

ANNA CREEK BOSS RANDALL CROZIER MOVES ON

By: Helen Williams

Friends gathered at the William Creek Hotel on Saturday, April 18th to farewell Anna Creek manager Randall Crozier. Randall is moving to "where it rains a bit more"- Florina Station, west of Katherine in the Northern Territory.

A long time employee of Kidman and Co, Randall has worked in the Australian outback since the age of 13. Since 2002 when the Crozier family first moved to William Creek, Randall has managed the famous property, known to be bigger than Israel.

Randall has since, been passionately involved in all aspects of the local community including President of the Gymkhana Committee and also in the founding the new complex, now functional at the William Creek Gymkhana grounds.

Randall Crozier and Ken Lamb were amongst the party who unveiled the \$130,000 re-development at William Creek which was supported through a grant from the Outback Areas Development Trust.

The weekend of 19-20 March 2005 saw the 40th anniversary of the running of the William Creek Cup where pastoralists and horse enthusiasts from all over the country made a pilgrimage to the outback town.

Taking on the manager's role at Anna Creek Station is Norm Sims. Norm, Stephie and their four daughters left the district in 2006 when Norm was appointed Manager of Durrie Station, East of Birdsville. See Page 6



Above: At the William Creek Hotel "farewell" are the Crozier boys - Ben, Jake, Randall and Tom

First Night Footy Match in Coober Pedy Saints vs Hornridge

By: Mark Bell

Coober Pedy is about to experience it's first ever night football match. Hornridge has agreed to be the first team from Roxby Downs to play under lights on Saturday 23rd May.

The money to install the lights has come from a variety of sources. The Office of Recreation and Sport gave \$50,000 as part of their round of grants and between the local community, the Coober Pedy Saints and a fundraising night at Prominent Hill involving OZ Minerals, Thiess and Lucas, they managed to raise \$11,000. The District Council of Coober Pedy budgeted the remaining \$90,000 to make the lights a reality.



The Saints, ready for the showers after last Thursday night's training

Each of the six light towers stand 18m high with 7 x 2000W lights making Oxiana Oval suitable for hosting small ball sports such as cricket at night. The earthworks and installation of the lights was done by DCCP workers with Rawsons Electrical supplying their expertise in installing the control system.

Shayne Nelson, Coober Pedy Saints Utility says "The players are very much looking forward to this night match. We appreciate the facilities that we have and hope that a large crowd comes out to support us."

The Saints are looking very promising this year with 16-A second night match is also scheduled for Coober Pedy on the 13th June.

This match will start an hour earlier at 6pm.

20 players regularly being at pre-season training twice a week for the last three months. This is a big increase on the 10-12 players attending in previous years. An encouraging performance in the Lightning Carnival last month has also got the players full of confidence that this year is their year.

Entry fee for the night match is \$5 with the gates opening at 6pm. The match will kick off at 7pm with bar and canteen facilities available.

The Coober Pedy Football Club would like to thank the Woomera & Districts Football League and the Hornridge Sports Club for supporting them in helping achieve this milestone.

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Pastoral Communities farewell Randall Crozier



Above: Gathering outside at Randall's send off, for a men's chat are Lee Emmett - Roxby Downs, Adam Platte - Oodnadatta, Bobby Hunter - Peake, Randall Crozier, Trevor Williams - Nilpinna and Ken Lamb - Roxby Downs



Left: Anna Creek Boss since 2002 Randall Crozier's reciprocal farewell to friends and neighbours at the William Creek pub. Randall is moving to Florina Station, out from Katherine in the Northern Territory. Pg's 1, 6

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Thursday	Mostly sunny	9 / 21°C	5%, < 1mm	Nil	S 20km/h 67%	SSW 19km/h 34%
Friday	Mostly sunny	8 / 21°C	5%, < 1mm	Nil	SW 15km/h 67%	SSW 21km/h 41%
Saturday	Sunny	10 / 22°C	5%, < 1mm	Nil	SSE 18km/h 75%	SSE 18km/h 50%
Sunday	Sunny	12 / 22°C	5%, < 1mm	Nil	SE 15km/h 68%	E 10km/h 45%
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ALRM OFFICE OFFICIALLY OPENS IN COOBER PEDY



Mayor Steve Baines addressing the opening of the ALRM office in Coober Pedy

Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement officially opened it's office in Coober Pedy on Tuesday 12 May. The office is situated opposite the Desert Cave Hotel in Hutchison Street.

Representing Coober Pedy, Mayor Steve Baines performed the cutting of the ribbon, declaring the ALRM office and it's services for the aboriginal members of our community, officially open.

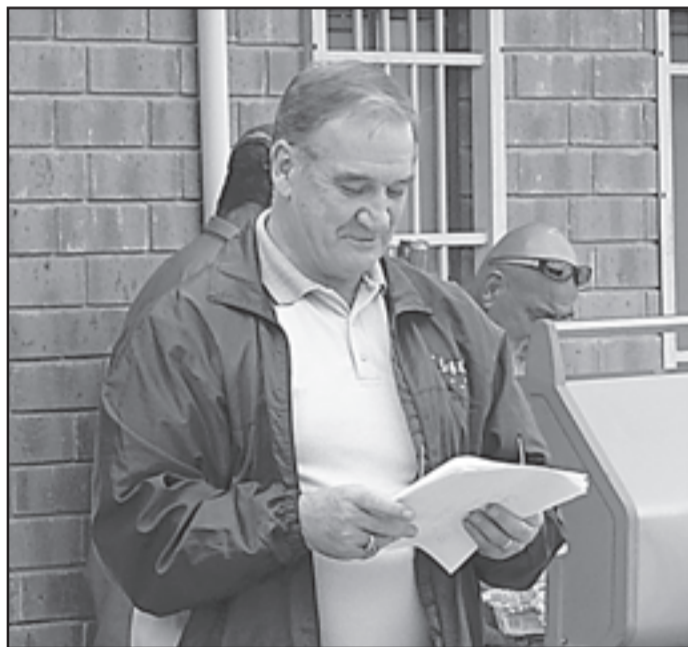
Mayor Baines told guests at the ALRM office opening that for some years now Coober Pedy has been positioning itself as the Northern Gateway to South Australia, and the major service centre for the Northern region of South Australia.

"In this current environment where governments are continually cutting back our services, the proposed cuts to our local Court being a prime example, it is pleasing to see a local presence by the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement.

On behalf of the Coober Pedy community, I welcome ALRM to our town, and look forward to working with you as you provide much needed support and services to both our local and visiting aboriginal people.

The needs of our local indigenous community are wide and varied, and it is pleasing to see that ALRM has seen that need and is prepared to work with the District Council of Coober Pedy and other service agencies within Coober Pedy to help address some of those needs.

Once again I welcome the presence of ALRM to Coober Pedy and look forward to working with you".



Mr. Neil Gillespie of ALRM in Adelaide travelled up for the opening of the new office



Representatives from local and state government departments along with other local services attended the opening of the ALRM office to welcome this new service into the region

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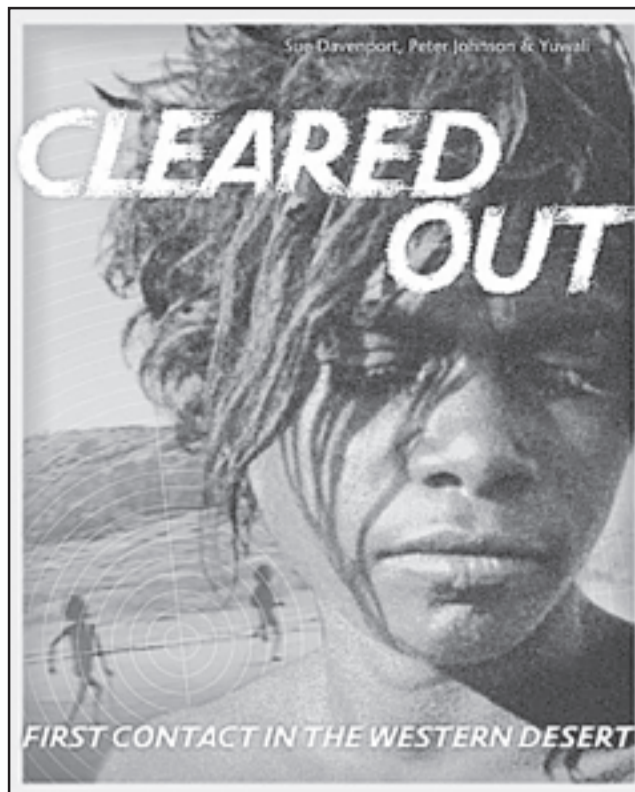
UNDERGROUND BOOKS - Review

Cleared Out proved a rare non-fiction work. It masterfully captures the first contact of a group of Martu women and children with white men. In doing so, it also explains the varied perceptions of 'tribal' peoples in the 1960s and the events that lead to the detribalisation of a group of Indigenous people in the Western Desert.

Of particular interest in this story is the role of a developer, in this case the Weapons Research Establishment (WRE). The WRE employed native patrol officers Walter MacDougall and Robert Macaulay as 'insurance' against the public backlash associated with their development of the central desert reserves and the dispossession of Indigenous communities from their lands. It seems clear however that decisions were fundamentally made for development purposes rather than the wellbeing of the people.

The siting of the range, the development of a road network and Giles weather station, all had impacts on the desert population. In attempting to mitigate effects of development on the people in the Percival Lakes area the WRE faced a problem of taking responsibility when the government policy was not clear. The lasting legacy of Australia's foray into rocket technology through the WRE (estimated at \$3.25 billion according to Morton 1989) was the detribalisation of Indigenous people, a network of roads and development in the desert with no ongoing discernible economic or security benefit for Australia.

First hand accounts from Yuwali, a Martu woman, the native patrol officers appointed by the WRE, and an officer from the Department of Native Welfare, capture the events that lead to the detribalisation. The authors demonstrate respect for the physical prowess and land literacy of Martu women and also respect for the tenacity of the search party and their desire to protect their charges.



The detribalisation of SA's Indigenous people

The recency of the story gives it power and vibrancy. Yuwali's personal account describes seeing a car and white person for the first time and her experiences of being pursued by the search party. Photographs taken by MacDougall and others capture the group emerging from the desert and initial meetings between the group and the search party.

Cleared Out is essential reading for anthropologists, human geographers and local readers with an interest in the Indigenous relationship with the geography, history and plant and animal life of the desert. It should also be read by those involved in the current policy debate regarding the future of remote Indigenous communities.

BACK COVER:

In 1964, the eyes of the Australian nation were fixed on its Western Desert. The British and Australian governments were about to fire the controversial Blue Streak rockets across the inland. To the ministers in Canberra and London this was an ideal firing range: empty desert, a place they called the 'dump zone'. But to one seventeen-year-old-girl and her family, it was home.

Cleared Out is the extraordinary story of the events of that winter. Sue Davenport, Peter Johnson and Yuwali - that same Martu girl - recreate this astonishing period in vivid detail. Records of the political outrage, the public outcry, and the battles in the corridors of government are starkly contrasted with Yuwali's first-hand accounts and those of the patrol officers sent to round up her family.

This is not just a story about the clearing of the desert. It's about the people: the bureaucrats whose decisions affected thousands of lives; the patrol officers forced to make ethical decisions in unethical circumstances. And, of course, Yuwali's family: women and children who had never before seen a 'whitefella'.

The authors have produced a book that brilliantly recreates the past, but also forces us to confront the future. How should Australia renegotiate its relationship with the Martu? What choices did the Martu make, and what obligations are owed to them? **Cleared Out** is a gripping book; a book about Australia's yesterday, and Australia's tomorrow.

On Friday 9 June 2006 the Minister for Culture and the Arts, Hon Sheila McHale, announced that **Cleared Out** had won the \$20,000 Premier's Prize in the 2005 Western Australian Premier's Book Awards. The authors also won the West Australian History Award.

Reviewer: Kathleen Broderick, University of Western Australia July 2006

Cleared Out: first contact in the western desert. Sue Davenport Peter Johnson and Yuwali, (ISBN 0855754575), Canberra, Aboriginal Studies Press, 2005, 208 pages, paperback, \$45.00 at **UNDERGROUND BOOKS**

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Convair 580 Landing gives Mark Hill a challenge

Right: Mark Harrison on hand while visiting Convair refuels



Below: The Convair 580 taxis out onto runway



Coober Pedy's new airport upgrade had barely been announced when on the 29th April, a Convair 580 chartered by National Geographic landed at the Coober Pedy airport for refueling.

A pavement concession was requested due to the plane's size. After advice, approval was granted by the airport manager Mark Hill.

Permission also had to be approved by CASA to refuel the aircraft, as the height of the fuel tanks exceeded the refuelers' licence.



Above: Mark Hill attends to a less challenging task

SA ISOLATED CHILDREN'S PARENTS ASSOCIATION STATE CONFERENCE 2009 HELD AT WOOMERA

By: Helen Williams
Nilpinna Station

The 38th annual ICPA SA State Conference was held at Woomera on Friday, May 1st 2009. The Eldo Hotel proved an appropriate venue for the conference theme "Blast Your Education Into The Future" and the families of the North West branch under the guidance of convenors Joanna Gibson and Jill Greenfield very capably organized the event.

Thursday night began with a "Star Gazing Dinner" Guests were able to look towards the heavens with telescopes and enjoy a meal provided by the Woomera Board.

The conference was opened by Ms Robyn Williams, Base Support Manager of the Woomera Defence Support Group. Robyn gave us a very interesting talk about the Woomera area and its history.

Motions presented at the conference were concerned with supervisor support at School of the Air, internet accounts for education purposes, Centra problems, school travel for pre-school children, technical support to rural and remote schools, and bypass issues for secondary students from rural communities.

Healthy debate took place on most of the motions and letters to State and Federal Ministers and other DECS people will be written. We are also hoping to organize a delegation to Adelaide in the near future to voice our concerns to the relevant ministers and organizations.

Our guest speakers included Ms Sue Urban from Wilderness School who gave us a very interesting talk on "Being Smart- Our Kids and Technology"- ideas about our children and their use of the internet.

Ms Jeane Schocroft from Open Access College Marden informed us about the Open Access College and the many advantages of being educated using this form of schooling. Colin Greenfield from Billa Kalina Station gave an insight into the history of Billa Kalina and growing up in a restricted area.

At the conference, Mr Rowan Ramsey Federal Member for Grey, released his paper on a new funding system for tertiary students from rural and regional areas. Mr Ramsey is hoping this paper will be adopted as Coalition policy in the lead-up to the next election.



Marla Oodnadatta ICPA Branch President Bernadette Giles, Wintinna Station and State Council delegate Gerry Nunn, Macumba Station attended the recent ICPA State Conference held at Woomera.

Mr John Tonkin from Telstra Countrywide gave a short presentation on Telstra happenings, and Mr Damien Judd from Australian Technical College, Flinders Ranges and Outback campus in Port Augusta relayed the latest news from their organization. Ms Jacqui Carswell from the Defence Department enlightened us with interesting facets of defence life.

Following the conference, Ms Trish Ellen gave a workshop on "Making Maths Fun" which was enjoyed by all who attended.

The Conference Dinner, sponsored by the Outback Areas Community Development Trust

was also held in the Eldo venue, and guests were entertained with music and singing provided by Mr John Bayley from Wirraminna Station and Mrs Paula MacKenzie, President of the Woomera Board.



Rowan Ramsey MP released his paper on a new funding system for tertiary students from rural and regional areas.

For more information about ICPA, or if you would like to join, please contact our branch members, Bernadette Giles who is Branch President for Marla Oodnadatta, Gerry Nunn, branch delegate to State Council or Helen Williams, Branch and State Secretary, or go to www.icpa.com.au



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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations in breach

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations listed below, which are located in the Coober Pedy area, have not lodged their 2007-08 reports with the Registrar. This means they are in breach of the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 or related legislation.

Failure to comply by 30 June 2009 may result in the prosecution of the corporation and its directors. It may also result in the deregistration of the corporation.

Please contact 1800 622 431 if you need help with your reports or if you believe the corporation has already lodged its 2007-08 reports.

Anthony Beven
Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

ICN	Corporation name
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This list was last updated on 28 April 2009.

RANDALL CROZIER MOVES FROM ANNA CREEK TO GREEN PASTURES

Hoove and Horns brings tourism to remote areas

Randall was also one of the instigators of the Hooves and Horns Cattle Drive, from Oodnadatta to William Creek in 2004, with a cheque for \$30,000 being handed over to the Royal Flying Doctor Service, the proceeds raised from the Hooves and Horns Cattle Drive from Oodnadatta to William Creek.

This year in 2009 the William Creek Race Club Committee handed the Royal Flying Doctor Service another cheque for \$10,000 after the running of their Annual Race Cup where Randall's sons Ben, Jake, and Tom Crozier picked up a few more trophies for their collection.



Randall Crozier presents an annual cheque to RDFS representative Brendon Eblen in 2005

Sealing the William Creek airstrip!

Randall has been very vocal in his desire to see the sealing of the William Creek airstrip which he felt would be of great benefit to the town. Hopefully in the not too distant future this will become a reality.

Running a cattle station bigger than Israel is a life which includes rising before the sun. 5.00 am was the usual starting time at Anna Creek Station for Randall and the crew including Head Stockman, Gordon Warren.



Matthew Williams, Hamilton and Gordon Warren, Anna Creek at Randall's farewell

A drought proof property?

Anna Creek Station is one of 13 Kidman properties and outstations throughout Australia and is the flagship property of one of the country's biggest landowners, S. Kidman & Co. When cattle king Sir Sidney Kidman set up his vast pastoral empire in the late 19th century the plan was to drought-proof his business. He wanted to make sure his livestock would always have access to enough feed and water.



Farewell Randall from: Melissa Bennett, Port Augusta, Margie Nunn, Anna Creek and Lynnne Plate, Oodnadatta

With the capacity to run 16,000 cattle, it is the worlds biggest cattle station, four times larger than the biggest ranch in the United States. Its area is almost 24 000 km (6 million acres) stretching between Coober Pedy and Lake Eyre. It is 8 000 km larger than Alexandria Station (its nearest rival) in the Northern Territory, Australia. At Anna Creek they raise Santa Gertruda cattle being the most suitable for the hot, dry climates in the outback.

Anna Creek has suffered considerable losses due to the current drought with the station being destocked a few years ago as conditions across the pastoral sector worsened. Recent rains in 2008 improved conditions somewhat on the large station.



Little Lacey Dadleh and Mum Lolly came from Stuart Creek Station for the farewell

William Creek is the nearest township, completely surrounded by the Anna Creek station. The nearest town for freight and supplies being Coober Pedy.

There is a main homestead at Anna Creek and an outstation at The Peake. The isolated Homesteads have satellite telecommunications including television and Internet.

Peter Rowe's Diversity Tours and Coober Pedy Oodnadatta One Day Mail Run delivers mail twice a week and brings a small amount of freight.

Historically a large workforce of stockmen at Anna Creek mustered the cattle on horseback. Today light aircraft are used for locating cattle and then rounded up by stockmen on trailbikes.

Remote water monitoring implemented

In 2005 Telemetry Field Days were held at William Creek. Randall Crozier has since implemented the Telemetry systems for remote water monitoring control equipment at Anna Creek. It is controlled and monitored either from the homestead or a vehicle.

Anna Creek operates on a diesel-driven generator, which powers five computers, all on broadband internet connections that bounce off overhead satellites, a technology which helps with office work, communications and the weather.

The station also uses solar power and an ultra-high frequency or UHF radio connection to operate its water pumps remotely at the push of a button.



Narelle and Rodney Fullerton came from Allandale for Randall's farewell turnout

On Saturday September 2 in 2006 friends had traditionally farewellled outback family Norm and Steph Sims along with their daughters Emily, Tayla, Christie and Cassie. The Sims family had lived in the district for 15 years. Norm Sims had been appointed manager of Durrie Station, east of Birdsville and was leaving town.

At this farewell in 2006 Randall Crozier along with Helen Williams made the farewell presentatoin on behalf of both committees. Now the Sims family are back in the fold and already operating at Anna Creek Station.



Robert Smulders, Hawker, publicans Adriana and Neville Jacob, Lynnne Plate,

The South Australian pastoral communities wish Randall all the best for his future and welcome the Sims Family back into the district

Photos: Helen Williams

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Roger C said:

Why? To further erode community? Seems to be the Rann mantra of late. In 2007 Rann said:

“We are changing the laws, putting record levels of investment into police and prosecutions, and we are building new courts,” Mr Rann says.

Is this progress? Is this a measure of success? Surely a better measure would be a reduction in prosecutions and the need for less policing. This is indicative of a fractured society and removing local services makes this a self fulfilling prophecy.

Its time for a change – Rann is damaging for the state and such moves as above demonstrate that its a part of state government policy to undermine local community.

Fredrich said:

You communities are all the same. Clinging to your little piece of “heaven”, while the country goes broke. Why don’t you just shift yourselves nicely to the suburbs instead of being such an inconvenience to those trying to keep your country afloat.

In the end you will leave as there will be no space left for you or your complaints. Spell out how viable you all are and then let the businesses get on with financing your lazy habits. Obviously you can’t take a hint. This country is about mining.

City Slicker said:

People and communities are in the way eh?

There is plenty of work Frederich and your type would stil be whining in the remote areas. Try something a bit more suited to your arrogance, like getting a job with BHP for example. Unless you were amongst those who were just put off.

The desert is not for you and neither is Ceduna.

So you want more bases for your mining operations? Helping shove out families for the hit and run capitalists is a great way to present yourself to SA. How enchanting, healthy and happy for everyone. Nevertheless this outburst is very telling for us and our country cousins.

Maybe Mike Rann will realise why his plans keep falling in a heap. He only got into power on the Green facet of his policies and now it appears as though our hope of Geothermal energy is being manipulated into producing power for his uranium aspirations, instead of our cities.

Shame on you Petrathern.

Mike will leave his mark alright but it won’t be in history, as there is no future where he is going.. sincerely, **City slicker**

Atherton said:

Even ATASIC with all of it’s alleged corruption in high places put out a few decent proposals for the aboriginal and remote people.

Removing access to legal assistance doesn’t indicate any type of conciliation here. Where are the ministers of the State government at present? Who are they administering to? Certainly not the people of South Australia.

“Barriers for Access to Justice faced by aboriginal clients Indigenous people in “remote areas” face specific barriers in accessing a legal service and understanding the law and their rights.

Fundamental practical obstacles include extremely low levels of literacy which hampers communication by mail, and geographical and seasonal isolation which hampers face to face delivery of services”.

Not one of the so called “ministers”, appears to be ad-ministering or catering to our needs, but instead playing chess with our towns and this land, with a not very well hidden agenda.

The way to monopolise land is to firstly create an epedemic of some sort. Currently we are all battling with industrial gases and their health outcomes.

Next, confiscate the water and land. The water is pretty suspect anyway, we are hearing and of course having smelters all over the land will be extra “good for us”?

Cancel the infrastructure funds, then cancel the legal system, then contaminate the water some more....just keep on cancelling and contaminating until we violate our OWN human rights.

This greedy government won’t have to keep giving the communities presents to make them unwary of what’s in their other hand. Wake up little towns .

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In response to the Shooters Club article in the 30th April edition

Dear Editor,

Yes, our committee was invited to attend although unfortunately the two members that were going to attend were unable due to illness and other circumstances.

It seems the message that these people would not be there did not get

through.

We are a not for profit association run by volunteers. Our aim is to promote and support sport and recreation in Coober Pedy although like many other volunteer organisations time and resources are limited.

We apologise for any inconvenience and we congratulate the Shooters Club on their achievements and wish them success with their future programs.

Coober Pedy Regional Sports & Recreation Association Inc

Doggy Doo

It is with disappointment that I find that some dog owners are allowing their dogs to run free on Oxiana Oval, and are also failing to clean up after their dogs.

The oval is there for the use of townspeople and sporting clubs and is only a “dog off-leash exercise area” between the hours of 6.00 am and 8.00 am.

Council recently installed a dispenser at the entrance to the oval, providing a supply of bio-degradable ‘doggy-doo’ tidy bags for owners to pickup after their dogs.

It was extremely disappointing to find that after only two days the bags have been removed from the dispenser and were spread around the

oval area. A number of people who have used the bags as intended had discarded the bags on the walking track. These people must walk past a bin when leaving the oval’s main gate.

As a dog owner it is your responsibility to clean up after your dog. Council’s Animal Management Plan states that dog owners are legally required to retrieve and dispose of their dog’s faeces.

Council will continue to supply dog tidy bags from the dispenser at the entrance to the oval as long as this is not continually abused, and are looking into sourcing additional dog tidy bag dispensers for placement around the town. Council will also

be sourcing a supply of individual degradable dog waste bags and ‘pooch pouches’ for sale to the public.

Please spare a thought for those people who use the oval for sport and recreation purposes when next you take your dog for a walk on the oval, and use the bags supplied to clean up after your dog and dispose of the waste in one of the many bins provided at the oval. Council does not want to get to the stage of installing a CCTV camera at the oval and prosecuting people who fail to clean up after their animals, so please do the right thing so that we can all enjoy the magnificent facilities at Oxiana Oval.

Mayor Steve Baines

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- Great company

SATURDAY 13 June 2009

Hosts: **Katrina Hiki, Miriam Kammermann, and Kate McLeod**

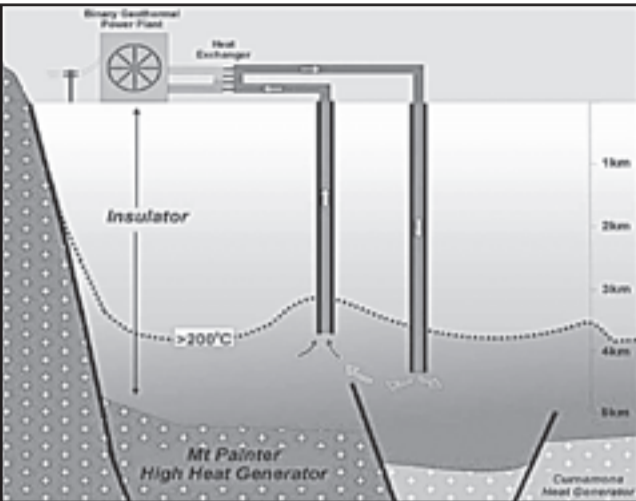
Time: **2:00 – 4:00 pm** Where: **Coober Pedy RSL**

A Sweet or Savoury Plate would be appreciated

PETRATHERM DRILL ARRIVES - FIRST PROJECT

BEVERLEY

The custom-made 2000hp Weatherford "Lightning" Rig arrived at Port Pirie late Sunday and is to be transported to the site this week where it will be used by Petratherm to spud its Paralana 2 deep well in mid-June.



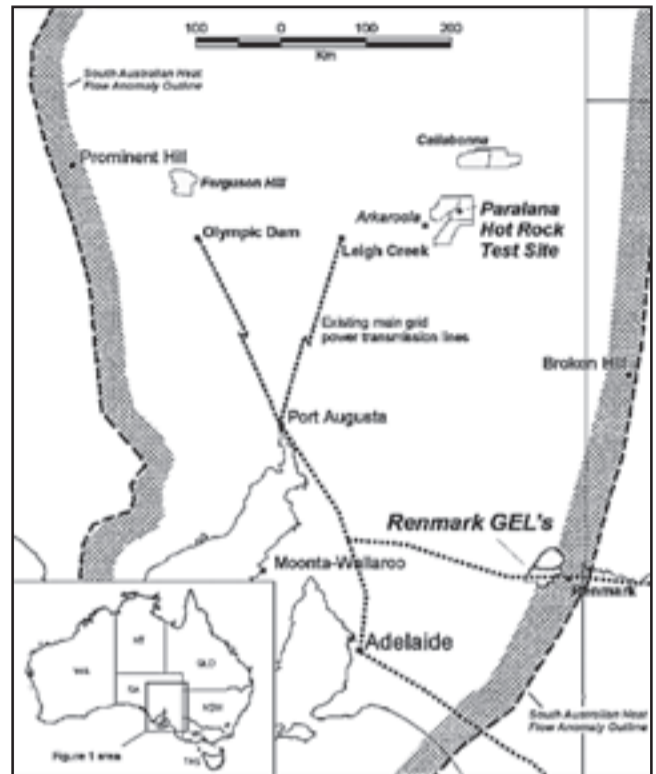
Paralana proposed Heat Exchanger

The Paralana JV plans to use the rig to drill 4km below the earth's surface creating a deep injection well that, in tandem with a soon-to-be-drilled second well, will establish an underground "heat exchanger" capable of circulating super-heated water by early 2010.

Petratherm announced on Wednesday 1 November 2006 that it had signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Heathgate Resources who operate the Beverley Uranium Mine. The MoU relates to the supply to the mine of electricity from the Company's Paralana Geothermal

Energy Project and would provide Petratherm and Heathgate Resources with a base from which to explore opportunities in relation to supplying electricity, produced by geothermal energy, additional to current contracted requirements, to help the uranium mine's growing future needs.

The Beverley Uranium Mine is just 11 kilometres from the Paralana Geothermal Energy Project, meaning transmission infrastructure costs would be at a minimum.

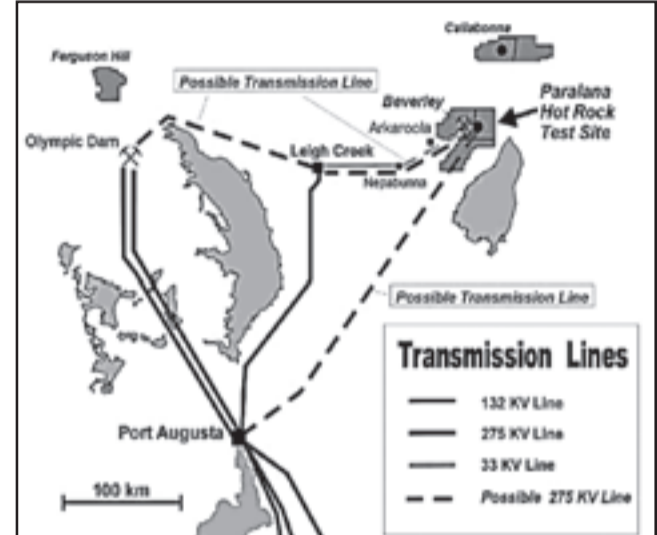


Petratherm's South Australian Projects

Petratherm has since received significant Federal Government support, including a \$7 million grant last month through the Government's \$50 million Geothermal Drilling Program. Further funding has been applied for via the Government's \$435 million Renewable Energy Demonstration Program to help finance a 30MW commercial demonstration project at Paralana.

The 30 MW commercial demonstration project has an estimated cost of approximately \$200 million and includes network connection to the nearby Beverley Uranium Mine, just 11 kilometres away from the project site. Petratherm has sought funding for one-third of eligible expenditures.

The Olympic Dam expansion is expected to require significant power increases from its current 130 MW to around 500 MW. To supply this demand from Paralana one option being considered is a high voltage line to Olympic Dam from Paralana via the Leigh Creek power node.



A possible power development plan for transmission lines and grid nodes

Luxury features like leather seats, sports wheels or a sunroof are nice to have, but they won't save your life in an accident. But there are many safety features available in cars today that can. Two examples are Electronic Stability Control (ESC) and Curtain Air Bags. ESC helps keep you on the road and avoid an accident, while Curtain Air Bags save lives if you are involved in an accident. Both of these features are available on many new cars either as standard equipment or as optional extras. To find out if your next car has ESC and Curtain Air Bags visit howsafelyourcar.com.au



Vietnam Veteran Motorcycle Club members visit Coober Pedy



Vietnam Veterans
Opal Inn Hotel 2009



The Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club made a visit to Coober Pedy on Wednesday 29 April. The loyal "Vets" had travelled to Northern Territory to attend the Anzac Day service in Alice Springs
Photography: Peter Rowe



Vietnam Veterans
Coober Pedy 2009

SMOOTHER RIDE ON THE STUART HIGHWAY

Motorists will soon have a smoother ride on sections of the Stuart Highway, south of Coober Pedy, when road rehabilitation works are completed in late June.

The Department for Transport, Energy Infrastructure (DTEI) advises that works to make the road surface smoother will soon be underway on targeted sections of the Stuart Highway.

The works, which will begin on Tuesday, 19 May, involve applying a bitumen overlay to remove undulations on a total of five kilometres of the road surface.

DTEI anticipates the works will be completed in June 2009, weather permitting.

Lane and speed restrictions will apply for the life of the project and motorists are reminded to exercise caution and drive to the conditions.

DTEI thanks motorists for their patience and apologises for any inconvenience.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Youth Leadership Award, as part of the inaugural Rural and Outback Awards, seeks to recognise individual young people or a group working with young people (12-27 years of age).

The Australian Defence Force, as sponsor of the Youth Leadership Award category are proud to highlight young individuals and youth organisations through this new rewarding and encouraging program.

The Awards seeks accolade in the following five categories:

- The Canberra Institute of Technology Business, Training and Employment Award
- The Farm Biosecurity Award
- The Rural Skills Australia Agricultural and Rural Development Award
- The Department of Defence Youth Leadership Award
- The Golden Circle Health and Community Service Award

Each Awards winner will receive a \$2,000 cheque and a magnificent hand crafted glass trophy, supported by Traditional Credit Union.

The awards are presented by Imparja Television and the Australian Defence Force, with further support from WIN Television. Nomination forms are available by visiting www.awardsaustralia.com or phoning 1300 735 445.

WOOMERA & DISTRICT FOOTY TEAM GIVE BROKEN HILLA WEDGIE IN POWER MINERS CUP

The Power Miners Cup with the Wedgies Woomers vs Broken Hill was the curtain raiser in Adelaide at AAMI Stadium at the Port Adelaide v Adelaide game on Saturday 2 May, 2009

Local umpires Sgt Greg Burns and Andrew Fyfe travelled to Adelaide to umpire for the rugged miners in what proved to be a nail biting event throughout the four quarters of the match.

The final scores were Wedgies Woomers 14 goals 8 points 92 points defeated Broken Hill 8 goals 10 points 58 points. An indication that the Woomera and District Football teams have been warming up well during the pre-training season.

Photo: Tania Fyfe



Above: The scene at the Power Miners Cup in Adelaide on Saturday May 2nd when Woomers Wedgies defeated the Broken Hill miners at the AAMI Stadium

Are your kids asking questions about Jesus or God?

The Catacomb Church runs Children's Ministries which may help.

SUNDAY SCHOOL every Sunday of School Term

9.30 am - 11.00 am Ages 3-13 years
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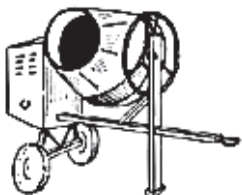
ADVENTURERS KIDS CLUB every 2nd Friday of School Term

3.00 pm - 5.00 pm Ages 7 - 13 years

For more information please ring Pastor Peter Palmer at the Catacomb Church on 86 725 038

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OLYMPIC DAM MINE EXPANSION TO BLOW OUT SA GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS

A technical assessment by Monash University engineering lecturer Dr Gavin Mudd reveals that the proposed Olympic Dam mine expansion will make it almost impossible for South Australia to meet its legislated target of a 60% reduction in greenhouse emissions. The technical assessment - which finds that emissions from the mine will rise from one million tonnes to 4.5-6.6 million tonnes of carbon dioxide annually - is being released today to coincide with BHP Billiton's release of an EIS for the mine expansion.

Dr Mudd said: "South Australia has a legislated target to reduce greenhouse emissions by 60%, limiting total emissions to 13 million tonnes of carbon dioxide annually by 2050. Yet the Olympic Dam mine alone will produce one-third to one-half of that total, making it almost impossible for South Australia to meet its target.

"BHP Billiton wants to take credit for its export of uranium to fuel low-carbon nuclear power reactors, but that argument is flawed on two counts. Firstly, the end uses of energy exports are not counted in Australia's greenhouse emissions, and if they were, BHP Billiton would also need to account for its extensive fossil fuel exports. Secondly, the argument rests on the arbitrary and implausible assumption that the only alternative to Olympic Dam uranium exports is to build coal fired power plants," Dr Mudd said.

Dr Mudd's technical assessment is posted at www.foe.org.au/anti-nuclear/issues/oz/u/roxby

Dr Jim Green, Friends of the Earth's national nuclear campaigner, said: "BHP Billiton plans to increase the export of uranium from 4,000 tonnes per year to 19,000 tonnes. In power reactors, that amount of uranium would produce enough plutonium to build 2,850 nuclear weapons each year. Over the lifespan of the mine, it could be responsible for the production of enough plutonium for over 40,000 nuclear weapons. This is an unacceptable risk given Prime Minister Rudd's acknowledgement that "the nuclear non-proliferation treaty continues to fracture".*

"BHP Billiton sells uranium to nuclear weapons states, states refusing to ratify the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, states blocking progress on a Fissile Material Cut-Off Treaty, states with a history of secret nuclear weapons research, and states stockpiling 'civil' plutonium. A new low was set in 2006 when the federal government, with BHP Billiton's support, negotiated a uranium export agreement with the secretive, repressive, militaristic, undemocratic regime in China. The Olympic Dam expansion plan is heavily predicated on sales to China, including the proposed annual export of 1.6 million tonnes of uranium/copper concentrate to China for processing there.

"The company has not been required to study the viability of mining copper, gold and silver without also extracting and selling uranium - an option which would allow for ongoing, profitable mining while addressing at least some of the major problems," Dr Green said.

2009 Far North SA Economic Development Forum



At Desert Cave June 17

The global economic climate has changed considerably since the Northern Regional Development Board convened the 2008 Far North Economic Development Forum and will again coordinate the Forum for robust discussions with reference to the affect of the economic contraction on the Far North Region and, importantly, a way forward.

The 2009 Far North Economic Development Forum will attract significant representation from the resource sector, government agencies and local businesses with numbers expected to equal previous years of 70+ registrations.

Speakers at the Forum will include:

- **IMX Resources**
- **Altona Energy**
- **Western Plains Resources**
- **Dominion Gold Operations**
- **Department of Trade and Economic Development**

The 2009 Far North Economic Development Forum will be held at the **Desert Cave Hotel, Cooper Pedy on Wednesday, 17th June 2009** and will

explore the change in the region, as Mayor Steve Baines states;

" Although the economic climate has changed dramatically in the past twelve months, and we are certainly in a very different position than what we expected to be in this time last year, all is not gloom and doom.

Towns such as Cooper Pedy must realise the potential to grow in the current climate and continue to advance discussions with potential investors such as those in the resource sector. Now is a good time to consolidate and position ourselves, so that when the current economic climate improves we are best placed to take advantage of the opportunities that will invariably come with it. The Economic Development Forum will be an important tool in facilitating such discussion, and progressing strategic partnerships that will offer long term benefits to all involved."

Further details regarding confirmation of speakers and times will follow shortly. For additional information please contact Chad Menzies on 08 8672 5579 or cmenzies@nrd.com.au

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Golfing on the "green" in 2009

The Coober Pedy golfers have dusted down their clubs after another long hot summer and once again can be seen trailing their gear up hill and down dale, through scubland, over rocks, and up the hill again for refreshments at the clubhouse.

The year has begun enthusiastically with Bob Markovic in the scoring lead, determined to keep his name on the board

but with brother Mijo Markovic, Ray Patek, Peter Lane and Kim Kelly in hot pursuit, the competition is looking tough.

This year there are fresh new sponsors at the club with the locals businesses enthusiastic to keep Bob's name on the board at least for the sake of his grandchildren. Chris Comer has been busy polishing her camera lens for a fresh

collection of golfing pics, while ex captain Damien Geyer spent the whole summer watering the golf course so that Chris' dream, of "see you on the green" might finally come true. Club President, Bev Staines who visited sister club St Andrews a short time back seemed quite happy with the new look fairway. The visual green might even impress the affiliated club over there in freezing cold Scotland.



No scrape - Keep of grass sign at Scrape Number 4 in 2008



18th Hole - Coober Pedy goes green in 2009 - An inspirational vision by Damien Geyer (ex Captain)

Ernie Dingo drops in at John's Pizza Bar



Above: Hoping to get onto the "Wall of Fame", Ernie Dingo has his photo taken with Peter and Stephen at the Pizza Bar in Coober Pedy

Ever since Dawn Fraser had her photo taken with Maxine and the babies at John's Pizza Bar, celebrities have been queuing, to get in on the publicity.

Ernie Dingo is no exception and wasn't going to be upstaged by Tommy Crow who got his picture into the Coober Pedy Regional Times with Peter and Stephen thus making it to "the wall".

On his way through to the Great Australian Cattle Drive, Ernie Dingo called in to John's Pizza Bar to pick up a Native Pizza (Kangaroo, Emu and Crocodile ?) and made himself known in order to get a quick snap with the lads and hopefully be selected for "the wall".

Ernie's led a busy life since he graced the international screens on Crocodile Dundee and beamed the smile that won millions of hearts across the world.

Like Tommy Crow, Ernie will be back to see if he made it to "the wall" and to pick up a collection of papers to show off the evidence to his friends.

TOP GEAR CAR SHOW

Following Ernie, came the crew from "Top Gear Car Show". Top Gear, along with SBS have spent five days trialing small cars for endurance in desert conditions.

The location between Oodnadatta and William Creek was chosen for the trials and despite the nice Autumn weather Steve

Pizzati told CPRT that the cars survived very well indeed for the five days "off road".

The two cars being trialed were a diesel driven, Fiat 500 and a Smart Car which runs on standard petrol.

The first episode of Top Gear Car Show went to air on Monday 11 May on SBS.

Peter Rowe from Desert Diversity Tours and of course the Outback Mailrun provided "Top Gear" with geographic assistance, introductions and some stills photography during the trials.

Pictured below are TV Hosts, Warren Browne and Steve Pizzati from the Top Gear Car Show with Peter and Stephen Ikonopolous



Above: The Top Gear team show off their Fiat 500 after it passed the offroad endurance tests out near William Creek. Photo: Peter Rowe



NOMA Sponsor Yanni Athanasiadis Gets the 2010 Opal Fashion Bash Rolling

The National Opal Miners Association have rewarded their fresh new faces of 2010 Opal Fashion Bash, Kendall Olive, Mackay and Catriona Gray, Cairns by presenting them both with stunning sets of opal pendants and earrings. (Photos by: Kate)



National secretary Maxine O'Brien said one of their members, well known Coober Pedy jeweller and Umoona Opal Mine and Museum owner, Yanni Athanasiadis specifically designed both sets to be given away to the new chosen faces to promote the 2010 Opal Fashion Bash.

Yanni described each set as made of brilliant blue green opal with a very attractive pattern.

Maxine O'Brien said "it's great that our opal jewellers in all regions now designing special pieces of our national gemstone for young Australians".

"The Opal Fashion Bash has certainly provided the incentive to encourage the opal industry to now target the youth market. Seeing all the smiles on the faces of the winners of 55 pieces of opal jewellery our industry gave away does make us all realise this is a market we now have to pursue and many jeweller's are learning through this sponsorship what signs appeal to our youth." Ms O'Brien added.

Meanwhile event founder Henry Petersen said they would continue to promote opal jewellery via their web site and video previews and also via the Miss Universe Australia Pageant which saw one of their Opal Fashion Bash entrants Rachael Finch take out the title last month.

Henry also said the two new faces, Kendall Olive and Catriona Gray's photos would be appearing on all promotional material used to promote 2010 Opal Fashion Bash. Plans are now in hand to post photos of all opal jewellery model prize winners on their web site.

To view some of the prizes given away at 2009 Opal Fashion Bash log on to: www.fashionbash.com.au

Left: New face for the 2010 Fashion Bash Kendall Olive wearing her gift pendant and earring set designed and made in Coober Pedy



Right: Catriona Gray, Teen Model of the Year wearing stunning jewellery also designed by NOMA sponsor, Yanni Athanasiadis of Coober Pedy

Mintabie Goes Green for Mother's Day



Mintabie mum's were in for a suitable surprise this Mother's Day -

In recognition of the ban on plastic shopping bags, students at Mintabie Area School, decorated reusable green shopping bags for Mother's Day gifts.

Pictured are Angelina and Kooper showing their handiwork.

Photos: Sue Britt



Mother's Day in the desert

When nature is your only home, it was a lovely surprise to find natural gardens in Mintabie a-bloom with South Australia's flower emblem, the Sturt Desert Pea just in time for Mother's Day.

This beautiful display, growing in Mintabie was photographed by Sue Britt and to be shared with mums across the country



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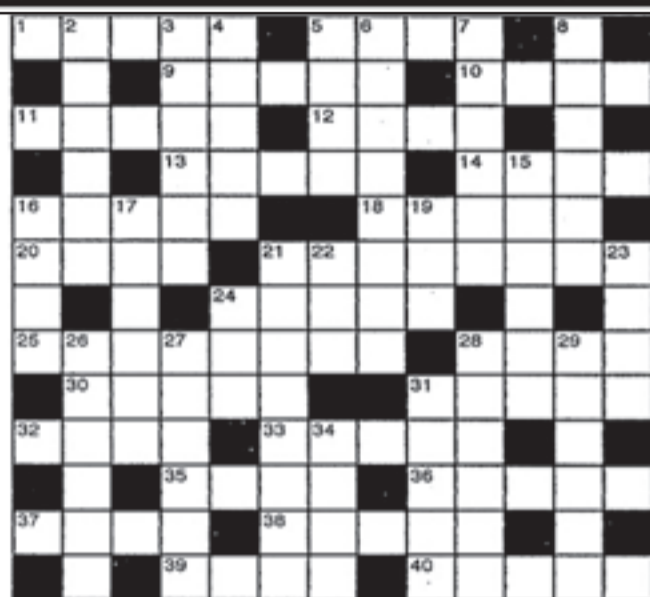


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SOLUTION NO. 115



"Mornin' Shane".
"Yeah, morning, Dave. What's with the suggestions box mate?"
"Been getting some good ideas fer recession businesses lately Shane. In fact ideas 'ave been rippin' through me head so fast I have ta write 'em down cos I keep forgettin' 'em."
"Darn good idea mate, I should get meself a box like that cos I keep forgettin' me ideas too."
"You c'n use this one if ya like Shane. There's plenty of room in it."
"I s'pose I could stick 'em in there Dave. But what if er...someone gets hold of me ideas and knocks 'em off?"



"Like who are yer suggestin' Shane? It's only us that's got access to it."
"Ah dunno mate. I've had a few good ideas in me time."
"What happened to 'em mate, cos things haven't changed much since I've known ya and that's been a while now."
"Ah, everytime I even think of an idea, presto, someone has read me mind."
"I tell ya what Shane, write ya next good idea down and stick it in the box and when I go through 'em, I'll check if there any good".
"We're a bright pair mate, with us forgettin' everything, we still won't know who's idea is who's."
"Just write a suggestion, that we could put our names on them Shane." "Yeah mate, good idea."

WHAT'S ON in COOBER PEDY ?

OUTBACK EVENTS

MONDAYS
AMBULANCE TRAINING
Umooona Road

TUESDAYS
SOCIAL MYSTERY DARTS
Italian Club 7.30 PM

DISTRICT COUNCIL MTGS
3rd Tuesday each month at 7pm

FOOTY TRAINING 6.30 pm Oval

WEDNESDAYS
Active Girls Group AFSS HOUSE
from 3.30 pm until 5pm

*Craft Group 7.30 - 9.30pm at Catacomb Church - Quilting or BYO
Tel: Joy Palmer 8672 5038*

THURSDAYS
Italian Club: Happy Hour 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm. \$10.00 meals commencing at 6.30 pm.

FOOTY TRAINING 6.30 pm Oval

FRIDAYS
Italian Club
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TRASH 'N TREASURE - LIONS
Last Saturday each Month

CP SHOOTERS CLUB
Pistol Competition
10am and 12pm
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2009 Opal Calendar

7 - 11 July 2009
National Opal Symposium & Winton QBOA Opal Trade Show

17 - 19 July 2009
Yowah Opal Festival Qld

24 - 25 July 2009
Coober Pedy Gem Trade Show

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Apple Race (11yrs & under, 12-15yrs)

Bending Race
(11yrs & under, 12-15yrs & Senior)

Flag & Barrel Race
(12-15yrs, Senior)

Walk Trot & Lead (11yrs & under)

Monte Carlo (Open Junior)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ME

Happy Birthday to me
Happy Birthday to me
Happy Birthday to lil'sis
And my 4 legged family

I was born on the 3rd May 2008. I was one of a litter of 8 puppies. We stayed together for the first 6 weeks of our lives. Then, one by one we all found good homes. My Mum saw a photo of me on the notice board at the Miners Store. She really wasn't looking for a dog and told herself she would just go and have a look at me, think about it, and she would need to ask Dad if he was ready for a new dog in his life.



Jenny and I discussing dog-wear fashion trends for the coming season



Part of the happy crowd at Lucy's and my birthday party.

Apart from the fact we all knew each other, this seems to be a standard ritual when we all get together for special occasions, or any occasion for that matter



Charlie Paris, Dog Reporter
charlie-paris@hotmail.com

Small sticks found outside are good for cleaning my teeth, but They say half a tree is not to be dragged through the house and left in the lounge room for someone to trip over.

Tins of expensive imported custard left on the kitchen table, are not dog food. They get upset when they find custard power from one end of the kitchen to the other. Really, too much custard powder just sticks to the roof of your mouth.

I was a normal size puppy, but my legs grew very fast. Somehow, I became a small pony overnight. I am much taller than lil' sis Lucy Liu. It's funny to see us playing together. On Sunday the 3rd May we had a puppy party. Lucy and I invited Gemma, Charlie and Jesse all 4 legged friends, plus a few 2 legged friends to throw Frisbees and balls for us. We all had chicken yiros and big bowls of fresh water. What Fun. For my birthday I got a Frisbee, a fluffy toy. A special chew toy and dog food from Lucy and her 2 legged family. (My mum thinks she's funny, she gave me dog shampoo). My Nanna Joan rang from Adelaide, to say happy birthday.

I got a great new dog bed and from my Auntie Jenny Simpson, a pull toy. Auntie Jenny is at Trash and Treasure, with her hand made dog beds and fun dog and cats things. Tell her Charlie Paris sent you.

I have come a long way from puppyhood to the adolescent dog I am today. 1 dog year is equal to 7 human years. I think I am more mature than a 7 year old. I am at least a teenager. I must be a teenager because now I know everything.

Famous people born on the 3rd May

Golda Meir. Bing Crosby, Sugar Ray Robinson. Ben Elton, Ben is special, he made a film in Coober Pedy called STARK

James Brown, James once said, "The one thing that can solve most of our problems is dancing"

Charlie Paris, once said, "The one thing that can solve most of our problems is DOG dancing"



Lucy and I sharing a birthday present. It was really my present but we both got half each

Charlie-Paris' E-Mail Bag



Muuuum.. what's Doggy Doo?
Is it like Charlie-Paris.. DONT?

She picked me up and it was love at first sight, she knew she was taking me home.

The important thing a puppy must learn is that, "They the People" have the last say.

There are always a few small teething problems, moving into a new family.

Where was the best place to use as a toilet? They were convinced outside was the best place and I was thinking inside, warm and comfortable and someone else always cleans it up.

I was working out what side of the bed was the most comfortable. They had already worked out the best place for me to sleep was on the floor by the bed. I did get a lovely purple blanket to sleep on.

I was working on a plan to get the cats to move out. They were trying to get us all to live happily together.

I had worked out the best food in the place must be on their plates, I tried so many ways to get them to part with it. There was no compromise here at all, the only thing I get away with is Twisties, if they have one, I have one.

The cats are not fluffy toys and are not to be chewed on.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF MATCH ROXBBY DISTRICTS V COOPER PEDY



The Cooper Pedy Saints sustained a convincing defeat by Roxby Districts in their first match for the season, played at Roxby Downs. Above Jack Burns keeps up with the ball showing energy and enthusiasm throughout the futile match for the Saints.

Despite an 88 - 31 scoreboard, the Saints displayed good team work and defended well

Photos: Jayde Frew

An excellent kick off the boot by Zaaheer McKenzie, but straight into the hands of waiting Roxby Districts players.

The Saints enjoy their weekends away and congratulate Roxby Districts on an excellent win. The team look forward to hosting Roxby in Cooper Pedy in a return match



WOOMERA & DISTRICTS FOOTBALL CLUB ROUND 29th May 09

Olympic Dam 9 goals 7 points 61 points defeated **Hornridge** 7 goals 6 points 48 points

Best players for Olympic Dam 1st D Rogers 2nd R Saracinino 3rd B Rynne 4th T Martin 5th S Freeth

Goal scorers R Saracino 4 goals D Rogers 3 goals A Petty 2 goals

Best players for Hornridge 1st P Rhodes 2nd W Monfries 3rd R McDonald 4th W Moroney 5th L Wilson

Goal scorer T Price 2 goals P Watkinson J Coultard R McDonald D Johnson J Carroll 1 goal each

Roxby Districts 21 goals 17 points 179 points defeated **Cooper Pedy** 8 goals 4 points 52 points

Best players for Roxby Districts 1st R Prosser 2nd B Wray 3rd D Peters 4th J Rose 5th J Orr

Goal scorers B Wray 7 goals J Watson L Devlin B Haliman D Peters K Zepfner R Prosser 2 goals each J Rose J Roberts 1 goal each

Best players for Cooper Pedy Z McKenzie, A Cook, T Wildy and B Buller

Goal scorers Z McKenzie 4 goals B Buller A Saxton M Ball L Wave 1 goal each

ROXBBY DOWNS JUNIOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION 9TH MAY JUNIOR COLTS

Bulldogs 10 goals 7 points 67 points defeated **Hawks** 5 goals 4 points 34 points

Best player for Bulldogs 1st J Mason 2nd L Hancock 3rd B Evans 4th M Hanson 5th J Rigden

Best players for Hawks 1st J Brind 2nd J Daly 3rd D Bulman 4th C Trussler 5th A Ryan

SENIOR COLTS

Hawks 12 goals 2 points 74 points defeated **Bulldogs** 8 goals 7 points 55 points

Best players for Hawks 1st T Golding 2nd C Haugum 3rd M Netherton 4th L Ryan 5th J Laurence

Best players for Bulldogs 1st D Male 2nd J James 3rd J Christall 4th B Kelly 5th W Robertse

Youth Friendly Doctor Program

Launch of the In Schools visit

The second component of the AMA(SA) Youth Friendly Doctor program was jointly

launched in Adelaide on Tuesday by the President of AMA(SA) Dr Andrew Lavender and SA Health Minister John Hill.

The Youth Friendly Doctor program has up-skilled general practitioners in a range of contemporary adolescent health topics, and is now offering a core team of Youth Friendly Doctors to conduct In schools visits to teenagers in high schools across South Australian metropolitan and rural areas.

AMA(SA) commenced the GP adolescent health training component of this program last November, and it has been a great success. To date eight doctors have been certified as Youth Friendly Doctors, with a further seven doctors to be certified over the coming weeks.

This program aims to provide young people with the practical knowledge and confidence required when visiting a doctor. An In schools visit will cover key areas such as the importance of doctor patient confidentiality, a brief overview of the Medicare system and important questions for young people to ask during a consultation.

"An In schools visit will help open up communication channels between young patients and doctors, and expose adolescents to the concept of seeking help from GPs in an independent and non-threatening way" said AMA(SA) President Dr Andrew Lavender.

Minister Hill said that "the Youth Friendly Doctor program will encourage young people to feel more comfortable about getting medical help and advice."

Go to www.youthfriendlydoctor.org.au to view all the details regarding the AMA(SA) Youth Friendly Doctor program.

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Bonna enjoying her Foot Massage from Amy



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Egg & Spoon race - 3 year old and under



AFSS Biscuit Decorating once again a hit



Tanya Lauder
Child Care Links Officer District Council of Cooper Pedy

"The Cooper Pedy Child Care Links project is an Early Childhood – Invest to Grow initiative, funded by the Australian Government under the Stronger Families and Communities Strategy".

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For more information
Contact Tanya Lauder on
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Amazing Drumming Monkeys rocked Cooper Pedy

MOTHER'S DAY - COOPER PEDIY

With over 180 people attending the Mother's Day Event, it definitely turned out to be a Family Fun Day for all. Child Care Links Officer, Tanya Lauder, would like to thank the following;

- Families SA—organising BBQ
- Aboriginal Families Support Services—Biscuit Decorating & Mother's Day Card
- Mini Gems—Balloon Animals
- United Care Wesley—volunteering at Gate
- CFS (Sandy)—offering free Fire Engine Rides
- Marie Pike—taking photos
- Paul Maduro & Shayne Nelson—Races
- And of course all the massagers.

This Mother's Day Event is held in association with National Families Week
10th-16th May 2009.



Cartier getting her Face painted by Holly



Mother's Day Card Table organised by Aboriginal Family Support

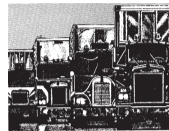


Sky & Mum with a Balloon animal done by Tink and Mel from Mini Gems Children's Centre

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Board members are appointed by the Governor on the nomination of the Minister for Environment and Conservation and the position is remunerated. Members should be willing to provide an average of three to four days per month for their service on the Board. The successful applicants will be appointed for terms ending in April 2011.

Applications must be in writing on the application form provided and must include a current curriculum vitae.

The State Government's policies with regard to gender balance, cultural diversity and representation of indigenous Australians will be adhered to in the selection process.

Applications close at 5:00pm on Friday, 12 June 2009.

Requests for Nominee Information Packs and completed applications should be addressed to:

Mr David Leek
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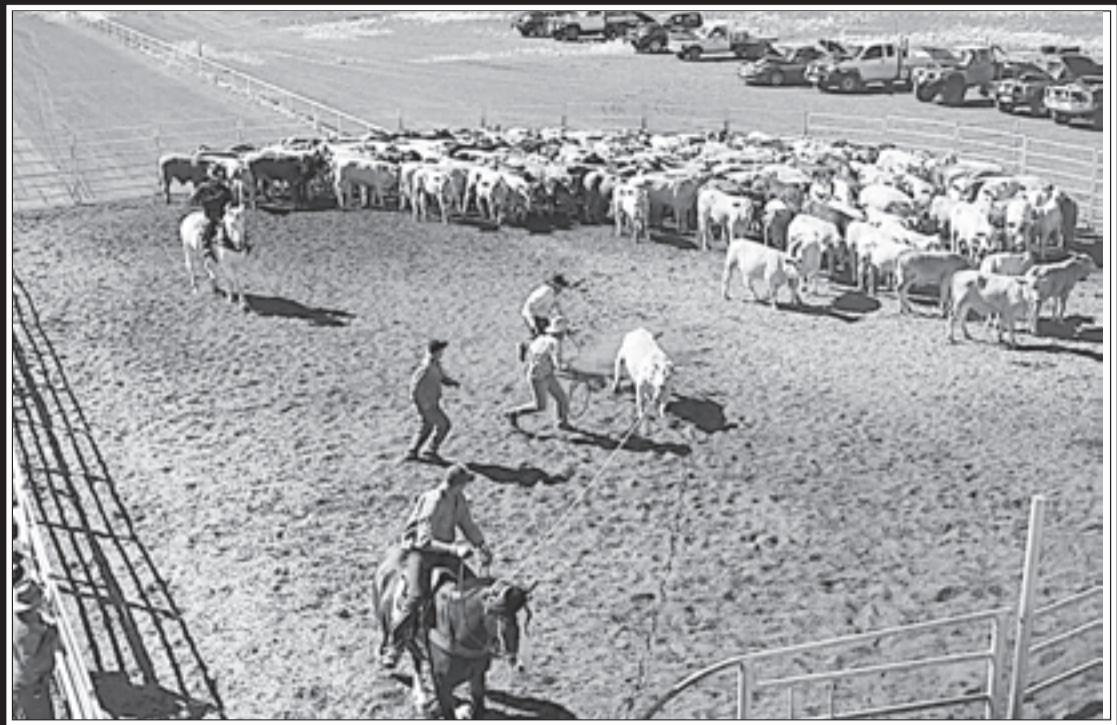
MOUNTFORD David
aka Schooner
(former Coober Pedy plumber)
passed away on Thursday 7 May, 2009
Schooner was living in the Blue Mountains NSW

The funeral will be held at Leura in the Blue Mountains on Saturday 16 May 2009.



PLEASE KEEP THE OUTBACK BEAUTIFUL

National Bronco Branding Championships Held at Marla



Clayton Schmidt, Alice Springs pulls a beast to the panel with his ground crew of Michael Fennell, Corey Ferguson and Reg Hunter at the ready. Second catcher, and the day's announcer Donny Rayment, Birdsville, is in the background

The Marla community recently played host to visitors from Northern Territory, Queensland and their South Australian counterparts as they presented the 2009 National Bronco Branding Championships on Anzac Day.

The day began in the traditional Anzac spirit with a Dawn Service at the Race Track, where a good crowd remembered those who have fallen in past wars. Wreaths were laid at the flag pole before the Last Post was played.

During the day a minute's silence was also observed for popular stockman Brett Schmidt, who was tragically killed in January. Brett spent some time living and working in the Marla area.

There was plenty of competition in all events, Novice, Singles and Doubles.

The Novice event was taken out by the Neutral Natives, a big contingent who had traveled from Neutral Junction NT for the event.

The National Bronco Branding Singles Champion for 2009 is Bully Booth, from Murnpeowie Station. Bully , with his ground crew of David May, Orroroo , Corey Ferguson, North Moolooloo Station Copley and Chris Reynolds, Commodore Station Parachilna, placed just ahead of the Macumba Team of Eddie Nunn, Macumba Station, Colin Greenfield, Billa Kalina Station, and Greg Warren Snr and Justin Nunn, Macumba Station.

In the National Doubles event, the hard working President of the Marla Race Club Alan Fennell, Lambina Station, took out the honours, partnered by the Phantom(Mark Speirs) from Roxby Downs, and Fennell family members Michael, .. and Jess on the ground.

It was also the last round of the Bronco Branding SA competition, and the winner for 2009 in the Singles was a tie between Eddie Nunn and Bully Booth.

The Doubles was won by Alan Fennell and Phantom Speirs.

The ladies Broom Tossing proved a popular event and this was won by Leah Giles.

The final event was the Tug-O-War with a prize pool of \$1000 to the winning team. After much straining, grunting , and groaning throughout the heats, the final "Tug" was fought out between the team from Lambina and a team headed by Cooper Bailes, Oodnadatta. The Lambina team eventually proved they were the strongest on the day!

A Ute competition added interest to the day, and the many different categories proved popular.

The day ended with trophy presentations and the band entertaining everyone until the early hours!!



Chloe Hunter, margie Nunn, Britney Broome, Hayley Nunn, Gerry Nunn and Paula Hunter enjoyed the day.

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ARIES: (March 21- April 20)

Lucky Colour: Red
Lucky Day: Wednesday
Racing Numbers: 1-4-9-4
Lotto Numbers: 1-4-19-30-31-40

Many will be involved in buying and selling land or moving house. A busy period socially and a flash of luck financially coming. Past friends appear and for many a new romantic interest.

TAURUS: (April 21- May 20)

Lucky Colour: Pink
Lucky Day: Tuesday
Racing Numbers: 1-6-2-1
Lotto Numbers: 7-16-21-26-35-43

A legal matter could be on your mind and some will be in for career elevations and the urge to succeed will be very strong. Effort you put in the past will now pay off and family reasons to celebrate coming up soon.

GEMINI: (May 21- June 21)

Lucky Colour: Grey
Lucky Day: Wednesday
Racing Numbers: 3-1-2-5
Lotto Numbers: 3-12-25-30-39-42

Most will be on the running streak, however, see that tension will not spill over. Good results can be expected from an intimate candle lit dinner rather than living it up on the town.

CANCER: (June 22- July 22)

Lucky Colour: Cream
Lucky Day: Monday
Racing Numbers: 1-7-1-5
Lotto Numbers: 1-7-15-16-25-34

Watch your diet and get plenty of the right kind of exercise. Someone close to you is in for a lucky strike. Romance should be much happier than it has been for the last few months.

LEO: (July 23- August 22)

Lucky Colour: Melon
Lucky Day: Saturday
Racing Numbers: 1-6-10-4
Lotto Numbers: 6-10-15-24-33-40

Travel plans could be on the at and some interesting social invitations coming your way. Think positive and your undertakings will have successful results. Any important chores should be carried out by yourself ad some people may not be reliable.

VIRGO: (August 23- September 23)

Lucky Colour: Navy
Lucky Day: Thursday
Racing Numbers: 2-1-9-6
Lotto Numbers: 2-19-20-24-29-38

Past problems could start to disappear. This should be a good period to negotiate financial affairs and career elevations are indicated. A lucky hunch could bring results.

LIBRA: (September 24- October 23)

Lucky Colour: Pink
Lucky Day: Friday
Racing Numbers: 1-1-2-5
Lotto Numbers: 1-11-19-20-28-34

Plan ahead in any financial dealings or you will soon find yourself in deep water. Things about the home may be more expensive that you bargained for. There is long distance travel coming for many.

SCORPIO: (October 24- November 22)

Lucky Colour: Blue
Lucky Day: Tuesday
Racing Numbers: 1-3-4-8
Lotto Numbers: 1-13-15-18-25-39

Plan to become more involved in outside activities. A few nights on the town could restore your get up and go. Some very exciting news could reach you before long. Lost objects and old friends could reappear.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23- December 20)

Lucky Colour: Plum
Lucky Day: Thursday
Racing Numbers: 8-1-7-4
Lotto Numbers: 8-17-22-27-31-40

Travel plans could be taking up a lot of your time. Some of your secrets or hidden aspects could become public. Health improvements and exciting news concerning career matters and long term projects are successful.

CAPRICORN: (December 21- January 19)

Lucky Colour: Red
Lucky Day: Saturday
Racing Numbers: 3-1-4-9
Lotto Numbers: 3-14-19-31-40-43

Some will be in the position to help out a friend and the rewards later on far out weigh the present effort. It's a happier period for love and romance. More could be in the public gaze.

AQUARIUS: (January 20- February 19)

Lucky Colour: Green
Lucky Day: Saturday
Racing Numbers: 4-3-3-2
Lotto Numbers: 4-13-22-32-40-44

Great opportunities are on the way make sure you do not miss out. More action around the home front and many could become closer to loved ones, very hectic period with new friends to meet.

PISCES: (February 20- March 20)

Lucky Colour: Blue
Lucky Day: Thursday
Racing Numbers: 5-3-8-6
Lotto Numbers: 5-14-23-32-38-42

Family reasons to celebrate are indicated and most could profit from a joint venture involving family members. Do not pay for an article before you receive it or pay for work around the home before checking that things are done properly.



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Results

Pistol Shoot

Bracket Standard Strongarm 25 Metres

Sponsored City Gate Videos

Saturday 2nd May Winners

Congratulation to:

Highest Off Pistol Roland Enders Scored 494.2

B Grade Dale Price Scored 485.5

D Grade Misty Mance Scored 261

1st With Handicap Vi Mance Scored 646

Results

Pistol Shoot

Bracket Drop Down Targets

Sponsored Mud Hut Hotel

Saturday 9th May Winners

Congratulation to:

1st Mick White Scored 58

2nd Dale Price Scored 57

3rd John Di Donna Scored 53

20/20 Centrefire

Sponsored Jim's IGA Thevenard

Sunday 21st March Winners

Congratulation to:

A Grade Dale Price Scored 145.2

B Grade Zeljko Mance Scored 125

C Grade John Di Donna Scored 134

D Grade Nick Georgionoudis Scored 99.1

1st With Handicap Nick Georgionoudis Scored 206.1.

Best Aggregate

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Sunday 3rd May Winners

Congratulation to:

A Grade John Di Donna Scored 175

B Grade Amy Di Donna Scored 155.1

C Grade None

I Grade Peter Kyrtzaliotis Scored 81

1st With Handicap Amy Di Donna

Scored 215.1

Centrefire 100m Prone

Sponsored John's Pizza Bar

Sunday 10th May Winners

Congratulation to Mary Harms:

1st John Di Donna Scored 92.2

2nd Ron Lamont Scored 52

Equal Mick White Scored 52

Rimrifle 100m Prone

Sponsored John's Pizza Bar

Sunday 10th May Winners

Congratulation to Mary Harms:

1st Jimmy Nikoloudis Scored 52

Centrefire 100m Bench Rest

Sponsored John's Pizza Bar

Sunday 10th May Winners

Congratulation to: Mary Harms

1st John Di Donna Scored 91.2

2nd Steve Marjanovic Scored 65

3rd Ron Lamont Scored 58

Shotgun

Sponsored Royce Cooper

Sunday 22nd March Winners

Congratulation to

1st Mick White Scored 16

2nd James Michie Scored 15

3rd Fred Harms Scored 11



*Jimmy Nikoloudis - Winner of the Rimrifle
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May 17th - Opal Classic Open

Below: Dedicated golfer, Coober Pedy's Kim Kelly teeing-off at hole number 4



Above: Club President, Bev Staines presents the winning team with their Pizza Vouchers - Kathryn, Alan Bunting Jnr, Robert Newton, Wendy Absalom & Bob Markovic

The season had hardly started and all of a sudden we found ourselves very busy preparing for our major event of the year this weekend. Why not join us on Saturday for a VERY SOCIAL 18-Hole Ambrose and then on Sunday for the main 18-Hole OPEN competition. It's a great weekend with lots of fun and prizes. We have listed all the details below, but if you have any enquires you may contact Bev Staines on 8672 3438 or Chris Comer on 8672 5461 (after 5:00 pm)

Men's 18-Hole Competition:

A, B & C Grades (Off the Stick & Handicap) with a Tee-off time at approximately 11:30 am.

Ladies' and Juniors' 18-Hole Competition:

(No gradings - Off the Stick & Handicap) with a Tee-off time at approximately 12:30 pm.

SPONSORS – where would we be without them!

Due to the loss of our major sponsors, Phil Lewis the treasurer went seeking funds and he did a fantastic job. He visited many businesses and individuals in town drank MANY, MANY cups of coffee and before long our funding for the weekend was looking VERY GOOD. We are extremely grateful to the following sponsors:

OPALIOS, the Old Timers Mine, LET'S GO FISHING (Adelaide), John and Yoka's Opal & Art, Opals by Tony Wong, Stuart Range Caravan Park, Umoona Opal Mine, Aretas Opals, Radeka Downunder - (Underground Motel and Backpackers Inn), Coober Pedy Area School, Caltex, Opals on Hutchison, Opals Direct, Michelle's Opal and William Lam.

Your GENEROUS donations and SUPPORT have made our life a lot easier and we do hope you will join us at the clubhouse during the weekend.

2009 SEASON

12th April - Ambrose – Opal Festival weekend

It was lovely to have the company of four 'out of towners' joining us for our first official game, along with local identity Robert Newton, who will be joining us in the Saturday and Sunday competitions this year. We look forward to Robert's company throughout the season.

Alan, Alan Jnr and Katherine Bunting were visiting from Hoppers Crossing in Victoria before heading off to Alice Springs. Katherine (10 handicap) was looking forward to taking part in the Alice Springs Junior Championships.

Alex is from Alice Springs and travelled down with Caama Radio for the Opal Festival. He thoroughly enjoyed himself and is hoping to return for this our Open/Ambrose this weekend.

Congratulations to the winners with a net score of 36.7 and thank you to John's Pizza Bar who donated large pizzas for the winning team.

Results

1st Place Net 36.7

Bob Markovic, Wendy Absalom, Robert Newton, Katherine and Alan Jnr Bunting

2nd Place Net 37

Mijo Markovic, Ray Patek, Frank Dunno and Ljubica Markovic

3rd Place Net 39

Bev Staines, Chris Comer, Frank Bunting and Alex

Sunday, April 19th - Stableford

Points:	
Bob Markovic	38
Mijo Markovic	38
Ray Patek	37
Peter Lane	36
Kim Kelly	35
Ljubica Markovic	34
Phil Lewis	33
Wendy Absalom	32
Bob Martin	29
Colin Maclean	27
Frank Dunno	27
John Dale	DNI
Bryan Atterton	DNI



Saturday, 2nd May Stroke Putting (9-Holes)

Roxene Newton	Nett 33/14 Putts
Robert Newton	Nett 34/15 Putts
Bob Martin	Nett 40.5/17 Putts
Yvonne Geiszler	Nett 51.5/21 Putts

Sunday, 3rd May Foursomes

Ray Patek & Mijo Markovic	Nett 66.7
Wendy Absalom & Bob Markovic	Nett 72.9
Frank Dunno & Bev Staines	Nett 73.3

Bob Martin (single player) Net 74

Friday, May 15th (2:30 pm onwards)

Bev and Chris will be at the clubhouse, to meet and greet, serve a few drinks and answer any questions you may have. At around 6:00 pm the sausages will be sizzling and our committee will take your competition registrations.

Saturday, May 16th OPALIOS 18-Hole Ambrose

Tee off time is 12:30 pm. Teams to consist of four players with a cost of \$15 per person and there are prizes for the Longest Drive and Nearest to Pin for all competitors. If you are thirsty or hungry make sure you catch up with the Sausage/Booze mobile roaming the course throughout the day. You may also want to keep your eyes open for suspicious people on the course, who may appear with notebooks in hand when you least expect them (these are the "FINES" SPIES"). Our evening meal and presentations will take place from 7:00 pm, with spinning wheel and coin-tossing prizes throughout the night. Those players who incurred fines will also be revealed.

Sunday, May 17th Coober Pedy Opal Fields Golf Club Opal Classic Open

The Competition fee is \$20 per person and from 10:30 am until tee-off time the club will be supplying a light brunch. There will be more prizes for the Longest Drives and Nearest to the Pin in each division, with the booze mobile (minus the sausages) cruising the course somewhere, to replenish your thirst. At around 7:00 pm we will have a three course meal, followed by the presentations. The wheel will be spinning again, more coins will be tossed and of course more fines will be issued.

See you on the green sometime soon!

Top Gear Road Test City Cars

Photos: Peter Rowe



Pictured above leaving the Stuart Highway for some rugged roads between Oodnadatta and William Creek. Above right the crew get footage on the impact of cattle grids

Peter Rowe of Desert Diversity Tours hosted Top Gear from Melbourne who travelled to the outback with SBS to road test city cars for endurance in outback conditions.

on the tiny Fiat 500 and Smar Car, both designed for the economy of city driving.

Far left: The Top Gear crew called in for a neighbourly visit with Norm and Steph Sims along with their daughters Emily, Tayla, Christie and Cassie who have just taken over at Anna Creek Station after several years away from the district

Top Gear host Steve Pizzati said that the two cars performed better than they had expected.

Steve and the crew were very grateful to Peter Rowe for his assistance in finding the locations for them which enabled the team to conduct accurate tests under conditions which cars can encounter when travelling away from main highways.



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