

HALLETT HEARTBEAT

HELLO & WELCOME TO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER!

If you have anything you would like included in the Newsletter, please contact Susan McGloin at smcgloin@live.com.au. Deadline for the January 2026 issue is Friday 19th December. No responsibility or liability will be assumed for any errors or omissions in the content of this newsletter. All information is provided as verified, in good faith.



and Happy New Year

We wish you and your families a safe and happy Christmas and New Year period. Whilst 2025 has been a time of change for our community, 2026 brings the promise of enhancements to local facilities which will be of benefit to all.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN HALLET DURING NOVEMBER

- Councilor Tony Brooks has mowed, and whipper snipped the campground, and sprayed/mowed/blower vacuumed around the Hallett Hall. The HCSA held a working bee on Tuesday 25th November at the Hallett Oval to remove rubbish and clean the showers and the storage room. We appreciate everyone who volunteered their time to beautify our town.
- There are currently 4 properties for sale in Hallett, with 1 of those currently under offer. All the details are on the Real Estate website at www.realestate.com.au. The property at Lot 102 Alfred Street sold on the 10th of November, we look forward to welcoming new residents to Hallett. Best of luck to the sellers as they continue life's journey in a new location.
- The Heysen Trail is now closed for the Fire Danger Season.
- The Mawson Trail is still open for cyclists.
- Several locals attended the very popular 'Feast and Fabulous' Drag Cabaret Show III at the Mount Bryan Hall on Saturday 15th November. Two overnight visitors to Hallett joined in with the locals and expressed their thanks at being included in the outing. Great to see so many people supporting a small country event.
- Do you want to keep up to date with what is happening in Hallett as it happens? Please let Susan know at smcglain@live.com.au and she will add you to the Hallett Community Neighbours Group on Messenger.

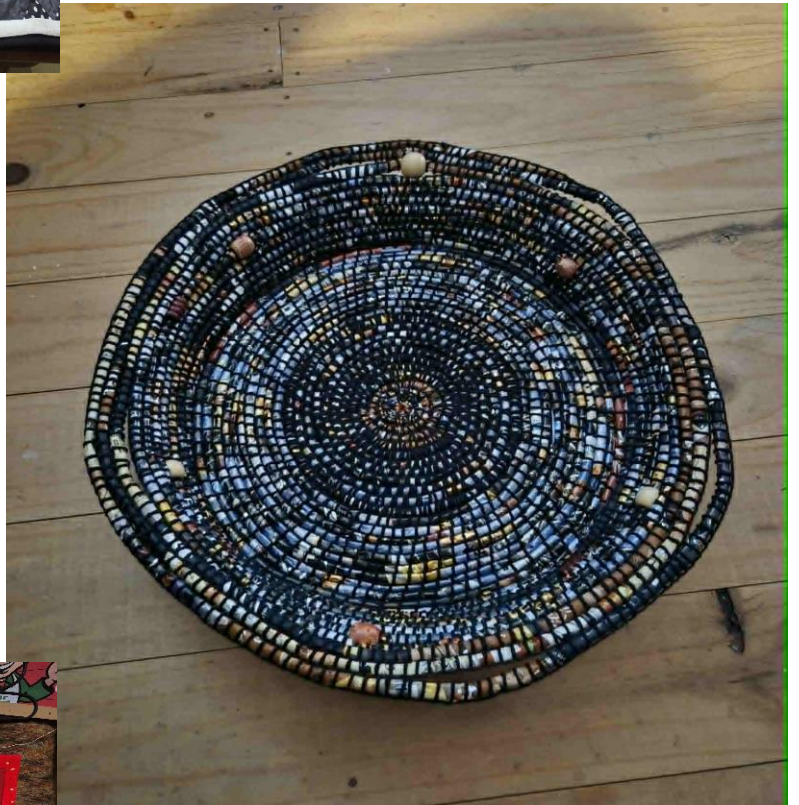
CELEBRATING HALLETT LOCALS



Chris McGloin was presented with his National Emergency Medal on return from his travels to Thailand.



**Sit & Sew Ladies
at the Hallett
Country Store
get up to all sorts
of Craft.**



MEMORIAL GARDENS



The Memorial Gardens are flourishing in the Spring Weather. All the plants are growing well and flowering. Thanks to the volunteers who maintain the gardens. Your efforts are appreciated!

CELEBRATING HALLETT FARMERS

The fields around the area are being harvested, and bails of hay are appearing. Whether they are round or rectangle, they provide an attractive landscape as they are dotted around the fields. Hopefully this will mean our farmers will have enough stock feed if the weather gets hotter and drier. Some local wildlife are taking advantage of the fields before they are cropped.



News from the Hallett Community & Sporting Association Inc

The HCSA have a new Facebook page Hcsa Community, and a website hallett-community-and-sports-association.com. You will be able to see copies of the Hallett Heartbeat, Minutes of the Committee Meetings, and everything that the committee is doing for the community.

The HCSA have undertaken the following during October:

- The lease has been renegotiated with the Regional Council of Goyder. Areas of responsibility around Hallett have now been defined, and work can commence on projects to enhance the town.
- New picnic tables have been ordered for the Memorial Gardens with delivery due around the end of November.
- The old library at the town hall is being turned into the Doctors room. Painting has been undertaken with renovation of the flooring to occur soon.
- The old Tennis Court fencing at the oval has been removed along with the fence around the Oval, which was in a deteriorating condition. This occurred with Council approval.

- New bark chips have been put under the playground equipment at the old Swimming Pool precinct.
- A tap cover has now been installed at the park adjacent to the playground at the old Swimming Pool precinct.



CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

Hallett Coffee and Collectables will be closed
Thursday 25th December, Friday 26th
December and Saturday 27th December.

The Hallett Country Store will be closed on
Thursday 25th December and Friday 26th
December.

Chris, Susan and Tristan would like to thank
all our customers for their support during
2025. Being in Retail is challenging at the best
of times, and we appreciate your patronage.
We look forward to seeing you in 2026 and
wish you all a Merry and safe Christmas.



December 2025

Hallett crews responded to 4 Incidents through November

1. Grass fire – Mount Bryan
2. Assist Port Pirie 12 jobs, Port Pirie
3. Grass fire – South of Hallett
4. Grass fire – Behind Windfarm Hallett

Wishing all Hallett Residents a safe and happy new year

For information regarding the SES and storm preparations

please visit: www.ses.sa.gov.a

The Hallett CFS and SES are locally run by volunteers and always looking for new recruits. If you are keen to help contribute to the safety & wellbeing of our community and make a difference in a variety of different roles. Feel free to reach out to one of your local members for more information on how to sign up or visit the CFS or SES website.

WHAT'S ON IN OUR REGION

Burra Basketeers,
Burra Plant Swap,
Meet & Make,
are all taking a break
over the Christmas/New
Year period.

The "Read Between the
Lines" Book Discussion
Group meets on
Tuesday 2nd December
11am to 12pm at the
Burra Community
Library.

Burra RSL
Subbranch "Sunday
Social" 1st Sunday of
each month (except
Jan). Contact Mike
0412 566 675

**Hallett – Some call it the
middle of nowhere. We call it
the Centre of everything.**

HALLETT SERVICES

Dr Emmerson will
not be holding a
clinic in Hallett in
December. January
date to be advised.
Text 0492 417 452
for appointments.

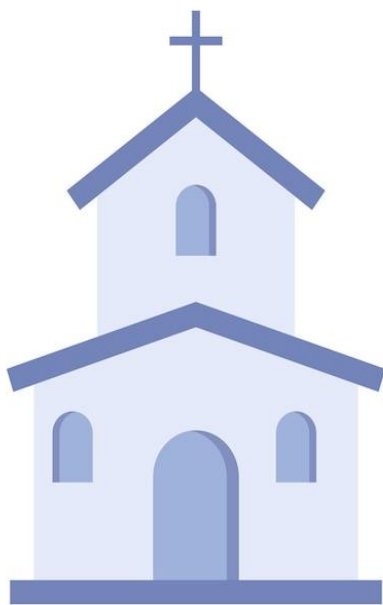
Free Book Library
located outside the
Hallett Country
Store. No need to
have a book to
exchange.

A free bike wash is
located next to the
park near the old
Swimming Pool
Precinct.

ACCOMMODATION

The Carriage on Alfred – Railway Carriage Accommodation. Two units available with Queen/Single Bed, Kitchenette and Bathroom. Onsite Kitchen/Laundry. – Bookings 8894 2078 or 0481 269 179.

Heysen Trail Hut – Accommodation for walkers on the Heysen Trail or cyclists on the Mawson trail. Free basic accommodation located in the old Hallett Railway Station approximately 500m south of town.



CHURCH SERVICES

HALLETT UNITING CHURCH

9am December 7th
Jenny Hagger (HC John Staker)
7.30pm December 24th
John Staker – Service with
Carols

WHYTE YARCOWIE

7pm December 21st
Christmas Service John Staker
& P Leesong

HALLETT HEARTBEAT – DIRECT TO YOU

In a bid to keep publishing costs down, the Hallett Heartbeat will be available via PDF by email. If you wish to have a copy emailed to you, please advise Susan McGloin at smcgloin@live.com.au.

HALLETT – BECAUSE LOCALS MATTER

Do you have an achievement you would like to share with the Hallett Heartbeat readers? Susan would love to hear from you. Let's celebrate our Hallett Locals. We have all come from somewhere to make Hallett our home. We all matter, and all bring a diverse range of skills to our community.

We are happy to shout your achievements loud and proud in our community newsletter.

WHAT'S ON IN HALLETT

Playgroup at the Hub every Wednesday at 9.30am during the School Term.

Ladies Day at the Hallett Hall Supper Room every Tuesday from 10.30am to 3pm. BYO project and a plate to share. Gold Coin Donation.

CLASSIFIEDS

If you have anything to advertise here, please let Susan McGloin know at smcgloin@live.com.au.



2024 – 25 has been another consistent year for the Sir Hubert Wilkins Memorial Cottage Committee. ‘A steady stream of visitors to the Cottage is an encouraging sign as we pursue our Charter of maintaining the Cottage and surrounds.

The shed has proved invaluable and along with the toilet, only open for functions has made our task for Catering etc so much easier.

The support of Immanuel College is a valuable ongoing project. Their commitment and support is much appreciated and we hope that the students working at the cottage have not only gained new skills and learnt to work as a team but that the Adventurous spirit of Sir Hubert may have brushed off on them and that they have learnt that nothing is unachievable. My sincere Thanks to the Committee team who have supported the staff and the students in this project and made sure that every thing required for the running of this on site activity are in place.

Three activities (including Immanuel) stand out this year. The visit of Sue Hillier in March, although not well attended was certainly an informative and potentially exciting one. Sue is now working on Sponsorship for her trip to Antarctica in 2027, there are spaces available on the ship if you are brave enough to face the cold. Her painstaking

research and attention to detail is beyond belief and I hope that she is successful in her pilgrimage and that the cashe's will be retrieved.

The History Trust tour in May had quite an impact on many as the dust rolled in it gave the participants an appreciation of Sir Hubert's early years, a full coach load and a waiting list for another one is a good sign of the growing knowledge of Sir Hubert. The shed certainly was a valuable asset that day.

While the possibility of a Birthday Celebration at the Cottage was raised the amount of paperwork to make this happen was far too great to justify for a small volunteer group to undertake and run in the short available time frame.

I have been in conversation with the History Trust regarding the collection in Arizona, USA, we just need a cash injection from the Government to secure this valuable resource as once it's broken up it will never be here in SA where it should be.

The opening Oration for History Month was given by Dr Harry Harris. Glan and I attended the reception prior to the Oration and were made very welcome. A highlight was the presence of "Woody" Sir Hubert's car as well as the Ice Sled from his Antarctic Years. It was interesting that we sat next to a couple who had never heard of Sir Hubert and were overwhelmed at the knowledge that they gained that evening, we also spoke to a young lad from Yorke Peninsula who had travelled to Adelaide just to hear the presentation. He had been on Isolation at a school camp during year 9 and had read Simon Nasht's book 'The Last Explorer and was excited to be at the event. Woody is now permanently housed in the National Motor Museum at Birdwood.

Sadly this year we had our first forced entry with damage to the door and frame resulting in a new lock system. It is fortunate that some observant visitors reported the damage.

In closing I thank you all for your support, and to Kymm in particular for his precise bookkeeping as Treasurer and record keeping and communication as Secretary.

Onward and Upward

Daphne Lines

Chairman, Sir Hubert Wilkins Memorial Committee

WHAT TO PLANT IN DECEMBER

It's hard to believe that we are heading into Summer, especially given the very chilly days we have been experiencing lately. Thankfully we have had a bit of rain to help with the moisture levels in the soil. After the beautiful early flush of Spring, there is hope for our gardens if the Summer temperatures don't get too brutal.

Here is what to plant in your gardens during December:

Vegetables:

Basil, Beans, Beetroot, Brussel Srouts, Cabbage, Carrott, Chervil, Chives, Corn, Kale, Leek, Lettuce, Potato, Radish, Rhubarb, Rosella, Silverbeet, Spring Onion, Swede and Turnip.

Flowers:

Alyssum, Borage, Cleome, Cosmos, Echinacea, Lupin, Marigold, Nasturtium, Poppy, Salvia Seeds, Sturt's Desert Pea, Sunflower, Viola and Zinnia. Happy Planting!





**AUSTRALIAN
MEN'S SHED
ASSOCIATION**

Shoulder to Shoulder



**Just cos you're old
Doesn't mean you're not gold**

" Keeping Men Active"

Open every Wednesday

0900- 1300

Contacts

Darryl	0407 723323	Burra
Mike	0417 452922	Burra
Steve	0417 542483	Booborowie
Doug	0432 602458	Hallet

Free BBQ every 3rd Wednesday of the month

Did you know that the Hallett Country Store sells a range of Beers, Wines and Mixer Drinks? Head in-store if you are looking for a refreshing drink over the summer season.



Liquor License 57709744

Looking for some unique Christmas presents without leaving town? How about popping into Hallett Coffee & Collectables, or the Hallett Country Store and seeing what they have to offer. You never know what you might find.





My Local Services

Regional Council of Goyder



Contact your Council and members.



Find your bin collection days and receive reminders.



Find events in your local council area or state-wide.



Burra Community Library

FREE Digital Help

Get personalised,

1:1 assistance to learn more
about accessing:

- Email & the Internet
- Online Banking
- Paying Bills Online
- Accessing MyGov
- Answering questions
about your device

Schedule a FREE 1:1 session
with local Information
Technology Manager,
Steve Royal for help at your
own pace.



beingdigital

Free, fun digital skills sessions

Delivered in partnership with Telstra and LibrariesSA



Phone for an appointment :



7 Bridge Terrace
Burra SA 5417

P: 88922 038

E: burra.library@plain.sa.gov.au

OFFICE CLOSURES

The Council Offices will be closed over the Christmas / New Year period as follows:

Burra Office: from 5pm Friday 19 December 2025
reopening 9am Monday 5 January 2026

Eudunda Office: from 5pm Thursday 18 December 2025
reopening 9am Tuesday 13 January 2026

*The Mayor, Councillors & Staff of the Regional Council of Goyder wish everyone a safe
and festive Christmas and a Happy New Year!*



Burra Regional Art Gallery

6 Market Street, Burra
burragallery.au

Craft into Art



Making is craft, but when does craft become art? What's the distinction?

CLAYMORE
WINES
CLAYMORE VALLEY

Open Daily 1-4pm



SPREAD SOME CHRISTMAS CHEER.....



Christmas Giving Tree

FOOD DONATIONS WANTED!



This Christmas, we're putting together food hampers to support our Goyder community — and we'd love your help!

We're looking for donations of **non-perishable food** items such as canned fruit & vegetables, soups, pasta, rice, UHT custard, shortbread, nuts, long-life milk, honey, jam etc.

Drop your donations into the Burra or Eudunda Council Offices before **Tuesday 9 December** and help spread a little extra cheer this festive season.



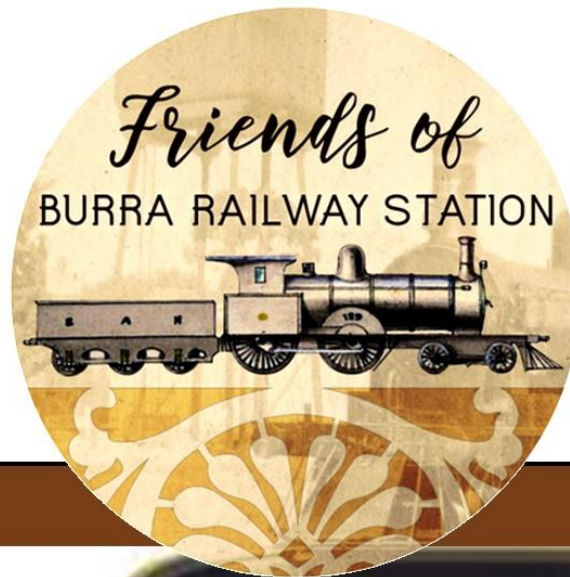
DON'T FORGET TO PAY YOUR RATES

Second Quarter Rates are due by
Friday, 5 December 2025

If you have (or are likely to have) difficulty meeting the due date, please contact Council's Rates Officer on 8892 0100 before the rates fall in arrears to discuss options that may be able to assist you. Depending on your circumstances, there are short term flexible payment plans available which can be weekly, fortnightly or monthly. Enquiries are treated confidentially.



**Sunday
9am-2pm
Dec.7th**



**1 Railway
Tce
BURRA**



CAR BOOT SALE & BBQ

**9AM CAR BOOT SALE
10am Devonshire teas \$15
Registration \$10 at Burra Visitor Information Centre**

Sunday
11am-2pm
Oct.5th
Nov. 2nd
Dec.7th



1 Railway Tce
BURRA



SPRING SPECIAL



Devonshire Tea \$15

Enquiries: Sue: 0431 311 781 Pip: 0488 992 835

**Funds raised by volunteers go towards maintenance of the
Burra Railway Station**

Story TIME



Story Time sessions for the remainder of the year:

13th & 27th November

11th December

All sessions are at 9:30am in the Burra Community Library

*This program is free
for pre-schoolers & their carers*



 **Libraries
SA**
BURRA
SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

7 Bridge Terrace
Burra SA 5417
P: 88922 038

E: burra.library@libraries.sa.gov.au



Terowie Christmas Pageant

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2025

**Food Stalls: BBQ, Hunger Buster Food Van, Cool Cone Ice-Cream,
Hot Doughnuts and Splendid Co Coffee Van**

Various Market Stalls, Licensed Bar - all starting from 4pm

Parade Starts at 6pm

Prizes to be Won for the Best Floats

**Free Face Painting
Free Soft Play area for 0 - 5 year old's
Meet Father Christmas after the Parade
Live Music by 5for Effect**



**For More Information and Updates on the Pageant
Please check out our Facebook Page @Terowie
or Call 0467 537 248**





Terowie Christmas Colouring in Competition 2025, please turn over for terms and conditions

Terowie's Christmas Colouring in Competition 2025

Colour in the picture and return it no later than
Wednesday 10th December 2025.

You can collect and return colouring-in sheets at the following locations:

- Terowie Post Office / General Store
Monday – Friday, 10am – 5pm
- Terowie Tearooms & Gallery
Saturday & Sunday, 10am – 2pm
- Terowie Information Centre
Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 10am – 2pm
- Peterborough Rural Care

You can also post entries to:
PO Box 44, Terowie SA 5421

For any enquiries, please call 0467 537 248.

Colouring in Competition will be on display in the Terowie Institute on
Pageant Day 13th December 2025 and winners will be announced.
(Winners must be in attendance to receive their prize)

A prize for the following categories will be given
0 – 6 years and 7 – 12 years

Name:.....

Age.....

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Copies are also available at the Hallett Country Store



2025 HALLETT COMMUNITY



Christmas Party

Sunday 14 December 2025

From 4pm

Complimentary BBQ

Please bring a salad or dessert to share

Surname starts with A-M: please bring a salad

Surname starts with N-Z: please bring a dessert

Bar facilities provided (no BYO)

Father Christmas will be bringing gifts for appropriately aged children. To include them, please specify their names and ages in your RSVP.

PLEASE RSVP BY 7/12 TO

hallettcommunityhub@gmail.com



Provided to the community by the Hallett Community Hub



\$45.50
 Pool entry to be paid directly to the pool

JAMESTOWN

15th to 19th December



Build Confidence



Qualified Local Instructors




Safe Environment

Enrol your child into water safety lessons to learn skills that could save their life!

 www.holidayswim.com.au  holidayswim@royallifesavingsa.com.au





Santa will
be visiting!

JOIN US FOR THE
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CHRISTMAS FAIR
& PAGEANT

LIVE MUSIC - MARKET STALLS
SANTA'S TRAIL - STREET FOOD
LOADS OF *FREE* ENTERTAINMENT

19
DEC
FRIDAY

FROM 5:00 PM
PAGEANT STARTS 6:00PM
2025

For more information find us on
Facebook: [Burra Christmas Fair](#)

**BIKE DECORATING & DRESS UP
COMPETITION WITH PRIZES!**
PRIZES FOR FLOATS!

We Want You!

Do you have anything you would like to see in the Newsletter? Have you taken any photos of the area you would like to share? Do you have any news for the community? Have you got any achievements you would like us to know about? Then please get in touch with Susan at smcgloin@live.com.au. We would love to share them via the Newsletter.

