



## APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup> – ANZAC DAY

### ANZAC: Australian and New Zealand Army Corps – A Brief History

During the First World War on April 25<sup>th</sup> 1915, Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the allied expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula in order to open the Dardanelles to the allied navies. The primary objective was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul), the capital of the Ottoman Empire, which was an ally of Germany.

However, they were met with fierce resistance from the Ottoman Turkish defenders. At the end of 1915, the allied soldiers were evacuated where there were over 8,000 Australians killed. These soldiers became known as the Anzacs. The impact Gallipoli had on Australians back home was immense and soon, April 25<sup>th</sup> became a day of remembrance for those who fought and died in the war.

Today, we continue to recognise and remember all Australians killed during military operations, which is executed in two forms. Firstly, commemorative services are held at dawn – the time of the original landing, and secondly, later in the day, veterans meet to take part in marches.

This ANZAC Day, let us come together to remember those who laid down their lives for their country and for us. Let us set an example for future generations so they can remember the brave men and women who fought for our great country. Let us wear poppies on our chests as we remember and commemorate the fallen. We will not forget. Not now. Not ever.

### FOR THE FALLEN

*With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,  
England mourns for her dead across the sea.  
Flesh of her flesh they were, spirit of her spirit,  
Fallen in the cause of the free.*

*Solemn the drums thrill;  
Death august and royal  
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,  
There is music in the midst of desolation  
And a glory that shines upon our tears.*

*They went with songs to the battle, they were young,  
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.  
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted:  
They fell with their faces to the foe.*

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*

*They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;  
They sit no more at familiar tables of home;  
They have no lot in our labour of the day-time;  
They sleep beyond England's foam.*

*But where our desires are and our hopes profound,  
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,  
To the innermost heart of their own land they are known  
As the stars are known to the Night;  
As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,  
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain;  
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,  
To the end, to the end, they remain.*

– Written by Robert Laurence Binyon (1869-1943)

### THE RED POPPY

Even though the red poppy is primarily reserved for Remembrance Day, wreaths of poppies are placed at memories to honour the Anzacs. By wearing the red poppy, we salute the fallen who gave their all so that we might live in a free country.



Below: Australian 1<sup>st</sup> Divisional Signal Company being towed in a lifeboat to Anzac Cove on the day of the landing.



## SOUTHERN BAROSSA MEN'S SHED

The Men's Shed is a concept, which is growing in popularity and increasing in number in Australia and around the globe. It provides an outlet for men, much in the same way that the backyard shed has in Australian culture over many years. The Southern Barossa Men's Shed (S.B.M.S) welcomes men from all walks of life to attend our Shed. You can participate in a range of activities in the workshop if that is your desire, or you can simply turn up of a cuppa and socialise with other in a non-pressured setting. The Men's Shed does not follow a strict format but it does encourage fellowship. Projects are also undertaken, which benefit the community.

Making or repairing furniture or homewares or toys, mending and fixing motors, renovating bicycles, arts and crafts, all examples (but certainly not the limits) of the activities that can be undertaken at the Shed depending on the knowledge and skillset of the members. There is an emphasis on having a go with projects but there is no pressure. It is most important for men to enjoy the activities, have a sense of belonging, and feel happy in the Shed environment.

Men with an interest in the activities of the S.B.M.S are welcome to attend on Tuesday's and Wednesday's between 9:00am to 1:00pm at the rear of Wirraminna Little Shop of Treasures on Queen Street, Williamstown.

Any enquiries relating to the Shed, membership, or the hire of the meeting room (attached to the workshop) can be directed to Glen Venning on 0409 675 937.

## WILLY WAGTAIL ADVERTISEMENT

Due to the rise in printing costs, the newsletter format and pricing will be changing as of May. Further details will be disclosed in the May edition.



## SOUTHERN BAROSSA COFFEE & CHAT MORNINGS

We had a most enjoyable time at the Barossa Chateau for our March get-together. The Devonshire tea was delicious as usual and the ladies enjoyed spending time in the lovely shop, which has so many great products to purchase. Once again, many thanks to Mandy and her staff for making us feel so welcome.

Our next Coffee and Chat will be at:

Violet's Pantry, 7B Queen Street, Williamstown, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April, at 10:30am.

They have so many delicious handmade foods to purchase. We look forward to supporting them and hope you can join us. We always welcome new visitors to our group. If you require further information, please contact Judy on: 0413 606 565.



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**LET'S GET SOCIALISING**

Come and join us at the Williamstown Community Social Club. If you like to participate in playing table tennis, board games, cards, doing jigsaw puzzles, socialising, having fun, enjoy tea, coffee, and biscuits, then come and join us. Where: St. Peter's Anglican Church Hall, George St., Williamstown. When: each Tuesday 1pm-4pm. Cost: \$3.00. Contact: Pam 0427 246 382.

**SANDY CREEK UNITING CHURCH: CAR BOOT SALE**

**When:** Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 8am.  
**Where:** 162 Williamstown Road, Cockatoo Valley (adjacent to the Church).  
**What's On:** Sausage Sizzle, Cool Drinks, & Cake Stall.

Pre-book your spot for \$10 by contacting: [info@sandycreekuca.org.au](mailto:info@sandycreekuca.org.au) or Leslee Carle on: 0417 863 325

Devonshire Morning Tea proceeds for Frontier Services. Proceeds from Cake Stall will go to assist the Pastoral Care worker at the Sandy Creek Primary School.



**ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am Holy communion and book reading.  
 Sun 7<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am Holy Communion.  
 Sun 14<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am Holy Communion.  
 Holy Trinity Church, Lyndoch  
 Sun 21st 10.00 am Holy Communion.  
 Sun 28<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am Holy Communion  
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October 20<sup>th</sup> at the Warren Reservoir. Anyone wishing to support by volunteering in any way is welcome.

Please phone Lyn on: 0409 577 766

**WILLIAMSTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Worship: 10:00 am on Sunday's. All are welcome to come and join us.

Contact Trevor Venning: 0426 977 292.

You can view our weekly message on our YouTube page. YouTube search: Williamstown Church of Christ SA.



**BAROSSA 4 WHEEL DRIVE CLUB**



The Barossa 4WD Club is a small group of friendly individuals who enjoy exploring this beautiful country of ours together.

We organise both social and holiday trips of various duration where members are free to opt in to a variety of activities.

If you own a 4WD vehicle and are keen to share your time with other like-minded people, come along to one of our monthly meetings and say hello.

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at the Lyndoch Library meeting room at 7:30pm. Send us an email at: [Barossa4wdclub@gmail.com](mailto:Barossa4wdclub@gmail.com).

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**THE BARN: ANZAC DAY SERVICE**

ANZAC Day Service: Williamstown RSL. Piper starts playing at 6:15am followed by a 6:30am Service. Breakfast will be available at The Barn next to the Hotel.

If anyone would like to help assist with the service and future services, please phone Simon Taylor on: 0439 509 207.

The Barn will be open from 7am on ANZAC Day. The Barn will offer:

- Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$9
- Ham & Cheese Toasted Sandwich \$6
- Bacon & Egg Sandwich with coffee \$14
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Left: British Traditions – Officers of the Royal Naval Division enjoying a cup of tea at Gallipoli.



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\$5.00 Time for a scone, with jam and cream or savoury. Plus, an endless cuppa tea or coffee and a lucky door prize.

What a great time we had with Mike from RAA. An excellent speaker also willing to return some time.

This month we welcome Dan, a wildlife educator and the Barossa Snake Catcher.

**Information** – do you need to know how to:

- Contact My Aged Care?
- Need help with rent assistance?
- Help with something else? \* or just someone to share a cuppa with or meet new people in the town?



**EVERYONE WELCOME**



**PIONEER MEN'S GROUP**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2024, 2.00pm. at Memorial Drive, Williamstown.

\$5.00 per person.

**Topic:**

“Lest We Forget – DVD War Cemeteries in France” Presented by Graham Todd.

Phone Ron: 0417 096 234 or John: 0466 346 215

\*Venue – RSL/Senior Citizen Hall@Williamstown\*



Above: 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion troops waiting near Jacob's trench for relief by 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion. Circa 8<sup>th</sup> August, 1915.



### A CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

Mad March is set to tumble into April when the Barossa Arts Festival launches into action next month.

Promising a celebration of artistic expression and creative industries, the month-long event, starting on 30 March, will feature 75 artists and over 50 workshops in 45 venues across 11 towns and villages in the region.

The event's family friendly atmosphere, live entertainment and buzz of activity is sure to draw a crowd. Each site will feature a range of free activities, from live music and cookie decorating, to face painting and, of course, an array of stunning local and South Australian made crafts.



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- **1452:** Italian polymath Leonardo da Vinci is born in Anchiano, Italy.
- **1912:** RMS Titanic sinks in the North Atlantic Ocean with -2°C temperatures.
- **1916:** The first ANZAC Day is celebrated in Australia and London.
- **1941:** ANZAC Corps reformed in Greece by General Blamey.
- **1948:** The World Health Organisation (WHO) is formed by the U.N.
- **1968:** Civil Rights Leader, Martin Luther King is assassinated.
- **1986:** Chernobyl Disaster occurs just outside of Pripyat, Ukraine, making it the worst nuclear disaster in history.



### THE ICONIC SLOUCH HAT

The felt slouch hats date back to the late 1800s where Australian troops were documented wearing them. However, it was only until 1903 where the hats were officially adopted by the Australian Army. Soldiers began pinning up the left side of the hat in order to avoid catching their rifles on the hat's brim during military parades.

After WWII, the hat's suitability was questioned but it had become too iconic to be replaced. Today, only the Australian Army continues to wear the felt slouch hat with the turned-up side.

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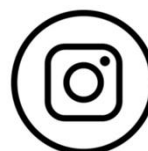
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## FROM COUNCIL CHAMBERS TO MEMORIAL HALL

Many of the locals will know that our magnificent Hall on its imposing site began its life as a rather insignificant couple of Council rooms. The newly formed Mt Crawford Council began its life on the 3 July 1854 at the home of Mr Rankine. The Council continued holding its meetings in private homes and then moved to the Hotel.

However, it was time to upgrade and find a place of its own. On the 16 May 1867 it was suggested the Wheat Store in the main street would make a suitable new home. This property was Lot 9 Queen Street (the Wheat Store) and owned by James Williams. You know it as the Fish and Chip shop!

The building was checked out and an offer of 160 pound made. Obviously Williams wasn't impressed with this offer and asked 170 pounds.

The title was checked and all seemed well and on the 20 September 1867 Williams agreed to the sale. By 28 October the cheque was in the bank ready to go but Williams was stalling. Why? – Had he received a better offer? By the end of December 1867 the deal had fallen through.

On 24 Feb 1868 Charles Snellgrove – owner of the hotel and associated land, offered to sell a piece of his land with 40ft frontage directly opposite the Post Office for £25.

All seemed to go well from this point on and by 22 June the Council was inviting tenders for the building of its rooms. There were 6 tenders and the Council accepted the lowest offer. Nothing surprising about that! The amount quoted was £206/4/6 or (206 pound 4 shillings and 6 pence). One has to wonder at the 4/6. Which bit was that?

Anyhow by 23 August 1869 Council voted for 2 pound to be spent on refreshment for the occasion of laying the foundation stone. The first Council meeting was held on the 10 January 1870. Another little aside - Snellgrove wanted a fence built between the Hotel and the Council Chambers but was told to build it himself.

That seemed a bit harsh? At some stage a picket fence was built around the premises.

The building was never intended as a Public Hall, all that was for the future. That little building went through many changes and transformations before it became one of the most impressive buildings in the town. Who said Councils never get it right! What better location could they have chosen?

— Williamstown & District Historical Society



Above: Main Street, Williamstown. Circa 1916.



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Mayor Lange invited the community to check out the award-winning facility at Friday's grand opening:

"This is a great opportunity for people to celebrate the 'SACA Cricket Facility of the Year' win, see the new development and watch our local athletes in action on the oval and courts."

## ANZAC DAY FACTS

- **Gallipoli Is Not A Town:** Gallipoli is an area where the Anzacs fought, which also happens to be close to the ancient ruins of Troy.
- **Anzac Biscuits Were Square:** Anzac biscuits were originally square and were used as rations until women made the Anzac biscuits we know today.
- **All Anzacs Were Volunteers:** Conscription was not introduced in Australia at the time of WWI, meaning all Australians who fought were volunteers.
- **The Word Anzac Is Protected:** Misuse of the word Anzac can result in penalties up to 12 months in prison and/or a large fine under Australian law.
- **ANZAC Is Also An Acronym:** ANZAC as an acronym was created by Major General William Birdwood's staff in 1915.
- **October Anzac Day:** The first Anzac Day occurred on 13<sup>th</sup> October, 1915 but was moved to 25<sup>th</sup> April a year later.



## DECLUTTER & SAVE

The Barossa Council is again offering a kerbside collection service or waste voucher to eligible residents, as part of its popular "Declutter and Save" initiative. "Most of us are looking to free up some space around the home, shed, garage or garden, so this is a cost-effective solution that we're proud to offer our community again," Mayor Lange said.

Both incentives require people to register directly with Solo Resource Recovery by phoning 8295 5077 or emailing [adelaide.ops@solo.com.au](mailto:adelaide.ops@solo.com.au), from now until 30 April to secure a collection date or claim a voucher.

Vouchers are available for domestic waste only, with a range of waste materials accepted depending on the vendor. Vouchers must be used by 30 June.

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## THE EAGLE'S NEST



NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS NEEDED!

Bowls is a great game that can be played by people of all ages, genders and abilities. The Lyndoch Bowling Club will make you welcome and can provide equipment and training to allow you to have fun at whatever level you would like to participate. Night Eagles Community Bowls on a Tuesday night is a great starting point for your fun bowls experience.

If you don't want to play pennants or Night Eagles, Friday Social Night is on every Friday during the year from 5:00pm. Everyone is welcome to come to the club for a drink, snack and a chat.

### Calendar:

Friday's - Friday Social Night - from 5:00pm;  
Sunday 21 April 2024 - Presentation Lunch - 12:00noon; and Sunday 5 May 2024 - AGM.

The Lyndoch & District Bowling Club is seeking more sponsors (big thank you to those businesses currently sponsoring us) to stay viable and is interested to hear from any businesses that would like to sponsor our important social community club. The Lyndoch Bowling Club has developed a sponsorship prospectus which will be available shortly.

The Lyndoch Bowling Club is available for hire for corporate or private events. Contact Club President Darren Green at [lyndochbowlingclub@gmail.com](mailto:lyndochbowlingclub@gmail.com)