

# 4WD Club Newsletter

## May 2023



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*Gawler and Districts 4WD Club Incorporated*  
is an active and supporting member of  
Four Wheel Drive South Australia



Port Pirie Transport Museum (Live Steam??)

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# WELCOME

## to the Gawler & Districts 4WD Club

Previously known as "The Light Four Wheel Drive Club of SA Inc." this active 4WD club was founded in 2002. Members voted at the March 2008 meeting to change the club's name and meet at Gawler to give the club a more recognizable name and a more central meeting place.

It has become a very social club and has run many a successful day, weekend, long weekend and extended trips. We are a member of the Four Wheel Drive South Australia that incorporates the Driver Training Unit. Most meetings include a Guest Speaker and a monthly club newsletter.

***If you are a visitor to tonight's meeting, we welcome you and your family to our club. Please ask as many questions as you want. You can join us on up to 3 club outings before becoming a member. Trip Leaders run each outing and will be glad to help you with tips on four-wheel driving and how to get the best from your vehicle. If you would like to join us on any trips and enjoy what 4WD can really bring, please fill out your details on our Trip Sheets.***

**The Club meets every second Friday in the month at 7.30 pm at the Gawler Elderly Centre Hall in Fourteenth Street, Gawler.**

The meeting dates are shown on page 3 of this newsletter.

Annual membership fees are \$60 per vehicle/family, plus \$10 joining fee.



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<b>WELCOMING OFFICERS</b>	Sandra Heintze

## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

	<b>2023</b>										
<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>Mar</i>	<i>Apr</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Jun</i>	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec</i>
<b>General</b>	10	3	14	12	2	14	11	8	13	10	8
<b>Committee</b>	1		5	3		5	2		4	1	
	22			24			30			29	

**NOTE: DEADLINE TIME - All newsletter articles to the Editor before Committee Meeting date**

### Dates for 2023

Monday 12 June King's Birthday: Monday 2 October Labour Day::Monday 25 December Christmas Day:  
Tuesday 26 December Proclamation Day: Sunday 31 December New Year's Eve

Club committee meetings commence at 7:30pm on the scheduled Wednesday, on a rotating basis, held at various committee members' homes. All club members welcome.

## NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

### Presidents Report:

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Our meeting this month has been replaced with a meal at the Exchange Hotel set for 6.30pm. If you have not told me via email or phone you are coming - Please contact me URGENT so I can see if the hotel can fit you in. Hope to see you there for a great social night.

It was good to see a great turnout to the "Mystery Picnic Drive". Introducing a GOOGLE option on some questions proved interesting. I hope you enjoyed it. See the trip report in the next edition.

We have quite a few Club trips listed at the moment. Please help out the Trip Leaders by adding your name on the Trip Sheet early. This really helps with bookings and planning.

Our Christmas week-end is on at Port Hughes. Please ensure you book early and mention "Gawler 4WD Club" to receive your 10% discount. Our preferred sites are "Poolside sites" which are right opposite the large camp kitchen. It is a must to **book early** as this is a very busy park.

[Quenton]

### Editors Report:

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Hello everyone and welcome to the May edition of the Newsletter.

As mentioned by Quenton, the "Mystery Picnic Drive" held last Sunday was most enjoyable and it was really interesting visiting a couple of the Barossa Valley artisans to see and buy their wares and hear their stories. There are some really gifted people around if you know where to find them.

The next day trip is planned for the King's Birthday weekend on Sunday 11 June - "the Five Ferries Poker Run." Don't forget to add your name to the trip sheet if you would like to go and that's followed by the "Christmas in July" lunch at Sevenhill on 23 July.

Thank you to Sandra Heintze for an interesting trip report for the Bowman Park weekend. I must admit we have never stopped in Port Pirie as we always bypass it on the way to somewhere else but we enjoyed looking around the town and learning more of its history.

As always, thanks to Quenton for his contributions to the Newsletter.

And that's it from me for another month. Have a great, if cooler, month. Winter just around the corner - brrrrr!!

[Sandra]



## COMING EVENTS

<b>May 2023</b>	<b>Munga-Thirri–Simpson Desert</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Doubling the Munga-Thirri–Simpson Desert (east to west then west to east) Gawler → Birdsville via Farina Birdsville → Mt Dare via French Line Mt Dare → Birdsville via Big Road, WAA and QAA
<b>Where:</b>	Munga-Thirri–Simpson Desert
<b>Cost:</b>	Desert Parks Pass \$182 (\$111 for renewal if you bought one last year)
<b>Meet:</b>	TBA
<b>When:</b>	Departing Gawler on 12 May
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Wayne and Sandra, Roy and Bronwyn
<b>More Info</b>	

<b>Sunday 11th June 2023</b>	<b>King's Birthday Weekend</b>	<b>Five Ferries Poker Run</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Meandering the Murray River, crossing ferries at Swan Reach, Walker Flat, Mannum, Tailem Bend, Wellington	
<b>Where:</b>	Along the Murray	
<b>Cost:</b>	Your cost at The Hall Cafe, Wellington East	
<b>Meet:</b>	8.30am Angaston Main Street by Memorial Reserve	
<b>When:</b>	Sunday 11h June, 2023	
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601	
<b>More Info</b>	<p>Crossing 5 ferries, receive a card at each stop. Prize for winning hand!</p> <p>Morning Tea at Swan Reach, bring tea/coffee plus morning tea to share.</p> <p>Pack a picnic lunch for yourself down by the river at Murray Bridge.</p> <p>Afternoon tea stop at The Hall Cafe, Wellington East. UHF radio &amp; FULL tank of fuel before meeting point</p>	

<b>Sunday 23rd July 2023</b>		<b>Christmas in July</b>	
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Christmas in July Lunch at Sevenhill Hotel		
<b>Where:</b>	Sevenhill		
<b>Cost:</b>	\$25/ per head for 2 hour Farmstead tour, tea/coffee and scones with jam & cream. Your cost at Sevenhill Hotel lunch and drinks.		
<b>Meet:</b>	9.00am SHARP - Tarlee (in town by toilets)		
<b>When:</b>	Sunday 23rd July, 2023		
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601		
<b>More Info</b>	9.00am - Leave Tarlee 10.00am - Historic Farmstead Tour of Ystalyfera settled in circa 1842. 2 hour tour. View the Jaeschke family collection of vintage tractors and memorabilia at the Heritage Centre. Walk the History Trail and see restored buildings. Includes morning tea of tea/coffee & scones with jam & cream. 12.30pm - Sevenhill Hotel Lunch. Awarded Best Country Dining in SA 2022. Celebrating 160 years in 2023. <a href="https://www.sevenhillhotel.com.au/menu/">https://www.sevenhillhotel.com.au/menu/</a> 2.30pm - Visit the renovated historic Martindale Farm 1878 Woolshed		

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**16-18 September  
2023****Jamestown**

<b>Trip Details:</b>	Visiting Jamestown and surrounds
<b>Where:</b>	Jamestown, South Australia
<b>Cost:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Park Caravan Park - Powered site \$30/night (2pp) Cabin \$120/night (2pp).</li> <li>• Penn Glass \$10/head (including afternoon tea)</li> <li>• Your cost at Commercial Hotel Saturday night.</li> <li>• Your cost at Jamestown Bakery</li> <li>• Jamestown Museum \$5.00 Adults, Students \$1.00</li> </ul>
<b>Meet:</b>	Tarlee - Saturday 9.00am (in town by the toilets)
<b>When:</b>	Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th September and optional Monday 18th September, 2023
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
<b>More Info</b>	<p>Saturday - Visiting Penn Glass collection, Dinner at Commercial Hotel, Sunday - visiting Caltowie, Appila Springs, Tarcowie, Yatina Gorge, Yatina, including inspecting inside of the historic Yatina Hotel, Yongala, Loudon Brae School. Optional on Monday - Jamestown Bakery morning tea, Jamestown Museum.</p> <p><a href="https://www.theparkjamestown.com">https://www.theparkjamestown.com</a></p>

**24 – 26 November  
2023****Christmas Party**

<b>Trip Details:</b>	We know where and when, so add to your diaries
<b>Where:</b>	Port Hughes
<b>Cost:</b>	TBA
<b>Meet:</b>	TBA
<b>When:</b>	24 – 26 November 2023
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Social Committee
<b>More Info</b>	<p>10% discount to Club members for Powered sites and Cabins. Just mention "Gawler 4WD Club" when booking. Our preferred sites are Poolside sites.</p> <p><a href="https://www.big4.com.au/caravan-parks/sa/yorke-peninsula/port-hughes-tourist-park">https://www.big4.com.au/caravan-parks/sa/yorke-peninsula/port-hughes-tourist-park</a></p> <p>Phone 8825 2106</p>

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

	<i>These guest speakers have kindly agreed to talk with us at the following general meetings:</i>	
	<b>May</b>	Dinner at Exchange Hotel for 6.30 pm
	<b>July</b>	Simpson Desert Trip
	<b>August</b>	Sandra Heintze – Club’s first trips, photos & videos
	<b>September</b>	Kath Leen – historic photos of Churches of SA
	<b>October</b>	Andrew – On site Weighbridge

**GAWLER AND DISTRICTS 4WD WEB SITE**

Have you checked out our web site lately?

[www.gawler4wd.com.au](http://www.gawler4wd.com.au)

Details of when meetings are to be held, what trips and events are coming up along with useful links to lots of 4WD resources are included. Read about the latest trip report or view our photo library. Of course, you can download one of our newsletters (back to Aug 2009) including our special 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary versions.



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**BIRTHDAY WISHES**

Gawler and Districts 4WD Club wishes to extend a Happy Birthday greeting to the following members and family:

  <b>May</b>  
Roy
Bronwyn
Philip





## FOR SALE

### FREE MEMBER'S "FOR SALE" ADVERTISING



Members can submit requests for a "FOR SALE" ad, free of charge, but there are some guidelines:

- (a) Maximum of 6 lines per ad (similar to a typical local newspaper ad)
- (b) Adverts can only appear for a maximum of 3 consecutive months
- (c) Must supply contact details (either a phone or email)
- (d) Editor reserves rights to reject and/or tailor any submitted adverts.

Please send full details to our editor [editor@gawler4wd.com.au](mailto:editor@gawler4wd.com.au) for inclusion in our next newsletter providing it arrives BEFORE the newsletter deadline! (See page 3)

## 20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY MUGS

Please support your club and purchase one of our 20 year Anniversary Mugs.

\$15 each, available at each meeting until stocks run out.



## TRIP REPORTS

### Bowman Park Weekend

#### 31<sup>st</sup> March – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

As the morning dawned fresh, Wayne and I got ready and headed to Tarlee to meet up with Peter & Sandra Harper, Tas & Martin. We all followed the lead of Peter & Sandra to Crystal Brook, then 5kms out to Bowman Park. There we met up with Keryn & Brenton, Pauline & Bob, Roy & Bronwyn for a weekend of fun and good times.

Wow what a great place to camp and popular, with its permanent water source, natural amphitheatre and ochre pits and cliffs, it is a beautiful area. There has been a lot of work done around the area, including flushing toilets!! It is an RV camping site with a donation box which is a rare find these days.

Since the settlement of the park area, it has seen a lot of history. First settled in 1847 a lot of different things have come to the area. It has been a pastoral station, farm, engineering and water supply, camp, speedway and rodeo plus a reptile, flora and fauna park.

A function centre (which you can hire) was built in 1991 and the stone that was used came from an old Crystal Brook railway goods shed but the stone originally came from England (you would have thought we had enough stones in Australia to build anything back in the 1800's!!!)

You can explore the area using walking trails suitable for all ages and fitness. There are old homesteads, native gardens and a nature playground within the original garden wall of the homestead. There are also BBQ's, picnic tables and benches and a beautiful green oval that the kangaroos love to munch on in the late afternoon and early morning.

Once set up it was time to catch up and relax and organise happy hour for later in the afternoon to find out what was in store for us to explore in the area. As is usual with the Heintze's we forgot something! Our pillows, but Pauline kindly lent us some.

Roy and Wayne decided to see if they could find the problem with our 2-way radio, with the help of other male bystanders who offered problem solving suggestions!! Keryn, Bronwyn and I went into Crystal Brook to have a look around and see what we could find. Keryn found some very colourful happy pants. Happy hour found all hungry and thirsty for what was on offer, which was plenty. Keryn, our leader for the weekend, filled us in with



what had been organised and some history on the property. Quiet night with some staying up late into the night talking and others off to bed.

Saturday morning awoke with the sad news that Tas had to head home. He'd had a tooth out in the week and it had started to bleed, it was quite swollen as well. Heard later in the day that he had to have it stitched up at the dentist. Bob was also nursing a sore mouth having had teeth out on the same day as Tas.

We headed into Port Pirie to the National Trust Museum at the old Port Pirie railway station. So much work has gone into collecting and maintaining so much history from around the area and the buildings.



Vicky, the volunteer at the museum, was a wealth of information and we were so lucky as we were one of the last groups to go up into the tower part as the whole museum was to be closed for renovations and the tower was not being open to the public again. Lots of interesting

things to look at and if we couldn't work out what it was, Vicky had the answer.

Had lunch down at Solomontown beach then a drive around Port Pirie to fill in time before going to the RSL Museum. We came across a beautiful old home that Wayne and I went through years ago when an old couple had it as a museum. Now it is a restaurant. There was an old soft drink factory next door, but it's not one now.



Went to a park with a beautiful shrine to the fallen soldiers, then headed to the RSL to look at their museum. They have put a lot of effort into the RSL it is amazing, it even has a helicopter. The town got behind the RSL and made 22,000 knitted poppies that they have displayed on Remembrance Day over the years. Still use some that haven't faded yet.

Lots of different displays and photos of life as a soldier. They also have a digital display of soldier's names that you can look up and get information.

We had a fantastic afternoon tea of scones, jam and cream, so we had to message Quenton to let him know what he was missing out on. Very yummy!!!!!!!

Keryn, Bronwyn and I went back to the old home called Carn Brae for a look and we were lucky enough to be shown around by the owner and given some history of this beautiful home. Now a restaurant selling wood oven pizzas etc and B&B. It has a liquor licence as well. The

lead light in the home is just out of this world, so detailed. They have just sent the front door lead lighting to Adelaide to be repaired as originally it was from England.

Out to the Crystal Brook hotel for tea - the locals call it the Railway Hotel as it is near the old railway line so that confused us a bit. Saw a barn owl on our way home from the hotel, which was pretty good, as we don't get to see them that often. Some people again stayed up late into the night and I wanted to try some night photography. By the time I got into bed I was frozen to the core, could not get warm till early hours of the morning.



Up and partly packed for Wayne and myself as we are going home today. Martin also packed up while others are staying till tomorrow. Had breakfast at the SaFAVI café which is located in an old church. Food and coffee very good, hot chocolate was lovely and smooth.

After breakfast we pulled up chairs in front of the National Trust Museum in the main street for a procession of vintage, old and new trucks. Then off to stories from the Road Transport Museum, Lizzies Collectables and Curio Museum. Wow have they got some fantastic vehicles, signs, model trucks and cars, dolls, coke a cola and bottle collection and tools. You name it and I think they have a collection of it!!

It was their open day, so they had model trucks, tippers, front end loader, tankers and a bulldozer watering and moving dirt around. One of the dozers

was worth \$3000!!! It was very interesting to watch them being demonstrated. We were at the museum for quite a few hours as there are so many interesting things to look at. The doll collection was massive, and I have never seen so many Barbie dolls in one place.

After this we headed back to camp. Wayne and I took off home while others relaxed back at camp.

Thanks, Keryn and Brenton for a great look around Port Pirie and finding a wonderful campground at Bowman Park. Didn't realise there was so much to do.



[Sandra Heintze]

PHOTOS FROM BOWMAN PARK TRIP



Up to the Clock Tower



Bush Vice



Lovely Scones  
(Sorry Q, you missed out)



Anybody Know What This Is?



**RAFFLE ROSTER**

We ask if all members could kindly donate an item for a raffle prize each month to approx value of \$15. **Please check below to see if your name is on the roster.** Without these regular contributions, the raffle would be unable to go ahead each month. **To make it fair and equitable to everyone participating in the raffle, please use the \$15 as a guide.**


*Donations can be given to the Social Committee (Joann Wuttke or Julie Sieben) any time.*

May	June	July
Quenton and Deb	Wayne and Sandra	Bob and Cindy
Peter and Sandra	Martin	Roy and Bronwyn



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See Quenton at the General Meeting



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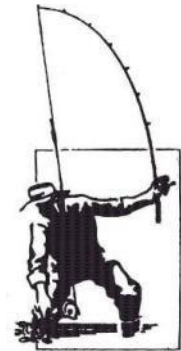
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## TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

In this series of "Towns of South Australia" I will explain a brief history of the town and how it got its name. This month we look at:

### CARRIETON

Prior to the arrival of Europeans, the area was home to the Adnyamathanha Aboriginal people. A pastoral lease was granted to Alexander Grant in 1853 and he established Coonatto Station.

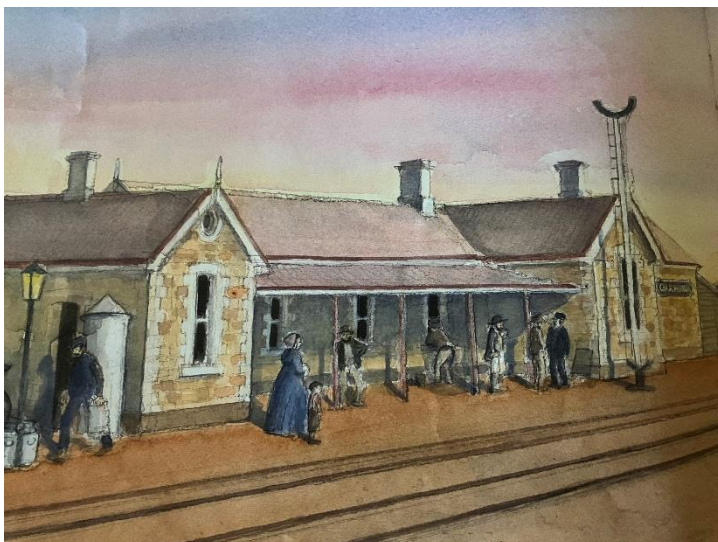
Originally known as Yanyarrie Whim, Carrieton was surveyed in 1879 and blocks sold for £2/10/-. Carrieton was named after Lucy Caroline (known as Carrie) Jervois, a daughter of the South Australian Governor Jervois; who also named nearby Johnburg after his son John, plus numerous other Flinders towns.

In 1879 the Carrieton Hotel was built. The hotel had a large hall at the side, originally known as O'Grady's Assembly Hall (after the Publican William O'Grady) which had a good stage and curtains and dances and school concerts were held here. In 1881 the Eureka Hotel was opened in Fifth Street. In 1893, the Publicans swapped Hotels and O'Grady ran the Eureka Hotel until his death in 1908. The Eureka closed in 1946 and was demolished.

The Carrieton Hotel (pictured) has recently been renovated and re-opened and the Club enjoyed a meal here in October, 2022 while staying at historic Coonatto Station.



In 1882 the railway arrived at Carrieton. However due to a creek on the Western side of town, the Railway Station, built in 1885, (see picture of painting) was built one and a half miles West of town. A meeting was held in the Eureka Hotel on 24th June, 1882 to ask the government to build a tramway from the Railway Station to the town, but this never eventuated. Both hotels operated horse and buggies to



deliver passengers to their hotels. Records show in 1891 13,534 sheep, 986 cattle, 204 pigs, 8,355 tons of wheat (in bags), 559 tons of minerals and 866 bales of wool were forwarded from Carrieton. Frank Earl can remember camels carting wool from Koonamore Station to the Railway Station. From 1917 to 1937 the main Sydney - Perth railway line passed through Carrieton Railway Station. By 1969 the passenger rail car stopped and in 1972 the goods train service was restricted to one a week. The railway

soon closed and the Railway Station is now a private residence.

The Post Office was first opened in 1877 as Yanyarrie Whim, but re-opened in 1879 as the "Yanyarrie Whim General Store and Post Office" and the name changed to Carrieton in 1880. The National Bank opened a branch in 1881 and The Bank of Adelaide opened an agency in 1895 and closed in 1971. In 1882 the Carrieton Public School opened, now part of the community run Caravan Park. The first Agricultural Show was held in 1882. The local Police Station was opened in 1884. A Butcher started in 1885 and the Butcher shop is now the community run General Store. In 1881 the Church of England was built and new stained-glass windows installed in 1965. A Methodist Church (now Uniting) was built, but the small church looked like a dwelling - this was altered in 1900 to look more like a Church. In 1889 St Raphael's Roman Catholic Church was dedicated. In 1895 the Institute was built and in 1900 a Library was added and in addition to its own books, a large box of books were sent on the train from the Adelaide Library once every three months. By the 1890's the population was over 200.

During World War 1 many men enlisted in the war from Carrieton including five Earl brothers. A war memorial listing those who died in the WWI and WW2 and the Vietnam war was erected in 2021. Two of the seven Earl's on the memorial are directly related to me, originally from Angaston.

In 1936 a meeting was held at the Eureka Hotel and the CWA branch was formed. In the early days, meetings were held in the Sample Room of the Eureka Hotel. In 1947 their own CWA building was built using timber, stone and bricks from the demolished Eureka Hotel. They often joined with the branches at Eurelia, Craddock and Hammond to raise funds such as the building of the Carrieton playground.

In 1953 the first Carrieton Rodeo was held and to this day the Rodeo is held in December at Carrieton. Funds from the Rodeo helped pay off the Memorial Hall, Swimming pool and money was also given to Hammond and Eurelia Halls. Flinders Ranges Camp Draft is also run usually in March or April each year. In November, the Carrieton Gymkhana and Motokhana is held at the Camp Draft grounds.

In 1958 a public meeting decided to build a War Memorial Hall. Bricks were carted by local people from Nuriootpa and voluntary local labour was used to assist the contractor and the large hall was built for £4,350 from money donated and loaned.



Carrieton won South Australia's Tidiest Town in 1986 and 1989.

[Quenton]

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## MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD



### \*\*\*\*\*PHOTO COMPETITIONS\*\*\*\*\*

*This year we have a photo competition running which, at the moment, is the regular Open Competition sponsored by Gawler Fishing and Outdoors*

#### **The PHOTO COMPETITION RULES:**

- (a) Each member may enter up to four (4) photos
- (b) Photos should be a copy (not originals) - Size 15cm x 10cm (6"x4")
- (c) Photos must have been taken on a club trip during the last 12 months (Nov 18 - Nov 19)
- (d) All photos must be labelled on the back with your name, where, and when, the photo was taken
- (e) Entries to be handed to Quenton by close of November General meeting
- (f) Late entries will not be accepted

**ENTRIES TO BE HANDED TO QUINTON BY CLOSE OF NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING**

**LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**The winning photo of the Open Competition will be selected by Gawler Fishing and Outdoors**

**So remember to take photos during the year and get them in to Quenton in plenty of time.**



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### \*\*\*\*\*TRIP REPORT COMPETITION\*\*\*\*\*

***It's on again...as long as we receive trip reports so please remember to take pencil and paper when out on a trip!***

*The committee has once again, decided to continue with the Trip Report competition this year to reward those who submit a Trip Report throughout the year!*

*It does not matter whether the report is long or short, serious or funny, whether you have written one or more, your name will go in the "hat" for each report that is written.*

*Winner will be drawn out of the collection of names at the end of the year either at the Christmas Show BBQ or at the AGM.*

**So the more reports you write  
the better your chances of winning!**

**There will be another**

**Prize**

**so please keep-on writing!!!**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### GORDON REX YOUNG

Further on from question 3 and 4 from our Mystery Picnic Drive, Sunday 7th May, here is some more information on young Gordon Young -

This is the tragic story of Gordon Young who lost his life in a plane crash near Angaston in 1943. In researching this story, I have visited the Mallala War Cemetery, the Enfield cemetery, the crash site South of Angaston with permission from property owner Leon Pumpa, the Aviation Museum in Port Adelaide and spoken to the current owner of the Mount McKenzie school.

Leading Aircraftman Gordon Rex Young was born on the 12th June, 1924. He was a Farmer at Yongala and joined the RAAF in December, 1942. He was a student pilot with the RAAF based at Mallala. He was the son of Gordon Stanley Young and Stella Young of Yongala. On the 1st of July, 1943 he was on a solo training flight flying a Avro Anson plane on a cross country exercise and at just after 11.00am he encountered low cloud south of Angaston in the Eden Valley. One eyewitness who was a young girl at the time saw the plane just miss the roof of their house while her Mum was hanging out the washing; the young girl raced inside and hid under her bed. Another eyewitness, the landowner Wally Pumpa, said the plane came out of cloud and disappeared over a hill. Gordon had just 81 hours of flying in his logbook. The official summary is as follows -

*The pupil pilot was carrying out sole cross-country exercise and lost control of aircraft while flying in cloud. Machine came out of cloud in a steep diving turn and struck the ground, killing the pilot and wrecking the aircraft. The accident took place over hilly country, with a cloud base of approximately 200 feet.*

Gordon was honoured and buried in an Air Force ceremony at the Mallala War Cemetery the next day. A Pine tree was planted to commemorate Gordon by the Mount McKenzie school children. (The Mount McKenzie school is now a private residence next to the Mount McKenzie Hall.) Sadly the Pine tree has recently died. He is also commemorated in the Yongala cemetery and on his parents headstone in the Enfield cemetery. The accident was reported in the Advertiser on page 2, Tuesday July the 6th, 1943.



An Avro Anson plane (pictured) previously used for training at the Mallala Air Base is being restored at the Aviation Museum at Port Adelaide. The plane was purchased after the war by a local Mallala farmer Reg Franks and donated to the Museum.

A plaque was erected in 1993 by the local community and family of Gordon Young on the property where the plane crashed (See picture of its opening in 1993).



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## ANSWER TO "WHERE AM I"

Monica McInerney sculpture, Clare Riesling Trail, Clare.

This artwork celebrates the childhood of Clare born author Monica McInerney.

She lived with her six siblings and Station Master father and Librarian mother in the Clare Station Masters house opposite. (See photo - Station Masters house in background, showing chimney). Her father was Station Master for 35 years.

As a child Monica would climb the rainwater tank up to the roof to sit by herself reading a book as she leaned against one of the chimneys. Every month she received four books wrapped in brown paper from the State Library. They were sent up by the train. She wrote her first book at the age of eight. Many of her books reference sites throughout the Clare Valley including the railway and the Riesling Trail.

A great Podcast on ABC Radio "Conversations" - The Railway Child - Monica from Clare is available on the ABC Listen App.

For more information on Monica and her books see -

[www.monicamcinerney.com](http://www.monicamcinerney.com)



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## FRIDAY FUNNIES

{Thanks to Westprint for this contribution}

A policeman was rushed to the hospital with an inflamed appendix.

The doctors operated and advised him that all was well, however, the policeman kept feeling something pulling at the hairs in his crotch.

Worried that it might be a second surgery and the doctors hadn't told him about it, he finally got enough energy to pull his hospital gown up enough so he could look at what was making him so uncomfortable.

Taped firmly across his pubic hair and private parts were three wide strips of adhesive tape, the kind that doesn't come off easily --- if at all.

Written on the tape in large black letters was the sentence, "Get well soon, from the nurse in the Ford Focus you gave a speeding ticket to last week."

Back in the early 1400's, chess became super popular in a European community. There was a certain group of people in particular who were especially enthusiastic about the game. They meet up to play chess with each other at every opportunity.

Eventually, this obsession with playing chess caught the attention of the church leaders who noticed that this group of people were skipping church to play chess instead. This was seen as blasphemous, and they were ordered to stop immediately.

Unfortunately, the draw of the game proved too strong for these chess aficionados and after continuing to defy the church, they were arrested and tried for heresy. They were found guilty and sentenced to be burned at the stake.

This public execution, held in the town square, became the first recorded incident of chess nuts roasting on an open fire.

Dolly and Ruby were talking about their grandkids. Dolly said "Each year I send each of my grandkids a card with a generous cheque inside. I never get a thank you message from any of them".

Ruby replies "I send my grandkids a generous cheque too. I hear from them within a week. In fact, they each pay me a personal visit".

"Wow! How come?" remarked Dolly.

"Simple, I don't sign the cheque!"



WHEN WE'RE YOUNG,  
WE SNEAK OUT OF OUR  
HOUSE TO GO TO  
PARTIES.  
  
WHEN WE'RE OLD, WE  
SNEAK OUT OF PARTIES  
TO GO HOME.