

Yunta's North East News

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OUTBACK FUTURES MEETINGS AROUND SA

Members of the Outback Communities Board have consulted with all outback communities to help shape the future governance of SA's outback. The aim of the Outback Futures Project consultative meetings was to identify what is needed for the long term sustainability of the outback and how it will be managed.

Of real concern is the current dependency of communities on the goodwill of volunteers to maintain and sustain community assets, facilities and events.

At Mannahill and Yunta the Project Manager Marg Howard and OCA Board Member Frances Frahn met with local residents keen to discuss and help format the future of their communities.

At both the North East meetings concerns were raised over one of the three possible funding models for the future. The suggested introduction of rates of \$695 per residence prompted questions regarding the proposed subsequent services extended to NE residents. Our anxieties were heard and noted - and we await the next stage in the development of this important blueprint for the whole of SA's outback.

The OCA are thanked for working with all outback communities to ensure an equitable and acceptable outcome for all.

Pastoral Field Day in December

After a previously-postponed attempt, SA Arid Lands Landscape Board will host a 2-day event for pastoralists at Pt Augusta on 2-3 December.

Included in the program will be stalls and speakers presenting information on climate outlook, property mapping, containment feeding, carbon farming, telemetry and tourism diversification,

All pastoral landholders will receive the link to the booking system. Attendance numbers will be regulated in accordance with Covid regulations. *See more details on back page.*

REMEMBRANCE DAY



Yunta Airstrip Re-sheeting Underway (...and underwater)



The mid-October rain caused slippery conditions on the Tea Tree Rd at Yunta



There were some spooky house callers in Yunta on Halloween night



Photos: Jeff Allen

Community Calendar

November

- 2nd RFDS clinic, Wiawera
- 4th RFDS clinic, Yunta
- 19th SAAL NEP meeting
- 30th RFDS clinic, Wiawera

December

- 2nd RFDS clinic, Yunta
- 15th NE Branch ICPA AGM, Burra
- 17th Elders Christmas drinks

Community Briefs

The North East experienced some wildly fickle weather during recent weeks - which is often the norm for this time of year.

A couple of patchy rain events occurred during October with North East locations receiving a rain storm or a dust storm – or both, on Thursday 28th. Thanks to Georgie Francis for supplying some of these recordings: Oulnina 15mm, Wadnaminga 10mm, Outalpa 5mm, Wompinie 3mm, Bindarra 32mm and Teetulpa 15mm (in 40 minutes - and followed by a dust storm).

A decision to allow Broken Hill residents into SA was quickly reversed after the detection of more Covid cases in the Silver City. Disappointed travellers were told at Oodla Wirra's 'Checkpoint Charlie' to return to NSW.

Some local shearing's have been hampered with regular shearers not permitted to cross into SA from NSW.

Lovely news for Wadnaminga's Jim and Jenny Treloar with daughter Charlotte and hubby David Rossa expecting a baby in April 2022.

Best wishes to students sitting exams and preparing to re-set their horizons in 2022. Congratulations to all graduating students including Bindarra's Anna Parker.

Yunta residents are advised that the dump access road at the southern end of the airstrip will be permanently closed and dump users are to access the area from the Barrier Highway. We look forward to a better-utilised dump and tidier surrounds.

Thanks to those who 'dug deep' to find news to share in this issue. Please enjoy! As you know, the December issue will be the last for the year. We hope to have updates from each of our Barrier Highway communities with plans afoot for some festive frivolities.

Cheers to all,
Ros Breeding
Editor, YNEN

The deadline date for the December Yunta's North East News falls on 24th November

Please email any news, reports, photos, advertisements or Christmas greetings (!) to rosib@outlook.com or phone 8650 5005 to discuss. Thanks in anticipation.

October at the Yunta Racecourse

Following several working bees focused on the construction of the new race club bar, the next three Saturdays had the volunteers spending most of their time in the toilets!

Builder Chris Duthy and the crew have clad the walls of the toilet and shower cubicles, thus proving how spacious they will be on completion.

Last Saturday saw progress in the new kitchen with old walls removed and new ones insulated and clad. The original clubhouse is lighter and brighter with Gary's fresh coat of paint and Melanie's swift touches of rustic decor.

Kitchen fixtures and fittings are being ordered and will include all stainless steel benchtops, secure storage, an island cook/prep area, the necessary cooking and refrigeration appliances and a cool-room.

Anyone interested in having a peek at the building progress is invited to visit on a Saturday only when builders/volunteers are on site. Come and share our excitement!
~ RB



NORTH EAST RFDS CLINICS		
	WIAWERA	YUNTA
NOVEMBER	2 30	4
DECEMBER	-	2

For appointments call:
Jenny @ Wiawera on 8091 1526
or
Sheryl @ Yunta RTC on 8650 5099

Appointments can also be made by phoning the Clive Bishop Medical Centre, Broken Hill, 8080 3735 (after the border reopens)

New family at Boolcoomatta

New manager Tim Zwiarsen reported that he, partner Donna Gaskin and their children Wyatt, 4 and Arie 5 ½ are now settling in at Boolcoomatta for Bush Heritage.



Tim previously held a role near Pooncarie which involved mine rehabilitation and land management for the Tronox mineral sand mines.

Tim may be known to some people in the North East Pastoral district already, as a past regular visitor to Oulnina Park.

Donna & Tim look forward to engaging with existing friends in the district and meeting the rest of the community.

The Tschirner family: Kurt, Andrea, Geri and Maia are now actively involved in the Quorn community and will be missed from the North East.

The Ghouls and Gals of Quinyambie

With staff and their families unable to visit Broken Hill it was decided to lift spirits with a Halloween Party at Quinyambie Station.

Kim Hucks said it was “a fun way of lifting the kid's spirits due to the fact that the borders were still shut and they couldn't see their friends. Everyone got into the spirit and we had a really great night.”

Pictured are (L to R)

(back) Vanessa Williams, Luke Hucks, Charlie and Jan McKenna,
(front) Clancy Hucks, Royce Hucks, Ashka McKenna and Kim Hucks.



Manager Greg Connors was apparently 'lurking' in the back-ground.



Thanks to Kim for sharing the shenanigans and congrats on creating your own lockdown fun. *What a hoot!*



PRELIMINARY NOTICE ONLINE CLEARING SALE



NORTH EAST PASTORAL

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Elders Peterborough staff are planning an Online Sale in the near future.

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Looking Back through past issues of Yunta's North East News

From Vol 30, Issue 10. **NOVEMBER 2010**



Mannahill was a hive of activity with a community clean-up around the railways station building and the War Memorial. A Rededication Service of the War Memorial was then held on 20th November with Rev Jenny Swanbury and padre Kim Thoday officiating.

CFS volunteers undertook Burn Over and Road Crash Rescue training over two days.

Swarms of locusts were heading toward the North East and aerial spraying was being activated by PIRSA to combat the expected invasions.

In Police News B/S Steve Garden of Yunta reported that livestock theft was being actively targeted along the Barrier Highway. And in response to residents' concerns about speeding traffic, a Speed Monitor was located in front of the Yunta Police Station.

The Broken Hill RFDS Women's Auxiliary had churned out 2012 Christmas Puddings as part of their usual fundraising efforts.

Students and staff at Yunta Rural School were busily starting rehearsals for the annual Christmas Concert.

FIRST AID TRAINING

Anyone wishing to acquire FIRST AID accreditation must register by 5th November.
Contact Ros at rosjb@outlook.com or phone 8650 5005.

Training will be held at the **Yunta Hall on Tuesday 9th November**, from **8.30am**.
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COVID CANCELS CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS

Members of the Broken Hill RFDS Women's Auxiliary have made the agonising decision to not produce their popular Christmas Puddings this year due to Covid regulations.

Auxiliary President Carol Holden said in a letter to communities and regular customers that Broken Hill's extended lockdown has been a major reason behind the cancellation of the pudding production.

Mrs Holden added that Christmas 2021 is the first in 64 years that the RFDS Woman's Auxilliary has not been able to fulfil its Christmas pudding commitment.

Being a major fundraiser, regular purchasers are asked to consider forwarding donations to the Women's Auxiliary despite not receiving puddings from them this year. Such generosity will enable the Auxiliary members to continue their vital work for the Royal Flying Doctors – South Eastern Section, Broken Hill.

Donations

Cheques can be forwarded to RFDS Bruce Langford Visitors' Centre.
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Credit Card payments can be made by phoning the
Visitor Centre Gift Shop on 8080 3714.

Enquiries can be emailed to
Puddings@rfdse.org.au.



Next Step in the Revamp of Yunta Dump

In a bid to improve the extensive spread of litter throughout the wider Yunta Dump area, the Hall Committee has undertaken several measures to guarantee the future tidiness of the vicinity and lessen the environmental impact of incorrect dumping of rubbish.

The future efficiency of the Dump will of course, on local users following all guidelines in disposing of their rubbish.

Pit areas will be clearly sign-posted and all residents and businesses will receive printed leaflets clearly indicating 'what goes where' at the Yunta Dump.

A caged pit will soon be commissioned for the disposal of flammable household rubbish ONLY.

Burning of the pit is the responsibility of the Hall Committee and/or CFS members.

New nursery to breed cactus-eating insect

A partnership between the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board and the Port Augusta City Council will see a tiny insect bred to tackle opuntia (cactus) infestations around Port Augusta and the surrounding SA Arid Lands region.

A tiny biocontrol insect, cochineal measures between 1-5mm and is a natural fighter of Opuntia infestations. Left untreated, cactus infestations such as jumping cholla and wheel cactus will spread until they smother natural species, and can pose a threat to native animals and birds.

Cochineal is very host specific with four strains being bred at the facility specific to five cacti species found in the SA Arid Lands Region: Wheel cactus (*Opuntia robusta*), Engelmann's cactus (*Opuntia engelmannii*), Devil's rope cactus (*Cylindropuntia imbricata*), Coral cactus (*Cylindropuntia fulgida* var. *mamillata*) and Jumping cholla (*Cylindropuntia prolifera*).

In the breeding nursery, infected opuntia pads are added to crates of fresh pads, allowing the cochineal to spread to clean material that can later be released on opuntia in the field.

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The new cage has been sited over the future household rubbish pit, in a bid to retain all rubbish in the confined area.

Detailed Yunta Dump information appears on pages 12 and 13 of this issue.

The anticipated cooperation of all local residents will result in a manageable and tidy dump.

Dumping practises will be monitored in the future to ensure residents are fully conversant with the dumping guidelines and to deter non-resident dump users.

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FUNDING FOR SMALL COMMUNITY PROJECTS

The Federal Government is providing a further \$150,000 in funding for small-scale upgrades and new equipment for community groups in the Electorate of Grey.

Expressions of interest are now open for Round 7 of the Stronger Communities Programme, giving local governing bodies and community groups an opportunity to nominate projects for grants of up to \$20,000.

Federal Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey said the Stronger Communities grants had been very important program for regional communities and a regular winner for Grey.

"I am always amazed at how much bang for our buck we get by giving support for community-based organisations," he said. "They add volunteer labour, their own finances and get great value for money.

"This latest funding injection will support up to 20 projects across our communities, delivering an economic activity by providing work to local businesses and adds - even if in a modest way, to our recovery as we come out of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Rowan said "This type of investment brings people together by strengthening social connections, building community participation and delivering a brighter and more vibrant future for communities.

"I strongly encourage interested organisations to contact my office regarding projects important to them and our community. Grants from \$2,500 up to \$20,000 are available to cover up to 100 per cent of eligible project costs, or up to 50 per cent of eligible project costs for local governing bodies."

Mr Ramsey said it is important to note Expressions of Interest for applicants in Grey must be received by his office by Friday 3rd December.

Getting Boarders across Borders ~ *A Win for Rural and Remote Families*

Families who live in rural and remote Australia are celebrating the recent National Cabinet decision that supports consistency in cross-border movement of boarding students during periods of COVID lockdown.

The National Code for Boarding School Students was endorsed by National Cabinet, following strong advocacy from the Isolated Children's Parents' Association representing rural and remote families who have had to navigate uncertainty, a multitude of COVID restrictions and forced separation simply to access education for their children.

ICPA Australia President Alana Moller said "ICPA Federal and State Councils across Australia pulled together and worked tirelessly with government to find a solution for rural and remote families, following prolonged border restrictions that have seen interstate boarding students separated from their homes and families in the bush. For many rural and remote students, boarding school is a standard means of accessing education, especially in the middle and senior years. Providing long-term, nationally-consistent guidelines for families whose students must traverse state borders to access education is essential to temper the uncertainty they've experienced throughout the pandemic."

The Code will provide welcome relief for an estimated 1,600 rural and remote families across Australia, impacted by inconsistent and often-changing State, Territory and Local Government Area travel restrictions.

ICPA acknowledges fellow stakeholders, schools, government and others who have supported geographically isolated families to bring this outcome to fruition.

Alana Moller, Federal President Ph: 0749 835 353 © Jill Greenfield, SA President Ph: 08 8672 893



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13 November

World Kindness Day is to highlight good deeds in the community, focusing on the positive power and the common thread of kindness which binds us. Help your friends, family and co-workers get excited about making kindness the norm!

Have you been the recipient of a kind deed lately? If so, remember to show your appreciation, perhaps by a kind act in return.

Well done to staff of both Yunta roadhouses who have been seen delivering free coffees to other local businesses during recent months.



7 WAYS TO START MAKING KINDNESS THE NORM IN YOUR DAILY LIFE:

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- 2 Let that guy merge into traffic with a wave and a smile.
- 3 Include intentional moments of kindness, laughter and delight in your daily routine.
- 4 Go *slightly* outside of our comfort zone at least once a day to make someone smile.
- 5 Share a compliment with a co-worker or friend.
- 6 Reach out to a family member you haven't spoken to in awhile.
- 7 Treat someone to a cup of coffee (a friend, stranger, or even yourself).

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Trapping for conservation monitoring: Critter Camp 2021 on Boolcoomatta

By Graeme Finlayson (Bush Heritage Ecologist)

As part of conservation management activities on Boolcoomatta Station Reserve, Bush Heritage staff and volunteers conduct a range of ecological monitoring activities including vegetation surveys, targeted monitoring surveys of threatened species such as plains wanderers and purplewood wattle, and a range of surveys to assess the presence and abundance of animals that occur on the reserve. Surveys provide some insight into the changes of plants and animals associated with climatic extremes, rainfall and management activities such as the control of feral goats and rabbits.

This year during the school holidays we undertook small animal trapping that is done using pit-fall traps (buckets and PVC tubes buried in the ground), funnel traps (a glorified yabby trap) and a team of enthusiastic volunteers. The last trapping event in 2019 was during the drought and although capture rates were low, we were still pleasantly surprised with the species list we found during that week, highlighting the resilience of the species that live in these areas of South Australia. This year, particularly after some improved conditions following the rainfall in late 2020 our hopes were high for another good list of species and increased numbers of animals across the reserve.

Traps were opened for four nights and each day at first light and just before sunset, three teams went around to each trap site and peered into each trap to see what had been captured. Given the week wasn't particularly hot, we weren't surprised that reptile numbers were low – reptile activity increases during the hotter months of the year, which is when you are more likely to see more dragons, skinks and snakes. Despite these conditions we still recorded 19 species of reptiles, with skinks such as the pale-rumped ctenotus (*Ctenotus regius*) and the sandplain ctenotus (*Ctenotus schomburgkii*) the most common species trapped. Other species such as the bearded dragon and shingleback were not trapped but were seen as we moved around the property. One interesting capture was a new record for the property, a two-toned blind snake (*Anilius bicolor*).

Mammal numbers were higher than the previous survey in 2019 with 13 species in total recorded during the survey week ranging from an echidna (captured on a motion sensor camera) to three different small carnivorous marsupials (stripe-faced and fat-tailed dunnart, and narrow-nosed planigale), Bolam's Mouse (*Pseudomys bolami*), which is a native rodent, as well as introduced species such as house mice, rabbits and feral goats.

A few of this year's volunteers were also keen birders so we kept a bird list throughout the week which accumulated 72 species, most excitingly this included a sighting of the critically endangered Plains Wanderer. This species has been recorded in the region before, but their detection has been low in recent years most likely due to the long-term drought. We're hoping this detection is a sign of their return to the region and improvement in the vegetation conditions.

Graeme Finlayson, SA Arid Rangelands Ecologist



1. The narrow-nosed planigale, *Planigale tenurostris*, one of the small native carnivorous marsupials that live in the gilgais and cracks in chenopod plains.
2. Volunteers assisting with the trapping event while Bush Heritage Ecologist removes an animal from the trap.
3. The two-toned blind snake, *Anilius bicolor* – a new species record for Boolcoomatta

North East Home to Vulnerable Purplewoods

The North East is fortunate to be one of the few places in Australia that is home to the unique Purplewood wattle (*Acacia carneorum*), also known locally as rosewood wattle. Western New South Wales is the only other area to have populations.

Purplewood wattle is characterised by the rich purple colour of the inside of its timber and is listed as vulnerable due to its restricted natural distribution, very slow growth rate and its susceptibility to grazing.

The production of viable seed by the Purplewood is very rare, and this increases its risk of extinction due to low genetic diversity. Growth of new plants from seed is very minimal due to low production, with regeneration largely from suckering, both of which are affected by rabbit browse. Purplewoods can flower at any time of the year after heavy rainfall events, and it's great to hear that they have been flowering out in some of your patches this year.

SAAL Staff are collecting samples for DNA analysis from the north east, working with Bush Heritage Australia staff and volunteers and research staff from the University of Adelaide to document the distribution and genetic health of the species.

Please get in touch if you notice any plants which have been able to produce seed, and stay tuned for results from our DNA analysis.

Purplewoods are very slow growing, with research showing this long-lived species can survive for up to 330 years. The species occurs on sandy soils and provides refuge for species such as fairy wrens and chirruping wedgebills and are a host for other important plants such as mistletoe.

Evidence also shows some sandy areas where populations occur are culturally significant to the traditional owners, with cultural evidence like grinding stones and snapping flakes found at some sites.

Feel free to get in contact if you need any assistance with pest animal control, or would like to discuss best practise management techniques in conserving this unique species.

Kind regards,

Di Makotter
Community Landscape Officer, NEP
dianna.makotter@sa.gov.au | 0408 944 751



Needing Drought Assistance?

If anyone is still in need of assistance due to the (ongoing) drought, please contact Aussie Helpers. The website is www.aussiehelpers.org.au

There is a 'request for assistance' form on the website, fill it in and email back to the address provided on the form.

Thanks to Jimmy & Sarah Smith of Devonborough Downs Station for contributing this information.

SA Arid Lands

North East Pastoral Group Meeting No 41

19th November 2021

Noon Start

Yunta Telecentre
Community Room

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Purplewoods of the North East (continued from previous page)

Purplewoods flowering
on Bimbowrie.

Photo: Pete Watkins



Recent rare seeding
event on Koonamore.

Photo: Nick Rasheed



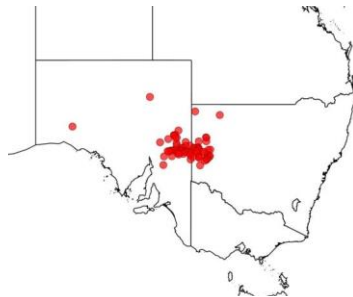
Commonly found growing in a
widespread mound or drift sand.

Photo: Pete Watkins



Acacia carneorum
occurrence map.

Map generated via
Atlas of Living Australia



Did you know?

Australia has over 1000 species of acacia, which we call 'wattle'; and around 2,800 species in the *Myrtaceae* family, which includes eucalypts (gum trees) and melaleucas.

Remembrance Day

■ NOVEMBER 11 ■

Lest we forget



They shall not grow old
as we that are left grow old
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YUNTA DUMP REFRESH

By Lisa Crawford, Secretary, Yunta District Hall Inc

Work continues on the Yunta Dump Refresh Project with the new household waste pit excavated during October. The Hall Committee would like to thank Willy Polomka of S&E Polomka for his efforts.

The cage built by Wayne Burford of Mannahill Engineering has been relocated over the new pit and the final touches are being made. The new pit and enclosed cage will ensure that household waste is contained. The new pit will be ready for use soon.

In the interim, **the old pit** remains for dumping of **household waste only**. For all other waste, please use the hard rubbish area, disposing of waste in an area with other like items.

New waste categories have been developed to assist in identifying the correct location at the dump for waste. These categories are detailed in the table (*on facing page*). Please familiarise yourself with these new categories.

In the coming months, the current hard waste pit will be cleared and tidied, with sections created for each new waste category (which will be colour coded as per the table). Signage is also being prepared to further help users identify the correct dumping location for their waste. These new categories will also assist the Committee more effectively manage waste.

We have also produced some information regarding recycling of certain waste items to help community members to 'do their bit' for the environment. That flyer will be distributed to residents. The final part of the project will also include the clearing and designation of roads into and around the dump. Access to the obsolete pits and dumping areas will be blocked to traffic, leaving access only to the sites where dumping is allowed.

Please note that the previous dump access road at the southern end of the airstrip is now decommissioned. The airstrip has been extended as part of the upgrade project and as a result this road is no longer able to be used. Please only use the alternate access roads to the dump!

It has also become apparent that non-community members have been using the dump to illegally dispose of their waste. Please be vigilant when using the dump and report any use by non-residents to the police or a member of the Committee. If you are able to do so safely, please obtain licence plate numbers so they can be passed onto police. Monitoring systems are being implemented in the coming months as part of the dump refresh project.

Watch this space! There's lots more to come in the months ahead!

- Lisa

YUNTA DISTRICT HALL INC 2021 – 2022 Committee Members

Allen Hucks (President)
Lisa Crawford (Secretary),
Gary Fuller, Warren Breeding,
Jeff Allen, Grant Breeding,
Richard Steel, Ros Breeding
and Mike Groom.



WASTE CATEGORY	EXAMPLES OF WASTE ITEMS	DUMP LOCATION
Household Waste	Paper, cardboard, newspapers, plastics, plastic packaging, food waste, polystyrene	Caged Burn Pit
Scrap Metal	Cars, motorbikes, tanks, corrugated iron, tins, aluminium, copper, guttering, bicycles, metal wash troughs	Blue Section
Construction & Demolition Debris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concrete, rubble, bricks, cement sheeting, asphalt • timber waste, cladding, pallets, floor boards, plasterboard • glass, mirrors, windows <p>* NO ASBESTOS – not suitable for Yunta Dump *</p>	Brown Section
Hard Waste	<p>Large household items including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Furniture – wardrobes, cupboards, bed frames, couches, chairs • Mattresses and bedding • Floor coverings and window treatments – carpet, rugs, lino, curtains, blinds • Toys • Plumbing – PVC, ceramics, toilets, basins, sinks • Clothing and rags (not suitable for recycling/donating) • Tools and gardening equipment 	Orange Section
Electronic Waste	<p>Electrical items including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot water services and air conditioners • Electronic appliances – TVs, computers, printers, scanners, gaming devices • Electrical appliances – vacuum cleaners, kettles, coffee machines, toasters, hair dryers • White goods – fridges, freezers, washing machines, microwaves, air conditioners • Power tools 	Purple Section
Hazardous Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aerosol cans • Vehicle Batteries • Poisons • Garden chemicals – pesticides, fertilisers, weed killer • Cleaners – oven cleaner, bleach, toilet cleaner • Automotive products – fuel, lubricants, degreasers, oils, solvents • Home improvement products – paints, thinners, adhesives • Empty gas cylinders (non-exchangeable) 	Red Section
Green Waste	Landscaping/garden waste, plants, lawn clippings	Green Section

SA Arid Lands Pastoral Field Day 2021

2-3 December 2021 Central Oval Port Augusta



Innovation - Adaptation - Diversification

The first region-wide pastoral field day will feature two days of trade stalls, speakers and industry presentations and concludes with the School of the Air Wool Show. Registrations open 20 October. Bookings essential by 20 November.

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The Building Pastoral Sustainability Project is supported by the SA Arid Lands Landscape Board through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.

The South Australian Arid Lands Landscape Board will host its inaugural region-wide Pastoral Field Day 2021 in Port Augusta on Thursday 2 December and Friday 3 December.

The Board invites property owners, managers and staff from across the region to attend the event. With the theme *Innovation, Adaptation and Diversification*, the field day will focus on topics including carbon farming, animal health and nutrition technology and preparing businesses for the future.

Who should attend

The field day is being held for pastoral property owners, managers and staff across the SA Arid Lands region. It is open to anyone with an interest in pastoralism in the region. Due to COVID numbers are limited so please book early to guarantee a place. All pastoralists in the SA Arid Lands will be emailed details of the 2-day program.

The program

The two day program will offer speakers, stalls and children's entertainment and will conclude with the annual School of the Air Wool Show, hosted by Nutrien Ag and Elders.

Break times have been provided between talks on both days to allow time for browsing stalls and fleeces that will be set up on the courts and outside the Central Oval building.

Registration required

Entry to the field days is only permitted to people who register to attend by 20 November. Due to COVID restrictions the number of people able to attend the event is limited with restrictions placed on the number of people per room.

Bookings for the Livestock SA dinner also need to be done as part of the registration.

Bookings at: [//events.humanitix.com/sa-arid-lands-pastoral-field-day-2021-60786h3u-e6p39gd0](https://events.humanitix.com/sa-arid-lands-pastoral-field-day-2021-60786h3u-e6p39gd0)