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Remembrance Day

After a gap of more than 20 years Remembrance Day was celebrated in Truro this year with the help of the Staff and students from the Primary School. The day was organised by Board Members Bruce Slow and Rick Schonfeldt supported by local businesses with a sausage sizzle being held at the school at lunch time.

Board member and RSL member Rick Schonfeldt led the proceedings where the school children and a number of locals gathered in front of the Town Hall with a minute's silence being observed with the playing of the last post followed by students Jesse Alexander and Nick Doecke laying a red poppy wreath on the war memorial statue in front of the Town Hall. Sam Maher then read the ode followed by Chelsea Brook and Shannon Doecke who recited a poem 'In Flanders Fields'

Below—Playing of the Last Post



A highlight of the proceedings was the presence of Vietnam Veteran, Mr Norm Ogden of Angaston whose Grand daughters Erin and Ashlyn Schrapel attend the Primary School. After the service Mr Ogden explained to the students the significance of the medals he was wearing.



Our thanks go to the organisers and those businesses who supported the day despite it being extremely hot. At Left: Rick Schonfeldt reciting a poem about the parents of a soldier



Season's Greetings to All From The Board

Oval Re-Development

At the time of writing the construction is progressing well with timber framework replacing the metal as per the original plan. The change was due to a price blow out on the particular style proposed.

The exterior of the building will be finished in a Weathertex 'ruff sawn' rusticated profile weatherboard product, 'merino' in colour. The building was planned to be completed before Christmas but it will now be in the New Year. An official opening is being planned after completion. Its ironic that it's 12 months since approval was given for the replacement.



Windsock. Our thanks go to Geoff Sweeney for completing the building and erection of the windsock pole.

TRURO Web-site launch

The official launch of the Truro Web site was made with a presentation by webmaster Chris Fox at the Association AGM on the 27th August.

Residents are encouraged to use the website and businesses and groups are welcome to have their own page to advertise and for coming events.

Currently the Association has posted meeting Agendas and Minutes, Newsletters and the business list. Updates of photos of the rebuilding of the Oval hall are being uploaded along with an events page. It is envisaged that a series of historical articles written by historian Reg Munchenberg will be published over a period of time.

Web master Chris is developing lessons for people who are interested in maintaining pages for clubs and organisations. Please contact Chris if you are interested in wanting to know more about this process.

Roads and Footpath

Council have been made aware of the poor condition of patches and edges of sections of the Truro-Eudunda Road. Sections of Millers, Copper Mines, St Kitts and Dutton-St Kitts roads have been recently re-sheeted.

Information has been received that DTEI may upgrade the car/truck park in Moorundie Street, but no commitment has been made.

We have been recently advised that the request for a foot path along East Terrace from Barton Rd to the School has been approved by Council, however the section from the ford on Barton Road to the corner of East Terrace in front of Chris Fox's has not been included.

Pioneer Park

Since the last meeting of the S41 committee A Strauss has pegged out the design for Pioneer Park but has some serious concerns about the operation of the swale/roadway. It was considered too narrow, it would be very difficult to enter from the main street and that the bend in it should be removed for two reasons, enabling a smoother flow of water and to enable easier movement of vehicles/caravans/buses through the area. It was also considered to take the whole roadway/car park area a metre closer to the neighbouring boundary to make better use of the property. Also the levels presented in the plan are of concern from a storm water point of view and consideration will be made to making adjustments to better cater for high flow water movements.

Preliminary quotes had been obtained for the Gazebo (as planned) which are more than the sum allocated for the project. An inspection was made of the one at the top of Accommodation Hill which is a standard version that is used by DTEI. It is smaller than what is proposed, however there is a slightly larger version which would be more suitable and A Strauss is obtaining prices for that particular one.

Moorundie Streetscape

Mark Drew from PIRSA discussed with committee members a number of alternatives and asked a number of questions including types of trees for planting in the street, use of more shaded areas like the verandah at the winery, the suitability or otherwise of the protuberances, to enable them to prepare a plan for Moorundie Street in consultation with AWE who are currently preparing a storm water management plan for the town as well. It was felt that it was very important to tie in any work done with the main street with what is being done with Pioneer Park. Photo's of the rain event that occurred a few days earlier were sent to both AWE and PIRSA.

Railway Property

The issue of mowing and or spraying the former railway property has been raised every year with the Council. Over the years various agreements have been made with the various owners and government agencies to have it either mowed or sprayed. However the previous agreement has lapsed. Council's Senior Compliance Officer advised he has spoken with the owner on four separate occasions without result and has sent a Section 83 notice of the Fire and Emergency Services Act to clear the block. This has been a source of real frustration to residents, the Association and Council and it is hoped that some negotiation can take place in the foreseeable future with the owners that may see this area which is a very big hazard and eyesore in the town being treated earlier in the season.

TRURO PRIMARY SCHOOL

It's a very hectic time at the school at the moment with the school year coming to an end on December 11th.

Concert preparations are well under way and the program will follow a very similar format to last year with the Play Centre performing and each class providing short items followed by the Yr.7 presentations and the traditional raffle at the end of the night.

Our new hall is currently going through the necessary approval processes at the moment and we are expecting a lot of building activity on site during the holiday break. This hall will include a full sized basketball court, toilets and a large store-room with plumbing for kitchen facilities so it will be wonderful asset to both the school and the community when it is completed around the end of April next year.

The new shelter area by the school is now finished with all of the lighting and power outlets installed. The portable aluminium picnic settings provide enough seating for all of the children and they can be easily moved making this area extremely versatile.

It is a little disappointing, however, to see quite a few chips in the concrete steps caused by older youths who are using the area as a bicycle playground even though the signs provided clearly state that this area is out of bounds outside of school hours.

All of the school celebrated Remembrance Day by visiting the Soldiers Memorial in the main street of Truro. Our students were able to recite some poems including the 'Ode' and a lovely wreath was laid by the students whilst the Last Post was being played at 11:00am. A very special thanks to Rick and Bruce for helping out on the morning, to Craneford's for kindly donating sausages and to the Sunrise Bakery who supplied the bread for the students' barbecue back at the school.

Joanne Hudson's talents have again been displayed with a fantastic Book Fair and she has also been extremely busy in compiling another incredible Yearbook for the school. This publication gets better and better every year and it is amazing that a little school like ours is able to produce such a wonderful printed summary of our year in such a colourful manner. There will be a copy available at the school at the end of the year for anyone who would like to come in and spend a few minutes to browse through it.

Our recent heat wave has certainly been a reminder that summer is quickly approaching and we have kept all of the children indoors during the lunch breaks and limited the amount of physical activity they do during the day. Each class has their own fridge and filtered rainwater is on tap for the children to replenish their drink bottles.

We have all enjoyed our year immensely and we wish our Year 7 students all the best as they begin the next chapter of their education at High School next year.



Australian Red Cross
THE POWER OF HUMANITY

In October, the Branch hosted a Fashion Parade featuring clothing and accessories from our Family Store.

Though numbers attending were a little disappointing, it was a great afternoon of fun and some great purchases were made by visitors! Approximately \$500 was raised.

Members will have their annual luncheon at the Company Kitchen in Angaston on December 7. Members take along items which can be used for gifts or non perishable food items. These are taken to Lutheran Care in Nuriootpa and used to make up hampers and parcels for those less fortunate in our community.

The Family Store is open each Friday from 10 am to 3 pm and the 2nd and 4th Wednesday morning only. Good quality items of clothing, shoes and books are available at reasonable prices. Open times over the holiday period will be advised by notice on the Town Hall door.

New members are always welcome. Contacts are Jan Mayberry (Secretary) 85 640050 or Jean Holmes 85 640227. Meetings are held bi-monthly at Truro Town

AGM

The official launch of the Truro Web Site took place at a poorly attended meeting. Rick Schonfeldt was welcomed as a new Board Member at the elections resulting in the same persons being re-elected. One vacancy still exists to be filled.

Police Re-Zoning

Superintendent Ian Parrott – OIC Murray Mallee SAPOL Local Service Area and Brevet Sgt Grant Baker, OIC Blanchetown addressed the Board October meeting re Police Zone Changes.

Superintendent Parrott stated that as a result of the Regional Boundaries Initiative the new Murray Mallee police service area holds 17 stations and 170 officers. There has been no reduction in the force; rather, additional management positions are now in Murray Bridge. Truro had been previously policed from the Barossa. Grant Baker of Blanchetown is now local officer for planned operations, with relief and backup from Waikerie, then Swan Reach, with an arrangement with Nuriootpa for other backup. For emergency service, the nearest police patrol will respond, with follow up from Murray Mallee. For crime scenes requiring investigation, both Murray Bridge or Berri have CIB.

Sgt Baker stated that he will, if possible, be in Truro every day. Moorundie Street is a good location for Random Breath Testing. He does a radar run from/to Blanchetown every day. If called he can be in Truro within 25-30 minutes, consistent with safe driving.

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Truro Hall & Oval Management Sub-committee

At the August Board meeting a recommendation from a joint meeting of the Oval and Town Hall Sub-committees was discussed and a recommendation was put to the AGM to amalgamate the two former committees.

The new 'Town Hall and Oval Sub-committee' consist of 6 persons including 1 person appointed by the Board, two persons representing the Town Hall and Oval respectively and three other community representatives. They are to meet at least four times a year, being responsible for the day to day management of the two properties and buildings, prepare a budget and set hiring fees and booking arrangements.

The 'Truro Hall' committee was founded in 1870 as the 'Truro Institute', and 'The Oval' committee founded in 1881. Both were run by committees of a trusteeship. In 1968 the Oval and in 1972 the Institute properties were transferred to the then Truro District Council. With this move in 1972 the Institute became the 'Town Hall'. With the formation of the Truro & District Community Association in 2001 both committees became sub-committees of the Association.

The main role of the committees was fund raising for the improvements and maintenance. Since the amalgamation of the Truro District Council in 1991 to form the 'Ridley—Truro District Council' and later in 1997 further amalgamation to form the 'Mid Murray Council' funding has mainly been through maintenance grants provided by Council and funds carried over.

Elected members of the new sub-committee are M Anderson, D Dittrich, P Holmes, A Schilling, B Slow and G Smith. The inaugural meeting of the new committee was held on the 3rd November with M Anderson elected as Chairman and Oval representative, G Smith Secretary, B Slow caretaker and Association representative, P Holmes Hall representative. R Munchenberg was invited to take the chair for the elections and was thanked for his dedication and contribution for 40 years of membership of both committees including being Secretary of the Oval since 1973 and Town Hall 1995. The community owes a debt of gratitude and congratulates Reg for such outstanding community service as a volunteer. Thank you Reg on behalf of the Community. The

first project of the new subcommittee is the replacement of the rain water tank at the Town Hall.

Pictured at left: Rear,
B Slow, D Dittrich,
P Holmes and A Schilling.
Front: M Anderson
and G Smith



CONCERT at Town Hall

10th December

Advent/Xmas Services

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Truro

20th Dec.	10.30 am Lessons & Carols
Christmas Eve	7.30pm
Christmas Day	No Service
New Year's Eve	7.30pm Parish Service at Strait Gate Light Pass

St Johns Lutheran Church

Dutton

Advent 20th Dec.	7.00pm combined with Stockwell
Christmas Day	10.30am Dutton
Sunday Dec 27th	10.30am Dutton
New Year's Eve	7.30pm Light Pass Immanuel

St Stephens Lutheran Church

Stonefield

Christmas Eve	7.30pm Reading
Christmas Day	9.30am Holy Communion
New Year's Day	8.30am Preaching

Uniting Church

Truro

20th Dec	7.30pm Lessons and Carols
Christmas Day	8.00am Morris
December 27	9.00am Plush

CFS News

In the past couple of months, Truro brigade of the CFS has responded to a number of motor vehicle accidents along the Sturt Highway. In October Truro responded to a scrub fire caused by lightning strikes along the Sturt between Truro and Blanchetown. Lightning strikes caused many fires throughout South Australia on the evening of 19th November, and both of Truro's trucks were involved fighting fires, on the Yorke Peninsula and a large scrub fire near Altona Conservation Area in the vicinity of Rowland Flat. On the 22nd of November members of the Truro brigade took part in a group training exercise with fire-fighters from Angaston, Nuriootpa and Tanunda, in preparation for the upcoming summer fire season.

For information about the new fire danger ratings, bushfire survival plans and native vegetation management rules, visit the CFS website at www.cfs.sa.gov.au.