

## Administration Traineeship

In 2017 I was pleased to commence the introduction of an Administration Trainee to the Frome Electorate Office. This 12 month program provides a wonderful opportunity for a young person to gain their 'Certificate 3 in Business' through TAFE and receive on the job training.

I wish to congratulate our first trainee 'Crystal Roseberg' on completing her studies and receiving her qualification. It was a pleasure to have her join the team at my office and I wish her well with her future career endeavours. This year I am pleased to welcome 'Marni Harris' who commenced in March, I look forward to working with future trainees over the next 4 years.

## Hemp Licences

It's been in the public arena for many years, however a milestone has been achieved and South Australia will issue Hemp Licences after it received government's approval in April. Two licences are being issued to farmers in South Australia. Regional Development Australia are currently undertaking trials in the Riverland and South East to further development in the industry. Industrial hemp is a versatile crop and produces a seed that can be used in health food and cosmetics, while the fibre in the stalk can be used for textiles, building materials and paper.

## Alcohol & Drugs counselling services at Port Pirie

Did you know that "Life Without Barriers" Counselling Services provides one-on-one individualised counselling to people with identifiable alcohol and other drugs dependency and/or concerned parents or significant others. This free service is based in Port Pirie, and is available to all people from the age of 12 years. Each person is eligible for up to 14-sessions per counselling episode.

If you need to speak with someone phone: 0407 037 227.

## Lavender Federation Trail



A wonderful community spirit of achievement with the completion of the trail. Geoff at the opening pictured with Ann Lavender, Patron of SARTI and wife of the late Terry Lavender and her grandchildren Haylee & Jack.



Many people do not understand what Dementia is or how to seek help and support. It is a disorder affecting the brain and can affect thinking, behaviour and the ability to perform everyday tasks. It is more common after the age of 65yrs but Dementia can happen to anybody and Support is vital. If you or someone you know needs help phone National Dementia Helpline 1800 100 500 or visit [www.dementia.or.au](http://www.dementia.or.au)

## RETAILER CHOICES FOR ELECTRICITY

Did you know there are several retailers that you can choose from to supply your energy bills. To compare the prices and contracts different retailers offer you can visit: [www.yourcompare.com.au](http://www.yourcompare.com.au)

## Regional Development Australia (RDA)

"They do their best to ensure the success of businesses in their region" - RDA brings together all levels of government to enhance the development of Australia's Regions. The York and Mid North Region has offices located in Clare, Port Pirie and Kadina.

Whether you're a mature business looking to grow or, a start-up investor, they are on hand to connect you with tools and resources, government funding or the information and contacts you need to navigate the next stage of your development. A Economic Development Officer can assist you, to find out more about what the RDA does and how it may be able to help you visit:

[www.yorkeandmidnorth.com.au](http://www.yorkeandmidnorth.com.au) or contact Lyn Wallace at the Clare Office on Ph: 8842 3115 or Corey Loizeau at Port Pirie on 1300 742 414.

# Out and About in Our Community

## Saddleworth Op Shop



Congratulations to the members of the Op Shop whose persistence has achieved an access ramp with a grant of \$5,800. This provides easy access to everyone to view the shops merchandise. Pictured from left: Margaret Wayman, Rosie Richardson and Geoff.

## Hamley Bridge - The Syd Nairn Homes

The SYD NAIRN HOMES - Hamley Bridge. Syd was a founding committee member of the Hamley Bridge District Senior Citizens Homes in 1967. He was the treasurer/ secretary and held that position until his resignation in 2017. His dedication and commitment to the homes has been a huge contribution to the Hamley Bridge community. In honour of Syd and his dedication the Homes have been named the SYD NAIRN HOMES. Pictured Geoff with Syd and Committee Chairperson, Brian Koch.



## Clare Garden Festival



SA Autumn Garden Festival held in Clare, Walter Duncan (Rose grower extraordinaire) & Kay Duncan, Geoff and Lyn Akker with Festival Coordinator Cheryl Koglin.

## Balaklava's State Schools



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## Penwortham - Claymore Wines



Geoff with Liverpool FC legend Robbie Fowler, face of the 'Signature Series' at their second launch of the series at 'Claymore Wines', Penwortham in the Clare Valley.

## Pirie West Primary School



Leadership presentation for 2018 - Geoff with teachers Fiona Perry, Dave Phillips and congratulates those elected for the Student Representative Council from Year 2 to 7.

## Pt Pirie -Weight Watchers



Weight Watchers Convention dinner held at the Northern Festival Centre in Port Pirie, Geoff with Secretary Vicki Walter.

Working Hard for our Region

# BROCK's BULLETIN

Honorable Geoff Brock Independent Member of Parliament for FROME ELECTORATE

Frome's Regional News June 2018



## Reservoir Fishing now at Beetaloo

This reservoir, close to Port Pirie has become the latest approved for fishing and opened on the 1st May 2018. It has been stocked with Murray cod, Golden perch and Silver perch in January 2018. A permit is required for fishing in SA reservoirs and is available online from RecFish SA. One permit will cover all three reservoirs, Beetaloo, Bundaleer and Warren.

For opening hours and further details visit: [www.recfishsa.org.au/reservoir-fishing](http://www.recfishsa.org.au/reservoir-fishing)

## Flu Vaccinations Free for Children under 5

Great news for families with young children, for the first time in South Australia children under 5 will be able to receive a free Flu Vaccination. For further information about the vaccine visit: [www.sahealth.sa.gov.au](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au) Health Topics.

## Men's Shed - Port Pirie



The Parham Centre is a multifaceted space run by Uniting Country SA where members of the community can come together to meet, learn and expand on a variety of skills. The facility also boasts a Conference Centre, volunteer area and workshop where attendees are able to perfect their skills in various projects. A series of free 'Handy Skills' courses are currently running, offering groups the opportunity to learn metalworking and a variety of home repair skills.

They will soon be offering annual memberships which will provide training, safety induction and workshop access. Members will be able to undertake group workshop activities as well as their own personal repair, restoration or hobby projects in modern, well equipped workshops.

Everyone is welcome, if you would like to visit or get involved call the Parham Centre on: 8632 3793



## LISTENING POSTS IN FROME

### JUNE - MONDAY 25TH

Hamley Bridge - 10.30 to 11.30am  
Gallery 14, 14 Light Street, Hamley Bridge

Owen - 12.00 to 1.00pm  
Town Hall Meeting Room, Railway Terrace, Owen

Stockport - 1.30 to 2.30pm  
Stockport Institute, Murray Street, Stockport

### JULY - MONDAY 2ND

Brinkworth - 10.00am to 12.00pm  
Brinkworth Bowling Club, Brinkworth

Blyth - 12.30pm - 2.30pm  
Blyth Hall, Harley Street, Blyth

### JULY - MONDAY 9TH

Clare - 10.00am to 2.00pm  
Stan Scott Room, Clare

### AUGUST - MONDAY 6TH

Balaklava - 10.00am to 12.00pm  
Meeting Room, Wakefield Regional Council Office, Scotland Street, Balaklava

Manoora - 12.30pm to 2.00pm  
Supper Room, Manoora Hall, Weymouth Street, Manoora

If you would like to meet with Geoff to discuss your concerns or require assistance on any state issues please contact the Frome Electorate Office on 8633 1210 for an appointment time.

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## OUT AND ABOUT IN FROME

**Bowman Park, Crystal Brook**  
Geoff visited Bowman Park to attend the Nature Play Community Consultation for the development of play space. Geoff congratulates the committee for the improvements done over recent years which make this a beautiful place to visit for locals and tourists alike.



**Volunteers Week May 2018**  
This important week recognises the contribution all volunteers make to our community. The varying disciplines they help are too numerous to mention, however I wish to express my sincere thanks to those who give their time to help others. To volunteer is extremely valuable and appreciated by everyone in our community. Geoff pictured with volunteers of the Country Health Connect showing their new Polo shirts.



**IT Hub - Brinkworth**  
The opening of the IT Hub at Brinkworth was a welcomed celebration after a State Government Grant for \$20,000 saw the establishment of the IT Hub at Brinkworth Hall. The 'Hub' is a community-based computer training and internet access point providing easy access to computers and other internet-connected devices. The IT Hub, Gym and Community room will see the Hall used by many members of the Brinkworth community. Geoff pictured with members of the Brinkworth Community.



**Domestic Violence Remembrance Day 11th May 2018**  
Each year those who have survived and those who have lost their lives to Domestic Violence are remembered. Jenny Lewis, Debra and Trish Rollins attended with Debra reading very moving and emotional poems from her recently published book.



## WHERE IS WANDEARAH

Alyce Ferme, a young schoolgirl's dream in 2015 to have Wandearah recognised with a town sign has become reality. I was impressed to receive her letter and was on board straight away, writing to DPTI and the local council to support this project. Even though it has taken some time to see this come to fruition, the final result is a credit to her perseverance.



**Port Pirie Netball Association**  
Geoff had the pleasure of opening the 2018 Season for the Port Pirie Netball Association. He is pictured with the hard working committee to ensure 69 teams take the court each week.



**Farrell Wine Launch, Clare Valley**  
A wonderful afternoon was enjoyed at the Farrell Wine Launch at the Sevenhill Hotel pictured with Geoff is Michael Brown MP - Member for Playford, Malcolm & Marion Bartholomaeus of Hill River.



Geoff met with constituents to discuss the possibility of a **Port Pirie Aboriginal Community Centre**.

## Watervale CFS 70th Birthday



Watervale CFS - from left: Bill Bowles-President, Allen Weedon-Captain, Elizabeth Calvert-C&GVC Representative, Geoff, Brenton Hastie-CFS Region 2 Commander, Greg Nettleton-SA CFS Chief Officer, and Anthony Salter-Horrocks CFS Group Officer.



**Pikes Wine Art Gallery** – Geoff with Cathy Pike and Liz and Albert Calvert.



## ANZAC DAY IN FROME



Geoff was pleased to attend the Anzac Day event this year at Watervale (above). Below Right: Geoff with Jean Rawlinson, Port Pirie and Below Left: Denise & Laurance Joyce at the Broughton Plains Heritage Society Anzac Service at the Wandearah War Memorial.



## Auburn Cemetery Unveiling



The Auburn Cemetery unveiling of a memorial to two fallen Auburn Soldiers (brothers) who lost their lives in World War 1. Geoff with Peter Lane-Clare & Districts RSL president, and Liz Calvert counsellor from C&GVC.



Geoff is pictured with Rob Beveridge. Together they are working towards the establishment of the **Crystal Brook Men's Shed**.