

dl.0225.info@schools.sa.edu.au.



Primary education is the cornerstone of a child's educational journey and plays a crucial role in shaping their future opportunities and success. It can also help children develop confidence, independence, and a sense of meaning.

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What's on in Littlehampton

Date	Event	Time	Where	Note
1 April	Accomplished	Mondays	Peace Memorial	Zumba & Ballroom
Weekly	Dance	6-8.30pm	Hall	Every Monday
2 April	Yoga Classes	Tuesdays	Peace Memorial	Every Tuesday
Weekly		9.30-10.30	Hall	During school terms
4 April	Spinners &	Thursdays	Peace Memorial	1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Thursday
Fortnightly	Weavers	9 – 3pm	Hall	
4 April Weekly	Coffee with locals	Thursdays 10-11.30am	Artison Oak Café	Every Thursday
7 April	Mt Barker	Sun 6pm	Peace Memorial	Every Sunday
Weekly	Christadelphians	Wed 7.30	Hall	
19 April	Chat & Play	Wednesdays	Peace Memorial	\$5 Cost
Monthly		12-4pm	Hall	Every 2 nd Wednesday
25 April	Anzac Day Service	Thursday 5.30am	Miels Park Reserve & Hall	Preservice Presentation 5.30am
5 May	Rotary & St James	Sunday	St James Anglican	5 th & 19 th May
	Church	1-4pm	Church	LH History Talk
8 May	Chat & Play	Wednesday	Peace Memorial	\$5 Cost
Monthly		12-4pm	Hall	Every 2 nd Wed
18 &19 May	Bus Tours and Displays of Littlehampton	Sat & Sun 11-4pm	Miles Park, Peace Memorial Hall	Bus tour costs: See p.3
19 May	Rotary & St James	Sunday	St James Anglican	5 th & 19 th May
	Church	1-4pm	Church	LH History Talk
25 May	Spinners & Weavers Annual Open Day	Saturday 10-3pm	Peace Memorial Hall	Free
26 May	Steam Ranger Fest BBQ	9-4pm	Mt Barker Station Platform	\$3 Sausage Egg & Bacon sandwich \$6
12 June	Chat & Play	Wednesday	Peace Memorial	\$5 Cost
Monthly		12-4pm	Hall	Every 2 nd Wed
10 July	Chat & Play	Wednesday	Peace Memorial	\$5 Cost
Monthly		12-4pm	Hall	Every 2 nd Wed

My Local Services App

Are you tired of having to remember when your green bin is being collected? There is an app for that!

The My Local Services App allows users to set up a weekly bin collection reminder, plus information about upcoming events in the Mount Barker District Council and neighbouring council areas. It even helps to locate your nearest community centres, libraries, playgrounds, toilets, and council buildings.



There is also a 'Report It' feature where you can report things such as graffiti, road hazards, blocked drains, damaged bins and weed control.

Residents can download the app here at: <u>www.localcouncils.sa.gov.au/my-local-services-app</u> or search "My Local Services" from your App Store.

Annual Chairman's Dinner in Miels Park

Members of the Littlehampton Community Association were invited to the Annual Chairman's Dinner on Monday 19th February to celebrate the LCA's achievements over the past 12 months.

Chairman, Glenn Liebelt, welcomed 38 guests to join the committee for the night.



It was a beautiful night on the lawns of Miels Park, with a gazebo keeping the sun off until the evening.

A meal of BBQ sausages and homemade meat patties was enhanced by yummy salads (some generously



donated by LCA members) and finishing off the meal with some very enticing deserts, also donated by guests. Tea, coffee and cold drinks accompanied the meal.

A great night of good food

and fellowship was had by all members; some reminiscing of bygone days was heard with good laughs and new members listening in.

A big *thank you* to all guests for contributing to the meal, which is greatly appreciated by the committee.



Our committee would also like to thank Lorraine Wundenberg for the beautiful flower arrangements

she made to enhance the tables for the night, a pleasant addition to the setting.

Also *thank* you to all our helpers for the setting up and cleaning up after the event. It was much appreciated. A special mention of *thanks* to all the lovely women who helped in the kitchen, it was a buzzing and happy place to be.

Last but not least, a huge *thank you* to the chefs on the night. Without you guys, there would be no dinner. Well done all.

If you are interested in joining the LCA, please contact Lyndall on 0407 133 100 or head to <u>www.littlehampton.net</u> for more information.

www.littlehampton.net

THE source of information about Littlehampton

- Point of contact for the community
- Littlehampton history
- Upcoming events
- Current and old editions of this newsletter



DAN CREGAN MP MEMBER FOR KAVEL

Justice of the Peace services available in our office

Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 5.00 pm no appointment necessary



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Littlehampton ANZAC Day Dawn Service & Gunfire Breakfast

The Littlehampton ANZAC Day Dawn Service & Gunfire Breakfast will be held in Miels Park, Littlehampton on Thursday 25th April 2024.



A pre-service presentation will begin at 5:30am and the service will commence at 6am following this.

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After the service has concluded, the Littlehampton Community Association will serve a community Gunfire Breakfast in the Peace Memorial Hall next door to Miels Park.

The community is encouraged to attend the morning, and all are welcome.

More information can be found on the LCA website : <u>www.littlehampton.net/events</u>



A council report released this month said Mount Barker had officially become the 2nd biggest city in SA. The district (which includes other townships) has a population of 44,772 people.

Mount Barker has experienced faster growth than previously anticipated with 2023 achieving the "greatest rate" of population growth ever seen in the Hills town.

The council predicts the district will grow by nearly 8000 people over the next two years, and exceed 53,000 by 2031.

Originally, council models predicted the district would grow to have a population of around 55,000 by 2036. These models now predict this to be nearly 58,000 by 2036.

In its latest report, the council said this growth was due to the region's affordable housing and liveability including the SE freeway providing an easy corridor to the city, and that the rapid growth had (and will continue to) put a "strain on existing assets" in the town.

"This growth is set to continue, with the district population expected to exceed 64,000 by 2046, an increase of over 40% in the next 20 years."

Most of this growth is expected to be in residential developments around the Mount Barker township.

"Most population growth will be in new developments, which means that Council is acquiring new assets with new asset management needs," it said.

From Scott Murphy, a Mt Barker Journalist

Littlehampton UK on the Big Screen

In 1849, Littlehampton was given its name by one of the town's founders, Benjamin Gray. Gray chose the name Littlehampton after his native town back in England.

Littlehampton (UK) is located in the Arun District of West Sussex, approximately 80km from London, and has a population of around 19,000 people.

Last year, Littlehampton (UK) and other neighbouring towns, were transformed into movie sets for the filming of the black comedy mystery film, *Wicked Little Letters*, starring Olivia Colman and Jessie Buckley.

The story is based on a real-life incident that played out in the town of Littlehampton (UK) many years ago.

"A 1920s English seaside town bears witness to a farcical and occasionally sinister scandal in this riotous mystery comedy. Based on a stranger than fiction true story, Wicked Little Letters follows two neighbours: deeply conservative local Edith Swan (Olivia Colman) and rowdy Irish migrant Rose Gooding (Jessie Buckley). When Edith and fellow residents begin to receive wicked letters full of unintentionally hilarious profanities, foul-mouthed Rose is charged with the crime. The anonymous letters prompt a national uproar, and a trial ensues. However, as the town's women - led by Police Officer Gladys Moss (Anjana Vasan) - begin to investigate the crime



themselves, they suspect that something is amiss, and Rose may not be the culprit after all."

The movie is set to be released in Australia on 21st March 2024, and is screening at Wallis Cinemas Mount Barker. For movie session times and further information head to <u>https://wallis.com.au/films/</u><u>wicked-little-letters/</u>

Synopsis and move poster courtesy of Wallis Cinema



Councillor's Report

We are very lucky in the North Ward of Council (Totness, Littlehampton, Nairne, Callington, Brukunga, Harrogate, Dawsely and surrounds) to have probably the best part of the Council in which to live, and to have really good representation in Council.

In Littlehampton, Councillors Jessica Szillasy, Harry Seager and I are always open to enquiries from the residents of Littlehampton and will undertake to follow up on any query. Our details are published in this newsletter.

There has been a lot of recent action around the area, with the development of the Parkland Estate bordering Gardner St, Fulford Tce, the Glebe and Old Princes Hwy impacting on traffic on Old Princes Hwy and Gardner St as vital infrastructure is installed.

At the same time, Council workers have done a great job constructing an overflow on the dam at the Glebe, ensuring that in the winter months, any excess water from the dam won't impact the walking paths around it.

Recently Council staff sought input from sections of the community into the location of a bike 'pump' and skills track at the Glebe. The event was a great success with some really helpful information which will be used in the construction of the track – coming soon!

Other things happening include maintenance activities along the main street garden beds and creek lines.

The footpath on Benjamin Gray Dve is being renewed and a new footpath on Junction Road from Old Prince Hwy to Benjamin Gray Dve is being started soon.

Planning for a path from Childs Rd to Anembo Park is continuing, and I hope to bring some good news soon on this one as it's been a long and complex process.

The backstage section of the Peace Memorial Hall, sometimes referred to as the 'lean to' is still in the planning stage to work out the best way to deal with it in consultation with the Hall committee, whether it be restoration, renovation or replacement, taking into consideration its historic properties. The replacement of the roof of the hall is also still in the planning.

One of the most common comments/queries I get from residents is, "How long does it take to..." generally referring to projects like footpaths or other infrastructure items. I understand the question and sometimes the frustration.

The explanation I can give is that Council has hundreds of competing projects in different stages at any one time. All have to be prioritized, carefully planned to ensure that the risk to all (Council and the public) is minimized or eliminated. Then the money needed to make them happen has to be allocated from the budget, and then resources (either within Council or outsourced) need to be organized, and THEN work can start.

And this is all dependent on all the other projects going to planned timelines and budgets! And then there's the weather to consider.

It can be frustrating and sometimes appears nonsensical, but there is nearly always a reasonable and practical explanation – but if you have concerns – let us know so we can help.

Cheers Simon Westwood, North Ward Councillor (0438 631 789)

Memories of Littlehampton

Originally compiled by Helen Raison 1995





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HALL FOR HIRE - REASONABLE RATES

The best little hall in the Hills is right in your own back yard!



Phone 0457 698 534 or email <u>bookings@littlehamptonhall.org.au</u> for bookings.

Building Improvements:

- Recent refurbishment of wooden floors of the Supper Room, Main Hall and Stage with assistance from MBDC grant
- New custom built memorabilia cabinet installed by Pfitzner Furniture
- The Old Library (Audio Visual Room) now has a camera to assist with hosting of online meetings
- Hand sanitising stations throughout the hall to assist groups keep COVID safe
- Excellent toilet facilities including accessible toilet and baby change table
- WIFI is available upon request

CURRENT REGULAR HIRERS

Adelaide Hills Spinners & Weavers Guild — 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays of each month from 9.00am - 3.00pm. 3rd Tuesday night of each month 6pm - 8pm. Contact Pam on 0417 846 601.

Yoga Classes — every Tuesday morning in school terms 9.30am —10.30am. Contact Sean on 8391 2747

Accomplished Dance — Zumba and Ballroom classes are held on Monday evenings from 6.00pm - 8.30pm. Contact Donna on 0402 081 377.

Mt Barker Christadelphians — public Sunday activities generally commence at 6:00pm and Wednesday evening at 7:30pm. Contact James 0493 057 970 for ANY further information.

Hall Committee Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month at 7pm in the Old Library

If you are interested in attending a meeting, joining the Littlehampton Peace Memorial Hall Association or becoming a member of our committee please contact our President Jonathan Liebelt on 0424 723 589 or president@littlehamptonhall.org.au.

We are currently looking for an Assistant Secretary & Assistant Booking Officer to join committee.

HALL MEMORABILIA— If anyone in the community has memorabilia relating to the Hall that they would like to donate to us to go into a display cabinet in the Hall, please contact Glenn on 0412 324 022.



LITTLEHAMPTON COUNTRY FIRE SERVICE UPDATE

Summer is almost done but the outlook from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) is for a warmer a dry end to Summer, and a warmer autumn period with little rain. The Littlehampton Brigade is gearing up for a potentially dangerous end to the Fire Danger Season which ends on the 30th of April. The Brigade is continuing to focus on rural skills training and has welcomed some additional new members.



With the early summer rains and the subsequent warmer weather, there has been additional growth and an increase in available

fuels. It's critical that we all continue to do our bit and keep our properties in good shape by managing the vegetation, in particular, fine surface fuels such as grasses and weeds. Here are some helpful tips on how you can maintain your property during Fire Danger Season

- Mowing, raking and weeding to remove fine fuels from around the house;
- Pruning the lower branches of shrubs/trees to separate the foliage from the ground surface underneath (at least 2m lift recommended);
- Reducing accumulated ground debris such as bark, dead twigs, leaves or needles from around the base of trees and shrubs;
- Pruning of limbs that overhang buildings and sheds;
- Cleaning gutters of built up debris and leaves;
- Removing flammable items from beside dwellings and buildings (eg firewood, furniture, loose flammable items);
- Maintaining fencing (it is recommended fencing is non-flammable eg, steel);
- Cleaning debris from behind fixtures, such as gas bottles, air conditioning units etc.

For more information on property preparation head to the CFS website at: <u>https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/</u>plan-prepare/before-a-fire-be-prepared/preparing-your-home-property/

RECRUITMENT UPDATE

Littlehampton Brigade is now recruiting for Brigade Firefighters and Operational Support members (non -operational support roles). If you are interested in serving your local community, and have availability during the day, we would love to hear from you. Simply send me an email or call me direct to arrange a time, or call in on a Monday night to talk to us about the process to apply.

It's not too late to prepare a Bushfire Survival Plan. Having a written, well-rehearsed and communicated Bushfire Plan is key to your survival during a bushfire. For information and help in writing your plan please go to the CFS website at :

https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/plan-prepare/before-a-fire-be-prepared/make-a-plan/bushfire-survival-plan.jsp

Last but not least, big shout out to our wonderful community who continue to support us through our donation boxes placed at selected businesses throughout the area. Your contributions are very much appreciated and go towards additional safety equipment and station improvements.

Frank Regan Brigade Captain Littlehampton Country Fire Service M: 0411105433 E: Frank.Regan@sacfsvolunteer.org.au

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OUR VALUES

Competitive On Field

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- Exemplary Sportsmanship
- Growing Next-Generation Leaders
- Inclusive and Social Behaviour
 - Willingness to Volunteer
- Connect to Character and Tradition
 - Contribution to the Greater Community

PROGRAMS INCLUDE MODIFIEDS

UNDER 8-11'S (MIXED TEAMS) JUNIORS

> UNDER 12-18 BOYS UNDER 14 & 17 GIRLS SENIORS

Register via: www.hahndorffc.com.au

MEN & WOMENS

Join us in 2024 as we attempt to make history as "Division 1 Best Club of the Year" for the 10th year in-a-row

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Adelaide Hills Hand Spinners & Weavers Guild

A Love of Fibre

My mother taught me to knit when I was seven; I taught myself to crochet later, in my teens. I made a lot of my own cardigans and jumpers, and most of the family have one of my crocheted blankets. My sister married a farmer (sheep and beef) so of course she learnt to spin, and one of my favourite creations was made with her handspun yarn.

I moved from New Zealand to Australia in 1983 and life became dominated by study, then work, and the chores of house and home, and learning to spin got pushed to one side. Retirement gave me the time to pursue my hand crafts again.

A bit of social networking seemed like a good idea in retirement so I looked for groups that would help me develop my skills and give connection with like-minded people. I came across a Facebook post about the annual open day of the Adelaide Hills Hand Spinners and Weavers Guild. My partner and I went along to see what the Guild was about, and to explore my idea of learning to spin.

On entering the hall, we bumped into a neighbour who promptly offered to lend me her spinning wheel. Then we found a stall with stunning handwoven scarves – previously I hadn't even thought about taking up weaving. Some friendly conversations encouraged me to give the Guild a go. Three years later there are two spinning wheels and two weaving looms in the house, with a floor loom about to be added, and I am in my third year as the Guild secretary.

The amount of information on the internet is mind-blowing, and I have drawn on many YouTube videos to sort out problems of technique, but sometimes you just need a personal touch or to be pointed to a particularly good source of information. The knowledge and expertise available through the Guild is amazing. I love the display table at each meeting where people display their latest creation, or sometimes an interesting piece found in an op-shop. It is an endless source of inspiration and encouragement.

The Guild's open day is for people who like looking at handcrafts; it is for people who want an interesting hat or scarf for themselves or as a gift, or perhaps a hand woven basket for a new fruit bowl; it is most definitely for people who want to buy fleece, fibre or dyes for their next project. Admission is free, but bring a bit of cash for morning tea, and maybe lunch. Most of our traders accept card payments, but some prefer cash. And you need a bit of cash for a raffle ticket – prizes are hand made items donated by our members and half the proceeds go to a charity. You may not love fibre as much as I do, but I guarantee you will find something of interest at the Guild open day.

Event: Adelaide Hills Hand Spinners & Weavers Guild Annual Open Day – entry is free

Venue: Peace Memorial Hall, Princes Highway, Littlehampton

When: Saturday 25 May, 10am to 3pm

Adele Pring

Need to notify Council of something? Snap Send Solve

The Mount Barker District Council has an easy way for residents to notify Council of issues and hazards within our area.

Both the <u>*My Local Service*</u> and <u>*Snap, Send, Solve*</u> apps have a 'Report It' feature where you can report things such as damaged bins, graffiti control, road hazards, blocked drains and weed control, and so much more.

By using your phone's location, or a built in map, you can report the exact location of the issue, plus you can even add a photo.

Click on the "<u>Snap, Send, Solve</u>" logo on this page now to go to the website or download the App from Apple Store or Google Play.



SHADY GROVE UNITARIAN CHURCH

Shady Grove Road, Littlehampton



Many residents of Littlehampton and surrounding areas have early memories of visiting, or being a part of Shady Grove Church, cemetery and bush land, originally given by the Monks family.

From 1862 members of the Monks, Duffield and Crompton families followed by Frederick C Smith family, were buried here. In 1865 John Monks gave the property to the Adelaide Unitarian Church.

It still has the delightful old cemetery, lovingly cared for by a small committee and paid bush carers. Open to visitors.

Our Shady Grove members and visitors are appreciating the new easy to clean flooring, and refrigeration as are the youth group and families, when they come for their 'camping' weekends at Shady Grove.

Work is being carried out on the church to weatherproof and paint around the windows and to tidy up the render on parts of the walls.

From April, services on the first Sunday of the month are at 4 p.m. (After Daylight Saving).

Rev Jo Lane will lead the April and June services, and John Eaton, the May service:

all to be followed by a shared meal.

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Being myself includes taking risks with myself, taking risks on new behaviour, trying new ways of 'being myself', so that I can see who it is I want to be.

Hugh Prather bn 1938, American Writer



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St James Anglican Church

The congregation at St. James meets for worship on the second and fourth Sundays of each month.

Our service commences at 8.30am and concludes with sharing morning tea. This article will not be out before Easter so I will not print the Easter services but hope everyone has a safe and meaningful Easter celebration.

Meanwhile we have a happy fellowship group that get together for outings on the third Thursday of each month please contact Ronda on 0409 955 627 if you would like to join us.

Feb 14th, St Valentine's Day, was celebrated but it was also Ash Wednesday which is the beginning of the 40 days of the Lenten season for church people throughout the world. For Christians this is the penitential season leading up to Easter. Our church has no flowers and the altar is dressed in purple. Purple is the colour of penitence and is meant to lead us to reflect on the coming resurrection.

The seasons of the church begin with Advent which are the 4 Sundays before Christmas and the church is dressed in purple a colour of royalty in anticipation of the coming of Christmas.

White altar hangings represent purity, light and joy: these are used to mark the celebration of Christmas and Easter. During the long season between Easter and Advent, the colour used is green for growth.

Red is used for Pentecost and for the sacrifice of martyrs.

From 1 April our church will again have flowers at the altar which will have white hangings to celebrate the Easter resurrection.

HISTORY MONTH MAY 2024

During the month of May we are combining with the Nairne Blakiston Rotary Club to open our buildings on the first and third Sundays from 1pm to 4pm. There will be a history talk in St. James church at 1.30pm. This was opened in 1847 so there is much history within the church and graveyard.

ALSO on the 18th and 19th of May we are joining with Littlehampton Community Association to assist in their bus trips around the Littlehampton Village (19th is also the third Sunday).

There will also be the opportunity for people to purchase tea or coffee and homemade biscuits as they visit our church.

Ronda Jaensch 0409 955 627

EASTER MESSAGE

An extra long weekend; a holy weekend; a time of reflection; time to break a fast. Easter is very different for different people.

To Christians it is a time to reflect on the events at the end of Jesus' life on earth. He had spent about 3 years teaching the most radical notions ever heard of, then and now—love your enemies, walk the extra mile to assist even those who bully you, pray for those who persecute you. Jesus brought in a whole new way of relating to others and to God. He did away with "an eye for an eye" and "God only rewards those who are good."

This new way, or "New Covenant" also means EVERYONE now has access to God, and God wants EVERYONE to know Him, not just the religious or the good people.

This was Jesus' mission that came to fulfilment at the end of His life—the time we call Easter, and included Him rising from the dead—THE factor that sets Him apart from all other religious leaders. Jesus doesn't just belong to the church now: He belongs to EVERYONE.



<u>Gum Tree Community Garden</u> <u>Update</u>

Corner of Old Princes Highway and Gum Tree Drive, Littlehampton

It has been much better weather at the Garden over this summer than in the last couple of years. For the last two years, the raspberries growing along the fence near Gum Tree Drive have produced abundantly and have been enjoyed by many who walked by! Although the strawberries initially were a little slow to ripen they certainly came into their own during January and early February. The zucchinis, pumpkins, rhubarb and lettuce have done well whilst the tomatoes also were a little slow at first but are now producing well.



Perhaps the big winner this summer was the stone fruit. Thanks to two local volunteers we were able to net the trees.

This allowed people, rather than the local birds, to enjoy the peaches, nectarines and plums. The apples will be ready early autumn and it's good to see developing fruit on the lemon tree. It is easiest to access the netted area from the side facing the garden beds - just lift the netting and walk under (please ensure that the netting is flat on the ground when you leave to stop bird access!





The mowing undertaken by the younger members of the Christadelphian community (who own the Garden site) has been going well and we

are grateful to these enthusiastic volunteers. Quite a lot of manure has been donated to

the Garden and this has been utilised around the fruit trees and also added to the compost. The raised garden beds have

benefitted from a generous topping up of this rich compost. If anyone has additional green waste then please drop it close to the compost bins so that it can be easily added.

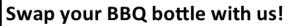
Although the garden beds are connected to a watering system on a timer it is appreciated when people drop in and do some hand watering if it has been particularly hot or there have been some drying warm winds blowing.

It goes without saying that the Christadelphian community are delighted to be able to provide such a lovely environment for local residents to drop in, enjoy the space, pick some fresh produce and 'smell the roses'! It is a wonderful neighbourly project and we hope that it continues to help put a smile on the faces of those who pop in for a visit.

On behalf of the volunteers, Stuart and Val Gilmore

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Littlehampton Tennis Club Update

What a busy summer it has been at the Littlehampton Tennis Club!

We entered 7 traditional and 2 doubles teams playing in the Hills Tennis Association senior competition with 5 traditional teams making the finals and many of our other teams only narrowly missing out on point.

Our juniors remain strong with 10 teams entered in the Hills Tennis Association within the girls, boys, green ball and orange ball competition across all divisions. The juniors have put in a fantastic effort with 8 Littlehampton teams playing in finals starting on the 16 March. Good Luck for the finals to our senior and junior teams!

The club has also been busy with our 3rd annual inter association competition between Murray Bridge Lawn and Littlehampton Tennis Clubs with each club hosting a round at their respective courts. After 48 matches across 2 weekends on 2 different court surfaces, all ended up with a tie of 72 points each with it coming down to the last doubles. Thanks to the efforts of May Maytom and Anthony Lapinskas for their ongoing work organising these much anticipated events each year. This brings our two great clubs together.

We also held our Littlehampton Club Championships 2024 which was another fantastic event thanks to the efforts of Mal Maytom and Sandra Western, not forgetting Kai Cook on the BBQ. The club champions are below:

Men's Champion - John Young / Runner up - Matt Casey Women's Champion - Wendy Harvey / Runner up - Jo Casey Men's B Plate Champion - Brad Pool / Runner up - Nathan Dav

littlehampton Tennis Courts at Enembo Park

Men's Doubles - Matt Casey / Brad Giffen / Runner Up -Jacob Godden / Cameron M Smith

Women's Doubles - Wendy Harvey / Sandra Western / Runner up - Jo Casey / Libby Timmins Mixed Doubles - Reuben Bird / Wendy Harvey / Runner up - Tommy Pfitzner / Jo Casey.

Interclub competition between Murray Bridge and littlehampton Clubr

The mid-week Tuesday doubles and Wednesday singles/ doubles evening competitions continue to be a great success providing great pathways for people getting back into tennis and those new to the game. It provides an opportunity for juniors to develop their game against senior players and there is a high standard game played on Wednesday nights as well.

John Young continues to support tennis in the region by providing coaching at our club. This is open to anyone keen to develop their game while also developing our juniors through Thursday team training sessions. Looking for coaching? Contact John Young on 0402 194 422.

Together with TennisSA, Littlehampton Tennis Club was excited to host the Hot Shots Tennis day which was a fun day of tennis for 60+ children from 4 local schools; another

Hot Shots day is planned for later in 2024.

The club has been busy maintaining and improving our facilities with a successful working bee; installation of sensor lighting around the club rooms improving visibility and security; installation of benches on all courts; fencing and court lighting repairs, and also having our courts professionally cleaned keeping them looking like new.

Follow us on Facebook and keep an eye out on face book for upcoming Tuesday and Wednesday mid -week, winter season junior and senior player registrations. Or if you are just looking for a social hit go to our website and click on Bookings to access our 'Book a Court' system.

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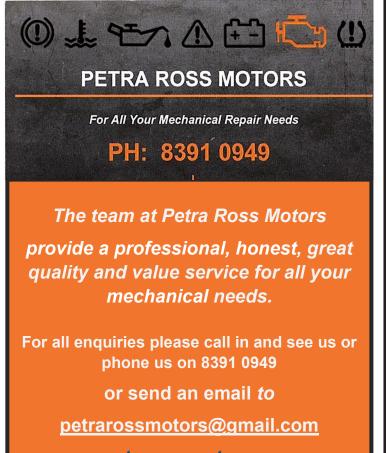
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Last but not least a huge call out to the committee for their ongoing efforts, to all our players, parents, families, friends and our sponsors for their ongoing support of the club.



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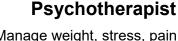


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To register: Text or call Lyndall on 0407 133 100





The LCA consists of a small group of volunteers responsible for ANZAC Day Dawn Services & Remembrance Day Services, Garth Boomer Award, Carols on the Glebe, Littlehampton Community Newsletter, preserving our town's heritage, fundraising and so much more!

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Our mission is to serve and strengthen our community benefitting the individuals and families of present and future generations by undertaking focused efforts creating real change. We aim to protect and enhance the environment and quality of life delivering positive social change for the common good of the Littlehampton community.

If you would like to join our committee or help at any of our events, please contact Lyndall on 0407 133 100.

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