



Last month we gave you the gist of the feedback we collected from the Community Dinner. Here is the list in order of priority, together with any notes or information on any actions that have already been initiated:

1. Reinstatement of a Bank - any bank

* MP Inc & other individuals in discussion with various Banks / Credit Unions regarding this. The cold, hard fact is that unless at least \$10 million in NEW business is forthcoming, a full banking service is NOT on the cards.

2. Better footpaths

* The Barossa Council (TBC) 2005 Main Street Master Plan

3. Extension of the Amy Gillett Bikeway to the Mt Pleasant Golf Club.

* MP Inc has replied in the affirmative to the Adelaide Hills Council request for expressions of interest.

4. 24 hour ATM

* MP Inc members have discussed this, and although not out of the realms of possibility, will need some work. The MP Farmers Market has already proved this to be a successful venture.

5. Toilets in Talunga Park should be installed ASAP

* TBC have given an undertaking that this should be happening hopefully before the end of this year.

6. Communal outdoor kitchen / barbecue facilities (walkers, campers, visitors)

* To be addressed – possibly could be part of the Main Street Master Plan – or Talunga Park master Plan.

7. Council to establish timelines for 2005 Master Plan.

8. Entrance statements at both ends of town - incorporating stone walls

* MP Inc welcoming feedback and suggestions about this. It is a very popular project. If you drive around South Australia (or interstate) you will see that the majority of towns – no matter how small – now have entrance statements.

9. Continue undergrounding power over whole main street.

* TBC Main Street Master Plan

10. Establishment of a permanent Military-type museum (housing Anzac militaria).

* Approaches have been made to the relevant government departments to discuss the feasibility of this project.

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+ MP Inc. is looking for volunteers for our Visitor's information Centre. Please contact us if you are interested in helping – even if it's only for an hour.

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Feedback

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11. Heating and Cooling in the Soldiers Memorial Hall.

* New initiatives have been put to The Barossa Council for this to happen as soon as possible.

12. More Tourism information in and about the town.

* MP Inc is calling for volunteers for this to happen. A venue is available, although other venues have not been ruled out. Volunteers are needed to help with the running of this.

13. Signage for the historic buildings in the town (like Mt Torrens & Blackwood)

* The MP Historical Research Group is currently undertaking a revamp of the literature available on the history of the town and districts. A new brochure should be available soon. A Facebook page has been set up which includes information on the buildings and points of interest in the town.

14. Establish by-pass for heavy vehicles as trucks turning off / onto Crick's Mill & Palmer roads sometimes dangerous. Also - Engine brakes are noisy.

* Needs more discussion. Be aware that any by-pass may have a negative impact on business in the town. In the interim, the Dept of Transport could be approached to provide "Please do not use noisy exhaust brakes within towns" type signs.

15. More support for young people - a support system as there is nothing to keep them here.

* MP Inc welcomes any suggestions that will help achieve this.

* In the meantime – think about nominating a young person you know who is doing good work, for local Australia Day awards.

16. Banners for light posts to celebrate / commemorate important events (eg: Anzac, Tour DU).

* MP Inc is actively seeking any sewers who are willing to help make some banners for our street to augment the Christmas ones supplied by TBC. We are especially interested in having some brilliant ones for the Tour Downunder! Please contact us if you are able to help.

17. The Barossa Council to put Mount Pleasant on their Tourist Maps.

* Requests have been made to TBC via Councillors.

18. Community Dinners with Sticky Date Pudding to continue!

* Absolutely! These dinners have been a huge success and have enabled the upgrade of the Talunga Park pavilion kitchen.

19. Establishment of a walking track through the town (Talunga Park to Glen Devon Road).

* There are several people interested in making this happen. If you are a walker, and / or interested in this, please contact us via the details on the back page.

20. Monthly cinema (like Lobethal Cinema).

* Something to work for – bearing in mind that when the

Lobethal Cinema was upgraded, the digital projector alone was \$80,000.

21. Re-surface the main street as it has been badly patched.

* This is a Department of Transport issue, as it is the main road.

22. Establishment of an Adventure playground.

* More discussion needs to happen about this – eg: location and other facilities needed. Grants would need to be obtained – so a worthy project – but a lot of work to do beforehand.

23. Better lighting along the main road.

* This seems to be a concern amongst the general community. The Main Street Master Plan includes this.

* This is also a big issue around the Talunga Park entrance – especially during winter.

24. Better representation from the council in the Council Offices.

* Approaches could be made to TBC about how feasible this is.

25. Replace the trees in the main street (existing trees have harmed the road surface).

* Main Street Master Plan.

* There was some disagreement with this, as some people expressed dismay at losing any of our distinctive Plane Trees.

26. Some back roads have dangerous trees - encroaching on roads / junctions.

* If you have serious concerns about a particular area, you could make representation to TBC.

27. Suitable off-street parking for 4WD, caravans, trailers, trucks, etc.

* Representation to TBC.

28. Beautification of the town.

* Main Street Master Plan.

* Of course, this doesn't preclude anyone from undertaking beautification. Lots of councils here and overseas encourage their residents to do their bit.

29. Better promotion of Mount Pleasant.

* MP Inc is actively pursuing all avenues of promotion.

30. Communication for new people / visitors.

* MP Inc is attempting to establish a Visitor's Information Centre for the district.

31. More information on town statistics (eg rainfall, elevation, etc).

* Perhaps this could be added to existing signage?

32. Contact SA Police Museum – regarding using the old Police Station.

* MP Inc was informed some time ago that the old Police Station was to be sold, but as yet nothing has been done. There is still interest in the town that this important Heritage listed building be put aside for community use.

33. Establishment of a Skate Park.

* More discussion needs to be held on the feasibility of this. How many people would use it – where would it be sited – grants, etc.

We welcome more feedback – feel free to contact us.

From Terese Stephens -
Assistant Manager



**Mount Pleasant
FARMERS MARKET**

Annual General Meeting

Of the

Mount Pleasant Farmers Market Inc.



15 August, 2016

6pm

At the

**Mt Pleasant Natural
Resource Centre**

132 Melrose Street

Mt Pleasant

Light refreshments will be provided

Special Guest Speaker



Local Historian

Paula Bartsch

-Mt Pleasant's Amazing History-

*Paula, an expert in all things
Mt. Pleasant will be doing a talk
plus a visual presentation. A small
movie on the railway at Mt. Pleas-
ant which shows the area where the
market is today will also be shown.*

Enquiries
w: www.mpfm.org.au
p: 0418 901 121

**Mount Pleasant
FARMERS MARKET**



+ Want to make a contribution?
Contact us to find out how you
can. mountpleasant.sa.au



Good luck to Olaf
from Mum's Oven Bake
who has made the first cooking
audition for a spot on MasterChef!



**The Australian Hearing bus
is coming to town!**



Will be at the Market on the 13th August,
2016. From 8am - 12 noon

RSL & 602 SQUADRON TROPHY DAY PARADE

The Mount Pleasant RSL was invited to attend the 602 Squadrons trophy day parade on Sunday the 3rd of July at 1330 at Woodside Army Barracks.

As President of the Mount Pleasant RSL,

I was asked by the staff and Senior Cadets to be the reviewing officer of the squadron's trophy day parade. To this request I was truly honoured. I was then requested to hand out two trophies and to give a closing speech after the final march past.

This tickled my funny bone a bit, as it is something that I am not really au fait with. At 17 years of age I enlisted in the RAN and spent the next 22 years cruising around the world on what was then known as the grey funnel line. I spent those 22 years trying everything within my power to miss every parade I could. To this end I was very successful. So it was going to be all very new to me, especially since I have been out of the Navy for 23 years.

Our association with the 602 Squadron has been from Anzac Day, 2014 when Rachael Stead raised a catafalque party for us. Given the very late notice, the cadets had a very short time frame to put together and practice for Anzac day, and some 500 people were witness to what was a very good display. This association will continue for the foreseeable future.

The parade was very well presented, with everyone on parade looking extremely impressive. It was obvious that a lot of hard work was done by the cadets and they should be very proud of themselves.

To those who received trophies, I'm sure that they were very well deserved and that all their hard work will be worthwhile in later life. The aim of the Australian Air Force Cadets is to equip young people for community life by fostering initiative, leadership, discipline and loyalty in military environment. This programme is also used to stimulate interest in the Royal Australian Air Force and aviation in general.



Wally Birch

President - RSL Mt Pleasant



Once again the Community Dinner was a great success – pulling in probably our biggest crowd yet. On a cold night Christmas in July was a great prospect and we had to put up more tables to accommodate all of our guests. The menu was traditional Christmas Fare with Ham, Chicken and Beef accompanied by potatoes, peas, pumpkin, cauliflower and carrots, with lashings of gravy and cranberry sauce. Couple that with Pauline's never-fail Sticky Date pudding and Genevieve's fabulous Christmas Pudding, it was a meal fit for - us!

There were bonbons and raffles – with a huge number of great prizes donated by community businesses and members as well as the traditional wheel – (without Syd this time – Barrie did the honours).

Uncovering Mt Pleasant's past: 100 years ago...



Cattle pictured around the Rosebank dam.

The Mount Barker Courier and Onkaparinga and Gumeracha Advertiser (SA: 1880 - 1954) Friday 11 August 1916 p 3

HERDS: IMPROVING THE DAIRY

Messrs. Melrose, of Mount Pleasant, has been a prominent one in sheep circles in South Australia, and it would appear to be likely that before long it will also be known in connection with high class dairying cattle. During the last few years Mr. R. T. Melrose has been putting together a dairy herd of specially selected cows, and he has now about one hundred. Besides Jerseys of the best strains, he has also Ayrshires and some fine milking Shorthorns. The bulls in use are Jerseys, so that it is probable that this breed is likely to predominate eventually. Mr. Melrose is still experimenting with different breeds, and is anxious to have only the best milk yielders as well as those of the highest pedigree. He says that his object is to increase the butter yield, and if his experiments only result in the district yielding another ounce of butter per cow per day he will feel that some good has been done.

Recently some large sales of highclass dairy cattle were held in New South Wales, and Mr. Melrose deputed an expert to select some of the best of Mr. H. R. Denison's herd when that gentleman's dispersal sale took place. As a result the purchases arrived at Port Adelaide last week. Following is a description of the new arrivals:—Kentas Twylish is a light fawn color, right age, showing excellent constitution and most businesslike in form, with good measurement, great depth, and carrying a good bag. She is amongst the most fashionably bred cows in Australia, having been bred at Tring Park stud, by the late Lord Rothschild, who demanded a high figure for her. She has proved a heavy producer of butter, even on her first calf, her record kept by the New South Wales Government having been 322 lb. of

butter in 273 days, and her last milking period showed her milk to be very rich, averaging between 5 and 6 per cent, of fat. Kentas Twylish descends from a very heavy milking stock, some of which won champion prizes in England. Her sire was that champion of champions, Noble Lord of Oaklands, in the Island of Jersey. This sire was sold to an American, who re-sold him for £3000. Her dam, Twylish XI, was a cow of exceptional merit, having taken first prize and gold medal at the London Dairy Show. On this occasion she gave the excellent return of three and one-third pounds of butter within the 24 hours, and holds the record of the late Lord Rothschild's herd as the heaviest milk producer over an extended period, averaging between five and six gallons of milk per day for the first six months of her lactation period. The other cow, Gipsey Bertha, is of silver-grey colour, bred by Mr. H. Denison. She does not exhibit the sweetness of type to catch the eye in a strong class, but she shows to advantage from a utility point of view, having a good capacious udder, and many excellent indications of a first class milk and butter cow. On her first calf she gave a most creditable account of herself. She is a persistent yielder of rich milk, and has made over 2 lb. of butter per day. Two of her heifer calves realised high values at the sale. Both of these cows are in calf to that well-known imported bull Merry Mike, who has some excellent progeny to his credit. At the sale he realised £200. Another purchase made by Mr. Melrose was Insie IX, a nice quality heifer, by the imported bull, Merry Mike. She is in calf to Redford Trentino, who was by Dinah's Lad, champion at the Royal Show, Sydney, in 1912, 1913, and 1914. It is pleasing to see new breeders entering the field, and two of the latest, Mr. L. T. Cowan, of Blakiston, and Mr. Melrose, promises to assist largely in the improvement of the type and producing merit of the dairy stock of the State. Mr. Melrose intends to secure many more of the best Jerseys that can be procured. The Government Dairy Expert (Mr. P. H. Suter) made an inspection of the cattle and commented favourably upon them.

Paula Bartsch
Historian

Start your local heritage
discovery today!

Start your exploration of
Barossa history and heritage
with the Heritage Trail Map.
Explore townships, iconic
buildings, food, wine, churches,
cemeteries and stories of local
people.

Pick up your map from any
Barossa Library today and start
your heritage journey.



Bits and bobs

The Peripatetic POET



Peter penned some words on the election last month – here for your enjoyment.

Back in my impressionable youth
I made my way to the Polling booth.
To make a change, was my ambition,
But all I got was a politician.
However, Jamie, the Incumbent, at least he's
gone,
And it seems that life will still go on!
So raise a glass, and raise a song,
Perhaps better times will come along!

Peter

Violet Day

28th August
2pm in the
Soldiers
Memorial Hall,
Mount Pleasant

**Bookings
Essential**

Join us for a Shabby Chic High Tea and enjoy a parade of beautiful wedding dresses from eras past, as well as raffles and prizes.

Part proceeds in aid of
The McGrath
Foundation



and The Mount
Pleasant Historical
Research Group

RSVP: Paula Bartsch
By: 25th August
Tel: 85682126
Mob: 0407794612



**FAT FARMERS
RIDE/WALK THE SCENIC
AMY GILLETT BIKEWAY IN THE
ADELAIDE HILLS**

**SUNDAY AUGUST 7, 10AM START,
NO ENTRY FEE**

Start/finish: Barrister's Block Cellar door,
141 Onkaparinga Rd Woodside

Fat Farmers groups aim to encourage farming families to be active to maintain optimum health and wellbeing. You don't have to be a particular size/shape/fitness level, just willing to have a go and make new friends! Please register for event as we will reschedule for weekend following if the forecast is for extreme weather and we need to contact you at short notice. Track notes and details can be found at www.fatfarmers.com

Great Value Family
Day out!

Beautiful scenery

Great company

Woodfired pizza
lunch, sliders for
kids

8, 22 and 32km
loops, go your own
pace/distance.
Untimed.

Details/inquiries:
Sally Fisher
0410 473 167
sally@fatfarmers.com

Registrations and Bookings for
lunch by July 27 on
www.fatfarmers.com

Bike hire available from
www.bikeabout.com.au
Accommodation options:
www.adelaidehills.org.au



Find us on
Facebook

Many groups in our area are becoming connected via Facebook. Check out:

Mt Pleasant District History

Mt Pleasant community noticeboard

FOR SALE in MOUNT PLEASANT

Mount Pleasant Natural Resource Inc.

Mount Pleasant Farmers Market Inc. South
Australia

Mount Pleasant Men's Shed

Mount Pleasant RSL, South Australia

CWASA Mount Pleasant

Facebook is free and a great way to connect. If you know of any other groups in our district using Facebook, please let us know. If you would like to create a page for your group, but aren't sure how to go about it, contact us so we can help.

Out & About

Mt Pleasant Art Group SALA exhibition

Mt Pleasant Library Aug 1-31
Exhibition open during Library hours

See the works of our wonderful artists from the
Mt Pleasant Art Group during August.

Interest for Art? Create a splash of
colour on Fridays at Mt Pleasant Library.

Next Art Group meetings **Friday July 8 & 22, 10am-2pm**



You are invited to the inaugural Mt Pleasant Community Atrium

SALA event: Opening night August 5th, from 6.30.

The Exhibition will run every Saturday from 8am to 12 noon, and then on Sunday 10am – 2pm
for the month of August.

Come and support your local artists!

SALA Virtuosity

Open 10am to 4pm Friday to Sunday during August

featuring the creative works of

Joe Dennis, Phil Elliot, Amy Herman, Vivienne Liddicoat,
Trent Manning, Cherie O'Dea, Sarah Prince, Rose-Anne Russell & Lyn Stephens



A fresh, diverse exhibition of works by established artisans and emerging artists.
Including decorative metal & timber sculpture, water colour, acrylic
& mixed media paintings, paper quilling, pen & ink drawings
plus unique handmade, painted leather goods

Exhibition & Gallery Gift Shop OPEN: 10am to 4pm Friday to Sunday during August

Brought to you by
SPRINGTOWN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC
promoting creativity in our local community
For further information contact Dianne Picard 8568 2709



Check out the SALA programme for your area:

<http://www.salafestival.com>

August events and meetings



+ Check the Library for more community information

think about **Volunteering** Your Community needs you!

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
1	2 CWA meetings 7.00: CFS Training	3 7.30: Table Tennis @ BHS Gym	4 1-4: Mount Pleasant History Room	5 9.30-11.30: Playgroup @ Mt Pleasant Kindy SALA Springton	6 8-12: MP Farmers Mkt SALA MP SALA Springton	7 SALA MP SALA Springton
8 Talunga Pk Advisory group	9 10.00: Friends of the Hospital @ Day Care AGM 6.30: MP Inc. social 7.00: CFS Training	10 9.30: Men's Shed MPNRC 7.30: Table Tennis @ BHS Gym	11 10-12: Writers Group - MP Library 1-4: MP History Room	12 9.30-11.30: Playgroup @ Mt Pleasant Kindy 10-2: MP Art SALA Springton	13 8-12: MP Farmers Mkt SALA MP SALA Springton	14 SALA MP SALA Springton The art of Wine
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29	30 7.00: CFS Training	31 Newsletter				



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