

## Listening Posts held in Frome in 2019



### GEORGETOWN

Monique Bareham President of the Lymphoedema Support Group of SA and Delma Noonan met with Geoff at his Listening Post in March.



### RHYNIE

Held in March This year. Gave locals and those from nearby towns time to discuss the issues that concern them.



### SADDLEWORTH

Geoff with Malcolm Culbertson, Peter and Rosie Richardson.



### AUBURN

Allan Mayfield from the Riesling Trail Management Committee is pictured with Geoff.

## 'Mid North Directory'

Launched in April this year it provides an on-line resource to access services locally. It is divided into sections, Learning Development, Safety, Physical Health, Material Wellbeing, Relationships and Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing. It will help you find out who is the closest professional service in your local area.

Visit : <https://midnorth.servicesdirectory.org.au/>

or access via: [www.geoffbrock.com.au](http://www.geoffbrock.com.au)

## Special Dogs for Special Needs

Special Dogs for Special Needs launched January 1st, 2018. Their aim is to raise awareness of the role of Assistance dogs in society and the roles they play in their handlers' ability to function as a part of society. A person may rely on their dog for assistance with mobility, detecting diabetes, epileptic seizure or even an asthma attack. They could also rely on them for their mental health such as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Anxiety and much more.

They aim to provide education and advice to businesses, public and fellow service dog handlers regarding these animals. You can keep up to date with weekly happenings by visiting the website [sdfsn2018.wixsite.com/specialdogs2018](http://sdfsn2018.wixsite.com/specialdogs2018) or email: [sdfsn2018@gmail.com](mailto:sdfsn2018@gmail.com)  
Phone: 0490 824 401 with your enquiry.



# Out and About in Our Community

### Auburn CFS – 80th Anniversary



The Auburn CFS Honour Board, Geoff with Greg Nettleton and CFS Captain Ray Hutchinson.

### Brinkworth Country Fair



Geoff opened the 'Country Fair' at Brinkworth in April and was pleased to see many people enjoy the many stalls and activities.

### Active Club Grant



Port Pirie Rowing Club received \$4,800 from the Active Club Grant presented to Peter Munday Club Captain, with support from Madeline Magor, Paul Dibbens, Bill Othams and Graham Fitzgerald.

### Hamley Bridge Bowling Club



Geoff with members of the Hamley Bridge Bowling Club on a recent visit.

### Port Pirie – Sports Precinct Opening



The facility is of the highest standard. It compliments other facilities and allows the best opportunity for training our youth. This is great for our sporting events not only Port Pirie but surrounding towns. Geoff greatly appreciates the \$5m contribution from our previous State Government.

### Port Pirie Bowling Club



Opening of the Synthetic Greens at Port Pirie Bowling Club on Sunday 31st March. President Des Laube with Geoff and the plaque commemorating this official opening. Des joined as a member in 1972 and has been involved for 47 years. Geoff is looking forward to their 100-year centenary next year and wishes the club all the best.

### Hoyleton Hotel



Geoff was pleased to attend the Grand Opening of the "Hoyleton Hotel" restored to her former glory. A project completed in honour of the late Peter Bennett's dream to resurrect the hotel.

### Citizen of the Year

Jo Hayes of Redhill accepts her award pictured with Deputy Mayor Alan Zubrinich and Geoff.



### Young Citizen of the Year

Alyce Ferme Young Citizen of the Year for Port Pirie with Geoff.



### Watervale Bowling Club



Presentation, Winner is Marilyn Scott with President Steve Pierce.

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# BROCK'S BULLETIN

Hon Geoff Brock Independent Member of Parliament for FROME ELECTORATE

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## New Website Launched

"After 10 years, it was time to re-vamp my website. You'll find the new website is fully interactive and is a comprehensive resource tool for the community. It keeps you up to date with when and where I am holding 'Listening Posts', Grants and Community Events, and allows you to select what you are interested in by categories.

It's simple to use, even those who struggle with computers will find it easy to navigate. The website can be viewed on all devices including desktop computers, laptops and is optimised for mobile phone use. Go to: [geoffbrock.com.au](http://geoffbrock.com.au)

Geoff

## Trainees continue to learn skills for their future employment



The Administration Traineeship is now in its third year at the Frome Electorate Office having started in 2017. It provides a pathway to gain a 'Certificate III in Business Administration' which is undertaken over a 12-month period. Geoff is always pleased to welcome the new trainees and fully supports this program which gives young people the opportunity to gain practical work skills and knowledge to assist them in securing work after their traineeship finishes. Geoff was pleased to see both previous trainees gain administration employment locally.

Pictured with Geoff is Crystal Roseberg, Marni Harris and current trainee Jennifer Chua.

## Wedding Anniversary and Birthday Congratulation Letters

Did you know that you can receive a congratulations letter from Her Majesty the Queen, the Governor General, Prime Minister, Federal and State Members of Parliament? Birthday letters start from 90 years of age and Wedding Anniversaries start at 50, 60 and every 5 years after. An application form and guidelines are available from the Frome Electorate office.

## LISTENING POSTS IN FROME

**Monday 24th June**  
**Stockport** - 10.30am to 11.30am, Community Hall Supper Room  
**Tarlee** - 11.45am to 1.00pm, Community Hall  
**Rhynie** - 1.15pm to 2.15pm, CFS Meeting Room

**Monday 8th July**  
**Clare** - 10.00am to 1.00pm, Stan Scott Room, Clare Town Hall

**Monday 15th July**  
**Brinkworth** - 10.30am to 12.00pm, Brinkworth Memorial Hall  
**Blyth** - 12.30pm to 2.00pm, Library Room, Blyth Hall

**Tuesday 6th August**  
**Balaklava** - 10.00am to 12.00pm, Meeting Room 1, Council Office

**Monday 19 August**  
**Clare** - 10.00am to 1.00pm, Stan Scott Room, Clare Town Hall

If you would like to make an appointment with Geoff for any state issues you wish to discuss or require assistance with. Please phone 8633 1210.

## ANZAC DAY 2019



Geoff was honoured to lay a wreath and unveil the plaque with Deputy Mayor Alan Zubrinich this year at Redhill's Remembrance Service. He also attended the Port Pirie Dawn service and a service at Wandearah War Memorial.







## SA HISTORY MONTH FESTIVAL



The Brinkworth History Group researched the Leadlight Windows in the former Catholic Church, now the Brinkworth Historical Reserve Museum. The windows each have family names of various families in the district and a booklet was available with a short history of the family. Pictured: Fred Adams of the Brinkworth History Group, Father Ray Pope and Geoff.



Balaklava Museum's event was – LAZY DAZE & OLD SCHOOL DAYS. Geoff with Roy Schopp, Norma Schopp (President), Bob Goldney and Helen Goldney.



Geoff attended the Clare Regional History Group – 35th Dinner in April -from left chairman Gerald Lally, curator Helen Perry, author Stephanie James who explained the history of Irish people in Clare and South Australia.



On Sunday 19 May Geoff attended the SA History Month event at Yacka at the Old Yacka Motor Garage. Here he viewed early Holdens and historical garage equipment and tools. Geoff with Dennis Dale.

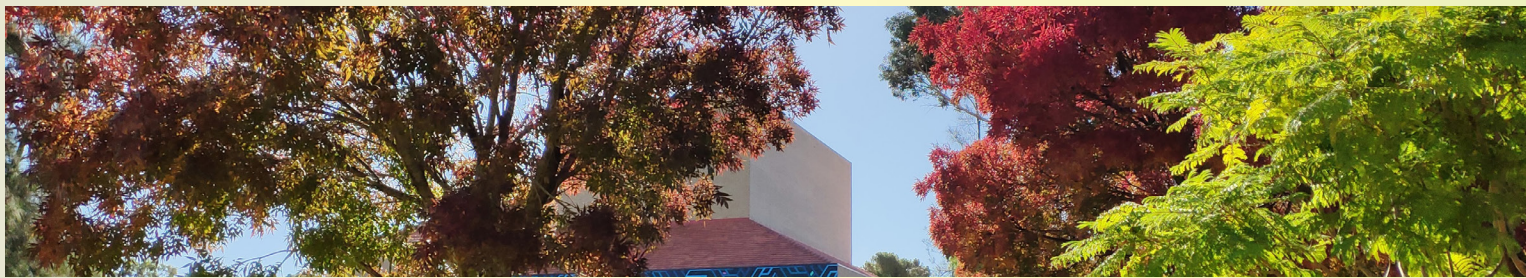
## “CARE ALERT SMART DIALLER”

The Australian Red Cross – recently commenced a free service - assisting elderly, vulnerable people to have a “Care Alert Smart Dialler” installed in their home. For eligible customers the full cost of this Personal Alert System (\$380) and ongoing professional monitoring (\$250 per annum) is covered by the SA Government.

Visit: <https://www.carealert.com.au/>



**National Volunteer Week**  
Pictured: Volunteer Ambulance Officers, Lynette and Ian Pole who took part in the ‘National Volunteers Walk’ in May.



## YWCA Young Women's Program

YWCA Australia ran a two-day school holiday program in April for girls aged 11 – 16 years. 20 girls attended and participated in a range of fun activities including flower crowns, cupcake making, Easter hunt and craft, mindfulness and relaxation and tie dye t-shirts. Feedback from parents was highly positive with many noting that programs such as this for girls in this age group were much needed in the region. YWCA in Port Pirie has been operating for over 50 years and it was great to see young women accessing the space and getting involved in YWCA activities once again.



YWCA - Geoff met with the YWCA from left Sophie De Jong Intern, Gemma Taylor-Cross Regional Manager and Georgie Smith Program Facilitator to discuss the new holiday program.

## Student Parliament held at Vineyard Lutheran School

Student Parliament held at Vineyard Lutheran School giving Yr. 6/7 students a role of responsibility and how parliament works. Geoff attended the first Swearing In session for students at the school and talked to the students about serving their community.



## Science Experience for Year 9 & 10

The Concophillips Science Experience is a fun 3 or 4 days of science activities for year 9 & 10 students. Each program is designed to provide students who have an interest in science with an opportunity to engage in a wide range of fascinating science activities. Geoff is pleased to support this program by offering sponsorship to 3 students in the Frome Electorate.

Dates and times vary depending on the University you attend; these sessions start on the 1st October and last start date is the 10th December 2019. To find out more about this program speak to your school science department or visit: [www.scienceexperience.com.au](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au)

## Manoora Primary School

Geoff had a very a warm welcome on a recent visit to the Manoora Primary School and students showed their 3d printing work done to commemorate Anzac Day and craft making for Mother's Day.



## A Visit to Parliament House

Horizon Christian School from Balaklava on the steps of Parliament House after Geoff hosted a tour in April. If your School would like a tour of Parliament House please contact the Frome Electorate Office.



## Owen Silo Project – “Wheat Bags to Sand Bags”

The Community of Owen are preparing to make their town stand out whilst recognising the commitment our farmers made to the war when they enlisted and fought for the way of life we live today. The project is still in its infancy and support and funding options are being sought. Robert Hannaford is the designing artist and overseeing the project.

## Keep your Property Safe

### “LOCK IT OR LOSE IT!”

Wherever you live it's important to keep personal items and valuables out of sight and lock your car when you leave it, even for a minute. Don't make it easy for thieves to steal your valuable property. SA Police encourage the public to be proactive and ensure your property is secure even whilst on holidays. Think about it – your property, your time, your choice. Help keep our community free from criminals.

**Minister Wingard visited towns in the Mid North and welcomed the opportunity to meet with Geoff and Local Police officers at Balaklava.**



## Parliamentary Friends of Landcare SA

The Parliamentary Friends of Landcare SA was launched on 26 February 2019 and will provide an avenue for Members of Parliament to connect with and offer support to Landcare both at the state level and locally in suburbs, regional towns and farming communities. Landcare SA is celebrating its 20th year in 2019. It is a community-based approach to managing and protecting our natural resources – creating more productive and sustainable farms, conserving our environment and building more cohesive and resilient communities.



Pictured at the launch: The Hon John Dawkins MLC, Sheree Bowman (Chairperson, Landcare SA), Susan Close MP, Hon Geoff Brock MP, John Chester (General Manager, Aboriginal Lands Trust), and Gerry Butler (Committee Member, Landcare SA).

## Clare Lewcock Bridge

It's been a long journey but after years of lobbying the upgrade to two bridges on Farrell Flat Road is a reality, after receiving grant funds from the Bridges Renewal Program of \$375,000. The total project cost was \$1.2m and were completed this year. Geoff along with Glen Lewcock and Alistair Hope (pictured) as well as many locals are pleased to finally see the safety of this road improved.



## TARLEE - Four Leaf Milling

Geoff was pleased to be provided a wonderful tour of the ‘Four Leaf Milling’ facility at Tarlee. Four Leaf Milling is a family owned certified organic grain processing establishment. Started with the purchase of a family farm in 1969, they have grown and are now producing over 60 certified organic and bio dynamic Australian grain products being distributed to all States of Australia. Pictured from left, Rosemary Dunn Director, Helen Mickan office manager and Phillip Dunn general manager.



## FREE VOLUNTEER SCREENING CHECKS

Volunteer Screening checks are FREE for all South Australians. This has been strongly welcomed by those who volunteer in our community. The work volunteers do is incredibly valuable, and it is wonderful to see an increased number of people accessing the free screening checks as the cost is no longer a barrier.

Visit: <https://screening.sa.gov.au/screening-process/volunteer-screening>

From July 1, everyone who Works or Volunteers with children must have a valid child-related clearance, however transitional arrangements are in place. For more information on whether you need a new working with children check and when to apply, visit: [www.screening.sa.gov.au/wwcc](http://www.screening.sa.gov.au/wwcc)



Hamley Bridge Ambulance Volunteers