

Nairne News



Newsletter of the Nairne and Districts Residents Association



*The main street of Nairne (ca 1872) showing the old school, the gum tree, and the Millers Arms Hotel.
Photo: State Library of South Australia, B7800, taken by Samuel White Sweet (1825–1886)*

You may have noticed the new signs recently installed at the entrances to our local towns by the District Council of Mt Barker. This year, the district is marking the 175th anniversary of European settlement of this area and our local towns will be holding a series of events during the year, in celebration. It is a good opportunity, particularly if you are new to the area, to learn about the recent history of these Hills towns, which are not much younger than Adelaide itself.

The *South Australian Register* announced the birth of Nairne in its edition of 18 January 1840:

“THE NEW VILLAGE OF NAIRNE.—We have been favored with the inspection of the plan of a village, which has received the name of Nairne, situated in one of the most fertile and beautiful vallies of the Mount Barker district, which has just been opened to purchase.”

The same paper, on 25 January 1840, followed up with this additional description:

“Its vicinity to the mountain, its central position, and the fine quality of its water and soil are likely to be greatly in its favor. Report also speaks highly of the picturesque beauty of the country, and the bracing, upland character of its climate.”



Editor's note

By Cathy Smallridge.

As we mark the 175th year of European settlement in the Adelaide Hills this year, the Nairne News would like to dedicate a portion of each of this year's issues to stories about Nairne's history. Do you have a historic building in Nairne that you know some history of, and would like to share that with others? Have you lived in Nairne all your life and can tell us about some of the changes that have happened in your lifetime? We would love to publish your stories for posterity. Please take a moment to write to us with your stories: The Editor, PO Box 416, Nairne 5252; or nairnenews@hotmail.com. Photos would be welcome too!

The Nairne and Districts Residents Association, in conjunction with the District Council of Mt Barker, is planning two 175th celebrations—first, a movie night at the Soldiers Memorial Hall, which will likely take place in June. “The Honourable Wally Norman” (PG) was filmed in part around Nairne, and we also have a number of other shorts filmed in Nairne that we would like to show on the night, as well as some cartoons etc. It will be a fun, old-fashioned film night and we hope you will be able to join us. More on that in the next issue. A second celebration will take place later in the year, with assistance from the Lions Club and involvement of many of our local community and sporting organisations. This event will take place either on the Main Street or Byethorne Park, probably in August or September.

The Nairne and Districts Residents Association meets at 7pm in the Nairne Institute on the third Wednesday of each month. The March meeting will start with a chat with Councillors—your chance to let Councillors know of any problems in your area and talk to them with any concerns. Alternate meetings begin with a presentation from a local speaker. Keep an eye on the noticeboard in the post office foyer for announcements on the speaker and topic for April. We hope to see there!

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**Lions Club of
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Inc**

Community Garage Sale

**Bill Joyce Park
Sunday 16 March
commencing 9.00 am**

Sites are available for a small hire fee – please contact the Secretary on
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Matthew Smillie—founder of Nairne

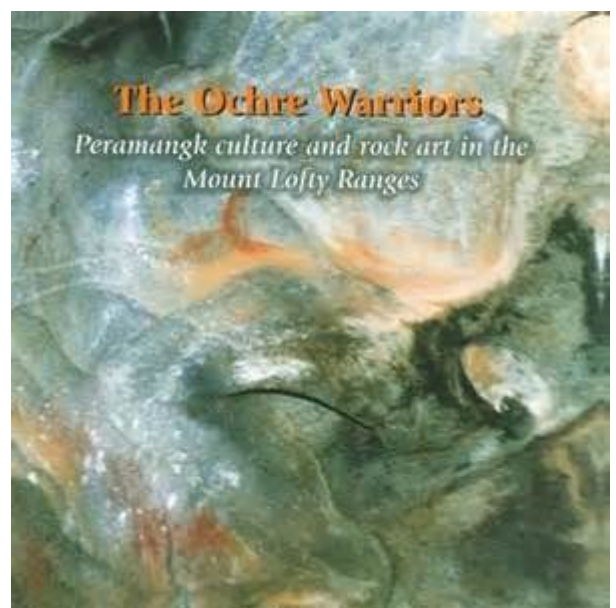
The following is an excerpt from the *South Australian Register*. Wednesday 17 March 1847

DIED.

At the Vallies, Mount Barker, on the 12th of March inst., Matthew Smillie, Esq., J.P., formerly of Leith, aged 65. Mr Smillie was extensively known and respected in the Scottish Courts, during thirty years. In mercantile and maritime practice, especially, his estimation was such, that he was elected, by the unanimous voice of his brethren, to the Chair of the Faculty of Procurators of the High Court of Admiralty of Scotland, in which position he continued till 1830, when that jurisdiction was merged in the Supreme Court of Session. Among other important employments, he held one as a Public Prosecutor of the County of Edinburgh for many years. In the prosperity of South Australian colonization Mr Smillie took a warm interest from the outset, and came to settle here early in 1839, having been the first resident proprietor to the eastward of the Mount Lofty ranges. He was soon called to the Magistracy of the Province, and when a Municipal Corporation for the City of Adelaide was constituted, he was elected an Alderman. Mr Smillie was of a high order of mind. He combined uncompromising integrity, comprehensive sagacity, just discrimination in judgment and taste, great moral courage, purity, and gentleness. It will be gratifying to many friends at a distance to know that the same excellent qualities of head and heart, which commended and endeared him of old, stood under all circumstances unsullied, and though for some years past, a constitution impaired by long professional assiduity, precluded his taking an active part in public business, a natural fondness for retirement, happily blending with his amiable pursuits in the country, made his latter days pass pleasantly away. His close was that of a Christian, calm, confiding, and peaceful. By his own desire, his remains will be interred at Nairne, of which he was the founder.

Pause for the Peramangk.

The Aboriginal people in this area, the Peramangk, were harshly impacted by the process of colonisation. According to the book “The Ochre Warriors” by Robin Coles and Richard Hunter (Axiom Publishing 2010), the decline of the Peramangk had already started prior to the time Captain Charles Sturt sailed on the Murray River System from 1828–1830. Apparently, a small pox epidemic spread from the eastern states and greatly reduced the Peramangk in number, and the tribal system was partially broken down before European settlers arrived here. The Peramangk were subsequently dispossessed of their lands, and attempts were made to educate and convert the Aboriginal people to Christianity.



“The Ochre Warriors” is a fascinating book for those interested in local Aboriginal culture. From time to time, Robin Coles also conducts walking tours of Aboriginal sites in the Adelaide Hills. For more information, he can be contacted on 8390 0145, or email - robin.coles1@bigpond.com.

Councillor's commentary . . .

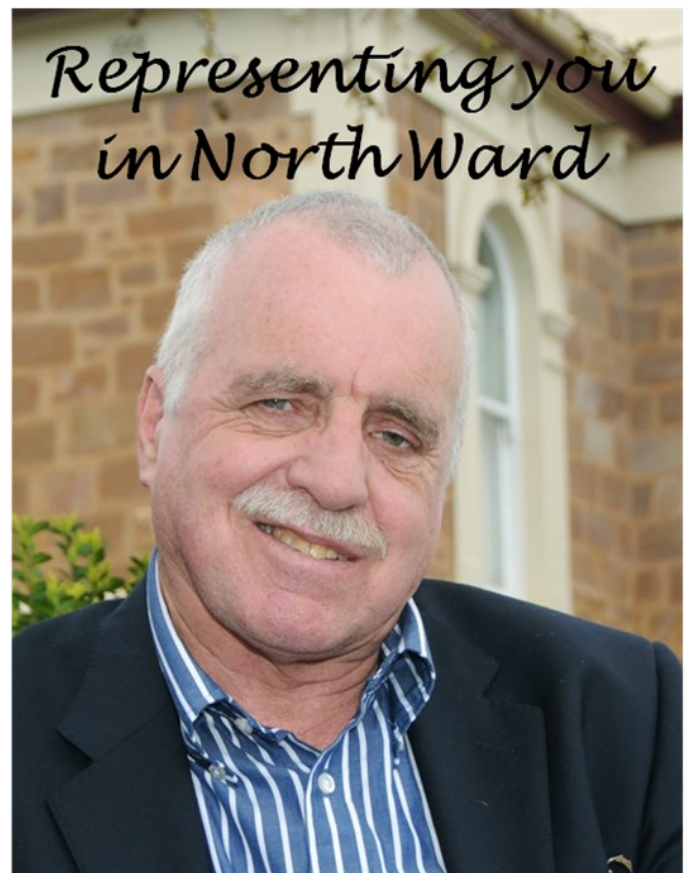
Well, here we are already 2½ months into 2014. This Summer's been a bit savage, but I suspect that, before too long, we'll all be complaining about how cold it is! Following are a few snippets on things happening in relation to Nairne, or still in the pipeline.

Nairne Retail Study. Work continues on developing the Nairne Main Road precinct as a more viable commercial sector. A primary trigger to this end will be an intended Nairne and Environs Development Plan Amendment (DPA) specifically aimed at making the existing zoning in the Main Rd more flexible and capable of permitting a greater mix of residential, retail and commercial opportunities. However, before any decisions are made, in the coming months there will be considerable public consultations held to explain what is intended and to take on board the community's views.

Council's decision late last year to focus on the Main Road also saw agreement that a new supermarket/shopping centre proposed for a site at the corner of the Old Princes Highway and Woodside Road would not proceed. As an element of a likely DPA later this year, further work will be done to facilitate the potential establishment of a small supermarket on a yet-to-be determined site on Main Road.

Power Supply Undergrounding. You might recall that last year Council was advised that, subject to the responsible Minister signing off on the project, the State PLEC (Power Line Environment Committee) had agreed to the undergrounding of powerlines in Nairne's Main Road, between Bob and Helen Worland's service station and the corner of Church/Farquharson Streets, opposite the Soldiers' Memorial Hall. The Minister gave formal approval in January. At a total cost of \$1.6m (2/3 PLEC, 1/3 Council), the project is scheduled to get under way in the last three months of 2014. There will be some inevitable disruption while the work is done but, once completed, we can then proceed with creating a fresh environment for the Main Road, incorporating new heritage-style lamp posts, street furniture and garden beds, all presenting a much more attractive setting for both existing and new businesses, and the community generally.

Future community centre. As part of the work done last year in relation to a general improvement of both physical and social infrastructure in Nairne, in conjunction with the Nairne Soldiers' Memorial Hall Committee, Council is exploring measures for the Hall to become a Council asset in order that it be



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Byethorne Bite Family Fishing Day a success!

By Mike Pfeiffer



The inaugural Byethorne Bite fishing competition was a wonderful success, with a large crowd enjoying the sunny day in Nairne. With plenty of support from the local community and surrounding district, this is sure to be locked in as an annual community event for Nairne, and is sure to grow with good feedback from those who attended.

A very big thank you to everyone who was involved in getting this day up and running, including the main sponsor for the day, BCF Mount Barker, who donated all the prizes. We must also thank Paul Klinkert from Old MacDonald's Travelling Farm SA, and young band Double Trouble for donating their time to the event. Others who helped on the day include the Nairne Oval Committee, Nairne CFS, Nairne Lions Club and the Nairne Bremer United Football Club, which was well represented. The biggest thank you must



go to Footy Club committee member Coralie Schmidt, who actually organised the event, along with help from a group of dedicated Rams members including Kate Howie, and to Peely, Taz, Ben, James, Paz and Gibbo for assistance with setting up, and with the running of the day.

The competition winners were:

Overall heaviest fish	Jayden DeRon	4.2kg
Biggest Fish	Daniel Peel	64 cm
Biggest Redfin	Aaron	34.5 cm
Youngest Angler	Angus	3 years



Councillor's Commentary (continued from p4).

upgraded to become a more viable, flexible community centre catering to the broader needs of the community. The model most likely to evolve is one where there would continue to be a local management committee handling ongoing operational issues; eg, bookings, minor maintenance, etc, but with Council taking on responsibility for major maintenance and structural improvement demands.

The existing Hall Committee, led by Dean Carman over many, many years, has done much to keep the Hall going, including commissioning major repainting and other maintenance projects. Essentially, the cost of such work has been met by the efforts of another of Nairne's volunteer groups, the good people at the Nairne Market, led by Dean's wife, Helen. But the task probably is now becoming too onerous, and Council has recognised that it needs to accept a greater level of responsibility for ensuring that the Soldiers' Memorial Hall continues to meet the demands inherent in providing a viable community centre.

North Road upgrade. Work continues on an upgrade of North Road, mainly to improve some of the worst surface sections, determining best locations for some traffic calming measures, a realignment of the Junction St/North Rd intersection and a re-treatment of the junction of North Rd with Woodside Rd. A number of new 50kph signs have already been installed along the road.

Nairne 175th anniversary celebrations. Work continues apace on planning to celebrate Nairne's 175th birthday in November this year. A number of activities are being developed under the guidance of Annette Gladigau and Clive Pay of the Nairne & Districts Residents' Association. If you would like to be directly involved or are seeking more information, get along to a monthly NDRA meeting (third Wednesday night each month at the Nairne Institute) or contact Annette on 8388 6558 or Clive on 8388 0703.

Citizenship ceremony. Contributing to Nairne's 175th anniversary celebrations, Mayor Ann Ferguson will be conducting a special Citizenship Ceremony at the Nairne Institute on 10 April. For more information, contact Jenny Richter at the Council office on 8391 7238.

Australia Day congratulations . . . to retired radio announcer and local resident Barry Hall and to Mayor Ann Ferguson. Both were awarded Medals in the Order of Australia (OAMs) - Barry for his work as a long-time radio announcer in Adelaide and his contribution to the local community, and Mayor Ann for her significant contribution to local government and also the community.

Congratulations also to . . . Nairne's 2014 Citizens of the Year, the Cousins family, Gavin and Jackie and daughters Tyla, Aimee and Lani. The contribution made by the Cousins family in the Nairne community in so many ways was recognised at the Nairne & Districts Lions Club's Australia Day celebrations at Bill Joyce Park.

Finally . . . my thanks go to the many of you who expressed your best wishes to me during my illness over the last several months. I felt quite overwhelmed. But, we're back in harness now for what looks like being another busy year.

Please don't hesitate to contact me on 0408 685 759 or at tcorbell@dcmtbarker.sa.gov.au about any of the matters mentioned in this column or any other Council-related issues. Alternatively, you can contact one of your other North Ward councillors, Jeff Bettcher, Lyn Stokes and Simon Westwood; and keep an eye on my Facebook site - Councillor Trevor Corbell - for more up-to-date information on matters as they arise.

Cr Trevor Corbell

Ink Pot Arts brings the Adelaide Fringe to the Hills once again in 2014!



By Phi Theodorus

Ink Pot has two colourful additions to 2014's Fringe lineup - a repeat season of *Through the Looking Glass* and *What Alice Found There* at the Waldorf Living Arts Centre (March 1-8), and a new community initiative *Cultivating Creativity* (Feb 15 - March 7).

Through the Looking Glass brings Alice's second adventure into Wonderland. Our talented youth ensemble will bring you disdainful royals, flowers that talk, mysterious train rides and humorous encounters of the Dum-Dee kind. Supported by a diverse team of experienced professionals, Ink Pot Arts is excited to present this classic heroine's tale promising fun family entertainment. The performances will be held in the Mt Barker Waldorf School's Living

Arts Centre and see it transformed from it's warm and human design, into the challenging Tim Burton-esque Wonderland that Alice finds herself navigating through. Come along for the first show and join our *Mad Hatter's Tea Party* afterwards!

Cultivating Creativity is a season of events offering something for everyone including, during the Fringe so far they have had an afternoon of storytelling, one of craft and cups of tea, a fringe taster event, a poetry night and an all local, all male lineup of acoustic music. The last instalment of "Cultivating Creativity" is "Cheeky Chicks, Candles, Corsets & Cabaret" on Friday 7 March, celebrating women in music the night before international Women's Day. Cultivating Creativity has also inspired an incredibly diverse art exhibition in the Ink Pot Creative Hub until mid to late March, themed around the artists growing their own creative expression.

For more information:

www.inkpot.com.au, www.facebook.com/inkpotarts or email phi@inkpot.com.au

For bookings: <http://www.adelaidefringe.com.au/> search "Through The Looking Glass" or "Cultivating Creativity"





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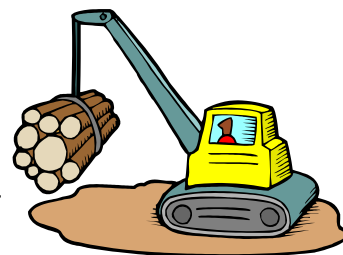
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News From Nairne Preschool

Have You

HEARD ABOUT THE SINGLE INTAKE IN 2014?

Well, we are up and running!

Despite our misgivings of having 75 or so children ALL beginning Preschool together, things have so far gone very well!



Our new serpent pit has been a hive of activity as children have re-discovered the joys of combining sand and water!



Special Request:

Do we have any experienced **basket weavers** in the community? We have a wonderful new air chair that just needs to be woven!

When we arrived at preschool we were greeted with an *AMAZING* new tunnel in our outdoor play space. Built by our local blacksmith Bec, the tunnel will eventually be covered in greenery with secret 'windows' and 'doors'. The hot weather has just put a temporary hold on the greening process but it hasn't stopped the children from exploring!



The children have adapted well to the new routines. Lunch in our mini-restaurant has been quite exciting....

as have singing, drawing, modelling, acting, painting....



“The Nairne Market”

By Helen Carman

Girls, I heard you want to know
About the Nairne Market & so,
I've tried to write it down in prose,
I'm not real good—but here it goes.

While doing the ironing which bores me silly,
My thoughts just flow on willy nilly,
Then one idea began to thrive,
Back in the year of '85.
The Nairne Soldiers Memorial Hall
Needed money, \$3000 bucks in all.
For new lino on the kitchen floor,
But they couldn't afford it—they were poor!

A little shop—that's what we need,
What type do we want? How to succeed?/?
I had a lovely friend called Von,
I wondered if her I could con
Into giving us a room she had,
She said “Yes!” - Things weren't too bad!
I have another friend called Buster,
so got all the courage I could muster,
Rang him up and asked a favour,
Of which, dear Buster, did not waver.
A clothing factory he did own,
And lots of garments he had sewn.
He gave me rolls of flannelette,
And heaps more material I did get.
I sewed and made sheet after sheet,
My mum sewed pillow slips so neat.

Other stuff we sewed for days,
Friends helped me in other ways,
And then we opened on April Fool's day,
The first of April—we were on our way!
We made our money and got the lino,
It took eight weeks and that was fine, oh!
After we closed, the Red Cross came,
And made a profit—just the same.

Then in a while it was decided,
That all the money be divided,
Among the recipients—three in all,
Red Cross, Retirement Village, the Hall.

A few years later Von sold her house,
We girls conferred—we used our nous.
And came up with another place,
Further up the street a pace.
We stayed there for a few more years,
Paying rent, then came more fears.
The owners sold up in a hurry,
And left us with a great big worry.
With a bit of luck and consultation,
We got a lease on the old Police station.
We've been here now for eight long years—
Have approximately 30 volunteers.
Six days a week—from ten 'til four,
We have 'em coming in our door.
Over three hundred thousand dollars we've raised,
Believe me dears—we're not fazed.
We may go on and raise a million,
Hang on—we might go for a billion!

In the last few years we have decided,
We're making more money—so we divided
It up between a few more groups.
Now here I'd like to thank the troops.
For all the years—they got no pay,
Making money to give away.
I guess you think that's kind of neat,
But it's me who's kept them off the street!!

Helen Carman is a long-time resident of Nairne. Together with her husband Dean, and many volunteers, she currently manages the Nairne Market on the Main Street.

From the Nairne Market

By Althea Miegel

A Happy New Year to Nairne Market friends and customers, hoping that 2014 will bring health and joy to us all. The Market has begun with some closures this year, because of the extreme heat that we have all been experiencing. Market Management have developed a 'Heat Policy' – that is, if the forecast temperature for Adelaide is 40 degrees or more, then the shop will be closed. The shed will be closed if the forecast is for 35 degrees or more. We apologise if this causes inconvenience to our customers; however, the building is uncomfortable in these extremes and the shed even more so.



It was with some sadness and a whole lot of appreciation, the Nairne Market gave a farewell morning tea to long serving member, Zita Dobbin a couple of weeks ago. Zita has faithfully served the Market for 23 years. Thank you so much, Zita. Please enjoy your retirement!!!

Sales continue to go very well, with lots of new stock arriving week by week. Market management really appreciate the support of the local community, and those customers who come from all over, to enjoy the bargains available.

Could I just remind people who are donating goods to the Market, to please do so ONLY in business hours. Thank you for your kind support.

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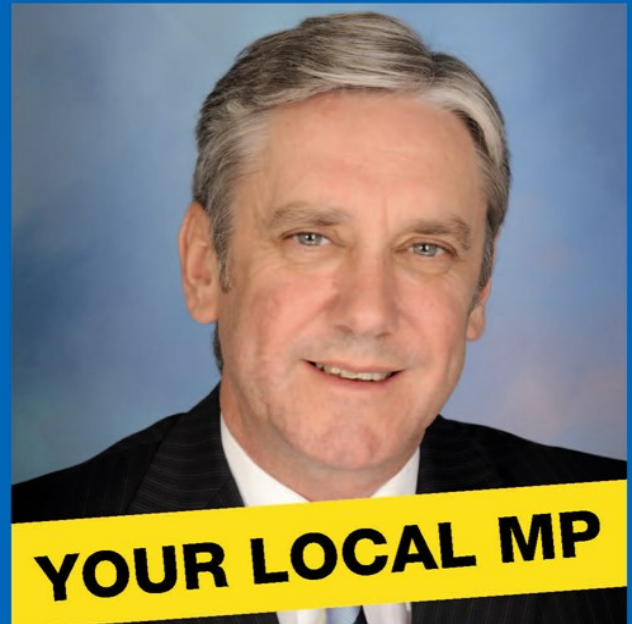
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Café restaurant “68 on Main” - a popular meeting place.

It seemed like it was meant to be. Ben and Jacqui Opie had been living in Nairne for four years—Ben self employed in his carpentry and building business, and Jacqui working in high level managerial positions in the clothing industry. At times, they had talked about how wonderful it would be to be able to run their own little business close to home. As is often the case with busy young people, they did not usually spend much time in their home town. But one day, they stopped for breakfast at the café, known then as FloJo’s, on Nairne’s Main Street. The owner mentioned they were looking to sell, and the rest is history. Just a few weeks later Ben and Jacqui became the new owners ...



Elegant new signage and pavement enclosures at the front of the new-look shop.



*New proprietors of ‘68 on Main’
Ben and Jacqui Opie.*

transform it with their own vision. The kitchen has been enlarged, and the welcoming service counter has been moved closer to the entrance of the shop. Rooms on either side of the entrance make up two separate dining areas—one with an alfresco feel and the other with a bright and comfortable ambience. The new chef, Patrick - previously from the award winning Robin Hood Hotel in Norwood - is cooking up a storm! Check out their menu at www.68onmain.com, or ‘Like’ their Facebook page, and take a moment to enjoy Nairne’s new cafe ‘68 on Main’. Jacqui and Ben welcome you!

For Jacqui, it was a chance to make a difference to Nairne. Her father grew up locally, and told her about how vibrant and busy Nairne used to be. Now Jacqui wants to create “a place where people who come to Nairne, want to stay and spend some time”. And by the look of the growing regular clientele, this is exactly what is happening. For Ben, this is the best part. “This has been a steep learning curve for us, as neither of us has a background in the hospitality industry. But it’s very rewarding meeting the local people, and it has really made us feel like part of the community”.

The café is gradually evolving as the new owners work to



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Why should cats be desexed? — A veterinarian's viewpoint.

By Catherine Motter, DVM, Littlehampton Veterinary Clinic.

Recent studies have estimated that, in Australia, 10% of the female cat population are never desexed, and another 18% are desexed after a first litter. The bottom line is that 172,000 kittens are born each year in this country. The guess, no verifiable statistics, estimate over 100,000 cats and kittens are euthanased in shelters in Australia annually. So many more die under less humane circumstances.

There are many benefits of having your cat desexed:

- * increased life expectancy;
- * decreased risks of developing certain types of cancer and fatal diseases such as Feline AIDS;
- * desexing will decrease your cats desire to roam, therefore they are less likely to be hit by a car or attacked by another animal;
- * lessens undesirable behaviours, such as spraying urine and fighting.

My veterinary clinic has lowered the price of desexing cats and dogs because I have seen the, often very negative, outcomes of 'cheap' desexing clinics. Cheap often equates to poorly done - no pain medications and poor quality procedures that result in infections. Talk to us about whether desexing may improve your cat's quality of life.

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Norma with the bead ladies on a recent visit to Nakivale Refugee Settlement, South West Uganda

Beads of Hope

By Norma Osborne, Australia HOPE International

With the bead women gathered together, we listened with open hearts and ears to hear each of their personal stories of the tragedy and courage which brought them far from their beloved country to Nakivale Refugee Settlement, where up to 90,000 people now call home. Rosie's story broke our hearts and we wept together with her as she unfolded her story. Rosie was happily married with 8 beautiful children, until one fateful night in 2011 when the Congolese government soldiers smashed down her door, kidnapped her husband and one of her sons, then proceeded to brutally rape her. In the ensuing turmoil and frantic search for her children, she managed to find only 3. Some time after she arrived in Nakivale, she was reunited with another of her children who had been swept up by neighbours and taken to the safety of the refugee camp. She has never seen her husband or other 4 children since.

As an Australian mother, it is unimaginable to even dream about this happening to me, but the reality is that thousands upon thousands of women suffer these tragedies. It is our privilege at Australia HOPE International to stand with some of these women whose tenacity of faith and resilience is awe-inspiring.

One way we can help them is to sell their beautiful hand-crafted beads at our shop 'Jambo Sana', 72 Main Road, Nairne. 97% of the funds raised from the sale of these beads goes directly back to these women to buy food, clothes, seeds, hoes and, among many other things, paying for their children to attend secondary school.

If you would like to help, you may wish to visit the Jambo Sana shop and purchase some beads, or sell some yourself to your friends, or host a 'Beads of HOPE' party at your place.

If you would like to hear more of these women's stories, we would love to give you a FREE DVD which we recorded at the refugee camp. For more information or to collect your free dvd, please contact Norma on 0424 001 545; or email norma@ahi.org.au; or visit Jambo Sana, which is open Wednesday - Friday 10 am- 4 pm, or Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm. Phone 8188 0398, www.jambosana.com.au

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A new doctor to join the Nairne Medical Clinic

By Niluka Hattotuwa, Nairne Medical Clinic

After the previous Nairne Medical Clinic had closed down for some time, it was opened again under new management in October 2012. Dr Lasath Hattotuwa is the proprietor of the Nairne Medical Clinic. Within a few months of opening, the clinic became very popular among the Nairne Community, especially due to the friendly personality of Dr Lasath Hattotuwa and, furthermore, it is the only bulkbilling clinic in the Adelaide Hills area, meaning no gap fees for patients.

Due to the increased demand of patients, Nairne Medical Clinic is pleased to announce that there will be another **male doctor starting soon**. He is Dr Luke Ganesan and is originally from Malaysia. Dr Luke Ganesan graduated from the Flinders University, Adelaide in 2002. His specialties include chronic conditions such as diabetes, mental health related problems and occupational medicine.

Nairne Medical Clinic is pleased to welcome Dr Luke Ganesan to work hand in hand with Dr Lasath Hattotuwa. Dr Luke Ganesan and Dr Lasath Hattotuwa are committed to providing a good service to the Nairne Community. The clinic covers all aspects of health care. It is a good opportunity for people to book themselves for annual medical check-ups. Consultations, blood tests and scans are bulk billed. There is a Clinpath blood collection service available on Wednesday mornings. Please call to make an appointment for blood tests.

Please call 8388 6288 Nairne Medical Clinic to make your next appointment.

Term 1 Creative workshops for children

IMPRO SPORTS and PIONEER WOMEN'S TRAIL



Kerstin von Shearing (9 weeks starting Wednesday 12 February)

7-12 year olds 4.00-5.00 pm Wednesdays, Mount Barker Town Hall

Cost: \$135 (\$25 annual Ink Pot Membership for newcomers)

Get into being creative this year with some frivolity and games, provided by talented actor and improviser Kerstin von Shearing. Skills will be built for Ink Pot's exciting partnership with **The Pioneer Women's Trail**, with performances on Sunday 18 May 2014, term two. An informal work-in-progress to parents will take place Wednesday 9 April, week eleven of term one.

CIRCUS Workshops

Tony Hannan (9 sessions starting Friday 14 February)

7-12 year olds 4.00-5.00 pm Fridays, Mount Barker Waldorf School Gym

Cost: \$135 + \$25 annual Ink Pot Membership for newcomers

This workshop series will provide participants with a chance to develop a variety of circus skills, tasted throughout the term—manipulation skills (hula hoop, diablo, plates etc), games, mat skills and trapeze. An informal sharing will take place during the final session on Friday 11 April.

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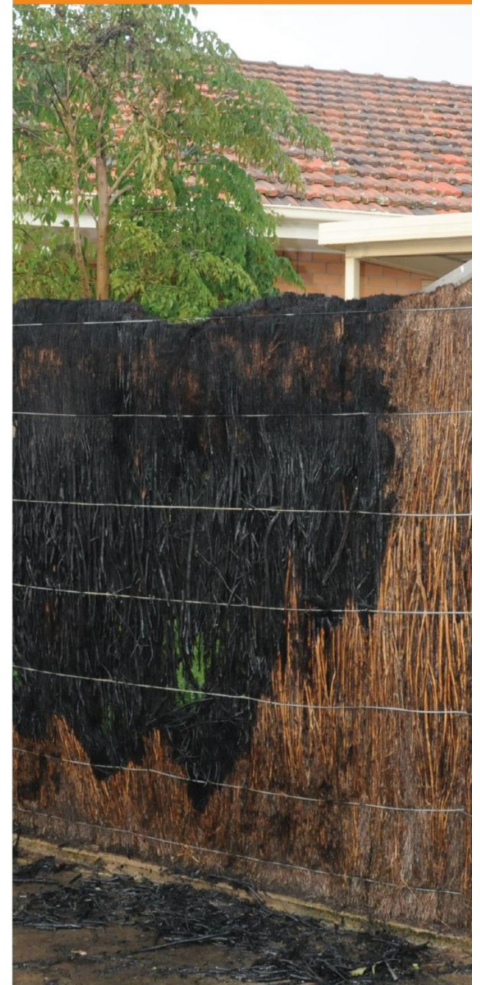
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Bringing the Beach to the Hills

By Rhana Fleming, Littlehampton Child Care Centre

There's nothing more distinctly Australian than the beach, boardies and a barbie; and that's what the children and educators at Littlehampton Child Care Centre celebrated with our tribute to Australia Day on Tuesday 28 January.

The iconic sausage sizzle for lunch was readily devoured by our bucket-hat beach belles and beaus as they took a break from participating in cool water activities and Aussie artworks including painting, collage, designing their own beach towels, and colouring in the Australian Flag.

The lead up to the week was celebrated with the children gaining an appreciation of traditional Aboriginal Australia through stories, song and dance. Our Kindy children thoroughly enjoyed imitating Emus, Kangaroos and Lizards interpretatively through dance and were captivated by stories from the Dreaming.

And while the activities all seem to be fun and games, they're actually a valuable and engaging way of connecting our children with our community and our uniquely Australian culture.



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In celebration of 100 years of Red Cross in Australia in 2014

By Barb Milne

Preparations for our centenary are well underway across the country and we are looking forward to some great events to celebrate 100 years of Red Cross in Australia in 2014.

One of our goals for the centenary is to celebrate the achievements and contributions of so many Australians over the past 100 years.

Red Cross in Australia Today.

Currently, there are over one million Red Cross members, volunteers, partners, staff, blood donors and supporters operating from 1,250 locations in all states and territories, and hundreds more neighbourhoods through our community programs.

The centenary provides an opportunity to recognise and thank the Australian community for its contribution to our first 100 years. Our work would not be possible without the spirit of volunteerism and commitment of everyday Australians to Red Cross humanitarian values.

NAIRNE BRANCH of the Australian Red Cross.

The Nairne branch will be celebrating its 75th anniversary and some of our members are preparing a history of activities and service in the local area. We are looking for any photos or memorabilia of Red Cross activities connected with the Nairne branch. If anyone has anything of interest we would appreciate hearing from you.

Please contact Miriam on 8388 6660. Red Cross Calling - March 2014. Members will be collecting at local shopping centres etc, if you see us please come and say hello. If you wish to make a donation at any time please call Barbara on 8388 0642.

Branch meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month in the Nairne Institute at 12.30 pm.

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News from St James Anglican Church, Blakiston

By Ronda Jaensch



On Sunday 15 December, our newly installed Bishop, John Ford, blessed the new steps and ramps at this heritage church. It is now much easier to access the church as the ramp rises gently from the walkway by the carpark to the front door. There are also rails to assist. We have had our first person using a wheelchair in the church, which was a pleasure to have the facility used, and proved most satisfactory. There was a good crowd in attendance, including the Mayor, Anne Ferguson, and the service was followed by a reception in the Hall.

The weekend prior to this saw the installation of our new Bishop in the Cathedral at Murray Bridge. This was attended by the Governor, the Roman Catholic Bishop, and several other Anglican Bishops, and was a very moving and memorable service. Bishop John Ford came to us from Plymouth in the UK with his wife Brigit, and a happy note for them was the surprise arrival of their son and his wife for this momentous occasion. The following morning the Bishop presided at his first celebration of the Eucharist held in the Town Hall at Murray Bridge. He is now available to all parishioners.

At present our priest, Fr. Richard Seabrook, is on sabbatical, but he will return for the Easter celebrations. However, we have a locum and his wife in residence at the rectory in Mt Barker. They are Fr. Bill and Helen Squire, and we are very happy to have them join us for three months. Services continue as usual with **MASS EVERY SUNDAY AT 10.30 AM.**

On the third Thursday of each month we have a fellowship gathering for men and women and often our group goes to lunch or on outings. Our first meeting this year is on February 20 at 1.30 pm. Please feel free to join us. For further information about fellowship, contact Ronda Jaensch 8391 1222; or for other church information one of the Wardens: Ian Newman 8398 2636, or Martin Corner 8388 1411.

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Uniting and Lutheran Church News

Nairne Uniting Celebrating 130 Years:

This year the Nairne Uniting Church will be celebrating 130 years of worshipping in the church in Allargue Street, Nairne. A special Thanksgiving Service will be held later in the year and the organisers are looking to invite past members of this church to attend the special service, together with those presently involved with this church.



If you can help by providing names and contacts for any past members, or if you have any relevant memorabilia which could be displayed in the historical display to be set up in the church hall for this special celebration, please contact Helen by phoning 8388 6350.

Church Services:

The Nairne Uniting Church in Allargue Street is used for weekly worship services, fellowship and sharing by both Nairne Uniting and Nairne Redeemer Lutheran folk.

Uniting Services are held each Sunday commencing at 10.30 am, except for the third Sunday of the month when they combine with the Lutheran Congregation for a service at 8.30 am.

Lutheran Services are held each Sunday commencing at 8.30 am, except for when there is a 5th Sunday in the month and they join with the Uniting Church for worship service at 10.30 am.

Easter Services for 2014 at the Uniting Church Nairne:

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| Wednesday 26 March | – Lenten Service commencing at 7.30pm lead by Pastor Steve Liersch. |
| Palm Sunday 13 April | – Lutheran Service 8.30 am lead by Pastor John Ridenour
– Uniting Service 10.30 am lead by Susan Clare |
| Maundy Thursday 17 April | – Lutheran Service 7.30 pm lead by Pastor John Ridenour |
| Good Friday 18 April | – Lutheran Service 8.30 am lead by Pastor John Ridenour
– Uniting Service 10.00 am lead by Susan Clare |
| Easter Sunday 20 April | – Combined Lutheran and Uniting Service 8.30 am lead by Pastor John Ridenour. |

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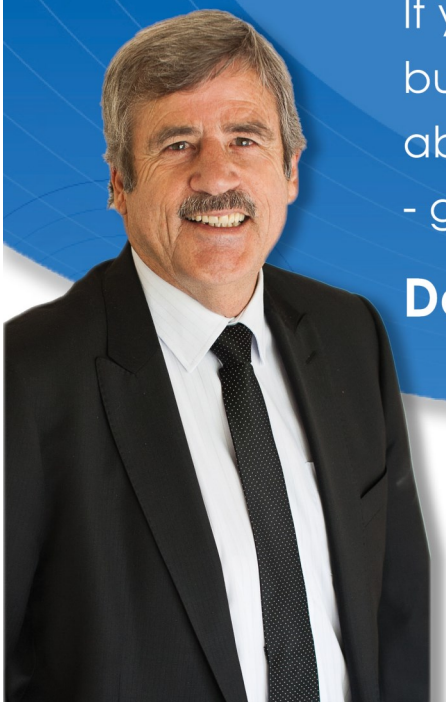
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Trees For Life's Bush For Life Program gives people from all walks of life the opportunity to help preserve what little we have left by learning how to restore and protect our State's native vegetation through bush regeneration workshops.

At the workshop, participants will learn:

- why the bush needs your help;
- the best strategies for restoring ecological processes;
- minimal disturbance techniques;
- how to work safely in the bush;
- how you can get involved as a Bush For Life volunteer

Continuous learning opportunities are also provided through the program, ensuring participants discover the best techniques to get native plants regenerating and how to defeat invasive weeds. Bush For Life also holds advanced workshops which cover topics such as native plant and grass identification, advanced bush management techniques, brush-cutting and more.

Volunteers also choose how they want to be involved in the longer term. They can participate in small group activities every now and then, adopt a bushland site of their own, or join our Bush Action Team.

If you want to find out more about getting hands-on experience through Bush For Life, phone the office on 8406 0500.

2014 Dates: One Day Workshops

Tuesday 18 March, **Mt Barker**

Thursday 17 April, **Stirling**

Saturday 3 May, **Victor Harbor**

Thursday 22 May, **Tea Tree Gully**

Friday 6 June, **Clare**

Saturday 21 June, **Hallett Cove**

Friday 4 July, **Brooklyn Park**

Wednesday 23 July, **Mitcham Hills**

Saturday 9 August, **Littlehampton**

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Nairne Bremer United Football Club

As we roll into the 2014 season, the Rams have been very busy preparing for a big season. The seniors have been training since the end of January with great numbers on the track.

Our Coaching Panel

Senior Coach Tony Fielke 0439 886 434, with assistant Matt Bell

Fitness coach this year is Adam Parry.

Jim May will be in charge of the incumbent premier reserves 0400 001 661

Colts coaches: Under 17s Clinton Foster 0406 254 260, Under 15s Greg Cross 0422 316 129, Under 13s: Jim May 0400 001 661, Under 12s: Matt Lynn

Playing personnel:

Very few changes with only a couple of players not coming back to the flock. We welcome Luke Harrowfield, former Imperial captain, and Brendan “Lanky” Francis returning to the club. 4 players have done the preseason at Sturt Under 18s and we wish them well down there. Average attendance at training has been over 40, with 55 players having attended in total.

Plenty of exciting things happening around Ram Park:

- Our involvement with the recent Byethorne Bite fishing comp.
- Work about to commence on our second oval
- 8 players were involved in a recent Leader for Life camp held at the Grampians.
- Coach Fielke was a guest presenter at the recent AFL Coaching conference where over 400 coaches from all over Australia were present.
- Sponsorship drive up and running.

Dates for the Diary:

22 March - 1st trial

29 March - 2nd trial vs. Mypolonga at Mypolonga

5 April - 1st game vs. Sedan Cambrai at Nairne

The club is now well positioned for success in 2014, both on and off the field. We welcome your involvement at any level. Please come out on Tuesday and Thursday nights to see what we are doing. Further information on club happenings can be obtained from our Facebook page, our website (google Nairne Rams) or by phoning 0408 606 882.

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Mt Barker Hospital	8393 1777
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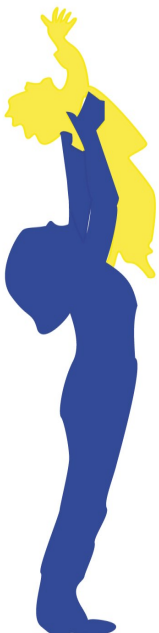
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