

AUBURN EXPRESS September, 2025

ACDC Executive Committee Members
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ACDC - September, Report

Welcome to the first month of Spring, and the good rain!

ACDC Annual General Meeting: meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th October at 7pm in the Auburn Institute. The positions due for elections are: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Positions are based on a two-year term. The secretary's position has been vacant for two years. It would be great to have a person join the team in this role. Treasurer Joan Concy is retiring and interest in filling her position has been provided by a community member. Chair, Rhonda Seymour will nominate for re-election. members and community encouraged and welcome to attend. Supper will be available after the meeting.

Council Chambers on St. Vincent Street:

Decisions made last meeting include:

- Organising white ant inspection/treatment asap.
- A Garden Working Bee for SUNDAY
 21st SEPTEMBER 9.30am. All
 volunteers welcome, bring along
 rake, wheel barrow or bucket,
 weeding implements, gloves and

perhaps a bottle of water?

 A 'Working Group' (Dianne Tilley, Trish Booker, Kathryn Owen, Kathy Adams) has submitted a proposal to ACDC to organise some activities (e.g. book sale, twilight Christmas market) to initiate usage of the building and raise funds to assist with running costs of the building.

ACDC Attendance at CGVC Question Time:

ACDC and community representatives attended Council's August meeting and presented a list of questions to the Chamber to which we did receive answers albeit not all to our satisfaction. The Plains Producer placed Auburn on their front page a week later, with some information and comments from ACDC. and quoting past CEO Dr. Helen Macdonald on 'sold asset' funds being spent in this community. ACDC continues to seek a quarantee from Council for the funds from the sale of the Auburn RSL building to be fully allocated to this community.

CFS Community Bushfire Champion Workshop: ACDC executive committee member Rob Tilley attended the recently held CFS Community Bushfire

Champion Workshop held in Roseworthy. Rob found this a valuable experience, bringing the following ideas/information back to our meeting:

- Develop your own phone tree (refer to the Community Resilience Posters distributed earlier this year by ACDC and Clare Valley Community Resilience Group);
- Opportunity to form Community Fire Safety group;
- Access Red Cross facilitators to assist with developing community strategies;

- On-line course available to become a facilitator;
- Experiencing "Virtual Reality" headsets to experience a 'pretend fire';
- Apps for your phone- e.g. Alert SA, Emergency + (plus) use of social media and noticeboards to keep your community connected.

Much for us to consider and share with you and the community. If you would like further information on any of these points, please make contact through ACDC and we will endeayour to assist.

News from the subcommittees:

Auburn Institute: a positive SALA experience (during August), some 350 visitors over eight days; important maintenance completed on the fire exit door in main hall, and King Street entrance door; save the date for Melbourne Cup Lunch at the Institute – Tuesday 4th November.

2. Accessible/AmbulantToilet

to commence submissions for funding through possible Grant sources, if no other funding option is available.

3. Frenchfest Quiz night: A resounding "sold out" success! The ACDC extend a "Thank you" to the organising "working group", volunteers during and after the event; we also thank all donors and those who attended and supported this event.

Watch This Space:



Auburn's Digital Noticeboard...

Rhonda Seymour, Chair.



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8am to 1pm

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Egg & Bacon Muffin + Hashbrown

Or

Banana Pancakes with

Nutella & Cream or Maple Syrup or Berries

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Gluten Free options

Blueberry Muffin or Savoury Zucchini Muffin Plus Tea, Coffee or Fruit Box

Wow \$12.00 a serve



Nature Festival 2025



Clare Waterbug BioBlitz 2025 - Discover, Explore, Record!

Friday 26 September

Auburn Bowling Club 9am-4pm FRE

http://www.naturefestival.org.au/event/clare-waterbug-bioblitz-2025

BioBlitzes are a snapshot study of a specific location, where scientists and the community work together to survey and record as many species as possible within a nominated timeframe.

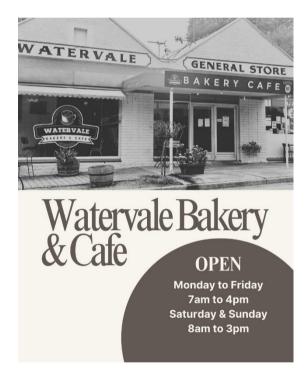
The Waterbug BioBlitzes are a free one-day events where community groups, individuals, students and Board staff work with aquatic ecologists to collect information about the macroinvertbrates (waterburs) and quality of a waterway.

The events include training of volunteers, to collect valuable data. Involving the community in car ing for their local environment provides a fantastic platform for increasing environmental awareness.

The events start with onsite training by experienced aquatic ecologists, followed by collecting samples and conducting water quality testing at local waterways. Participants then regroup to study the samples and record data about the macroinvertebrate species they observe. Volunteers are supported by ecologists and Landscape Board staff throughout the day.

Data collected by water citizen scientists provides a clearer understanding of the health and condition of waterways and increases the ability to monitor changes over time.

Hosted by Landscape SA









The Sweet Sorrows Hats Courthouse Sat 11th October 8pm Group booking available.

The Sweet Sorrows bring Celtic charm and edge together with soft harmonies to create an Americana/Celtic/Roots fusion. (Cross Rhythms UK)

Based in Co. Wexford, Ireland, The Sweet Sorrows are veteran Irish singer-songwriter Sammy Horner and his Australian wife Kylie. They tour globally with their blend of original and trad music delighting audiences with their humour and vocal harmonies. Sammy's guitar and bodhran is matched well by Kylie's whistles, melodica and accordion.

An evening with The Sweet Sorrows always promises to be highly entertaining, provocative and moving. Their intimacy, transparency and strength of passion on stage have won them many fans.



Coming to Hats in November 8th @ 8pm Ticket prices \$28/30 Group bookings available

A SCOTTISH CELEBRATION
An evening of traditional Scottish music, song,
and culture

Join us for a heartwarming celebration of Scotland's rich cultural heritage, featuring Scottish award-winning singer Fiona Ross together with much-loved duo Tamarisque (Hugh and Janet Gordon). Enjoy a stirring rendition of Robert Burns' famous *Address to the Haggis*—followed by a wee taste of haggis on the night! Experience the power and passion of Scots music and song, and join in with some of your favourites in this lively, interactive evening.





Fiona Ross

Hugh & Janet

(Early Release) **Noel & Gertie Down & Dirty.... Saturday 15th November at Hats Courthouse.**

Winner of a Critics Circle Award at the 2024 Adelaide Fringe, this musical revue is heading for Hats. After sell-out seasons in Sydney and at the 2024 Feast Festival, Hats & Clare Valley audiences will now get to share in the joy.

Weaving the extraordinary lives of Noel Coward and Gertrude Lawrence around the sumptuous music he wrote and they performed, this journey through forbidden love will titillate, amuse, warm your heart and get your toes tapping. 'Someone to Watch Over Me', 'Mad Dogs and Englishmen', 'A Room with a View', 'Shall We Dance', 'I Went to a Marvellous Party' and 'Mad About the Boy' are just some of the 22 songs in the hour-long show.



Noel & Gertie



For further information please do not hesitate to contact me on: **0477 721 786**





Your local Justices of the Peace...

Tony PICK 0448 313 303 Roger VATER 0447 880 000 Richard BECKER 8849 2111

Auburn's History Column:

Memories of some of the Jubilee 150 (J150) celebrations would still be with many families, but a special occasion for the Auburn community, was after years of planning, fundraising and working bees, the new Auburn Recreation Park was opened on April 23rd 1960.

A large crowd of approximately 2,000 attended the celebration of opening this new Recreation Park which incorporated a new oval and facilities, opened by the Premier of South Australia (Sir Thomas Playford G.C.M.G, M.P).



The Gala Day opened with a Street Procession down the gaily be-decked, crowd lined Main Street, at 11 a.m., when the Police Greys – 17 of them – led the procession

The order of the march of the procession was:

The S.A. Police Band playing "Army of the Nile", followed by nine Marching Girls teams from various centres, then followed the 16 floats – Auburn R.S.L. and 'B' Coy 27Inf. Bn. (S.A.S.R.) from Clare; Croquet in 1860's attire (Croquet Club); Paradise Island (a bevy of beautiful Basketball girls, complete with grass skirts and large size goose pimples);



The Undalya float was a large replica of the Undalya Bridge, (Keith Sandercock, driver with David Lambert on his bike on the bridge, Mrs. Mervinia Masterman's art work showing the river scene)

Methodist church, featuring the missionary theme;



The background to this float is Stevens' Shops which were on the south side of the Methodist Church (now Uniting church). Some of those in the photo are Marjory Henbest, Marylin Blatchford, Peter and John Overton, with Sunday School Teacher, Mrs Henbest. (Any other names known?).

Auburn Bowling Club – boy's playing bowls on the village green. A clever design of a CWA Club Room in bamboo, which totally enclosed the vehicle which was towing a trailer decorated with examples of CWA handicraft; S.S. Bulli - a boat (Cricket Club), a Jazz Band, Mother's and Babies' Health, a crèche; the Pug Hole Monster – a large many legged monster (Football Club).



A novel aeroplane – a converted garden tractor piloted by young Grantley Burfield, son of the energetic carnival Secretary, Norm Burfield;

E. K. Dunstan, Clare, a giant size fry pan; Clare Rural Youth presented phases of rural activity; Auburn Lawn Tennis Cub featuring tennis players; and a Comical Float depicting the energetic Work's committee hard at work on the project.

On reaching the Oval, the floats were judged by S.A. Police Instructors.

To be continued (Photos from the National Trust collection)



Kay Lambert National Trust, Auburn Branch.



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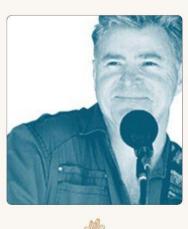




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Items for the next Express due Tuesday 14th October, 2025

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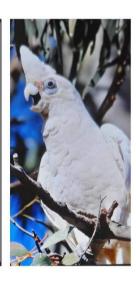
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Community Concerts



To celebrate the year of the piano and the new ABC series The Piano. The ABC and Piano Plus Australia have delivered 20 preloved pianos donated by organisations and the general public to towns across the country...Riverton has received one of these.

To mark this piano's arrival, the Lions Club of Gilbert Valley is hosting a free musical afternoon including afternoon tea.

Date: Sunday 21st September
Time: 2.00 to 4.00 pm
Location: Riverton
Community
Hall – supper room













Nature Festival 2025



Upper Wakefield FLOW (Tag-along-tour)

 $\label{lem:http://www.naturefestival.org.au/event/upper-wakefield-flow-tag-along tour$

Monday 6 October 9am-1pm

Sunday 12 October 9am-1pm Cost \$10

Join members of Upper Wakefield Landcare on a self-drive tag-along tour and learn about some of the history and bio-diversity of the upper reaches of the Wakefield River between Mintaro and Auburn. The tour will conclude in Auburn with coffee and cake and a chance to examine the restoration efforts of UWL along the banks of the river.

This tour is restricted to small groups and requires a moderate amount of fitness. It is not suitable for wheelchairs or other mobility aids as it may cover some rough terrain. The tour will be conducted on dirt roads, however it is accessible with 2WD.

No dogs are permitted on the tour.

Hosted by Upper Wakefield Landcare Contact Leonie Moore 0417 856 358

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

If you don't like the road you're walking...start paving another one...



You can be bushfire ready even if you are planning to leave early or renting your home.



- · Keep gutters clean and free of debris.
- Mow, rake and weed to remove fine fuels within 20 metres of your home.
- Prune shrubs so that their tops are well away from the lower branches of trees.
- Prune lower branches of shrubs and trees to separate the foliage from the ground fuels underneath.
- Reduce loose bark, dead twigs, leaves or branches from your yard.
- Move firewood and flammable items (such as paper recycling, boxes and crates) further away from your home.



Other steps to prepare

- Have a Bushfire Survival Plan, no matter where you live, and practise it throughout the year.
- · Prepare an Emergency Kit.
- Stay informed during the Fire Danger Season by monitoring multiple sources of information (TV, radio, CFS Website, social media, Bushfire Information Hotline).
- Learn about bushfire behaviour and how to survive by visiting the CFS website (www.cfs.sa.gov.au).

If you and your home are not fully prepared for a bushfire, or if you have any doubts about your ability to defend your home, you should plan to leave early.



South Australian Country Fire Service cfs.sa.gov.au

Contact the Bushfire Information Hotline 1800 362 361 (TTY 133 677) @Countyfireservice @CFSalerts



MENTAL HEALTH AND CLIMATE CHANGE: POLICY BRIEF

In the 5 decades between 1970 and 2020, climate-related hazards have increased, with 50% of all events occurring since 2003 and nearly 5 billion people in total affected (1)

Key points

- Climate change is increasingly having stronger and longer-lasting impacts on people, which can directly and indirectly affect their mental health and psychosocial well-being.
- Several environmental, social and economic determinants of mental health are negatively affected by climate change.
- Certain groups are disproportionately at risk from climate change-related hazards, including people with pre-existing mental health conditions.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends five key approaches to address these impacts:
 - Integrate climate change considerations into policies and programmes for mental health, including MHPSS, to better prepare for and respond to the climate crisis
 - 2. Integrate MHPSS within policies and programmes dealing with climate change and health
 - 3. Build upon global commitments
 - Implement multisectoral and community-based approaches to reduce vulnerabilities and address the mental health and psychosocial impacts of climate change
 - 5. Address the large gaps that exist in funding both for mental health and for responding to the health impacts of climate change

We need to be concerned about mental health in the context of climate change

Climate change is a growing global crisis. Its scale is already massive, and with inaction it continues to grow. It results in both acute hazards, such as hurricanes, floods and wildfires, and slower-onset threats, such as ecosystem changes, food and water insecurity and loss of place and culture.

Climate change is one of a number of global environmental threats. The effects of unsustainable human activities, such as deforestation, ecosystem degradation and depletion and loss of biodiversity, and economies that are reliant on fossil fuels are leading to water and food insecurity, air pollution and contamination of land, rivers and oceans. All of these are having a measurable adverse impact on human health, mental health, and well-being and further exacerbating the climate emergency.

Not only is nature essential for human existence, but many of its functions and contributions are irreplaceable.

Studying the impact of these changes on individuals and communities, researchers and public health officials have largely focused on physical health. However, climate change also exacerbates many social and environmental risk factors for mental health and psychosocial problems, and can lead to emotional distress, the development of new mental health conditions and a worsening situation for people already living with these conditions. Therefore, in preparing for and responding to this growing emergency, there is an increasing need for the provision of mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS).



FESTIVAL OF THE LAMB - 17th September - 21st September, 2025

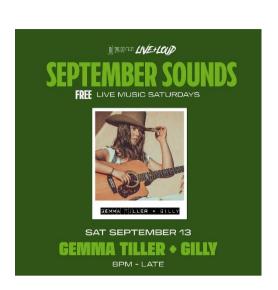






















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- Eldredge Wines

DATE

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