

# PORT MOOROWIE WHALER

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## Chairperson's Report.....(excerpt)

I am pleased to report that this has continued to be a productive year with many of our projects being completed and others well on the way. All signage relating to Port Moorowie's historical background, amenities, flora, fauna & places of interest, the Street Library & First Nations People, have now been completed. The beach shelters have been approved and hopefully will start soon, and the disability seating for under the shelters has been ordered. New bench seating and table settings have been ordered to replace some seats along the cliff top on Marine Parade.

Despite much illness due to COVID-19 & Committee members travelling we still managed to hold 8 meetings this year as well as the AGM. Some of the main areas that our committee & volunteers have concentrated on again this year have included: Native Coastal Garden, Recycling, Property Checks & General Maintenance of the township.

No new nominations were received for the committee so it stands as follows:

**Chairperson:** Jo DANIELS-WILSON

**Vice-Chairperson:** John WALTON

**Secretary:** Jan RADFORD

**Treasurer:** Jo DANIELS-WILSON

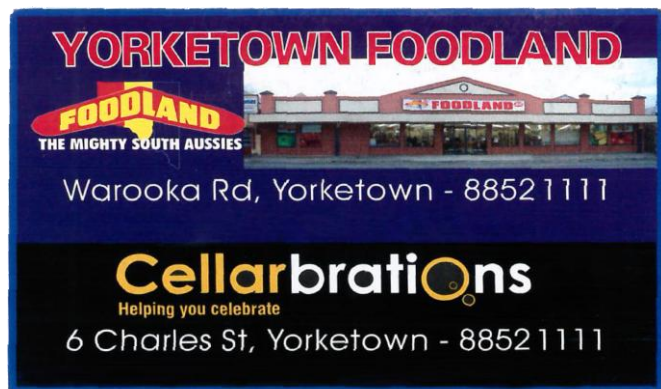
**Minute Secretary:** Jan RADFORD

**Public Officer:** John Walton

**Committee:**

Allan BAKER, Mick HINCKS, Cathie JOSEPH, Brenton TOZER, & Cathy TOZER

Jo DANIELS-WILSON (Chairperson)



## Some matters of concern.....



This maximum speed limit has been gazetted throughout the township. Please observe & also remind your visitors of the **30 km/h limit**. Watch out for bicycles and children. Hefty fines apply if you get caught – don't waste your hard-earned money.

### Responsible disposal of fish gut/offal

Recently, some people disposed of fish gut/offal at the beach at Periwinkle Reef. We would like to inform all anglers that:

- Under the Environmental Protection Act – Water Quality, putrescibles (of which fish offal would become) must not be discharged to any waters (oceans).
- In addition, it is an offence under Yorke Peninsula Council By-Law - No 2 of 2020 and this practice is subject to fines by Council.
- This practice attracted a large number of Sting rays, not to mention the possibility of sharks, and as this is a lovely swimming beach for both children and adults we do not want anyone harmed.

### Management of vegetation on YP Council Land

Under the *Local Government Act 1999*, Council authorisation is required to undertake vegetation management works (including removal and/or trimming) on Council land, such as reserves and road reserves.

To obtain approval an applicant must submit a request in writing. Before approval is given, Council will refer to all relevant legislation, in particular, the requirements of the *Native Vegetation Act 1991* that provides protection for native vegetation in South Australia.

## Treasurer's Report..... (excerpt)

Fundraising has been restricted to the on-line People's Choice Community Lottery and together with Membership, Property Checks, Advertising, Donations, Bank Interest & Recycling we have amassed monies to be spent on Pt Moorowie projects. General expenses have been minimal but more expensive for the major projects undertaken: benches, table settings and disability seating; new caged trailer, signage for Information Bay & BBQ shelter, & upgrade of Burial Site. We are very grateful for all the grant monies plus community support and hope that the residents and landowners of the town appreciate the efforts made this year to further enhance the township.

Jo DANIELS-WILSON (Treasurer)

## Membership Renewal - 2023



The success of our association is reliant on our members and we would certainly welcome any new members and/or welcome back past members to our association.

**Cost: \$25 per couple \$15 single**

(Money can be direct debited:

**BSB 105-159 A/c No. 015487140**

## Committee Meeting Dates

**Reminder:** Meetings are open to members of our association. Come along and make a contribution. Non-members are welcome to attend but sadly cannot have any input into the meeting.

Meetings are held at:

63 Marine Parade  
PORT MOOROWIE  
Please enter via the driveway gate

**Planned 2023 dates:**

(Meetings will be cancelled on bushfire-risk days)

7 May, 2 July, 10 Sept, 5 Nov, 10 Dec

## Pt Moorowie Rainfall



**16 November 2022 – 31 March 2023**

**94.4 mm**

**(2022 Total Rainfall 517.3)**

## Fraser Ellis (MP for Narungga)

Fraser Ellis attended our Committee Meeting on 5 March as part of his commitment to visit as many Progress Associations on the Peninsula as possible. In the course of his brief speech he outlined what he is hoping to lobby the Government to commit to, particularly in terms of roads and health for the Peninsula.

We thank him for his contribution and for the opportunity to provide robust feedback to him.



Morning tea with some of the Committee

## Email addresses - 2023

Please keep those email addresses coming. We now have 110 but we would like more. Postage has already risen and with talk of once-weekly deliveries of mail it would mean that you would get your Whaler sooner and in colour. Also, any vital information regarding Port Moorowie can be relayed to more people.

Please email your address to:

[fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au](mailto:fifidaniels@optusnet.com.au)

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## Photo Gallery

.....*because every picture tells a story*

**Bush Tucker** or bush food is any food that is native to Australia. The Aboriginal people, who have lived in Australia for at least 60,000 years, had a symbiotic relationship with the land and lived off the native flora and fauna for many generations. We have at least 2 plants in our Native Coastal Display Garden that fall into this category.



*Kunzea pomifera*, (muntries) commonly known as **native cranberries**, is a low-growing or prostrate shrub with hairy stems, small, mostly egg-shaped leaves, groups of white flowers on the ends of the branches and fleshy, more or less spherical, edible fruit.



*Billardiera scandens*, commonly known as **apple berry or apple dumpling**, is a small shrub or twining plant of the Pittosporaceae family which occurs in forests in the coastal and tableland areas of all states and territories in Australia, apart from the Northern Territory and Western Australia.

They are edible and taste something like cooked apple flesh, with a hint of kiwifruit. They are ready to eat when they ripen to a purplish-green and fall off the plant.

Eaten under-ripe they are quite acidic, and over-ripe they quickly take on a fermented flavour, so timing is important.

## Maintenance Report

It has been another busy time and with the small band of volunteers, particularly Cathie Joseph, who have worked tirelessly we have been able to maintain Port Moorowie, as much as possible.

Despite the low rainfall in the area, the Native Garden has thrived with only a small loss of plants. Pruning, mulching, watering and fertilising is an ongoing task regardless of the types of native plants/trees.



Maintenance hours from December–March has been 83.5 and Property Checks 30 giving a total of 113.5 hours. Thank you to all those people who have contributed precious time to a variety of tasks during this period.

Recycling of cans & bottles is ongoing and brings in much needed funds to the association. Please continue to support us – **only 10c bottles & cans. No wine or spirit bottles or rubbish thank you.**

Planned tasks for coming months include: mowing the cliff top, spraying the walking trail, replenishing crusher dust on walking trail, weeding the Burial Site, as well as replacing some of the unsafe seats along Marine Parade.

Much of the work that is done is ongoing if we want to keep Port Moorowie a tidy town.

**Jan RADFORD (Maintenance Officer)**

**Ray White**

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## Beach Shelters

The beach shelters at McEachen Beach and Point Gilbert are under construction. We are awaiting the concrete floor to be laid with an accessible ramp for disability access and then an outback table setting with disability seating will be installed. Once all of this has been completed we will arrange for a contractor to paint the shelters to match in with the others and also to help preserve the wood.



## CFS Safety & Health Advice

After our December meeting we held a session with a speaker from the Country Fire Service regarding being fire prepared and a paramedic regarding the treatment of burns and snake bites as well as resuscitation (CPR). A large number of people attended and many stayed on for a BBQ Sausage Sizzle afterwards.

If you would like a copy of up-to-date notes on the treatment of burns, treatment of snake bites and resuscitation (CPR) please email me at:

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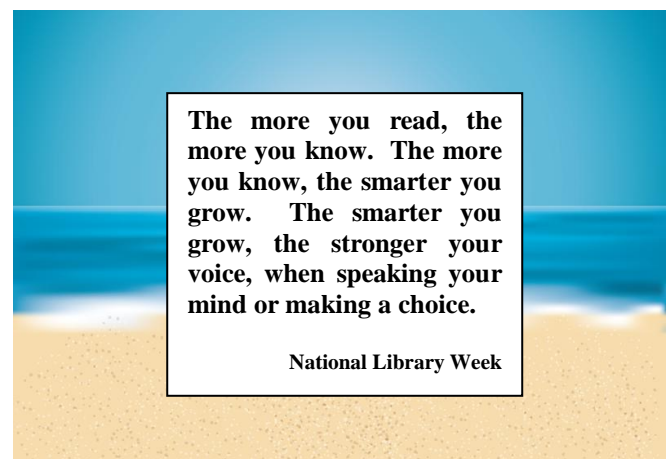
## Street Library

The Street Library, located in the BBQ shelter on Marine Parade, is now up-and-running and it is pleasing to see that it has been used extensively during the summer holiday period.

To use the library you do not have to exchange one book for another although this is generally the accepted practice. We do have a plentiful supply of books to continue to replenish it from time-to-time.



Please help us keep it tidy – when you use it we would appreciate you making sure that all books are standing upright with the binding facing out so it makes it easier for other users to see the name of the book and the author – check that the catch is always in place.



## Acknowledgment of Thanks

We must express our sincere thanks to **Fraser Ellis MP, Member for Narungga**, who has so generously agreed to print our editions of the Whaler.