



Mount Pleasant Incorporated

The newly incorporated Mount Pleasant Progress Association is up and running, becoming involved in, and initiating new projects in the town.

The chairman Stephen Corbally is working closely with The Barossa Council on the transition of management of the Talunga Park and the Soldiers Memorial Hall to this new group.

A brain storming session was held at the last community dinner to determine what the community believes are the most important projects for the town and results of this session will be collated and put into an action plan for the next 12 months.

Contact has been made with The Adelaide Hills Council regarding the Amy Gillett Bikeway extensions, and the need to become involved in that process.

New initiatives have been put to The Barossa Council for improvements at both Talunga Park, and the Hall, and the implementation of these will be closely monitored.

The incorporated body meets monthly, and is establishing appropriate policies and procedures to enable good management of the two town facilities.

The body will continue to ensure that the community is informed of future changes through this newsletter, and the community dinners.

Genevieve Hebart – MPPA Inc.

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Sharon Cleary, Mayor Bob Sloane, Historian Paula Bartsch and Councillor Michael Seager at the Cheer-Up Thank You event.

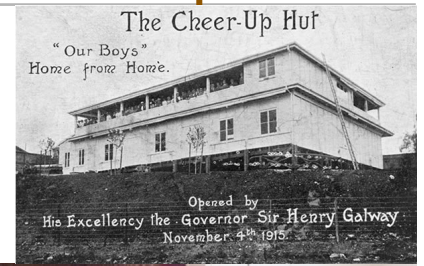
'Remember our Diggers'



\$30

Available from
the MP History Room

Bringing history to life - Recreating the spirit of The Cheer-Up Hut



Tuesday was a very cold and damp day, but we hosted a great farewell morning tea for the Mount Pleasant Cheer Up Hut for 2016. It was a very successful event, as part of the SA History Festival, and thank you must go to Christeen Schoepf for her encouragement and assistance in setting up the display. Pictured are some of the guests who braved the wintry weather to join us and hear Sharon Cleary touch on the beginnings of the Cheer-Up Hut and Alexandrine Seager's pivotal role in it's incorporation. Michael Seager was there to add his comments, and members of the extended Seager family travelled up for the event. Christeen Schoepf spoke eloquently of her research about the Cheer-Ups, and their impact on the health and wellbeing of the soldiers they helped. Bill Broughton and Peter Allen again provided some great musical accompaniment with tunes from the era.

BAZAAR!



18th June @ SM Hall

\$5 ~ Morning Tea

\$10 ~ Morning Tea & Lunch

* Jewellery

*Enjo

*Linen & Lace

* Plants

* Tupperware

• Red Cross & FoH Variety stalls

• And much more!

Support your local Hospital!

Brought to you by the Friends of the Mt Pleasant Hospital

Check out the Mt Pleasant District History page on Facebook!



Men's Shed-ing

A coming together, or a united 'Y' front.

There is no doubt that in the world in which we live today there is conflict and division.

We see these divisions borne out in Africa, Asia, Europe, the Americas and the Middle East.

Unfortunately much of this division is the result of a difference of opinion about religion, colour, race and creed.

Donald and Hillary are battling it out in the US.

Here at home we have politicians screaming at each other across the chamber and leaders debating on national television.

However there is a spark of light growing into a virtual sunburst that will eclipse the abolition of slavery, the peace following the two world wars, the ending of child labour and heaven knows why, giving the vote to women right here in South Australia.

And that virtual sunburst will shine directly down on the Mount Pleasant Men's Shed.

Amnesty International is clambering to get on board, councillors and politicians will be lining up at our new shed to witness a site where there is no division.

For in the soon to be built Mount Pleasant Men's Shed, after a sustained and meaningful debate, our members will stand united, shoulder to shoulder, at a shiny, new, Stainless Steel Urinal.

(This all came about after extensive debate on the merits of stainless steel as opposed to porcelain – the latter being more than twice the amount of the former.)

John Macgowan:
Men's Shed-der



Finally – it begins!

**Foundations are laid
and building starts
on the long-awaited
Men's Shed**

**Our local
bus service:
Use it, or
lose it!**



Schedule: <http://linksa.com.au>

LinkSA



From Terese Stephens -
Assistant Manager



The Mount Pleasant Farmers Market showcased not only its amazing array of locally produced fresh food & wine for diners but also demonstrated how to put on an extraordinary 'event' for their first foray into Tasting Australia.

The atmosphere for the 'Tasting the Mount Pleasant Farmers Market' was unique, as the experience incorporated the functioning market while diners



enjoyed their tasting plates around it. Accolades must certainly go to all those behind the scenes, firstly to the volunteers for their faith in the Tasting Australia 'idea', and for their tireless work leading up to and on the day, of course to the market stallholders for their generous donations of amazing produce, and to 'the tasters' who

savoured the event!

Market diner & Member Charmaine said "Those people who really know me would consider me a hard, honest critic... so for me to award 5 stars to anything is rare. However, 5 stars it deservedly is to the inaugural Tasting the Mount Pleasant Farmers Market Long Table Brunch. I would go so far as to say that this 'event' ticked all the boxes of a fine dining experience. From the quality and wonderful range of food served through to the great customer service ... Bravo, Team MPFM ... a splendid performance!"

Market Manager Genevieve Hebart said, "As it was the first time we have held an Associated Event with the Tasting Australia program, we were quite pleased to have our event sell out, with the 50 dining places going very quickly, and we have already had enquiries for

patrons wanting to book for next year's possible event " The menu offered an interesting variety of tasting plates sourced from the stallholders at the Market. The menu was a five course tasting extravaganza, reading like a who's who of the Adelaide Hills, Barossa and Murraylands food producers. With award winning Springton Hill Wines leading the charge with their Riesling & Shiraz, multi award winner Udder Delights of Hahndorf with their amazing Triple Brie and Heysen Blue cheese, Barossa Birds with their smoked chicken wings, Green Farmhouse spicing things up, and The Berry Farm berries made into a delectable fruit compote with Fleurieu Milk cream whipped into Chantilly cream accompaniment, just to name a few.

Genevieve said "It has been a fantastic promotional tool for the market stallholders and their produce, and the Farmers Market Management Board look forward to planning the 2017 event."

TOTALLY Chris Sands!

Sharp eyed market goers would have noticed the inimitable and dynamic Chris Sands of 'Totally Locally' fame making a return visit to our area researching for his latest project - a series exploring the people who make up the everyday fabric of The Barossa region of South Australia. All going about their days, all living what most people would class as an extraordinary life. Check out the videos on his YouTube channel. While you're at it, he can be found on instagram, and the web at:

<http://www.chrissands.co.uk>



Mount Pleasant Gem:

I live on a rural property outside of Mount Pleasant and enjoy working with the sheep on the property, where we breed Polwarths and Merinos. In the near future I hope to get my family stud showing Polwarth sheep again, like my father did before I was born. My family has previously bred Merinos, and continues to breed them as a legacy to my great-great grandfather. In the middle of 2012, my father and I jointly took over the family's Merino stud from my uncle. Hillview Merino Stud has been running for over a hundred and twenty years and we've down-scaled the stud to fit in with forward planning and reconstruction of the property's diversity. I also jointly run Bel-Antha Polwarth stud with my father and am the sixth generation of Starkeys' to live in the Mount Pleasant area. I enjoy riding the quad bike, and driving and mustering livestock in the paddock, as well as writing short stories and poetry, and volunteering in the community.

I have actively participated in the community, playing sport within the district, including being a player for the Mount Pleasant Tennis Club over the last ten years. I also play table tennis for Birdwood-Mount Pleasant Table Tennis Club. I have also helped out unofficially in previous years at the Gumeracha Medieval Fair, however this year I have applied to officially volunteer. At the Birdwood High School I volunteer part-time in the Agricultural Department, especially drawing closer to show time as I help with guidance for the Merino Wether Competition.

I've been contributing to my local show since I was four, when I exhibited flowers and since I turned six, I have continued to exhibit cookery and wool. For the last three years I have been a steward in the sheep section, and the three years previously I was a steward in the Jam and Preserves section. I am on the Executive committee for the Show, and the Sheep Sub-committee as well. This year, I am also the Rural Ambassador for the Mount Pleasant Show Society.

I have contributed at other shows in the Central District Association in their cookery sections since I started primary school, namely Mannum and Mount Barker.



Kayla Starkey



This year saw me assist the wool convenor at the Mannum Show. I always wanted to follow in my family's footsteps of exhibiting at local shows, with the Starkey's having the tradition of exhibiting in a variety of sections for in excess of 100 years.

I have also exhibited cookery and wool at the Royal Adelaide Show. I have helped friends from Kangaroo Island exhibit Polwarth sheep at Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show in Victoria and at the Royal Adelaide Show in previous years, and I have helped to exhibit Merinos and many other British and Australasian breeds as well. As well as this, I have participated in the Merino Ram Young Judges and Prime SAMM Ram Young Judges competitions since I was twelve. Last year, I won the opportunity to represent South Australia in the Young Judges Competition for the Merino Judging.

I am currently undertaking Second Year at University of Adelaide, Bachelor of Agricultural Sciences, as I want to become an Agricultural Science teacher. I can see this as an added opportunity to further my studies in the Agricultural Sector and this will be a benefit to my family's property in the future.

And we wish her the best in her future endeavours!

Uncovering Mt Pleasant's past: Mt Pleasant's Centenary

The Mount Barker Courier and Onkaparinga and Gumeracha Advertiser (SA: 1880 - 1954) **Thursday 14 May 1936** p 1 Article

The recently appointed Centenary committee held its first meeting in the Soldiers' Memorial Hall on Friday afternoon of last week. Those present were Rev. J. E. Lloyd, Messrs. J. C. Herriot, J. L. Maitland, R. T. Melrose, W. Ross Smith and R., L. Heinrich, Dr. Cowling and Mr. H. G. Porter being absent.

The members of the committee made an inspection of the avenue, which it was proposed to demolish, and it was decided, on the motion of Mr. J. L. Maitland, seconded by Mr. R. T. Melrose, to recommend to the District Council of Mount Pleasant that no drastic action be taken for the present, but that some of the trees which had become unsightly be removed, at the discretion of the council.

Councillor Herriot, as member for the ward, occupied the chair, and he was formally elected chairman of the committee. Mr. W. Ross Smith, who did not seek election because of other duties, was finally induced to take the position of secretary, and R. L. Heinrich was appointed to assist him. To represent the local committee on the central body, which has been formed, Mr. Herriot was elected.

After considerable discussion, it was decided to defer any major Centenary efforts until a later date, when Mount Pleasant celebrated its own centenary. Members were of opinion, however, that something should be done to commemorate the State event, and suggestions were invited.

Tree planting was the suggestion of Mr. Melrose, who reported on his investigations as regards the best type of trees to be used. It was decided that the committee co-operate with interested bodies in this scheme and Mr. Melrose was thanked for the action he had taken.

Mr. Maitland asked that the matter of surrounding the oval at the Talunga Park with a suitable fence be considered, and the matter was left in abeyance until the next meeting, as were the suggestions for the improvement of the approach to the hospital, and the question of naming streets in the town.

Rev. J. E. Lloyd offered to obtain details of a Church service, as held in conjunction with the Melbourne centenary. The representative to the central committee was instructed to bring the matter before that meeting, with a view to holding a united district thanksgiving service.

The secretary was instructed to make application to a grant of £10 from the Central executive of the Centenary celebrations, to enable the committee, to put these



schemes into operation. At a later meeting the committee will endeavour to make a definite move, with the help of the various interested bodies in the town, who will be advised of actions already taken and contemplated by the executive body.

The suggestions at present are only tentative, but it is hoped that other support will be forthcoming, which will enable improvements to be made, to add to the success of a large-scale celebration, and also add to the attractiveness of the town.

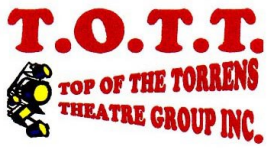
Paula Bartsch - Historian

CWA ladies of the night

Another successful Community Dinner – last one with the old kitchen!



Out & About Going...



The first two performances were enjoyed by very enthusiastic audiences at Gumeracha, and we were surprised after the Sunday matinee when the author, John Mee made an appearance. John joined the cast on stage at the end of the play much to the astonishment of the cast (see below). It was a quick visit from John as he flew back to the UK that evening so we were unable to show him SA hospitality – maybe next time!

One of our leading actors, Graham Todd, unfortunately was involved in a car accident on the morning of opening night. After a couple of days in hospital we are pleased that he is on the way to recovery.

The cast was rejigged with David Evans assuming the role of Dan Thomas, and Myles Clarke stepping into the role of Mr Smedley-Allen

There is still time to see this very funny adult comedy if you have not already booked (see ad below).

There will be a limited amount of tickets available at the door thirty minutes prior to the start time.



going...



gone!



What I did at school today



An adult comedy by John Mee,
courtesy of Comedy Plays UK.

**What could possibly go wrong in the Staff
Room of Lloyd George Primary School?**

Mount Pleasant Soldiers Memorial Hall
7.30pm Fri 3rd, Sat 4th & 2pm Sun 5th June (matinee)
Adults \$22, Concession \$18, Students \$10
Tickets from www.stickytickets.com.au or 85682496
Cabaret seating. Bring your own nibbles & drinks.

Shearing Shed Dance

The Hills and Barossa Horse Trials Inc. is raising funds to build a cross-country course by holding a Shearing Shed Dance on June 18th at Rosebank, Mt Pleasant.

The music is by the old but very well known band "The Jaymen", playing covers from the 50's, 60' and 70's, a bit of Rock and Roll, a bit of country, and a whole lot of fun.

Tickets are \$25, which includes a Big Barossa Supper and a souvenir wine glass – BYO drinks and nibbles. To get tickets for this "one off" show contact: The Treasurer, on 0419-865-805 or send a cheque to:

Treasurer, PO Box 483, Lobethal SA 5241

Trivia Night: Saturday Night @ Springton Hall. Call: 0488 682 617

June events and meetings

+ TOTT & Bazaar

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Check the Library for more community information		1 9.30: Men's Shed MPNRC 7.30: Bwood /MP T/Tennis BHS Gym	2 10-12: Writers Group - MP Library 1-4: Mount Pleasant History Room	3 9.30-11.30: Playgroup @ Mt Pleasant kindy 7.30pm Top of the Torrens Theatre Group	4 8-12: MP Farmers Mkt 7.30pm Top of the Torrens Theatre Group 7.30pm Springton Trivia Night	5 2pm Top of the Torrens Theatre Group (matinee)
6 Talunga Pk Advisory group	7 CWA meetings 7.00: CFS Training	8 7.30: Bwood /MP T/Tennis BHS Gym	9 1-4: Mount Pleasant History Room	10 9.30-11.30: Playgroup @ Mt Pleasant kindy 10-2: MP Art	11 8-12: MP Farmers Market	12
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+ Contributions:

If you would like your community event or meeting added to the calendar (to be published at the end of the month for the next month), or you would like to make a contribution in any way (writing, compiling, photographing, distributing), please contact us. Details below.



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#mountpleasantshines3daysinapril



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