

Nairne News

Newsletter of the Nairne and Districts Residents Association

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- NBN coming soon
 - Main street upgrade moving ahead
 - Trees For Life ordering season



President's Report

From Nairne District Residence Association President
Simon Martin

It is with sadness that we have seen the passing of Nic Tsigros. Nic was a stalwart of the Nairne community in many roles. I think most people knew him as an elected member of the Mt Barker Council or as an active member of the Nairne Lions Club. He did much for the betterment of our town and district. For many years he was the public officer of the Nairne and Community Council, which became the NDRA. He will be sadly missed.

At the June meeting of the NDRA we had a presentation from Luke Gray, Senior Planner – Strategic Projects from Mt Barker Council. He brought us up to date with the “re New Main St” project and gave us a first glimpse of some potential ideas. Very exciting indeed. Once the current phase is completed there will be a public consultation process open to all.

By now you may have seen that the freeway interchange work has commenced. They are going to do it in stages, with the first being the on-ramp leading toward Adelaide. They plan to have it finished by the end of next year, all going smoothly.

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Winter Sunset, by Emile Edhouse

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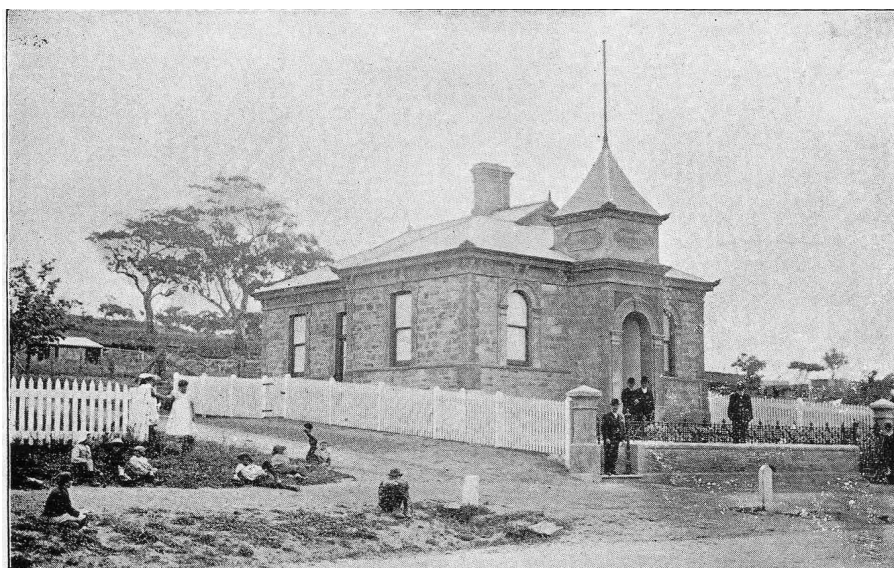
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proofreading this publication.*



The National Broadband Network is coming to Nairne, according to a recent announcement. Preliminary work is to commence later in the year with the work completed middle of next year, all going well. This will mean the people in Nairne, who currently can't get ADSL broadband connections, will be able to use the NBN instead of the much more expensive mobile network access.

We have decided to change the venue for our regular NDRA meetings, which are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm. The new venue is Uniting Church Hall, Allargue Street, Nairne, which is just above the tennis courts in the centre of town. The next meeting begins with a forum of Mt Barker Councillors. The meetings are a good way to find out what is going on in the town, raise issues and/or have your say. For more information, email - ndra@live.com.au.

Simon Martin – President



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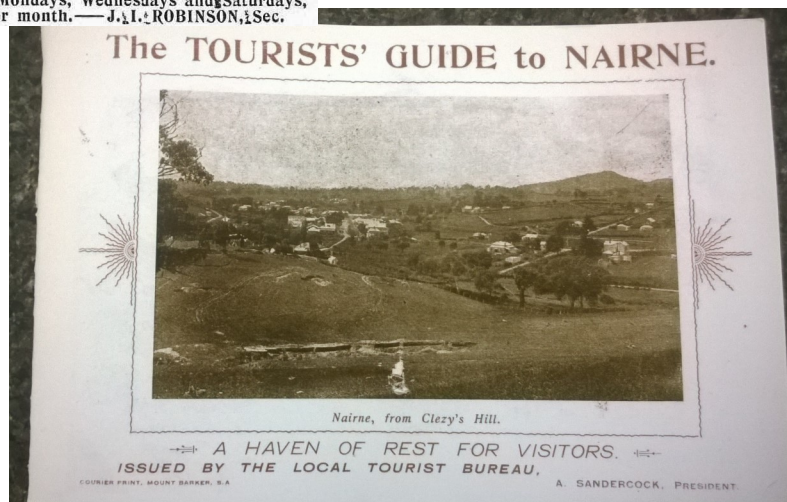
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Gratitude Pigs and Morning tea

As you drive through Little Hampton to Nairne,

There is a paddock with sheep in the main street. Over the last month there have been baby lambs there creating a most delightful pastoral scene. A little further along at the corner of Bald Hills Rd the vineyard frames the road. As time passes you can observe the changes in the vines describing the seasons—they are now stark with winter—I look forward to the rush of vigorous green as spring emerges yet again. There is so much beauty around us all the time that it's easy to take it for granted—so it's good to be reminded of the importance of taking the time to feel gratitude.

I don't know how much longer there will be lambs frolicking along the main street of Little Hampton but I'm glad they're there now. Gratitude helps us celebrate the present—and when it boils down to it—that's all we ever really have. Gratitude helps us find the good that's all around us—it makes us feel peaceful and alive. Gratitude blocks the negative critical thoughts that tend to dominate if not checked and makes us more resilient to the stresses of life. So remember to stop and feel the good vibes of gratitude!

Artists of Nairne

A new group has been formed called Artists of Nairne to help keep the creative folk around about in touch with each other. The group is also discussing ideas for artwork and other creative elements to the upcoming street scape upgrade. If anyone is interested there is a facebook group page called Artists of Nairne you can join or email me at—delightofbeing@gmail.com.

Letters to the editor—Pigs on the agenda !

This week we received a letter to the editor from Jeanne Vanstan, who came to the opening of the Nairne Museum. She'd made a day of it and travelled by bus all the way from Elizabeth after reading about the opening in the History Month program.

Jeanne was thrilled with her day in 'picturesque' Nairne and has written a lovely letter—five pages of hand-written foolscap—brimming with enthusiastic ideas “from a visitors point of view”.

She imagines... “kids dragging parents on a pig hunt through town ... especially if they see a few more pigs at the crossing and scattered here and there along the main street with the odd 'child' sculpture herding them. This would draw them right along Main Street, with many stops along the way—shops, curios, antiques, the museum and an ice-cream/lolly shop – old style of course.

There could be leaflets or a phone app encouraging kids to find, count and tag stray pigs...off in the laneways and down at the creek... oh, and if the pigs were demountable they could be moved around town from time to time—a couple sticky-beaking in shop windows, front gardens etc.”



‘Now and then it’s good to pause in our pursuit of happiness and just be happy’

—Guillaume Apollinaire.

Another communication we've received is an email from Jenny Watchman, which follows this theme. In referring to the photos Annette put in the last issue of cows in the streets of WA town Cowaramup, she says:

"It would be wonderful to have pigs in Nairne. There are so many spots they could be placed. I too visited Cowaramup and enjoyed the cows and the ambience of so many tourists enjoying themselves and supporting local business. In fact, we had to wait at a café to get a seat.

Pigs fit into Nairne historically and there are so many character pigs that could be depicted - Babe, Three Little Pigs, This Little Piggy Went to Market etc. Many people think pigs are cute.

Cowaramup's cows came from a Lions club project. Maybe the Nairne Lions Club and the Nairne Market could be involved.



Here are some pigs Jenny spotted in Madrid

There are animal themes in cities around the world. Lions in Munich, Germany (some brightly decorated), horses in New Market UK, cows in Netherlands and Mt Compass.

Pigs would bring life to the main street and business to the town—but we would need a lot of them."

So thanks for your letters ladies, it's great when people take the time to put their thoughts into writing—helps us all to share this creative process.

Biggest Morning Tea at Nairne Pharmacy a treat!

A point of gratitude I think everyone in Nairne could agree on is for our chemist Cia Cen. He is a constant source of enthusiasm and good will - serving the Nairne community with great dedication. I always feel better for seeing Cia Cen!



So it was a great treat when Cia Cen, his lovely staff and beautiful new wife Racheal hosted The Biggest Morning Tea recently. The sun shone and the footpath in front of the pharmacy was full of happy people enjoying the yummy fair and a catch up while raising money for cancer research. Good one Cia Cen and gang!

Well that's all from me this time around—oh and by the way—the view from here is just lovely!

Councillor's Commentary . . .

Hello again. I hope you are keeping warm and dry in this brisk weather. The rain's good, but I at least could do with a few more degrees on the thermometer! Following are some snippets on Council-related activities in and around Nairne . . .

Passing of Nairne stalwart and former Councillor Nic Tsigros. Many people would have known the redoubtable Nic Tsigros who passed away at the age of 80 on Monday 15 June. As a tireless Nairne-based Councillor and active member of various groups in Nairne and Brukunga, including the Lions Club of Nairne & Districts, Nic was one of our more colourful characters; they don't make 'em like him anymore!

Council 2015-16 Budget. By the time you are reading this, the Budget (incorporated within the 2015-16 Annual Business Plan - ABP) will have been, or will soon be approved. Late Monday afternoon, 22 June, a public meeting was held to hear submissions and to answer questions on the contents of the then draft ABP. That was followed by a regular Council meeting on Monday night, **6 July**, at which Council expected to be making final decisions on the ABP and Budget.

Beyond Council's influence but still relevant to its Budget, was the State Government's recent decision to directly provide eligible people with a \$200 one-off payment, in lieu of previous payments to Council to provide for either \$100 or \$190 concessions to eligible ratepayers. The new arrangement means that all ratepayers, including those who were previously eligible for concessions, will receive accounts for rates to the full extent of what is due to be paid. Ratepayers should bear in mind the rationale for the new \$200 payments from the Government.

New projects for Nairne. The following projects were expected to be approved in the 2015-16 Budget:

- commencement of Main Street landscaping

- commencement of upgrade of Nairne Soldiers Memorial Hall, following transfer of ownership to Council

- continuing upgrade of North Road surface and Bridge St/Sydney Rd/North Rd intersection

- commencement of development of shared pedestrian/cycle path on Lt Dublin Road East between Jeffrey Street and new Bald Hills Road/SE Freeway interchange

- construction of new footpath on Woodside Road between Stirling and Pulleine Roads.

Following the recent completion of a new footbridge on Bridge Street over the Nairne Creek, a second (replacement) footbridge over the Creek, between the Jeffrey Street northern extension and North Road, was due to be completed by 30 June.

Main Street streetscaping under way.

Funds have been set aside in the 2015-16 Budget for commencement of an aesthetic upgrade of Nairne's main business precinct. Underlying this has been the recognition of a need to encourage more new businesses to set up and to build on the 2014 undergrounding of powerlines and installation of new light standards between Farquharson St and near the Liberty service station.

A number of public consultation sessions have been conducted in relation to the streetscaping, particularly with a meeting convened on Wednesday 17 June by the Nairne & District Residents Association at which Council's senior project officer, Luke Gray, made a presentation and shared with attendees first concept drawings of what might be achieved in the upgrade of Main Street. Luke, other Council staff and design consultants are now working with local residents and traders to continue the refinement of what we want to see come about.

If you are particularly interested in this project, and to perhaps become a member of a local reference group, please contact Senior Project Officer Luke Gray (8391 7269, lgray@dcmtbarker.sa.gov.au) or me for more information.

Soldiers Memorial Hall to become more diverse community centre for Nairne.

Following twelve months of discussion and negotiation between Council and the Nairne Soldiers Memorial Hall (NSMH) community volunteer committee, on 4 May Council agreed to approve a proposal by the committee for Council to accept responsibility for the Hall, and to gradually develop it as a much needed community centre for Nairne. At the time of writing, Council's legal officer, in consultation with the NSMH Committee, was seeking a Transfer of Title from the State Lands Title Office. A management agreement will then be prepared providing for the committee to continue to have day-to-day management of the Hall, while Council will take on the majority financial outlays and repairs and maintenance.

Getting things done



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Councillor Trevor Corbell

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One of the main advantages in the building becoming a Council asset is that Council becomes responsible for a majority of its necessary upkeep and costs, and to develop it as a more viable community centre.

NBN broadband rolling out towards Nairne.

At a recent briefing for councillors, NBN Co indicated that Nairne and other nearby population centres can expect to have fibre-to-node broadband connections made to their homes and businesses **by 30 March 2016**. Work is scheduled to get under way during October-December 2015. Other towns on the same timetable include Hahndorf, (most of) Mt Barker, Littlehampton, Totness and Wistow. Macclesfield and Meadows are expected to be connected even earlier.

Further information can be obtained from NBN Co SA Regional Manager Mr Chris Gregory on 1800 687 626, or at email info@nbn.com.au.

An unfortunate act of selfishness.

Several months ago, some persons unknown were responsible for the dumping of about 30 tonnes of building materials, including asbestos, at the side of Pyrites Rd, just north of Nairne. The cost to Council of removing the most hazardous of the material was about \$30,000. It is understood that legal action is being pursued. If you become aware of such incidents, you are encouraged to contact the SA Police or Council's Manager, Health & Public Safety, Jamie Tann on 8391 7216, or at jtann@dcmtbarker.sa.gov.au.

Nairne Museum now open!

Congratulations to the dedicated Nairne Institute Committee - Carol Sadler, Clive Pay, Julie Finch and Nic Grguric - who finally saw all their hard work over a number of years come to fruition, with the official opening of the Nairne Museum in the Institute building on Saturday 9 May. The Museum, which already has an amazing array of memorabilia on display, will continue to add to its items as they come to hand. Grateful thanks must also go to the many Nairne 'old hands' who have donated a wide range of items for display.

At this stage, the Museum will be open to visitors every Sunday afternoon, and at other times by appointment. Get along and check it out!

A spot of R & R.

Council will be meeting just once in July, on Monday 6 July. Di and I are taking the opportunity to get away for about three weeks (7-29 July), catching up with family and friends in Queensland, Canberra and Victoria. In my absence, you might take up any Council-related issues with one of my North Ward colleagues - Crs Jeff Bettcher (0423 698 570), Susan Hamilton (8398 4742) or Harry Seager (0409 622 382). Alternatively, you can contact Mayor Ann Ferguson's Executive Assistant, Sue Miller on 8391 7264. Until next time, take care.

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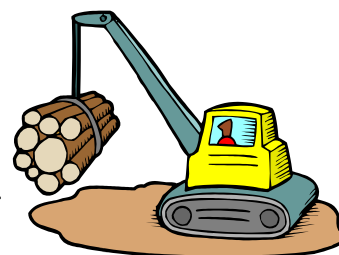
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Trees For Life's native vegetation schemes help SA farmers

Trees For Life's annual ordering season is now open, enabling primary producers and others undertaking revegetation works access to low-cost native seedlings.

For nearly 34 years, Trees For Life has not only been helping South Australian farmers and landholders protect their existing remnant vegetation, but also allowing primary industry producers to access low-cost bulk native seedlings for revegetation of their properties.

Native vegetation is vitally important – both directly and indirectly - for many primary industries.



Enchyteanna Tomentosa—useful for harbouring 'good pests'

For industries such as horticulture and viticulture, native vegetation can play an important role in the management of pests and diseases. Native species can replace weeds that harbour pests and diseases that could affect crops and also provide refuge for natural enemies of insect pests.

Specific native vegetation can also attract pollinators such as native bees. The Australian Blue Banded Bee, a buzz pollinator for example, is prized by tomato growers. Many tomato growers growing crops in greenhouses currently rely on manual pollination – an exercise which is estimated to cost producers about \$16,000 per hectare per year!

Improving biodiversity also helps enhance the range of complex interactions between flora, fauna and natural balance of vineyard environments. The conservation of remnant vegetation, the



Australian Blue Banded Bee on Goodenia

planting of shelterbelts around vineyards and/or planting native grass species such as Wallaby grass in the mid rows can also provide direct economic benefits in terms of pest control, protection of vineyards from wind, reflected heat, soil improvement and possible erosion.

Likewise, on-farm productivity for farming industries such as dairy, cattle and sheep, can be greatly improved through the conservation of remnant vegetation and revegetation on properties. Windbreaks can protect livestock from heat, cold and wind, pasture trees can help shelter

animals from extreme weather conditions and negative impacts such as salinity, soil erosion and unhealthy waterways can also be addressed through native vegetation.

In a collaborative approach, many suburban householders throughout Adelaide also grow native seedlings in their backyards through Trees For Life, specifically for planting out on properties. To date, more than 33 million native seedlings have been grown for this purpose; 460,000 seedlings have been grown this season alone by more than 1000 volunteers!

Through this year's Tree Scheme ordering season – which runs until July 31 - landholders can buy native seedlings for just 15 cents each, which equates to \$100 for 300 seedlings (+ TFL membership).

For more information on the annual ordering season, or becoming a volunteer grower, phone Trees For Life on (08) 8406 0500 or visit www.treesforlife.org.au. Species lists and ordering forms for the 42 SA zones are available for download from the website.



Windbreak in vineyards



Hills Family Church would like to introduce their new Logo! The folk at the church are a friendly, down-to-earth bunch, open to being a positive element in the local community. They are situated at the end of the main street, opposite Chapmans. Services

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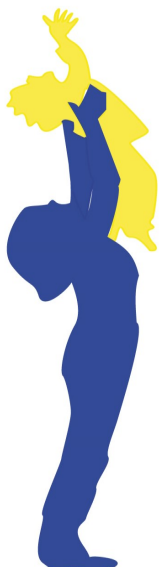
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Local primary schools across the country can now apply for funding through the Australian Government's \$100 million *Sporting Schools* program aimed at getting more children fit, healthy and engaged in physical activity.

The *Sporting Schools* program gives local primary schools more versatility to run activities before, during or after school and is designed to deliver sports that cater for particular needs, in order to boost children's participation.

We know it's vitally important that we help our children develop healthy and active habits early in life.

Approximately three quarters of children spend their spare time watching television, only one third of children are managing the recommended hour of physical activity a day and only half are involved in sport.

With this in mind, the Australian Government is committed to providing Australian children with an opportunity to build healthier habits early in life.

Sporting Schools is about developing children's love of sport during those early years.

It's about nurturing their love of fitness and activity so that they become committed to a long term sporting life, and fostering skills in leadership, teamwork, social inclusion and community spirit.

Over 2,000 primary schools have registered for the program, which aims to eventually include 5,700 primary schools across the country and to target over 850,000 children to get involved in a before, during or after school sporting activity.

This year's round of program delivery grants will enable our local primary schools to deliver sports-based activities during Term 3 and 4 this year.

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News from Australia's Broadcasting Network

NBN is at our doorstep!

More South Australian communities to connect to the NBN™ network

The next stage of the NBN™ fast broadband network rollout has been announced for South Australia with over 49,000 premises to be connected in St Marys, Mt Barker, Murray Bridge and Reynella.

NBN announced that over 430,000 premises across Australia from the current rollout schedule have entered build preparation.

These areas will see some of the first deployments of the Multi-Technology Mix (MTM) model in South Australia, including Fibre to the Node (FTTN).

The use of MTM is expected to save months in construction time and help complete the project sooner and more cost-effectively.

This follows last week's signing of new construction contracts with delivery partners which will continue to construct the NBN™ network across Australia. The new model aims to deliver a faster build while ensuring safety, cost effectiveness and quality.

The areas that have entered pre-construction are now shaded green on the NBN maps at www.nbn.com.au.

These areas signify contractors in cities and towns are carrying out pre-construction activities – for example readying pits and pipes for use by NBN – ahead of the physical construction of the NBN™ network. NBN aims to commence construction in these areas in coming months. Further details are available from the rollout maps at: www.nbn.com.au

Russell Kelly, NBN spokesperson said:

“Many South Australians are already making the switch to the NBN network.

The new areas announced will help build momentum in South Australia as we continue to provide access to fast broadband to new communities and help open up new opportunities for business, education and entertainment.

This adds to the more than 60,000 South Australians who can already connect to the NBN network if they wish to.”

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Cheers from Luci.

Expressions of interest for new Steiner School

Expressions of interest in the Steiner Stream at Basket Range are now available. The school is working towards starting multiple classes in 2016, depending on numbers from expressions of interest.

Expressions of interest are being taken across all year levels (R-7) and some year levels, including future classes, are almost full. If you would like the possibility of your child or children attending the Steiner Stream or the Mainstream **in future years or in 2016**, please fill out an expression of interest form on the following website. Please note in the comments section if you are interested in the possibility of a Steiner Kindy so this can be considered in planning. Expressions of interest are due by 24 June. More information will be then be sent to families who have expressed interest.

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Head Heart and Hands Imaginative Play

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Decorating a Winter Bird Tree

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NBN Roll out for Nairne

Work has started to deliver the NBN to around 12,500 premises in the Adelaide Hills, under a revised rollout approach that will save months in construction time and see the project completed nationwide years sooner and at less cost.

The NBN's monthly update shows that pre-construction activities, including readying pits and pipes ahead of the physical network construction, have now begun in:

Balhannah, Hahndorf, Oakbank (approx. 2100 premises)
Blakiston, Littlehampton, Nairne (approx. 3500 premises)
Mount Barker (approx. 6900 premises)

The new approach will see upgrades accelerated throughout the country with an additional 436,000 premises due to start NBN construction in the coming months. The NBN will use different technologies where they are most appropriate, including fibre to the node.

In early deployments, the technology has delivered average download speeds of 91 megabits per second and upload speeds of 36 megabits per second.

Those speeds would enable premises to stream up to 18 high definition Netflix streams simultaneously, or other bandwidth intensive applications, such as online learning and telehealth consultations.

To find out when the NBN is coming to your area, visit www.nbnco.com.au/rollout/rolloutmap

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ATO phone scam alert

Local residents are reminded to be vigilant following reports of scam phone calls falsely claiming to be from the Australian Taxation Office.

The scammers are targeting residents with a scare campaign accusing them of tax fraud.

The callers typically ask for money to be sent via wire transfer or risk being issued an arrest warrant. They may also ask for people's financial and other personal details to access their money, and use this information to commit other scams.

Many people have reported to ScamWatch that messages have been recorded on their answering machines asking them to call back later. The telephone number provided is (02) 6100 3027 and they ask you to call during office hours to discuss the matter further. However, the telephone number has no connection with the Australian Taxation Office or any other state or commonwealth department.

ScamWatch has warned residents to be on guard. If you receive a phone call from someone demanding that you pay a fee or risk being arrested, hang up and do not respond.

If in doubt, don't use the contact details provided; ask for the caller's name and phone them back through the ATO's switchboard on 13 28 69.

You can report scams to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) online via <http://www.scamwatch.gov.au> or by calling 1300 795 995.

If people think they may have fallen victim to this particular phone scam, contact the ATO on 13 28 61 (8.00 am–6.00 pm, Monday to Friday)

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The Nairne Museum Open



The Nairne Museum was formally opened on Saturday 9 May at 10 am, by Mt Barker District Mayor Anne Ferguson. About 70 people attended the formalities and another 50 or so came along later to view the museum and join in the activities. One lady even came from Elizabeth via public transport to attend, as she has family connections with the area. The Nairne Uniting Church provided hot drinks and cakes, and the Lions Club provided a barbecue; both of which went down well as the day started off rather cool and damp. Councillor Trevor Corbell was MC of the event and addresses were given by Heyzen MP Isobel Redmond, the Mayor, and Institute Committee Chair Carole Sadler.

The opening included the flag raising by Mike Sheehan and a demonstration by the Adelaide Regiment 1862 who marched to the Institute and gave a 5 gun salute. They looked very smart in their uniforms and were commanded by Lieutenant Nic Grguric who is also the curator of the museum.

The development of the museum has taken a major effort from all the committee with Nic Grguric, as curator, arranging the display and collecting quite a few items; his wife Danielle working on the period clothing for the mannequins in the large display cabinet; Clive Pay building all of the display cabinets; and Julie Finch researching and obtaining many Nairne-specific items. Carole Sadler had quite a tricky job coordinating all of this, along with overseeing the refurbishing and repainting of the hall.

Since the formal opening, the museum has been open Sundays from 2 pm to 4 pm and a number of visitors have brought items, usually from their families, and others have been keeping their eyes out for anything which might be of interest. There has even been a visitor from Western Australia who is a descendant of the Nairne bootmaker, Mr King, and who is arranging to send some newspaper articles from the late 1800s which describe life in Nairne at that time.

Facilities are continuing to be improved with upgrading the lighting the next major project. Internet access is now available and a large display screen is planned for the near future. Don't visit us just once as we are constantly adding to and changing the display so there will always be new things to see. Look out for the yellow NAIRNE flags and the Australian flag being raised to indicate that it is open for visitors.

Old Style movie night success!

What a most enjoyable evening with lots of laughs where over 90 people attended the local Movie Night.

Photos from the 175th celebrations were shared, followed by a screening of the short film 'The Plank'. Some light-hearted Looney Toons cartoons preluded the hit Australian comedy 'The Castle'. Look out for the next Old Style movie night - we would love to see you there!



Therese Okkerse, Sophie Langley, Jo-Anne Sarre, Cia Cen Lim and Simon Martin.



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Australian Red Cross, Nairne Branch

by Miriam Mitchell



Yes, the weather has been cool lately and it will no doubt be cooler before winter is out, but you will get a warm welcome if you join us for our monthly meetings at the Nairne Uniting Church Hall. Our next one is at 1.30 pm on 8 July.

I have been reading some back copies of the Nairne News lately and came across an article about a valued member of the Nairne Red Cross, Mrs Iris Kain (pictured), written in 1999 when she was awarded the Laurel Wreath for 50 years service. She certainly sounds like an impressive woman and is remembered fondly by some current members who worked with her. My mother, Pam Mitchell, remembers her as the Quiz Wiz.

Mrs Iris Kain

The article recounts how Mrs Kain regularly “attended branch meetings held at the Nairne Institute, worked at street stalls and helped at bigger functions, such as luncheons, which were held at the (Soldiers) Memorial Hall. As a younger and obviously very fit and energetic woman, Mrs Kain generally walked into Nairne (from Dawesley, where she was the postmistress for 38 years) to attend Red Cross meetings and other functions while carrying her basket full of cakes and other goodies for afternoon teas, luncheons and stalls. The walk along that winding, hilly section of the old Princes' Highway from Dawesley to Nairne took her a good half hour. After meetings she would do some shopping at Milne's store. However Mrs (Joyce) Shephard would often give her a lift home again.”

Now that is dedication! The article goes on to recount how Mrs Kain “especially enjoyed the social afternoons when they sang and Mrs Shephard would play the piano. She still has a good voice at 88...” it is noted.

Unfortunately, I can not acknowledge the author of the article as the name is not provided, but I am grateful for the insight it provides into a previous era of Red Cross service.

Feel free to join us for our next meeting. I promise we won't make you walk to the meeting or sing when you get there – unless, of course, you want to.

Nairne War Memorial to be restored

Veterans and ex-service people across the Adelaide Hills will benefit from over \$11,000 in funding secured through the latest round of the Australian Government's *Saluting Their Service* grants program.

The Nairne RSL sub-branch has secured part of this funding to restore the Nairne war memorial.

The *Saluting Their Service* (STS) grants program is designed to preserve our wartime heritage and to involve people throughout the nation in a wide range of activities and projects that honour the service and sacrifice of Australia's servicemen and women.

Two categories of grants are available under STS: Community Commemorative Grants and Major Commemorative Grants.

Community Commemorative Grants are modest grants of up to \$4,000 which are available for projects that assist people at a community level and enable small communities to

build memorials and preserve wartime memorabilia that is significant locally but is not necessarily nationally significant.

Major Commemorative Grants are available for significant projects, usually at a national or state/territory level that contribute to Australia's understanding of its wartime heritage and honour the service and sacrifice of its servicemen and women.

More information on the *Saluting Their Service* commemorations grants program can be accessed online at www.dva.gov.au

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Depreciation for local farmers brought forward

Local farmers can now claim a tax deduction on all capital expenditure on water facilities, fodder storage assets and fencing incurred since the 2015 Budget was handed down on 12 May.

Farmers can deduct the full cost of water facilities and fencing in the year they are purchased and deduct the cost of fodder storage assets over three years.

On 12 May, the Treasurer announced that small businesses could immediately claim accelerated depreciation on business assets costing up to \$20,000.

Farms with turnover of less than \$2 million qualify as a small business and are therefore also eligible to immediately write-off all asset purchases up to \$20,000.

The Australian Government consulted broadly with communities across Australia and stakeholders told us they wanted to get on with building fences, dams and fodder storage as soon as possible.

Our decision to bring forward the start date of accelerated depreciation for all farmers, regardless of the size of their farm, allows them to prepare for drought and invest in the productivity of their farms immediately.

This measure builds on our more than \$333 million in targeted support for farmers and communities impacted by drought announced by the Prime Minister on 9 May, taking the Australian Government's total commitments to farmers in this year's budget to more than \$400 million.

Supporting our local farmers in the hard times and boosting the competitiveness of the agriculture sector is not just good for the economy, it is also the right thing to do.

Bringing forward these changes to begin from 1 July 2016 to 12 May 2015 is estimated to cost \$72 million over the forward estimates.

Further measures to support farmers who are preparing themselves for the damaging effects of drought will be announced in the forthcoming Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper.

For information on the new drought support measures, visit www.agriculture.gov.au/drought



The RSL in Nairne

The Nairne Sub-Branch of the RSL normally meets on the second Tuesday of the month at the Nairne Soldiers Memorial Hall at the western end of Main Street.

Meetings start at 7.30 pm and are usually completed by 9.00 pm. Contact Anthony on 8388 0980 for more information.

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Passing of ‘redoubtable stalwart’ and former councillor VALE- Mr Nic Tsigros.

Like many New Australian immigrants Nic Tsigros contributed ample energy, character and productivity to his chosen Country and in our fortunate case also to the township of Nairne.

He and his wife purchased a half acre block in Edinborough street where he personally built his home and raised his family and then ran the Corner Chicken shop from the Adelaide rd at Mount Barker for many years.

As a trader in the Main street of Nairne for many years Nic and I had many conversations and I found like many other people that knew him that he had a strong character and was very much to the point and called it the way it was.

Nic also served as an Elected Council Member representing the North Ward for a total of six years from 2000/2006 and as well was active in the North Ward Towns, Clubs and numerous activities.

I was also fortunate to be involved with Nic when after the sale of the Chapman’s factory and with a donation by them also in conjunction with the Nairne Lions Club went to the building of the Nairne Directory Board, also the Park adjacent to the Nairne Institute and then he was the front runner to the creation of the “Bythorne Park” on the Woodside Road.

There are also many other achievements that he instigated in his successful tenure as a Nairne Councillor and also as residents we recognize his contributions and wish to pass on our condolences to his family.

On behalf of the Nairne and Districts Residence Association,

David Smart

Nairne-Bremer United Football Club Inc

Rams are on a roll!

It's nearly halfway through the season and the Rams are right up there in all grades. The As are second on the table with only one defeat (at the Bridgewater bog!). The resses are starting to find form (5th), the U17s are also in good touch (2nd) as are the under 15s (2nd) and Under 13s (1st).

It's been a busy time at the club with some of the highlights being:

- The 1985 reunion, with 16 of the side returning to watch the As completely destroy Kangarilla in the reunion Guernsey. An auction of the Guernsey proved most successful.



- The sponsor life/member's day saw a good turnout.
- A preview of a new electronic scoreboard was successful—sponsors are now being sought.
- Grass being sprayed onto the new oval—the final job! It's blue but will soon turn into a lush green turf.

- Good representation by the club at inter-association games with 5 players (Hancock/Jaensch/Ford/Rupcic/Gamma) in the seniors and Goodrich and Kelly in the Under 17s. Both sides were coached by Nairne coaches Tony Fielke and Matt Lynn.
- A great night with the hypnotist with everyone having a really good belly laugh.
- A Crispy Creme promo saw 120 dozen sold.

Upcoming events include the Wine & Dine night in conjunction with the netballers. 11 July, 3 courses, auction items. Be early for this one.

Our club is now one of the most successful and professional clubs in the Hills League. This hasn't happened without a lot of work from a great group of volunteers. I hate to give a mention to one person, but Helga Baxter has taken over the treasurer's job with gusto and has put in many hours. We would love to see you at the club soon. Remember Thursday night teas are always good. Check out our new website (Google Nairne Rams) or find us on Facebook.

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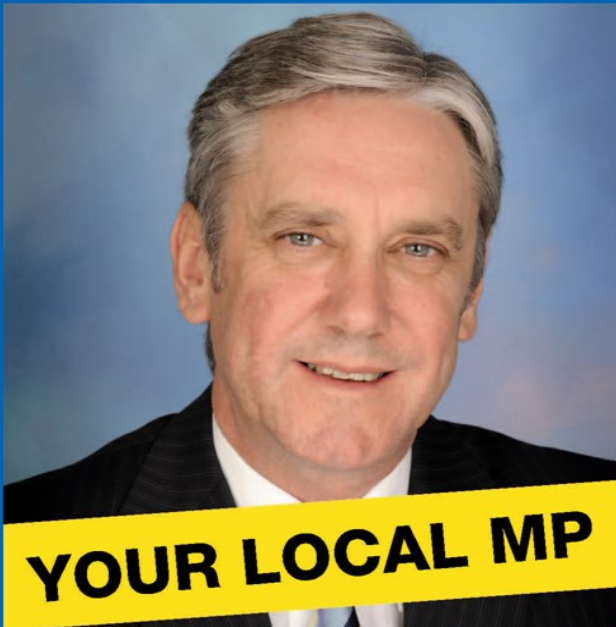
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Importantly, you will also need to obtain Department of Education and Child Development (DECD) clearance.

For more information, please contact Derek Miller, Deputy Principal Nairne Primary School on 8388 6116.

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