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# Welcome to the 2021 **Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.**

THE organising committee is excited to present the new name of the festival to illustrate our push to encompass the entire region.

We believe the event is a chance for the Riverland to come together, celebrate our beautiful region and showcase the area to the rest of the state and beyond.

This year's event has again come with many challenges due to Covid-19, but after forging ahead with last year's festival, the committee felt confident we could pull off a wonderful Rose Festival

We have welcomed many new committee members and friends of the festival this year and each and every single one of them have been instrumental in organising this year's event.

Again, safety has been at the forefront of all of our planning

and every box has been ticked to make sure the festival is something locals and visitors can feel comfortable attending.

We have a number of our regular, popular components going ahead this year like the open gardens, market fair and Renmark Institute display.

We thank all of our gardeners and encourage people to visit the gardens outlined in the program.

We promise you won't be disappointed, with gardeners from across the Riverland generously offering to showcase their wonderful gardens. The passion and love for all things gardening will be obvious when you take the opportunity to meander through these gorgeous properties.

The Renmark township's rose gardens provide a spectacular backdrop and are immaculately

presented during the festival and throughout the year, thanks to the Renmark Paringa Council. There are 51 garden beds consisting of more than 4500 bushes spread throughout the town and it is well worth taking a walking tour to discover them. More information from the Visitor Information Centre.

We are pleased to welcome Mallee Estate as our host for the popular Gala Dinner and look forward to celebrating this year's successes in style.

We would like to thank all of our wonderful sponsors, committee members, friends of the festival, Renmark Paringa Council and everyone that has made putting this event on possible.

RIVERLAND ROSE AND **GARDEN FESTIVAL COMMITTEE** 

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RENMARK HOTEL















# SATURDAY, 16 OCT | 9AM-3PM

# Markets, dogs, and food galore

THE Riverland Rose and Garden Festival's popular Festival Fair is back, with organisers expecting a stronger contingent of stallholders compared to last year.

The fair will kick off the festival on Saturday, October 16, from 9am to 3pm, at the Jarrett Memorial Gardens.

Around 40 stalls will be on offer, showcasing a range of produce, nuts and fruit, giftware, entertainment, service clubs, SES, CFS, garden supplies, plants, confectionary, handicrafts, wood and metal work, clothing, food and coffee, dried fruits, sauces and jams and other bric-a-brac – and a woodworking display.

Organisers expect a stronger showing from stallholders due to the return of Victorians, depending on Covid-19 restrictions.

Around eight food stalls are expected at the event, and sit-down areas will be available to attendees.

The committee has allocated 12 seating areas interspersed with the food stalls (a Covid-19 requirement).

Every stallholder who sells food will have a Covid Safe Plan at their stall provided by the committee. No alcohol will be served at the event.

After a popular debut at last year's event, the dog agility display will return for this year's Festival Fair.

Sue Laidler from the Riverland Dog Training & Kennel Club put on a "fantastic display", which is expected to be a hit again this year.

The peg race between dogs and children was particularly popular, where Sue's dogs compete with children from the crowd to retrieve pegs.

Last year, somewhat surprisingly, in most cases the children won.

This year the committee will try to make the display more user friendly with more seating and a sign telling patrons when the next display will be run.

Jarrett Memorial Gardens will be fenced off again this year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, with the one entrance gate from James Avenue.

Clear signage on rules of entry and Covid-19 regulations will be on display at the entrance, together with hand sanitizer and Covid-19 forms and QR barcodes.

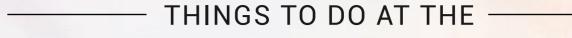
Patrons with dogs will be allowed entrance with their dog kept on a leash.

The committee is still accepting registrations to this year's fair from across the border and locally.

To express an interest contact festival secretary John Chappel on 0407 010 363 or email john@stoneypinch.com.au.

Around 40 stalls will be on offer...





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11.30am - 2.30pm
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and bread rolls plus dessert
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# PIZZA NIGHTS

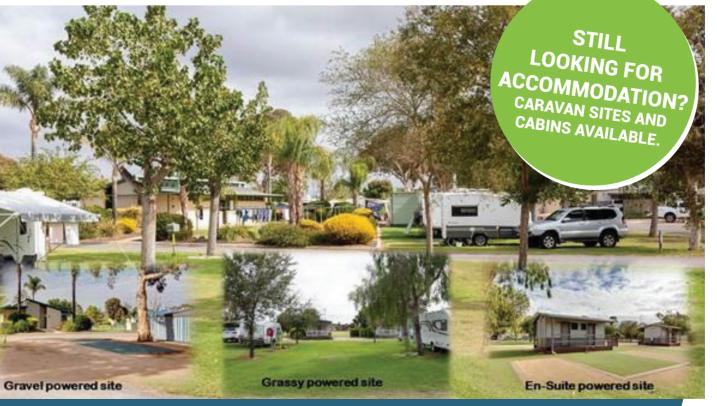
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## RIVERLAND ROSE AND GARDEN FESTIVAL FRI 15 — SUN 24 OCT

### FRI 15 — SUN 17 OCT

# Festival highlight better than ever

THE Riverland Rose and Garden Festival will again showcase a floral wonderland in the Renmark Institute to kick off the event in style.

The display will take place on the first weekend of the festival from Friday, October 15, to Sunday, October 17.

An event spokesperson said the display left visitors and attendees extremely impressed.

Each year a hard-working team of volunteers put their love of arrangements to good use to create a remarkable floral exhibit for the festival.

Using flowers and cuttings from local gardens, the display showcases the wide range of roses, flowers and plants located throughout the Riverland.

People can walk through and admire the floral displays, with no shortage of components to impress attendees.

The spokesperson said around 20 people are involved in putting together the display.

"It really is a massive effort from our group of volunteers and I'm always so impressed

as to what we put together," they said,

"I think it's really one of the festival highlights. It's right in the middle of town so people can walk to it and get out and about.

"It's a great opportunity for us locals to come together and share our love of the roses and gardens.

"Come and enjoy and take time to smell the roses and indulge in Little Miss Daisy's coffee and treats."

The spokesperson thanked local gardeners for their help and contribution of flowers and foliage.

"It's a big undertaking and such a big job for our team of organisers but it really is worth it," they said.

This year's display will be about showcasing the festival inclusivity and celebrating the push to make the festival a Riverland-wide event.

"The Riverland Rose and Garden Festival is about the entire region and we really want to see the event embraced by the entire community," the spokesperson











# **Waikerie Flower Show** welcomed back

THE Waikerie and Districts Community Flower Show will return this year after a forced cancellation due to Covid-19 in 2020.

Waikerie Garden Club president Glennis Crawford said people were extremely keen to see the show return

The Waikerie and Districts Community Flower Show has run for around 40 years, and will this year take place on Friday, October 15, from 10am to 5pm and Saturday, October 16, from 10am to 2pm.

This year's theme is 'The

Artful Gardener'.

"The Waikerie Flower Show was really missed last year and a lot of people are really keen to see it go ahead this year," said Mrs Crawford.

"All the keen gardeners in our district do a wonderful job and there are a lot of amazing gardens and flowers all around

"We've been working hard to get it up and running again. We have had a lot of committee meetings to get everything organised.

"I really hope the community and visitors support this event

because we do really put on a spectacular show."

Mrs Crawford said the Waikerie-based event has long been associated with the Riverland Rose and Garden

"Since I've been involved we've tried to have it in conjunction with the Rose Festival," she said.

"Because we figure if people are going through to Renmark then they might stop in and see our flower show.

"It's an inexpensive event and we attract a lot of elderly people but we do get our

schools involved as well."

A free floral art demonstration will take place on the Friday from 2pm, while a free children's floral art workshop will take place on the Saturday at 10am.

Bookings for the sessions are required.

Morning and afternoon tea will be available.

Entry is \$4 for adults, \$3 for pensioners, while school children are free.

For inquiries or to book into a floral art demonstration call Mrs Crawford on 0428 911 521.

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# Open Gardens

#### **RENMARK**

#### **RENMARK ROSE DRIVE AND WALK**

#### Renmark Public Rose Gardens

Few flowers can compete with the breathtaking beauty and exquisite perfume of the rose. The Renmark Paringa Council's Renmark Rose Drive and Walk has been prepared to help you find, identify and take pleasure in the beautiful roses that are on show in their public rose beds. Renmark Paringa Council maintain over 4,500 rose bushes in various garden beds located throughout Renmark and Paringa. The annual expenditure by Council in maintaining, watering the rose beds and adjoining lawns is in excess of \$100,000 per year. The majority of beds are watered with recycled water.

Public rose beds are an important part of the Renmark Rose and Garden Festival and we encourage you to enjoy these during your visit. We are extremely proud of our rose gardens, thank you and enjoy!

To obtain a copy of the Renmark Rose Drive and Walk guide please visit the Renmark Visitor Information Centre.

Note: Courtesy of the Renmark Paringa Council with assistance from the late David

0415 387 943

#### **GREG AND JILL KNIGHT - WISTOW** 78 James Avenue, Renmark

**Open Saturday, October 16,** 10am to 3pm tea and coffee available. Tuesday, October 19, 10am to 4pm.

This garden is less than 12 months old but already shows promise. Planted mainly to roses with an understory of salvias, geraniums, hedges of box honeysuckle and dwarf abelia, annuals and more. A small area for shade loving plants, with a water feature in the enclosed courtyard.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

Pet friendly: No

Water hazard: No **Buses:** Buses welcome

Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Renmark Paringa District Health Advisory Council

Tea and coffee being served on the Saturday by the above group.



#### **RENMARK**

#### **DALE KERIN - ROSEDALE**

#### 12 Kokoda Avenue, Renmark 0420 383 948

Open Friday, October 15, to Friday, October 22, 10am to 4pm.

Come and enjoy a wander through my town cottage garden of roses, salvias, shrubs, irises, geraniums, bulbs and succulents, together with a collection of statues and rustic garden ornaments. Sit and relax with a cuppa in the gazebo.

#### Pet friendly: No Water hazard: No

**Buses:** Buses welcome

Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Cancer Council/Greenhill Lodge.

#### PIDGE AND ANGIE SANDFORD **KJ AND AD SANDFORD**

#### 178 Eighth Street, Renmark 0412807889

**Open Saturday, October 16,** to Saturday, October 23, 9am to 4pm.

The garden is set on an acre. We have our natives out the front yard while the real gem is hidden out the back. We have our shade houses and over 200 roses planted out among salvias, daisies, irises, princess lillys, and other flowering plants. We also have fruit trees around amongst the garden as we both love our fruit. I love preserving the fruit. We have a hothouse for the vegie garden and some chooks.

Wheelchair friendly: No Pet friendly: No

Water hazard: One lily pond in the shade

**Buses:** Buses welcome Entry fee: \$2 donation

#### **ELSA LOULAS - A BLOCKIES GARDEN** 702 Chowilla Street, Renmark 0427 951 478

#### **Open Saturday, October 16,** and Sunday, October 17, 10am to 4pm.

A blockies garden established over the past 30 years with a variety of fruit trees consisting of apricots, peaches, apples, plums, cherry, figs and other. Main driveway features standard white icebergs edged with pink carpet roses on the right side with an island garden with conifers and palm trees on the left. Behind this is a boundary of agapanthus lined with English box. Looking out the front of the home is a magnolia tree surrounding by agapanthus with crape myrtle to one side and fruit trees to the other, with olive trees at the back. The front of the property, along the roadside, consists of old established climbing roses in the back and a variety of roses and irises along the front. An old irrigation channel behind this is a working project. Morning and afternoon tea will be available.

Buses: Buses welcome.

**Entry fee:** Gold coin donation to the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

#### **RENMARK**

#### **LORNA ROGERS**

4 Waratah Court, Renmark Phone 8586 3134

**Open Friday, October 15, to** Sunday, October 17, 10am to 4pm.

A small, colourful new town garden with a number of pathways. Displays of trellised plants and roses in massed colour. The garden is tied together with hardy natives, perennials and annuals.

Entry fee: \$2 donation

#### **DI SPEIGHT**

5 Eleventh Street, Renmark 0487 588 612

Open Friday, October 15, to Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm. Come see the gazebo covered with wisteria and planted to annuals. This complements a cottage garden with roses growing in large pots. Di has built many of the structures herself from recycled materials. Her artistic abilities are shown throughout the garden with its whimsical touches. There is a garden

shop with homemade craft and pot plants for

Wheelchair friendly: Yes Pet Friendly: Yes, on lead

Water hazard: No

#### Entry fee: \$2 donation

#### RIVERSIDE ESTATE LIFESTYLE **VILLAGE**

1 Murray Dyer Avenue, Renmark 0437 867 505

**Open Friday, October 15, to** Sunday, October 24, 10am to 5pm.

Wander through the extensive gardens of this beautiful lifestyle estate. Riverside Estate has approximately 1000 roses amongst various lawns and gardens. Some residents will open their homes for viewing, giving visitors an opportunity to see the different styles of quality homes. Potters Inn Garden Club will have plants for sale in the propagation area of the Riverside Community Garden. Stop by the Recreation Centre for a complimentary tea, coffee and cake and view the display of artwork by resident Yvonne Lempens and

Wheelchair friendly: Yes Pet friendly: Yes Water hazard: No

Entry fee: Free entry

others. Well worth a visit

Mander through
the extensive
gardens at
Riverside Estate!

#### **RENMARK**

#### FLEUR AND ALLAN CARTHEW 91 Sixtyfoot Road, Renmark West 8595 1862 or 0429 169 214

Open Friday, October 15, to Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm.

A one-acre, informal garden situated on a sandy ridge – bounded by citrus and avocado trees. The property has only had two gardeners in nearly 60 years, thus there are some very old, mature trees and plants. There is a vegetable garden, an orchard and natives, particularly grevilleas and banksias. Of course there are roses – 350 of them – scattered throughout the whole garden. A wide variety, starting with species and wild roses, then the heritage roses, the hybrid teas and the new David Austins. A 'gardener's' garden.

Wheelchair friendly: No

Pet Friendly: Yes, on lead

Water hazard: No **Buses:** Buses welcome

Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Rose Festival. Heritage Rose Society in Australia and Chaffey Rose Club.

## **BARRY SULLIVAN AND SHARRYN**

3 Twentyfourth Street, Crescent 0438 834 118

Saturday, October 16, and Sunday, October 17, and Saturday, October 23, to Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm.

Our garden is a work in progress, we have a huge array of old farming equipment throughout our garden from the early 1900s. there will also be some classic Holden cars on display too. We also have roses around the house plus at the front of our property.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

Pet friendly: Yes Water hazard: No

**Buses:** Buses welcome

Entry fee: Gold coin donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service

**LINDA WEBB - RUSTIC PEACE** 54 Old Cooltong Avenue, Cooltong 0413 472 320

**Open Saturday, October 16, Sunday,** October 17, and Saturday, October 23, Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm.

Come and see my garden along the driveway to the backvard. Full of hanging baskets fi with donkeys' tails, hoyas, bromeliads, air plants and elkhorns. Then to the large front yard with fruit trees, nut trees, banksias, proteas, salvias, orchids and roses. There will be something to intrigue and fascinate most gardeners.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes Pet friendly: Yes Water hazard: No **Buses:** Buses welcome Entry fee: \$2 donation

#### **PARINGA**

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#### IAN AND JANET HOWARTH 21 Riverview Drive, Paringa 0427 531 673

Open Sunday, October 17, Monday, October 18, Thursday, October 21, Friday, October 22, Sunday, October 24, 9am to 4pm.

Approximately 140 rose bushes, bromiliads, begonias, large trees including gum, walnut, camphor laurel, carob, pines and crepe myrtles, native bushes, salvias, succulents and fernery. The garden is approximately one and a half acres on quite a steep grade. Walking can be tiring.

Wheelchair friendly: No

Pet friendly: No Water hazard: No

**Buses:** Buses welcome

Entry fee: \$2 donation to P.H.I.T

#### **BRAD AND LORNA TAYLOR** 13 Riverview Drive, Paringa

0417 855 014 Open Monday, October 18, to Wednesday, October 20, and Friday. October 22, to Sunday, October 24,

10am to 4pm. This large and well-established garden, on one and a half acres, features mainly roses and has various fill-in plants. A lily pond out the is also a feature. Large amount of roses together

Pet friendly: Yes Water hazard: No

**Buses:** Buses welcome Entry fee: \$2 donation

with other plants for sale.

#### LOXTON

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#### **KELVIN AND JACQUI WESTBROOK** - MEDEA HOUSE

1656 Bookpurnong Road, Loxton 0417 800 735

Open Saturday, October 16, Sunday, October 17. Wednesday, October 20, Saturday, October 23 and Sunday, October 24 from 10am to 4pm.

Walking down the driveway of tall trees, complementary shrubs and features will lead to the heritage wall and old implements on the left, then to a central garden that is home to the fountain and towering pines. The formal areas feature low stone walls edging the many garden beds, low hedges complement the walls. Statues and urns feature throughout the gardens, with large archways adding their magic! The parkland area feature two shaped olive trees. Medea House was built in the early 1900s and overlooks the River Murray. Terraced gardens on the riverside were designed, built and planted in 2017. Two windmills have been erected in 2021 the riverside one came from our station 'Lake Stewart' and the second one is located at the entrance. There are so many character areas to explore and to enjoy. The original old stone cellar is a feature to behold surrounded by old world items. Kangaroos Ellie and Joey nestle amongst a garden of kangaroo paws, with Barbara the sheep nearby! We welcome visitors to our garden.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

**Pets:** Don't encourage pets, but on a leash is essential.

**Buses:** Buses welcome

Entry Fee: \$2 donation or larger greatly accepted, all donations going to NOVITA.

#### LOXTON

#### THE PINES HISTORIC HOUSE AND **GARDEN**

18 Henry Street, Loxton 0437 169 853

Open all year round. Market Day, Sunday October 24, 10am to 2pm.

This beautifully preserved location is a "must see" all year round. The house (along with its contents) and the gardens were bequeathed to the people of Loxton by Mrs Ella Kingdom. The gardens are open to the public every day and as a Rose Festival special there will be tours of the house on Sunday, October 17th at 2pm and Thursday 21st, Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd, also at 2pm. Tours take approx. 45mins and cost \$10 for adults, and children under 12 are free. To complete the Rose Festival there will be a Garden Fair at The Pines from 10-2pm on Sunday 24th. Market stalls, local produce, house tours, art and crafts, food and drinks, live entertainment and much more will be available for your whole family to enjoy. Come and join in the fun and

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

Pet friendly: Yes

Water hazard: There's a fountain **Buses:** Buses welcome Entry fee: Gold coin donation

#### HELEN GRAY - RIVERLAND CACTI AND SUCCULENT GARDEN 847 Brown's Well Highway

8584 6284 Open Friday, October 15, to Sunday, October 17, and Tuesday, October 19. to Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm. Shade house, pot plants, birds, cacti,

collections. Kangaroos and emus, all friendly. Large parking area available Wheelchair friendly: Some gravel, the rest

succulents/ Also a stone house and other

Pet friendly: Yes

Water hazard: No **Buses:** Buses welcome Entry fee: Gold coin donation

#### **BERRI**

#### **BILL AND CHARLENE SANTOS -**

**SANTOSPIRITO** 448 Riverview Drive, Berri 0407 374172

Open Friday, October 15, Saturday, October 16 and Sunday, October 17. Friday, October 22, Saturday, October 23, and Sunday, October, 24, 9am to 4pm.

This is a large rambling garden with lovely river views. It has large, established trees, lawn, roses, natives and a cottage garden with an adjoining orchard with various fruit and citrus trees. Lots of variety and colour. Morning and afternoon tea will be available. A trading table and book stall with homemade

Wheelchair friendly: No Pet friendly: No

Water hazard: No Buses: Small buses welcome.

Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Women's and Children's Hospital and Royal Flying Doctors

#### **BERRI**

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#### **VAL AND JOHN FEWSTER - FEWVILLA** 31 Fenwick Road, Berri 0466 278 511 or 8582 1882

Open Saturday, October 16, Sunday, October 17, Monday, October 18, Tuesday, October 19, Friday, October 22, and Saturday, October 23, 9am to 4pm.

Our town garden has a fine collection of standard bush and David Austin roses surrounding the house, and differentcoloured vincas down each side of the driveway. It is an informal garden with an area of drought-tolerant plants (lavender, kangaroo paw and bird of paradise). The garden has two lawned areas for children's play and entertainment. There is a raised bed with a colourful display of flowers all year round. We have a large, gabled veranda at the back where you can sit and enjoy morning or afternoon tea, overlooking a walkthrough fernery to a cottage garden and fruit trees in the backyard. A gold coin donation to charity. Tea, coffee and cake available. Buses

#### **BARMERA**

**CRAIG ROGERS** 

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27 Cant Road, Barmera 0409 910 362

**Open Saturday, October 16 and** Sunday, October 17, 9am to 4pm.

I've always enjoyed gardening and in 1996 I bought 1.5 acres of land and began my own garden. I cleared away the weeds, the peppercorn trees and the old ruins, but kept some Mallee and cattle bush trees and a kurrajong tree as a link to the past. My garden has five different areas that merge into each other. On the northern side there are natives including grevilleas, bottle brushes, banksias, quandongs, Mallee trees and cattle bushes. The driveway island features palms, roses, lawn, shrubs and golden elms. At the front of the house above a bluestone retaining wall are ornamental pear and plum trees and grasses. At the western end of the house is an area that I call "The Park". It has a lot of lawn and shady trees including Chinese elm, oak, plane, and kurrajong trees. It is an oasis of coolness on hot summer days, and the birds love it! Along the top of the block behind the house there is an orchard area of citrus and stone fruit trees, as well as pear and apple

trees. There are also avocado, macadamia and

#### Wheelchair friendly: No Pet friendly: No

Water hazard: No

pistachio trees there too.

**Buses:** Buses welcome by appointment

Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service



#### **BARMERA**

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**GRAHAM AND GLENYS MATTHEWS -NOOKAMKA GARDENS** 

131 Nookamka Terrace, Barmera 0419 807 837

Open Saturday, October 16, and Sunday, October 17, and Saturday, October 23, to Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm.

Vision, passion and energy are what Graham

and Glenys Matthews share as they continue to build their gardens in Barmera. From a clean page in December, 2017, they have started their journey towards a wonderland that will be Nookamka Gardens. Opening their gardens for the first time in 2019, visitors were in awe at what had been achieved in only two years. Established then were the floodplain and fence line native gardens as well as a protea/leucadendron/ kangaroo paw garden. At the front of the house is a formal garden surrounded by standard roses and cottage garden with a wisteria arbour over the pathway. A comprehensive cottage garden borders the manicured lawn, with screen and a smaller garden blocking out the irrigation system and rainwater tanks. There are an assortment of floribunda and hybrid tea roses interplanted with many special bearded irises in another room. Up on the next level is a large orchid shade house and smaller soft plant shade house. At the back of the house frangipani. magnolia and camellia are interplanted with salvia and smaller shrubs. At the eastern end of the house more camellias with tree magnolia are established among another cottage garden. Since that first open day in 2019 much planning and further development has taken place. Room has been made for a few aviaries around the gardens to appease Graham's other passion, birds. Over 50 tonnes of large rocks have been brought in for terracing along with 250 tonne of red sand topsoil to provide elevation and character for the various rooms to be established. Some of these have been allocated plantings while others are still to be decided. This will be a work in progress for another year or so, but as we all know a gardener's work is never done. Plants will be available for purchase from Grandma's Plant Table'.

Wheelchair friendly: Partially Pet friendly: No

Water hazard: No

Buses: by appointment only

Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Royal Flying Doctors Service

#### **GLOSSOP**

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CYNTHIA AND MURRAY HARVEY-CYNAMURRA

154 Cornish Road, Glossop 0429 882 030

Open Saturday, October 16, Sunday, October 17, Wednesday, October 20, Saturday, October 23, 9am to 4pm.

Situated just off the highway between Berri and Glossop, this rambling garden on half an acre has a combination of roses, natives, succulents and ornamentals with several mature trees 70 to 80 years old. The garden has been fully redeveloped over the past 14 years after the removal of extensive lawn areas. Wander along paths amongst grasses and large yuccas. Spot the fish in one of the two fish ponds as you enjoy the peaceful tranquillity of the garden. Sit and admire the view of the lagoon from the front veranda and deck. Further on is an area of several varieties of roses. Discover the quirky rustic charm of recycled bits 'n' pieces. Underneath the mature trees an area has been dedicated to sub-tropical plants including clivias, philodendrons and bromeliads. View the silkie bantams along with canaries while wandering the garden. Recycled glass and metal art for

Wheelchair friendly: Yes Pet friendly: No Water hazard: No Buses: Buses welcome Entry fee: \$2 donation

#### BRIAN AND MICHELLE DOMINIC

96 Winkie Road, Glossop 0419 421 594

Open Saturday, October 16, Sunday, October 17, Saturday, October 23, and Sunday, October 24, 9am to 4pm.

This established garden is still evolving and has seen many changes. Based on an Englishstyle cottage garden, David Austin roses take pride of place. Hybrid T's and floribundas are mixed in with salvia, agapanthus, lambs ears, seaside daisy and many more cottage plants. Established trees both deadways and evergreen surround the garden along with a large area of lawn with duraheat birches provide a restful and relaxing space. Market bunches by Coco and Honey Flower Farm will be available, Terrariums by Michelle, along with other items of interest will be on offer. EFTPOS facilities available.

Pet Friendly: Yes, on lead Water hazard: No Buses: Buses welcome Entry fee: \$2 donation

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

#### WINKIE

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TRISH WESLEY-SMITH AND TAMARA SCHUTZ - BIMBADEEN

70 WH Swinstead Road, Winkie 0407 570 693 or 0428 880 130

Open Saturday, October 16, Sunday, October 17, Friday, October 22, Saturday, October 23 and Sunday, October 24, 10am to 4pm.

Our poplar-lined driveway welcomes you as you enter through the front gate where you might be welcomed by our two dogs Hugo and Harry. Our rustic garden is set on one acre surrounding our almost 100-year-old bungalow. Once through the gate it's your choice, our garden has been developed with rooms both front and back. Our front yard boasts an extremely old loquat tree that arches over the entrance to our fire pit. Inside the front garden we have a designated area for wedding ceremonies or just a place to sit and relax on the deck in front of the planted old boat – the front also has a 70-year-old crepe myrtle with its amazingly coloured trunk, this is also where you will see the lawned area with gazebo and garden beds that include an array of roses, a lemon tree, pear tree and mop tops. Out the back on the veranda we have a built-in working Simpson wood fire where you can purchase a hot coffee or tea and a scone with jam and cream. Our wisteria weeps over the pine post structure leading you into the backyard rooms, to the left you will find a very shaded area lined with agapanthus and ferns. The canopy of the london plane trees provides shade over much of the back yard keeping us cool during even the hottest days. Whilst in the back yard you will meet "Gus", our sulphur crested cockatoo, who will be more than happy to have a chat. We will have local artist Lyn Anstey painting in our garden on Friday 16th, Saturday 17th and Friday 22nd between 1pm and 3pm where she will have prints of her amazing work available to purchase.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes
Pet friendly: No
Water hazard: No
Buses: Buses welcome

Entry fee: Gold coin donation to

Bowel Cancer Australia

Australia.

Entrance will be by gold coin donation from

which we will donate to Bowel Cancer

#### **WAIKERIE**

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GRACE AND LAWRIE KALISCH 15 Miller Street, Waikerie 0438 854 270 or 8541 2608

Open Saturday, October 16, to Saturday, October 23, 9am to 4pm and Sunday, October 24, 11.30am to 4pm.

This garden has been established over 20 years. Two silver birch trees have recently been removed and replaced with crepe myrtles; these are better suited to our climate. Features a formal front garden with a row of standard seduction roses behind a picket fence. Blends of favourite roses and irises are planted throughout the garden with a mix of other flowers and plants creating a cottage look. A walk through pergola leads to the back garden with raised garden beds, a herb garden and espaliered fruit trees. On display is a classic car, a 1962 S. Series Valiant Sedan.

Pet friendly: Yes
Water hazard: No
Buses: Buses welcome
Entry fee: \$2 donation to the Royal Flying

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

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SHARYN WILSON 7B Holder Bottom Road, Waikerie 0448 265 314

#### 10am to 4pm

Located 3km out of Waikerie and situated on the cliff top overlooking the river. Our garden is filled with a variety of plants and flowers. Roses, irises and succulents are together with rustic elements throughout the garden. There are steps and crazy paths around the house. Tea, coffee and scones available.

Wheelchair friendly: No
Pet friendly: Yes
Water hazard: No
Buses: Buses welcome
Entry fee: Gold coin donation

#### **WAIKERIE**

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DENISE AND KEVIN SPELLACY 10 Campbell Terrace, Waikerie 8541 4475

Open Friday, October 15, Saturday, October 16, and Sunday, October 17, 10am to 4pm.

We moved here from Adelaide 2014 to retire. The house is very old and the garden hadn't been kept for about eight years. We have a house block, plus a spare block under garden. The house was renovated from top to bottom. The garden had to be started again. I had a lot of failures in the first two years, I couldn't get used to the intensive heat at Waikerie. The water bills were eye-watering and so we eventually put in a watering system. The garden is old fashioned to match the era of the house. There are roses, geraniums, hollyhocks, orchids (I'm not too good at growing these). All sorts of plants surround the house including fruit trees. I'm trying to establish large trees for shade, and I hope they will grow quickly otherwise I'll be dead before I enjoy them. I have a lot of garden art around the place, I rarely throw anything away. I hope you enjoy my garden in October.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes
Water hazard: No
Buses: Buses welcome
Entry fee: Gold coin donation

## STUART (NEXT TO CADELL FERRY)

SYLVIA POHLNER - PINDARI PARK 9290 Goyder Highway, Stuart 0499 195 530

Open Friday, October 15, Saturday, October 16 and Sunday, October 17. Friday, October 22, Saturday, October 23, and Sunday, October, 24, 10am to

Come and enjoy a large garden and orchard with wonderful cliff top views of the river. Wander around and follow the gravel pathways in and around the many garden rooms. Enjoy the roses, cannas and many native trees. Have a look at the 25 varieties of fruit trees growing in the orchard. Pindari has plenty of car parking and you can enjoy a tea or coffee on the veranda after your walk around the garden. This garden has been featured in the July ABC Gardening Australia magazine.

Water hazard: Small fish pond only with safety wire cover.

Buses: Buses welcome by appointment.

Entry fee: \$5 donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Includes tea/coffee and cake.

Wheelchair friendly: Yes

Pet friendly: Yes, on lead.



	RENMARK	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
1	Renmark Rose Drive and Walk											
2	Greg and Jill Knight - Wistow	10am-4pm										
3	Dale Kerin - Rosedale	10am-4pm										
4	Pidge and Angie Sandford - KJ and AD Sandford	9am-4pm										
5	Elsa Loulas - A Blockies Garden	10am-4pm										
6	Lorna Rogers	10am-4pm										
7	Di Speight	10am-4pm										
8	Riverside Estate Lifestyle Village	10am-5pm										
9	Fleur and Allan Carthew	10am-4pm										
10	Barry Sullivan and Sharryn Webb	10am-4pm										
11	Linda Webb - Rustic peace	10am-4pm										
	PARINGA	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
12	Ian and Janet Howarth	9am-4pm										
13	Brad and Lorna Taylor	10am-4pm										
	LOXTON	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
14	Kelvin and Jacqui Westbrook- MEDEA HOUSE	10am-4pm										
15	The Pines Historic House and Garden	9am-5pm										
16	Helen Gray - Riverland Cacti and Succulent garden	10am-4pm										
	BERRI & BARMERA	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
17	Bill and Charlene Santos - Santospirito	9am-4pm										
18	Val and John Fewster - Fewvilla	9am-4pm										
19	Craig Rogers	9am-4pm										
20	Graham & Glenys Matthews - Nookamka Gardens	10am-4pm										
	GLOSSOP & WINKIE	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
21	Cynthia and Murray Harvey - Cynamurra	9am-4pm										
22	Brian and Michelle Dominic	9am-4pm										
23	Trish Wesley-Smith & Tamara Schutz - Bimbadeen	10am-4pm										
	WAIKERIE	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
24	Grace and Lawrie Kalisch	9am-4pm										11.30-4pm
25	Sharyn Wilson	10am-4pm										
26	Denise and Kevin Spellacy	10am-4pm										
	STUART (NEXT TO CADELL FERRY)	TIMES	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
27	Sylvia Pohlner - Pindari Park	10am-4pm										

# Events and attractions

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28	Kat Bell's Art Exhibition at Angove Family Winemakers Cellar Door - Renmark	10am-5pm 11am-4pm										
29	Rain Moth Art Exhibition - Waikerie	10.30-2.30pm										
30	Rosey High Tea - Chaffey Rose Club - Renmark	2pm-4pm										
31	Garden High Tea & Live Music - Loxton Garden Club	2pm-5pm										
32	Rose Festival Lunch Cruises - Berri Riverside Caravan Park	11.30-2.30pm										
33	Second-hand Rose fashion parade - Berri Barmera Garden Club event	2pm										
34	Australian Landscape Trust - Calperum Station	9am-12noon										
35	PS Industry's cruises	various times										
35	Floral Display - Renmark Institute											
36	Waikerie Flower Show	Fri 10am-5pm Sat 10am-2pm										
37	Festival Fair and Market – Jarrett Memorial Gardens - Renmark	9am-3pm										
38	Rosie Lunch at Rustons Restaurant - Renmark	12noon										
39	Gardener Lovers Seminar – Riverside Retirement Village - Renmark	from 10am										
40	Candle-light supper (Starry White Night) – Salena Estate - Loxton	from 6.30pm										
41	Gala Dinner - Mallee Estate - Renmark	5.45pm										
42	Renmark Lions Club – Fund raising bazaar - Renmark	8am-12noon										
15	The Pines – Market Day - Loxton (Refer to open garden listing)	10am-2pm										

40 (Starry White Night) – Salena Estate - Loxton from 6.30pm
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Mallee Estate Wines staff (from left) Peter Katsaitis, Jim Markeas, Erica Dodd, Phillipa Dyer and Courtney Davis look forward to this year's Riverland Rose and Garden Festival's gala dinner. PHOTO: Peta-Marie Philippou

## FRIDAY, 22 OCT | 5.45PM

# Gala dinner takes a trip to Greece

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

THE Riverland Rose and Garden Festival's gala dinner will offer event goers a different experience this year by sending tastebuds to Greece.

Eleni's Restaurant at Mallee Estate will host this year's gala dinner, which will be held on Friday, October 22, from 5.45pm.

Eleni's Restaurant front of house manager Erica Dodd said the staff were "excited" to be part of a "much-loved" festival.

"We're really proud of what we do here at Eleni's and we're excited to share our great service and food with others," she said.

"Collaborating with different organisations across the region is something we love, because we get to meet new people and learn new things.

"The festival has been going on for years and it has been very popular for both locals and

"To be able to host the gala dinner is something special."

Ms Dodd said the night will feature entertainment and an auction, as well as top-quality

"We'll be providing a three-

course meal - plus roaming canapes – in our barrel room, which holds 150 people," she

"Roaming canapes will include zucchini balls and paximadia, accompanied by a complimentary Mallee Estate sparkling white or

"The entree will be an alternative drop of spanakopita and calamari followed by a main course of lamb rack and oven baked chicken breast.

"Dessert will be an alternate drop of chocolate baklava cigars and bougatsa.

"The festival committee will

organise entertainment for the night, so we're looking forward to see who they choose.

"We'll hold an auction and we're also planning on offering special cocktails throughout the month of October.

"We want to add a rose and garden theme to our night so we are creating Rose, Violette and Elderflower cocktails."

Tickets are \$88 and can be purchased via Eventbrite (https://bit.ly/3jClZf6).

For more information or to request dietary requirements, email elenis@malleeestate.com.au.



To be able to host the gala dinner is something special.



with a superb 4 course meal, delicious wines and a unique bouquet of cocktails.

Friday 22, October at 5.45pm - 10.00pm

8595 1099 | 20055 Renmark Ave, Renmark malleeestate.com.au



FRI 15 — SUN 24 OCT



## **SUNDAY, 17 OCT | 12NOON**

# Treat yourself to a Rosey Lunch

THE home of roses, Rustons, will again host an extravagant lunch at its picturesque property during this year's Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

The Rosey Lunch will take place on Sunday, October 17, from 12 noon, and is expected to be extremely popular again.

"We hosted the lunch out here during last year's Rose Festival and it was an absolute hit amongst attendees," said Sheree Chappel,

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Riverland Rose

‡ Garden Festival

NEW TASTES.

Open from 9.30am daily for coffee, cake & scones Lunch available daily (during Rose Week only) 12-2pm Dinner available Friday & Saturday 6-8.30pm

Always take time to stop & smell the roses

Brunch available Sunday 9.30-11am

Ph 8586 6191 | rustons.com.au

Check out Rustons socials for menus

Bookings recommended

Riverland Rose and Garden Festival president.

"It really is such a fabulous spot to gather with friends and be treated to an afternoon of top-quality food and drinks.

"The garden will be looking absolutely beautiful and we are really excited to welcome people here during the festival."

This year attendees will be among the first to experience a glass of Rustons Rose Gin made onsite at Rustons Distillery.

They will then enjoy a two-course luncheon, including a main course and dessert, all while being treated to some live music by local DJ playing hits from the 70's to today.

Plus, there will be a door prize on offer that everyone will want to win.

Tickets are \$65 per person and available through Eventbrite.

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/rosey-lunch-rustons-tickets-166270909767

# PROUD SUPPORTER OF THE Received Rose and Gordon Festival

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# A rambling garden with bicturesque views

#### PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU

A BERRI couple will open their large, rambling garden with picturesque river views to the public this October, as part of the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival

Bill and Charlene Santos' wellestablished garden – dubbed Santospirito to reflect on Mr Santos' Italian heritage – is located at 448 Riverview Drive, Berri

The duo, who have lived in their home for more than 35 years, work on their garden daily, and Mrs Santos said it has "grown drastically" over time.

"Our garden had large, established trees already from when we moved in, but over the years I have bought things for my garden and had things given to me," she said.

"The garden itself has no particular theme, it has a bit of everything.

"We've got a lot of greenery, succulents, roses, natives, various fruit orchards and garden art."

Mrs Santos said having a large

variety of plants in her garden ensures it has colour all year round

"Our garden is always green," she said.

"We mix different plants in one garden because when one flower isn't in season, the other is.

"For example, natives are flowering now but come spring, our roses will be in full-bloom."

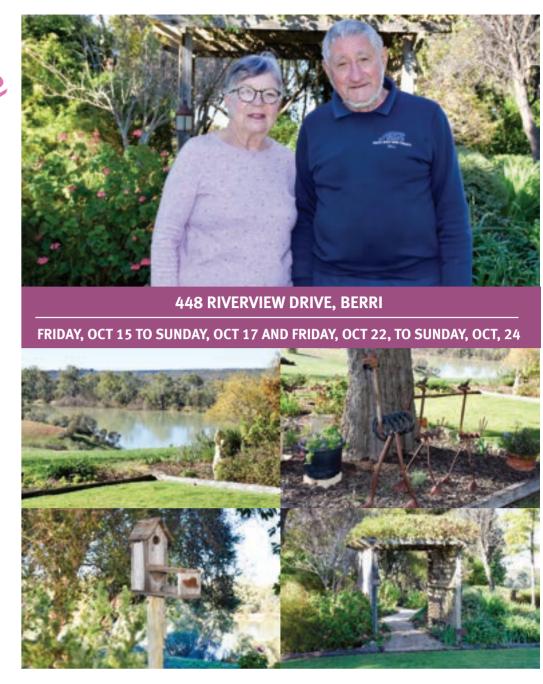
Mrs Santos said the garden will be open both weekends of the festival.

"We'll be opening our garden the first and last Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of the festival from about 9am to 4pm," she said.

"There will be a \$2 entry fee and the money raised will go to two different organisations.

"The funds raised from the first weekend will go to the Women's and Children's Hospital and the funds raised from the second weekend will go to the Riverland Royal Flying Doctors Service.

"Morning and afternoon tea will be provided and we'll also have a trading table with homemade jams, cakes and books."



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## **THURSDAY**, 21 OCT | 6.30PM





Wear white under the starry night

**PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU** 

ROSES will shine at a "special starry white night dinner" event this October, to be held in conjunction with the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

A diner de blanc-inspired event will take place at Cucina 837 at Salena on Thursday, October 21, from 6.30pm.

Cucina 837 at Salena marketing manager Salena Franchitto said hosting a diner de blanc event was something different for the region.

"I've been to a few diner de blanc events before and they're always a great time," she said.

"It's not every day we get to dress in

all white and dine under the stars.

"Dressing in all white will really make the colours of the roses pop, and that's what we

"We want to raise awareness of the festival and have people understand why it's hosted annually and why it's important to so many

Miss Franchitto said the event will offer an "unforgettable" dining experience.

"The event costs \$65 per person and will include bubbles on arrival, a three-course meal, entertainment and trivia," she said.

"Main will be an alternate drop and dessert will be a trio of desserts, so guests will have the opportunity to try different things.

"There will be cute little trivia questions about the festival's history and flower knowledge as well to tie in with the theme.

"We're hoping for a relaxed, chilled night where people can have a great time with

Miss Franchitto said ticket numbers are

"The event is capped at 80 people so those wanting to come along will have to get in fast and pre-purchase a ticket on Eventbrite," she

"Tickets will be released on August 1 and the link will be available through our Facebook page.

"We'll have one long table outside and there'll be set seating, so when you purchase your ticket, we encourage you to write who you are going with so you can be seated with

"We are offering dietary requirements also, which can be asked for when purchasing

the many other complex and wonderful intricacies of life. Colour is used extensively throughout Kat's pieces to capture the audience's attention and draw you into the detail of each piece. The artist is a lover of detail; sometimes these can be a journey of discovery in themselves, as you spend time details inside.

Kat's works are not shy or subdued. On the contrary, they are a feast of colour, detail, intricacy, bold strokes and stories, an examination of contemporary and traditional First Nation life and a love for maximalism (in the words of Iris Apfel "More is more, less is a bore").

Angove Family Winemaker Cellar Door 271 Bookmark Ave, Renmark 5341 Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

Experience these exhibitions during the festival! 29

KAT BELL'S ART EXHIBITION AT **ANGOVE FAMILY WINEMAKERS CELLAR DOOR** 

271 Bookmark Avenue, Renmark **Exhibition from Friday, October 15, to** Sunday, October 24.

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Kat Bell's "A Life in Colour" exhibition showcases a series of pieces focused on life. people, stories and living life through a First Nation lens. It explores contemporary and traditional living as a First Nations person and draws on the artist's experiences as a Gudjula and Girramay woman spanning over four decades. The pieces speak of the artist's connection to country, and culture, both her Aboriginal cultures and the many other cultures experienced throughout her lifetime, including her love for South American cultures (predominantly, Argentinian, Bolivian, Cuban, Columbian, Mexican, and Brazilian). These influences can be seen in the colours, markings and artform applied by the artist. Kat works predominantly in Gouache paint on high quality cotton canvas paper, blending watercolour and opaque medium paint techniques.

This exhibition is about storytelling - telling stories of family, connection, culture, togetherness, customs, love, turmoil, and examining each piece to find the little hidden

Saturday and Sunday 11am to 4pm

4 Peake Terrace, Waikerie **Exhibition from Friday, October 1, to** Tuesday, November 30.

**RAIN MOTH GALLERY** 

Multi award winning artist Alan Louis presents his solo exhibition of superb watercolours. Alan's paintings express how he appreciates life and the beauty that he sees. Whether he is painting a street scene. river scene, people, landscapes, flowers, even a single leaf, he derives joy and satisfaction from being able to freely express his own interpretations of what he perceives, guided by his emotions and innermost feelings. Alan's exhibition will run from 1 October 2021 till 30 November 2021.

While visiting the gallery, also enjoy the gift shop which features a range of locally produced arts, crafts, jewellery, metalwork, ceramics, textiles, glassware and books. The Rain Moth Gallery is also a Visitor Information Outlet, so pop in for some local knowledge. The gallery is also a great place to start your clifftop walk and enjoy spectacular local views.

Open Monday to Friday 10:30am to 2:30pm, Saturday 10am to 1pm. Check our Facebook page. Phone 0435 648 282 for group bookings outside opening hours.

#### **ROSEY HIGH TEA**

2 Marrara Street, Renmark

Thursday, October 21, 2pm to 4pm. Hosted by the Chaffey Rose Club at Rhonda Taylor's garden, 2 Marrara Street, Renmark from 2pm to 4pm, on Thursday, October 21.

Cost is \$15 per head. Tickets are capped, so please pre-book and pay for your ticket by 12 noon Monday, October 18.

Tickets are available from Jill Knight at 78 James Avenue, Renmark, or phone 0415 387 943. No tickets sold on the day of event.

**GARDEN HIGH TEA & LIVE MUSIC** Salmon Gum Estates, 196 French Road, **Loxton North** 

Saturday, October 23, 2pm to 5pm. Hosted by the Loxton Garden Club at Salmon Gum Estates, 196 French Road, Loxton North, on Saturday, October 23, from 2pm to 5pm.

Tickets are \$15, with proceeds to the Royal Flying Doctor Service

For further information contact Jacque on 0402 158 759 or Deanna on 0438 845 966.

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**ROSE FESTIVAL LUNCH CRUISES** Berri Riverside Holiday Park Sunday, October 17 and Tuesday, October 19.

Whilst enjoying the Riverland Rose Festival, join us for a three-hour cruise down the beautiful Murray River with great food and even better company.

Sunday, October 17 - Lunch time cruise (three course sit down Sunday lunch - \$79.50 with a three-hour cruise down the beautiful Murray River) – pick up at the marina opposite the Berri Riverside Holiday Park -11.30am to 2.30pm.

Tuesday, October 19 - Lunch time cruise -(fish and chips, plus salad and bread roll and dessert - with a three-hour cruise down the beautiful Murray River \$69.50) - pick up at the marina opposite the Berri Riverside Holiday Park - 11.30am to 2.30pm.

Both cruises include a complimentary drink on arrival. To book call the Berri Riverside Holiday Park on 8582 3723.

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**SECOND-HAND ROSE FASHION PARADE - BERRI BARMERA GARDEN CLUB EVENT** 

137 Woolston Road, Monash (4km from Berri) 0429 882 030

Sunday, October 24, 2pm.

clothing supplied by 'The Salvos' will feature in this throughout the seasons fashion parade. On arrival enjoy a complimentary glass of bubbles or a refreshing orange juice. At the conclusion of the fashion parade, take a moment to wander through the extensive and magnificent garden admiring the large collections of beautiful roses, cycads, and tropical areas. An afternoon tea of scones, jam and cream will be provided under the large, shaded trees in a pristine and tranquil

Fashion Parade in the Garden. Pre-loved

Limited tickets. Bookings essential. \$20 per head. Tickets available at both the Berri & Barmera Libraries. Profits to Greenhill Lodge Country Cancer accommodation in Adelaide.

**AUSTRALIAN LANDSCAPE TRUST -CALPERUM STATION** 

Wentworth Road, Renmark 8595 7359 Lakes and Wetland Tour,

October 18 and 20, 9am to 12noon. **Culture Meets Ecology Walk** October 19 and 23, 9am to 12noon.

Calperum Station Floodplain Tour: The Calperum Floodplain tour reveals the unique environmental, historical, and cultural wonders of Calperum Station. Calperum rangers guide the tour, with several interesting and immersive stops along the way. Meet our ecologists and learn of the important research and restoration projects being conducted on the property. The tour visits Lake Merreti and Woolpolool, historical and cultural landmarks and the abundant flora and fauna of Calperum Station. We have 12 seats available for the tour, with tag-along options in your own vehicle also available.

Culture Meets Ecology Guided Walk: Walk the land with Calperum Station rangers and ecologists on the Culture Meets Ecology guided walk. Enjoy the serenity of this special place, as you make your way along the gently winding creeks and floodplain tracks. Learn of the history, ecology and cultural aspects of Calperum Station whilst experiencing the native plants and animals that call Calperum home. The walking trail gently winds along 5km of creek and wetland tracks and takes approx two to three hours to complete. Each walk can accommodate up to 20 people. Please note: Program subject to weather conditions and may change if necessary.

Wheelchair Friendly: No Pet Friendly: No

Water hazard: Yes

**Buses:** Buses welcome **Charity:** Donations to charity

Floodplain Tour: \$45 per person

**Culture Meets Ecology Walk:** \$35 per person

**PS INDUSTRY CRUISES** 

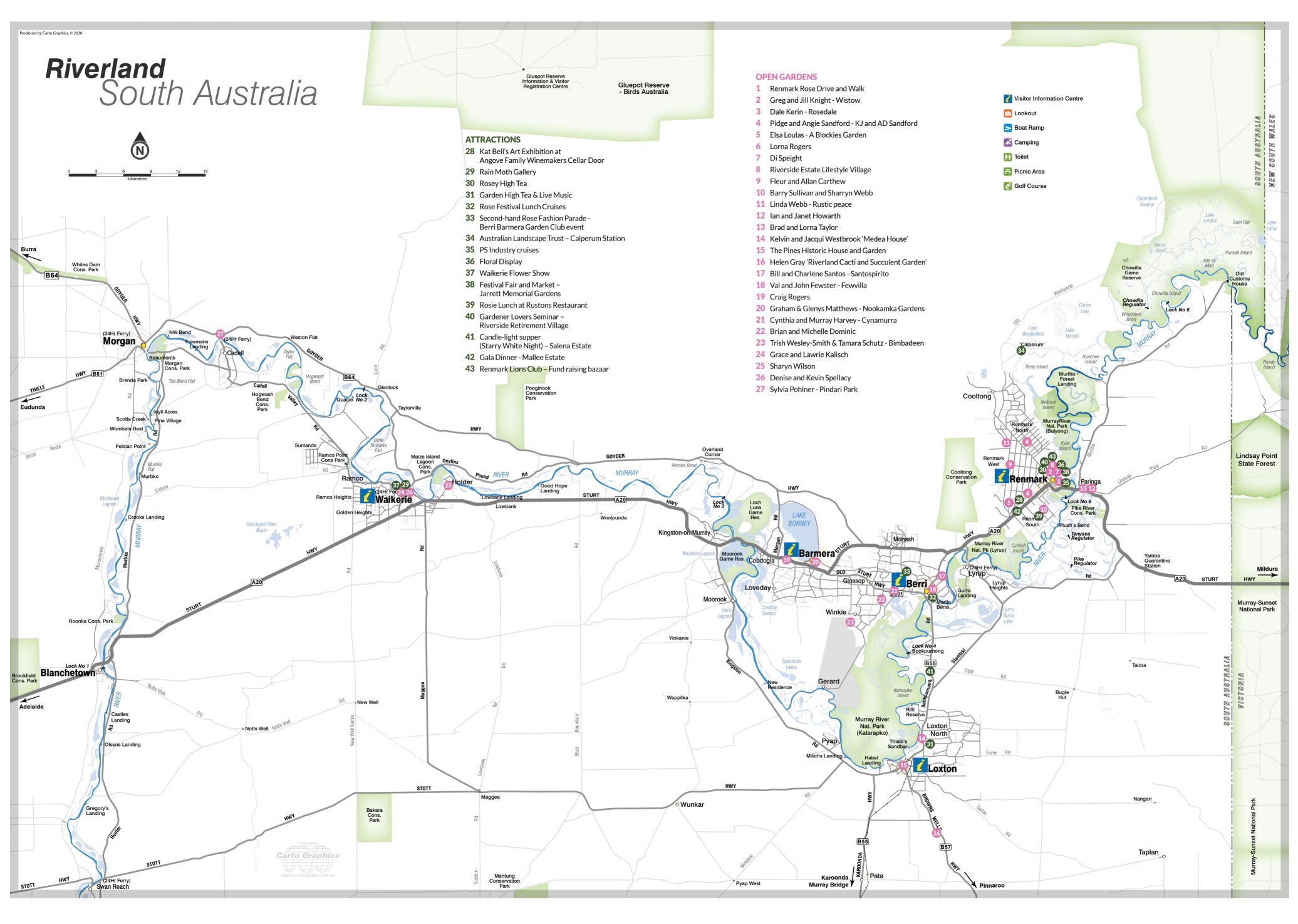
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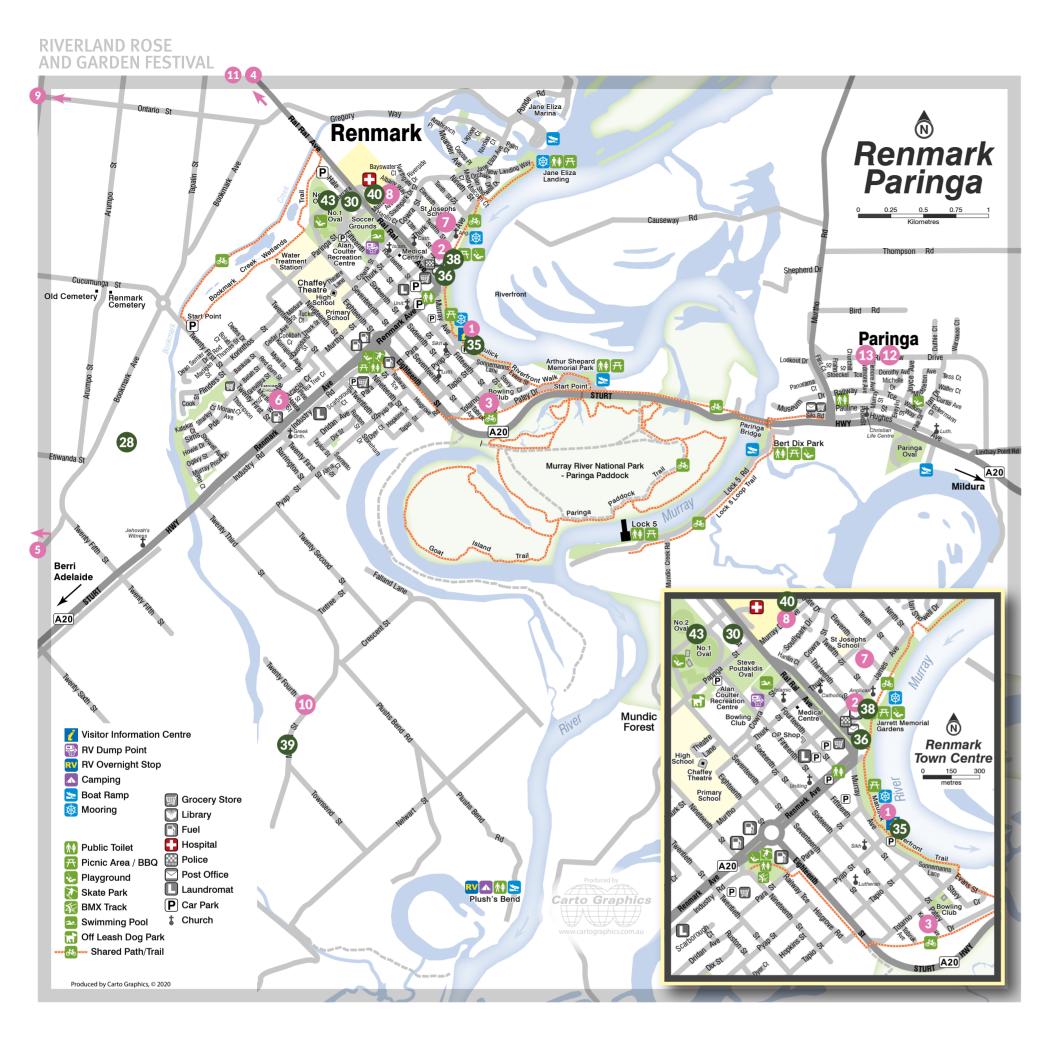
Cruises to be booked via the discoverrenmark.com.au website or in person at the Visitor Centre.













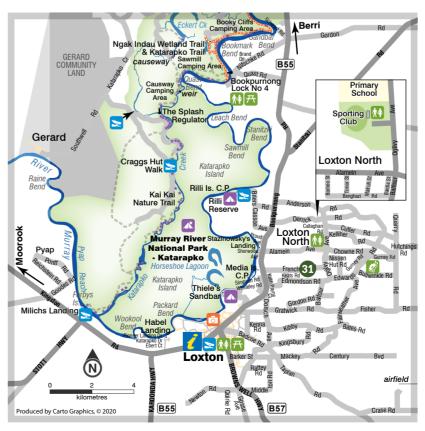
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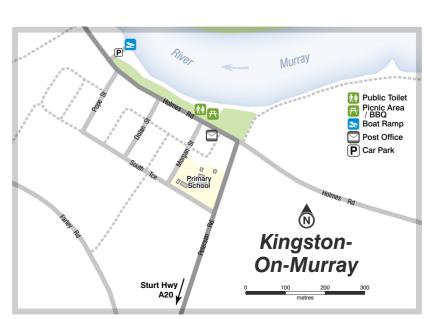
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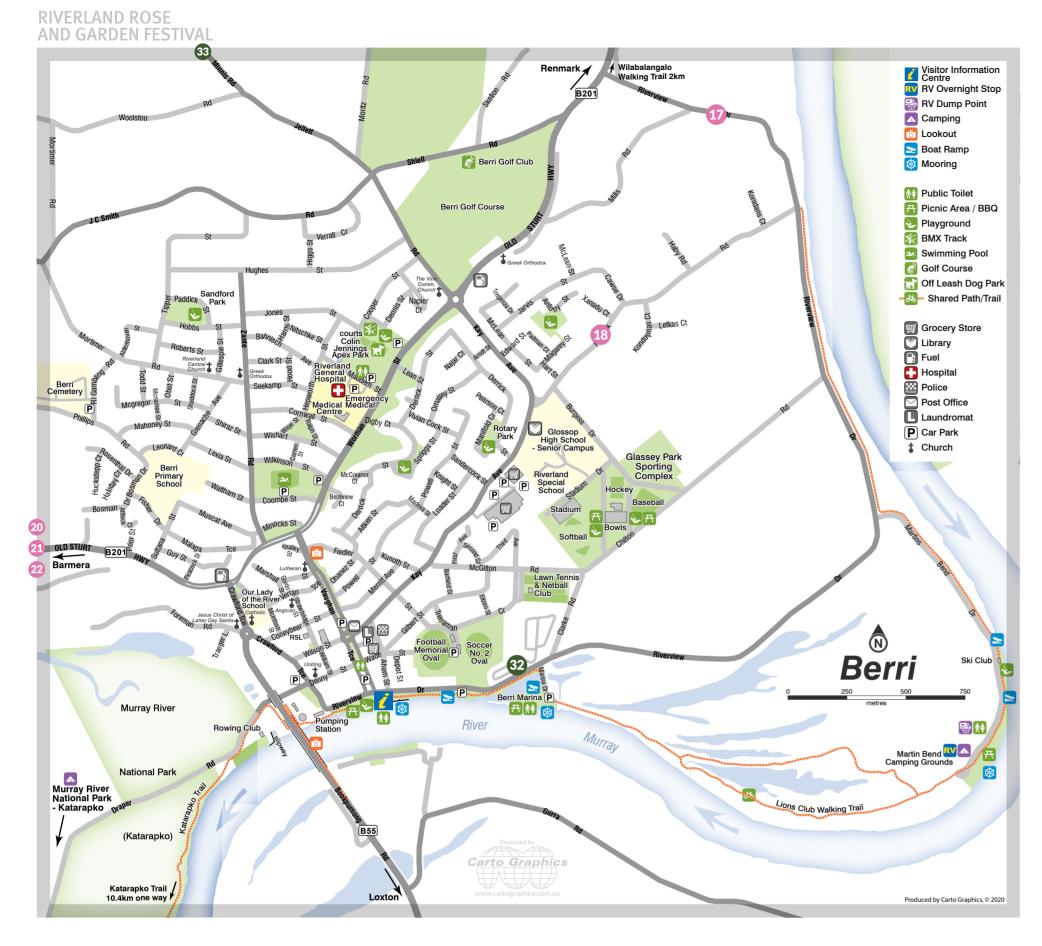
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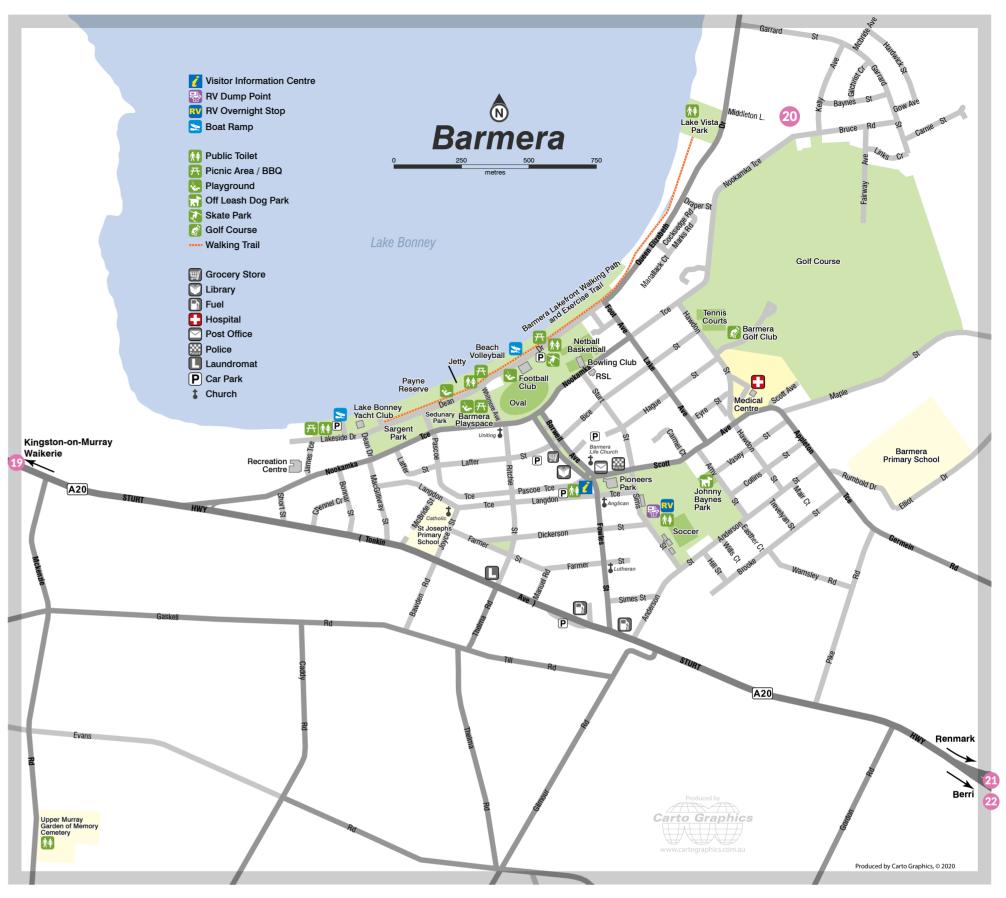


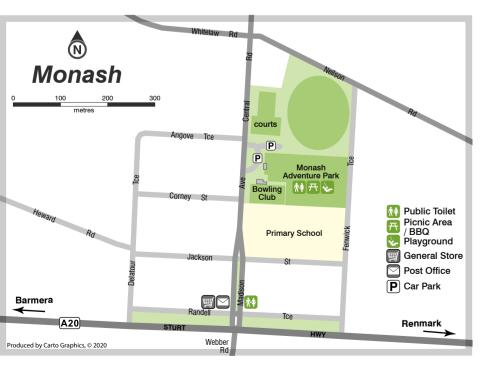




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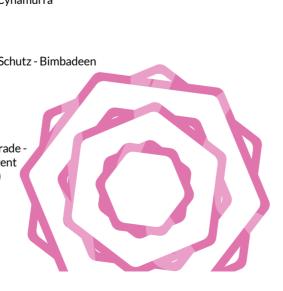


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- 17 Bill and Charlene Santos Santospirito
- 18 Val and John Fewster Fewvilla
- 19 Craig Rogers
- (27 Cant Road, Barmera)
- 20 Graham & Glenys Matthews Nookamka Gardens (131 Nookamka Terrace, Barmera)
- 21 Cynthia and Murray Harvey Cynamurra (154 Cornish Road, Glossop)
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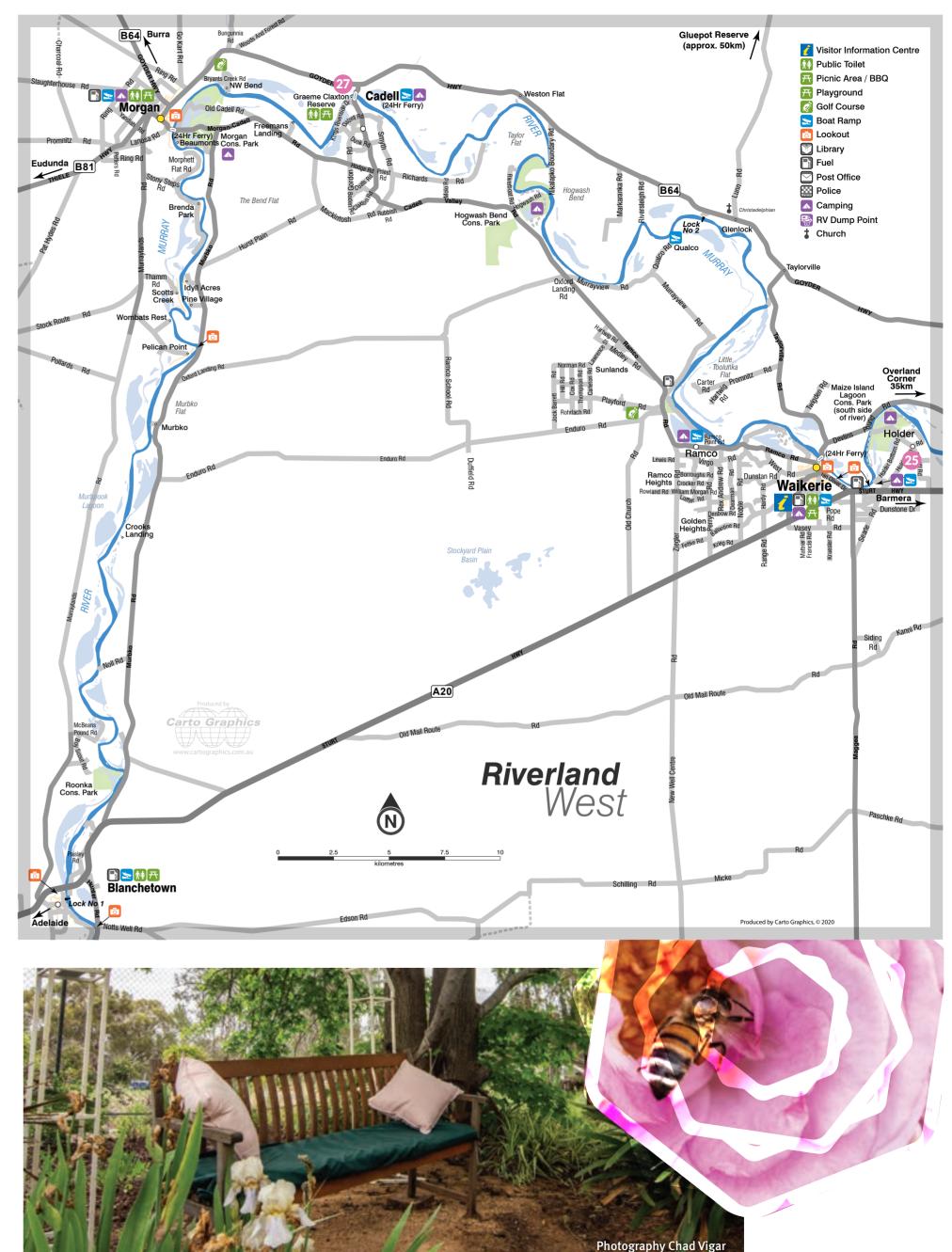
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- 33 Second-hand Rose Fashion Parade -
- Berri Barmera Garden Club event (137 Woolston Road, Monash)











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RIVERLAND ROSE FRI 15 — SUN 24 OCT AND GARDEN FESTIVAL







# **Calperum Tour** returns after significant success

#### **JANE KUERSCHNER**

AFTER a successful debut at last year's festival, Calperum Station's tours are back for this year's event.

Calperum Station will again invite visitors out to the property on Wentworth Road for a Lakes and Wetland Tour or the Culture Meets Ecology Walk.

Calperum Station director of business development Julie Robertson said she was unsure of how the tours would be received during the Rose Festival last year.

"Last year was really fantastic," she said.

"We had a really great turnout for the events we ran and we couldn't have been happier.

"It was a really great experience for our staff and they were really pleased that people were so interested in what we do and where we work.

"We weren't really sure what to expect, but it was a really pleasant surprise that it was so embraced."

Julie Robertson said she was pleased Calperum Station got involved in last year's event.

"It was our first year of being involved in the Rose Festival, and then to have Covid mixed in

as well, we were really going to play it by ear and not have too many expectations, but we were really pleasantly surprised by the interest and engagement," she

After just having the one walk for each of the Lakes and Wetland Tour and the Culture Meets Ecology Walk, this year there will be two of each.

"What we're looking to do this year is to double that to just give people more opportunity to get involved," she said.

"We potentially will have smaller groups to make it a bit more intimate and talk to people more one-on-one and in a bit more depth."

Julie Robertson said it was "fantastic" to see the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival have such success after a difficult

"I think the committee should really be congratulated on the success of last year's event, and for taking things to the next level for this year," she said.

"To continue to build on that and have new ideas and evolve, I have to take my hat off to them."

Bookings for the tour are essential. To secure a spot call 8595 7359 or email admin@alt.org.au.

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# **Fashion parade blooms** during rose festival

#### **PETA-MARIE PHILIPPOU**

PRE-loved clothing supplied by Berri's Salvation Army will be seen on a catwalk in Berri this October. to celebrate the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival.

The Berri Barmera and District Garden Club will hold a fashion parade - dubbed Second Hand Rose - at a local garden located at 137 Woolston Road, Monash, at 2pm.

Committee member Sue Fisher said she looks forward to the event.

"This is the first time the committee has hosted an event for the festival so we're really excited to be part of it," she said.

"The Salvos have been fantastic in letting us borrow some clothes for the event, which will be modelled by myself and other committee members.

"On arrival, attendees can expect a glass of bubbles or orange juice and afternoon tea will be provided."

Ms Fisher described the event's location as "beautiful".

"There would be no better place to hold the event than outside under large, shady trees in a tranquil setting," she said.

"At the conclusion of the fashion parade, attendees will have a chance to wander through the extensive garden and admire the large collection of roses, cycads and tropical areas."

Bookings are essential and tickets

Tickets are \$20 per person and are available for purchase at both Berri and Barmera libraries.

This is the first time the committee has hosted an event for the festival



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# History of the lestimate

FOR 27 years, rose enthusiasts have travelled to Renmark in October to celebrate the town in full bloom.

The idea for the Renmark Rose Festival grew from Eithne Sidhu's desire to bring people into the region and to promote Renmark as the rose capital of Australia.

Eithne collaborated with rosarian David Ruston to run the very first 'Rose Week' in 1994. Festival patrons can visit her memorial garden in the Jarrett Gardens in James Avenue.



The Renmark Rose Festival really burst onto the scene in 1995.

It instantly gained attention from thousands of rose and garden lovers and was a success from its debut.

The festival's inaugural chairperson, Eithne Sidhu, told the Murray Pioneer in 1995 that the festival had been embraced by the local community, with businesses decorating their storefronts with a rose-inspired theme.

The festival, in its infancy, was run by the Renmark Chamber of Commerce.

The debut festival started with a bang with a night of glitz and glam taking place at the Rose Ball, hosted by the Renmark Hotel.

Another highlight was the open day at David Ruston's 14-hectare rose

In 1996, the festival was again well attended, with around 1000 people flocking to the official opening at Ruston's Rose Garden.

The event was opened by past

president of The Rose Society of South Australia, Walter Duncan

The big part of the festival's success was attributed to the open garden program, which was popular amongst attendees.

Open gardeners were also given various prizes for their spectacular properties.

In 1997, the Renmark Rose Festival was officially opened by Renmark Paringa Mayor Rod Thomas at Ruston's

A strong contingent of locals opened their gardens again to help showcase the town's wonderful gardens.

The event concluded at the Opera in the Winery at Angove Family Winemakers.

In 1998, Renmark Rose Festival organisers braced themselves for their biggest crowd yet, as the popularity and fixture of events continued to

David Ruston told the Pioneer before the 1998 event that his garden was "in perfect shape".

His 50,000-plus rose bushes were one of the biggest highlights of the festival.

The Renmark Institute's floral display had also grown in popularity and prominence since the event's debut.

The committee told the Pioneer the festival attracted up to 10,000 people throughout the festival, with accommodation providers packed to the brim.

In 1999, the festival continued to grow in popularity and reputation, with David Ruston noting the increase of locals planting roses in their gardens to showcase roses in the Riverland.

An impressive 22 gardens were entered in the open garden program and were judged by Walter Duncan and Renmark Rose Festival garden competition co-ordinator Jill Knight



In 2000, David Ruston's extraordinary garden continued to be one of the main attractions of the festival, with dozens of coaches visiting the popular location.

More than 600 people attended the official opening, while thousands visited the region for the week-long festival.

The festival was launched by Mr Ruston's niece Anne Ruston, who was the chief executive officer of the National Wine Centre in Adelaide, at the time.

Mr Ruston and 40 volunteers picked 10,000 roses to feature in the Renmark Institute for the One Thousand Years of Roses display.

The display is one of the highlights of the festival and featured roses set out in chronological order.



The 2001 event introduced a new occasion - the Jazz, Wine and Roses Night held at the Olivewood Museum.

Despite some challenging weather, a strong attendance still flocked to Renmark for the sixth festival, which continued to gain attention from all over the country.

In 2002, the festival was again opened in David Ruston's rose garden, with the 50,000-plus rose bush garden continuing to wow visitors.

The Jazz, Wine and Roses night featured again, while more and more events continued to pop up as the festival grew in popularity.

The Renmark Institute's Year of the Outback was seen by approximately 1000 people, while hundreds of people were recorded visiting the open gardens.



In 2003, the festival continued to showcase arts and culture with the Festival of Music and Dance taking place.

The evening featured a range of Riverland artists and musicians at the Chaffey Theatre.

The inaugural Rose Run was held at the Renmark river front on the closing weekend of the festival.

The normally-popular Renmark Institute display was unfortunately cancelled due to a late rose season meaning the committee couldn't access roses for the display.

However, the cancellation of the display failed to impact the popularity of the remainder of the festival.



In 2004, the committee geared up to celebrate the festival's 10-year anniversary.

The open garden continued its popularity, with Cooltong couple Deirdre and Frank Albanese taking Grand Champion Garden award but also the best garden over a quarteracre section and the best display of annuals

The 2005 festival marked the opening of Ruston's Roses new visitor centre and historic car museum.

Ruston's Roses would become a hub

for the festival for years to come.

The annual Rose Run became a popular fixture of the festival, with 40 runners taking place in the race.

The Renmark Institute's Roses Around the World display attracted hundreds of people eager to see the extravagant display.

In 2006, the number of open gardens was still strong despite hot and windy conditions in the lead-up to the festival.

Organisers said the conditions threatened to impact the quality of the gardens, but luckily the gardens still presented well.

Local students got involved in the festival with an art competition held between the Renmark primary schools.

In 2007, the Renmark Rose Festival committee continued to introduce new events to continue to attract visitors to the region.

Despite being booked for 150 people, over 300 attended the launch of Rose Week's inaugural sculpture exhibition at Ruston's Rose Garden.

A popular champagne bus tour was also launched, while the annual Rose Run was cancelled due to extreme heat.



In 2008, Renmark Rose Festival president said a strong contingent of interstate visitors attended the event, with people from Western Australia, Queensland and Victoria in attendance.

The Renmark Institute's Produce of the Riverland shone a spotlight on local

Organisers said a record number of people attended the 2008 event.



In 2009, the festival ran over 10 days, with a number of new events making their way into the program.

The festival opening took place in the Jarrett Memorial Gardens and encompassed a "carnival atmosphere"according to festival president Helen Slade.

Organisers hailed the festival's success and noted the presence of attendees from overseas.



In 2010, due to an extremely cold winter, organisers were forced to buy in roses to set up the Renmark Institute display.

Despite the weather, David Ruston told the Pioneer the roses around the town would be spectacular in time for the festival.

The festival continued with its opening fair in the Jarrett Memorial Gardens, which featured over 30 stalls.

The iconic David Ruston Statue was unveiled at the opening in front of hundreds of attendees.



During the 2011 festival, the committee launched its very own rose species, which is suited to grow well in the Riverland climate.

The festival continued to gain national attention with popular television program Better Homes and Gardens featuring the event on its show.

The Riverland Youth Theatre participated in the Renmark Institute display to inject some vibrancy into the exhibition.

RYT's young drama students dressed up as different fairy tales and nursery rhymes to fit in with the display's Once Upon a Time theme.

In 2012, the Renmark Rose Festival boasted 14 new attractions, including candlelit suppers at Olivewood Museum, a Splash Paint art group display at Ruston's Roses and a Renmark Plaza fashion parade.

The festival's opening fair was again deemed a highlight of the event with more than 30 food and craft stalls and entertainment including performances from Rosie Clark's School of

Ballet and Tap, featuring on the day. The successful festival concluded with a Light the Night fundraising event for the Starlight Foundation.



The Renmark Rose Festival continued to grow in 2013, with 30 attractions and 24 open gardens on offer.

The Festival Fair boasted more than 40 stalls and was a massive highlight.

The Renmark Institute display was again a major attraction for visitors with the theme of 'Flowers Through the Ages' wowing attendees.

The Renmark High School held its Spring Carnival in conjunction with the festival, while the Rose Festival Art Trail began to gain traction.

In 2014, the festival was opened by Andrew 'Cosi' Costello to help kick the event off with a bang.

The inaugural Black and White Ball made its debut at Ruston's Roses to add some glitz and glam to the week, while attendees were spoilt with over 20 open gardens on offer to visit.

The 2015 festival saw the launch of the Ambassador Program to help encourage younger people to get involved in the event.

Stephanie Coughlin, Reeni Leuders, April Webb, Bree Bitomsky and Casey Cocks were the inaugural ambassadors.

The young women hosted events throughout the festival and raised money for charity.

The ambassadors' efforts were celebrated at a dinner held under the stars along the Renmark river front.

The Governor of South Australia Hieu Van Le opened the festival.

In 2016, the town of Renmark looked especially rosie with local business owner and artist Jenny Richards painting roses on store fronts.

A special lights display was cast

onto the Ozone Theatre on Murray Avenue for the second year to create an interesting spectacle at night.

A new batch of ambassadors supported the festival once again and were also celebrated at the Gala Dinner on the river front.

President of the World Federation of Rose Societies and former Renmark man, Kelvin Trimper, officially opened the event at the Festival Fair, where an impressive 55 stalls were located.

In 2017, the festival was officially opened by Chaffey MP Tim Whetstone, at the Festival Fair.

The festival continued to climb in popularity, with the Renmark Institute display, in particular, proving a fan

A strong contingent of visitors from all over the state and country were again noted.

Several new gardens from Berri and an even a garden in Winkie featured in the open garden program.

In 2018, the festival experienced a bumper year with open gardens, boasting over 30 gardens to visit from Renmark, Paringa, Berri, Glossop, Monash, Loxton, Waikerie and Ramco.

The Gala Dinner was again a popular aspect of the event, while The Pines in Loxton held its inaugural Garden Fair.

During the 2019 festival, Rustons was reopened, thanks to its new owners, after being closed for some

The Gala Dinner was held at the iconic venue and celebrated the 2019

The Renmark Institute display and the open gardens were again the talk of the festival, with both fixtures proving popular over many years.

In 2020, the festival was re-named the Renmark Riverland Rose Festival to help transition the event as a regionwide festival.

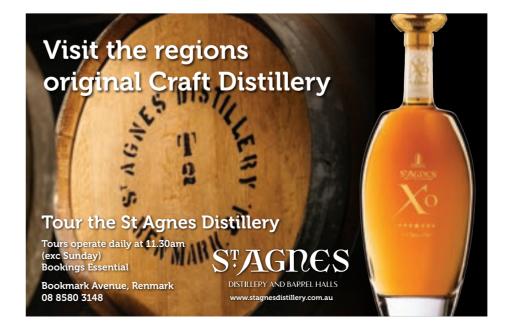
Unfortunately, the organising committee had Covid-19 to contend with which made the planning process extremely difficult for those involved.

Despite the challenges that Covid-19 presented, the committee still forged ahead to hold a strong festival.

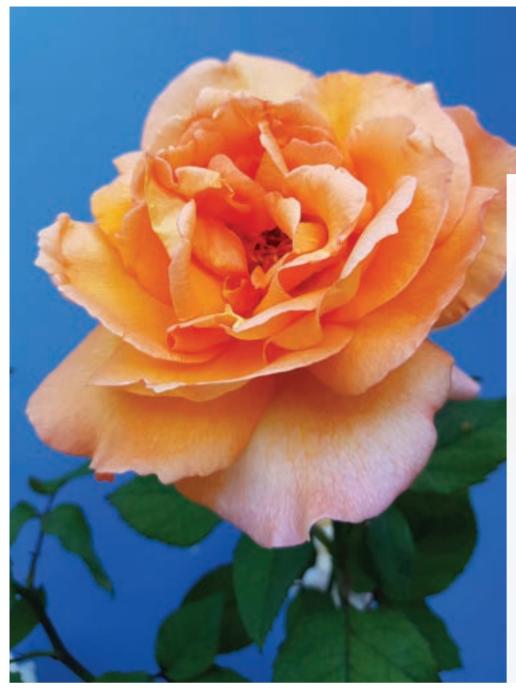
The opening fair, and Renmark Institute display were extremely popular, with the appropriate safety measures in place to allow the events to go ahead.



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Craig prepares for open garden debut

#### **HUGH SCHUITEMAKER**

A RIVERLAND man is this year set to fulfil a long-term ambition of showcasing his garden as part of an iconic annual festival

Barmera man Craig Rogers will this year hold his first open garden as part of this years' Riverland Rose and Garden

Mr Rogers said he decided to participate in the festival following encouragement from fellow gardening enthusiasts.

"The Riverland Garden Club had a meeting here and the day was really beautiful when they came," Mr Rogers said.

"They just loved it. I said to Murray Kemp that I didn't know if I was ready for an open garden, but he said I definitely was.

"They really encouraged me." Mr Rogers said his garden was divided into five areas, with each highlighting a different variety of

plants and flowers. "I try and keep natives down the front," he said.

"Sometimes I like different structures... they're all similar colours but different shapes, and the pines add a bit of height.

"I'm no expert when it comes to picking plants. I tend to be the one who will drive around and see a plant I like, or that is growing pretty well in our area.

"I've got to find plants that are hardy, because the area can be so extreme. We can have 45C days and then down to minus zero temperatures.

"Nothing is perfect and sometimes you plant something and it doesn't work... so you try something else."

Mr Rogers said his garden was often visited by various species of local wildlife and birds.

"We get the good old rabbit," he said.

"Quite often I've had kangaroos coming up the driveway. They've tipped over, and broken my birdbath before.

"It's shady, especially in the summertime, and I've got water going, so we've had them on the

"It's quite peaceful just to listen to the birds. I've got quite a lot of blue wrens that come up and get amongst it."

Mr Rogers - who purchased the property when he was 21 - said the ongoing gardening process had provided a relaxing escape.

"When I first bought the property there used to be an old concrete foundation and a pickers' quarters," he said.

"I mainly started with natives around the edges, because I knew it was quite windy here and I needed that protection, and for privacy from the road.

"I planted an oleander hedge along the side that comes out with massive white flowers.

"In the summertime it's beautiful, because the sun goes straight overhead and in the hot afternoons it's all shaded and really nice and cool."

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Pidge and Angie's garden a

labour of love

#### **JOSH BRINE**

PIDGE and Angie Sandford have spent years perfecting and expanding their diverse garden, which will be on display as one of this year's Riverland Rose and Garden Festival open gardens.

The garden, set on an acre at the couple's Renmark North home, includes 240 rose bushes of all different colours, salvias, daisies, irises, princess lilies, and other flowering plants, plus two shadehouse areas, fruit trees and a vegetable patch.

"It's her garden but I mow the lawn and do all the weeding and Angie prunes all the fruit trees and the roses," Mr Sandford said.

"We've got 49 varieties of fruit in the garden – we have fruit trees and a few different varieties of grape vines.

"In the next four or five years we are going to be self-sufficient with fruit, plus we've got the garden." Mrs Sandford said the couple

had always enjoyed gardening. "Both our mums had nice rose

my roses," she said. "Then we extended the garden

gardens, and I've always really liked

out, but he wanted his fruit trees so we've both compromised.'

The garden has been a labour of love for the Sandfords, who have spent countless hours planting, pruning, weeding and reshaping their backyard.

"I've done most of the things around here myself," Mr Sandford said.

"When we bought the house there was a rain water tank where the shade house is... so I knocked it all out and I redid all the decking and I slowly did it.

"There also used to be a pool which we got rid of and filled in. and now we have roses where that used to be."

Mr Sandford also created many of the sculptures dotted throughout the garden in his shed, with most made out of recycled metal from gas bottles, car axles and everything in between.

"Angie laughs at me for some of the things I make, and sometimes I don't know if that's bad or good," he said.

Despite her love of the veggie patch, Mrs Sandford still said the roses were her favourite part of the garden, while Mr Sandford liked

the two shade houses.

"When we moved in, next door had all these bottlebrushes and nothing was growing on the ground," he said.

"So, I said to Angie we'd build a shade house and we had a think about what we could do.

"We ended up lining it with plastic, putting rocks on it and growing bromeliads because they only have small roots.

"The other shade house took me a couple of weeks with Angie giving me a hand to do it, and we slowly but surely got through it."

Mr Sandford said the couple had spent a lot of their spare time working in the garden.

"Before, me and Angie were both working at AgriExchange and then she would go and work at Woolworths at night times," he said.

"Then we'd come home on the weekend and we'd both be tired but we'd still get out in the garden.

"There were weeks we'd go to all these places and spend no less than \$160 on plants."

Mr Sandford said he was looking forward to taking part in the Rose Festival.

"We've done it for probably the last four or five years and we've quite enjoyed it," he said.

"I make some sculptures and sell them and we get almonds or make chutneys and sell them.

"We had David Ruston out here when he was alive and he asked Angie who was pruning the roses.

"She told him it was me and that I'd gone pretty hard, but he said that would never hurt them."

"But Angie prunes them now she doesn't let me touch them.

Mr Sandford said he hoped the open gardens would avoid the impacts of Covid-19 restrictions.

"With Covid we may have to have masks and contact tracing and things like that," he said.

"I hope we don't have to worry about that at the time but if we do it's going to be a bit of a headache to monitor all that.

"But we're very excited to have people coming through, we've had buses come through before."

Pidge and Angie will open their garden at 178 Eighth Street, Renmark North, from Saturday, October 16, to Saturday, October 23.





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# The world of roses: About the World

# **Federation of Rose Societies**

#### **KELVIN TRIMPER AM** 2022 WORLD ROSE CONVENTION **COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

THE World Federation of Rose Societies (WFRS) is a Federation of the National Rose Societies of 41 member countries, representing rose enthusiasts around the world

The WFRS was founded in 1968 in England, and initially included Australia, Belgium, Israel, New Zealand, Romania, South Africa, Great Britain and the United States of America as founding Members. The original founders were soon joined by Canada, India, Japan and Switzerland. The newest member country is South Korea, joining in 2018.

The late Baroness Lily de Gerlache de Gomery, who was then president of the Belgium Rose Society, was a key promoter and campaigner in the formation of the WFRS and it was her belief that it should be a worldwide organisation. After being established, she was elected its first President in

The late David Ruston OAM of Renmark served as president of the WFRS from 1991 to 1994. At the WFRS World Rose Convention in 2009 the highest award bestowed by the Federation, The President Emeritus Award, was presented to David Ruston for his life-long passion, service and dedication in a variety of roles. David served in this role until

Kelvin Trimper AM, who was born and grew up in Renmark was President from 2015 to 2018.

The main goal of the WFRS is to expand contact among rose lovers and increase the flow of knowledge about the rose.

#### The Federation established these objectives:

- To encourage and facilitate the interchange of information about and knowledge of the rose between national rose societies
- To coordinate the holding of

international conventions and

- To encourage, and where appropriate, sponsor research into problems concerning the
- To establish common standards for judging rose seedlings.
- To assist in coordinating the registration of rose names. To establish a uniform system
- of rose classification. To grant international honours and awards
- To encourage and advance international cooperation on all matters concerning the

#### **International Conventions and**

The WFRS holds a World Rose Convention every three years. Next year, the 19th WFRS World Rose Convention will be held in the beautiful City of Adelaide, from 27 Oct - 3 November 2022, hosted by the National Rose Society of Australia

These World Conventions are great events with diverse and informative lectures, garden tours, WFRS meetings and grand Opening and Closing Ceremonies. Major Awards for Roses, Gardens of Excellence, Rose Books and Individuals are also presented on these occasions.

Associated with the convention, there will be an indoor Rose and Garden EXPO from 28 to 30 October, 2022 to be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre which offers world class facilities. This public event will include a Rose Show, spectacular floral work, nursery displays and a series of public lectures. Definitely, an exciting event for rose and garden

lovers not to be missed.

For more information relating to the convention, visit the website www.wrc22.aomevents.com.au and join the mailing list to ensure you receive regular updates and the full program when it becomes available.

# TIME FOR NEW SEASON'S **ROSES and PLANTING ROSES**



#### **KELVIN TRIMPER AM**

The 2021 BARE ROOT ROSE season is open and roses are selling fast! You can easily order roses online or over the phone from specialist rose nurseries. The Rose Society of S.A. recommends Wagner's Rose Nursery, Knight's Roses and Newman's Nursery in S.A. and Treloar Roses in Victoria.

#### Here are my tips to get the very best out of your new roses, including preparation

- 1. Choose an area in the garden which receives at least 5 to 6 hours of direct sunlight each day and is free of tree and shrub root competition. Full sun is rec-
- 2. The soil should have reasonable drainage and contain lots of organic material. As some of our soils have a heavy clay content and often are alkaline (limestone), gypsum, compost and natural manures should be worked into the soil to improve its quality. Roses prefer a rich, loamy soil. Neutrog's Whoflungdung and GoGo Juice are excellent compost/ mulch and soil improvers to add at this
- If preparing a new bed, work should commence on improving the soil at least 2 to 3 months prior to planting roses Winter is the best time to plant barerooted roses or relocate a rose in your garden. Roses have a short dormancy period in Australia and June, July and early August are ideal months to plant
- 3. Place any stakes and structures before planting roses.
- 4. PLANTING BARE ROOT ROSES Specialist rose nurseries and good garden centres have excellent stocks of bare rooted roses in June and early July. Bare root roses are also cheaper than roses in pots. I prefer planting bare rooted roses as they quickly settle into their new homes and soils. Once growing well,

sturdy new canes will grow from the bud union area. This compares with potted roses whose potting medium maybe very different to the soil profile in your garden

Once home, remove the bare root rose from its bag, shake off any sawdust or other product and soak it in a full bucket of water for at least 6 hours or overnight if possible. You can add either Neutrog Liquid Seamungus or Neutrog GoGo Juice to the water, while the rose is soak ing. Dig a square hole at least 30cm square and deep. To assist the new rose, place a small handful of Neutrog Seamungus pellets in the hole and cover with 2 cms of soil. Trim or remove any broken or damaged

roots. Broken roots can result in suckers (root stock) which can rapidly dominate. Position your rose in the hole so that the bud union (woody knob in stem where the branches emerge) is approximately 1 to 2 cm above the natural soil level Observe where the roots fan out from the base of the plant. At this stage, I always remove the plant label from the plant. The label's tie can quickly strangle a young plant as it grows.

Remove the plant and create a mound (inverted cone of soil) in the hole such that when you place the rose back into the hole (at the correct depth) the base of the rose stem rests on top of the mound and its roots can be "fanned out" as evenly as possible from the shank of the plant. Back fill hole to approx. half full and fill the hole with a bucket of water. You can gently wriggle the rose to remove any air pockets.

Wait until the water drains away, backfill the hole to the natural soil level. The height at which the rose is planted is very important. The bud union should be only slightly (1 to 2 cm) above the level of the soil.

Finally, you can mulch the rose after it has started to grow, or 2 to 3 months after planting, with a quality product (I use Neutrog Whoflungdung), and at completion; the bud union should be at the level of the top of the mulch. Mulching will improve growth by conserving water, keeping roots cool and restricting weed growth and break down to give nutritional benefit. The Rose Society of SA recommends Neutrog's Whoflungdung -a biologically activated, nutrient rich, weed free, absorbent, super mulch.

Watering. It takes about 6 - 8 weeks for new roses to become established, therefore do not let the soil dry out com-

For more information contact The Rose Society of South Australia Inc. Website - https://sarose.org.au

#### **KELVIN TRIMPER AM**

PEOPLE have rediscovered the joy of cultivating beautiful gardens and growing gorgeous roses. It's peaceful and therapeutic strolling around a rose garden and very rewarding picking a bunch of your home-grown roses to take

Pruning is not a difficult task if you use the right equipment and follow a few simple rules. In South Australia I recommend pruning in July. Avoid the temptation to prune too early.

Wear old clothes including a longsleeved shirt, jeans or coveralls, sturdy footwear, a brimmed hat and preferably eye protection. Wear all leather gloves, preferably gauntlets

You need a good pair of bi-pass secateurs, like Felco. Find the right size to suit your hand, good quality loppers and a pruning saw. Make sure your tools are sharp.



When you approach the bush, don't bother looking at the top third to half - this will be removed. Focus on the bottom half of the plant. Ideally, you want to retain strong, healthy, young canes and remove all dead wood, weak twiggy growth and weak branches. If sufficient new canes have grown from the base (water shoots), then you can remove old canes from the base. Also remove canes crossing over into the centre of the plant. Ultimately, you want the rose bush to resemble a cup shape, free of growth in the middle. The outer rim canes should be reduced to onethird to half of their original height and cut to 3mm above an outwardly facing bud (eye). Remove all leaves.

Leave approximately six to eight canes growing from the base which is adequate and two to three side canes, these can be cut back to show three or four healthy buds.

All old foliage should be removed and old fallen leaves and pruning remnants collected and placed into green waste. Once finished, a winter spray should be

# Make the right cut applied liberally - use pest oil, winter

**ROSE PRUNING** 

oil or lime Sulphur. This will kill overwintering aphids and spider mite eggs and fungal spores which reside in cracks and crevasses on the stems or around prickles. Spray the stems and the ground underneath the bush.



3-Year-Old Hybrid Tea pruned

For a typical established Hybrid Tea or Floribunda rose bush focus on the bottom half of the plant. To remove an old cane cut it flush at the base.

Remove all dead wood, twiggy growth and weak branches and leave the young canes. Use a pruning saw for cuts over 2 ½ cm and for removing old canes from the base.

Ideally cut at a 45-degree angle and about 7mm above bud eye. Choose an outward facing bud. The bud eye was where foliage was attached.



cane showing correct cut and bud. Within a few weeks the dormant bud eye will begin to swell. In another three weeks the swelling will result in a young new stem.

The finished

#### **PESTS AND DISEASES**

As rose shoots get to 15cm in length apply preventative fungicides to avoid bad infestations of black spot, rust and mildew. A couple of sprays, a fortnight apart, mid to late September and early October may be required. Avoid using strong pesticides on aphids and grubs, instead try Organic oils such as Eco-Oil or Eco-Neem or one of the natural sprays (such as Natrasoap) to control bad infestations. You can also wash off Aphids with a spray of water.

The Rose Society recommends

#### MULCH

Neutrog's 'Whoflungdung' which is a certified organic mulch, biologically activated, nutrient rich and weed free. While it can be applied immediately around the base of mature roses (3 years and older) it is advised not to apply mulch closer than 15cms to new, one or two-year-old plants as sometimes damage can occur to young basal shoots. 'Whoflungdung' comes in convenient 20kg compressed bales. Apply water after application to settle the mulch in. Mulch significantly reduces evaporation, saving up to 40% - 50% of the irrigation otherwise required; it cools the root zone and introduces good microbial activity into the soil. The benefits of applying mulch include: -

- Weed suppression
- Reducing the amount of evaporation and watering needed
- The mulch breaks down and adds organic material into the soil The introduction of beneficial
- bacteria
- Encouraging earthworms that aerate the soil
- Regulates soil temperature Helps to prevent erosion from heavy rain

Kelvin Trimper AM Rose Society of South Australia For more information visit the website http://sarose.org.au

## **ROSE CULTURE NOTES FOR AUGUST**

#### **By Kelvin Trimper**

- **1.** Finish rose pruning ensure you remove the old leaves from the plant and as many old loose leaves from around the plant as possible, as these contain bad fungal spores and insect eggs.
- 2. Spray the roses with a winter dormant spray. I use Winter Oil, but you can also use lime sulphur. Importantly, you must saturate the plant until the spray runs off and also spray the ground around the plant.
- **3.** Fertilise with Neutrog Seamungus which conditions the soil and stimulates and supports root growth and development It is ideal for establishing new plants, particularly bare-rooted roses.
- **4.** Fertilise with Neutrog Sudden Impact for Roses when the new rose shoots are about 2 cms long.
- **5.** Mulch with 'WhoFlungDung' - the latest certified organic mulch product from Neutrog. It is a biologically activated, nutrient rich, weed free, absorbent super mulch.
- 6. New roses should be planted, if this has not been done already.
- 7. Sit back and enjoy the spring growth and await the spring flush of roses.





# Ambassador program returns in 2021

THE Rose Festival Ambassador Program has returned this year with a group of young locals excited to be involved in this year's festival.

The program aims to support young people develop leadership skills while engaging within their community in a way that is meaningful and supported.

It is perfect for emerging young leaders to be engaged and supported in a regional-based leadership program that is community driven.

The Riverland Ambassador program provides participants with a structured, guided, and mentored environment to develop the following skills:

✓ Communication – public speaking/ writing, and engaging the participation of others

✓ Teamwork – respecting others, performing roles of both leader and follower, building on strengths, and commitment

✓ Personal Identity – understanding the relationship between oneself and the community, pride in being a member of a larger group, awareness of areas for selfimprovement

✓ Professionalism – delivering quality work, positively presenting oneself to others, working towards common goals with community organisations and local businesses

✓ Project Management – setting goals/developing action steps, meeting facilitation, reflection, distinguishing between one's interests and community

Ambassadors will be able to engage in a leadership pathway of their choice such

- Business mentorir
- ✓ Charity/fundraising
- ✓ Community engagement/ volunteering

For more information in the ambassadors' involvement in this year's festival follow the Riverland Rose and Garden Festival Facebook page or keep and eye for updates in the Murray Pioneer.

# The Riverland Rose and Garden Festival - Seminar Series

FOR the first time this year's Riverland Rose and Garden Festival will host two days of seminars. Roses and bees are the two chosen subjects which will be presented by two renown speakers in their respective fields

To be held at the in the community centre at Riverside Estate, Murray Dyer Avenue, Renmark, numbers will be strictly limited to 80 each day.

Cost per person is \$10, which will include morning and afternoon tea and a barbecue lunch.

#### The speakers

#### Day one - Wednesday, October 20

Kelvin Trimper AM – Everything you need to know about roses and the story of roses worldwide.

Born and raised in Renmark, Kelvin grew up surrounded by orchards, veggie gardens, Australian native shrubs and a host of other plants. So, with this influence and the passion for roses that his parents Eric and Myrtle had, young Kelvin developed his love for all plants. It's his adoration of the rose that has taken Kelvin around the world, not only as a private person visiting rose breeders, organisations and garden shows, but more recently with the World Federation of Rose Societies, for which he is immediate past president.

Kelvin is currently the main organiser for the 2021 World Federation of Rose Societies Conference to be held in SA. This event will attract hundreds of delegates from around the globe, and showcase Adelaide as the true "city of roses". It will be a massive promotion for South Australia and will include several public events, so look out for more information as it is released.

#### Day two - Thursday, October 21

Kerry Chambers of Half Barrel Honey – will provide a captivating story on just about everything you need to know about bees from

their role in food production to keeping your own hive.

Better known as the Riverland Bee Lady, Kerry is passionate about bees, their role in society and our food chain and is an expert on how to integrate bees into people's everyday life

Come along and learn about the incredible secret life of bees. Learn about the natural behaviour of bees within their colony, the types of bees in a colony, what they collect from our environment and how they swarm to create new colonies. Get an insight into how beekeepers use this natural behaviour to produce honey, wax, surplus queens and of course thriving bee colonies.

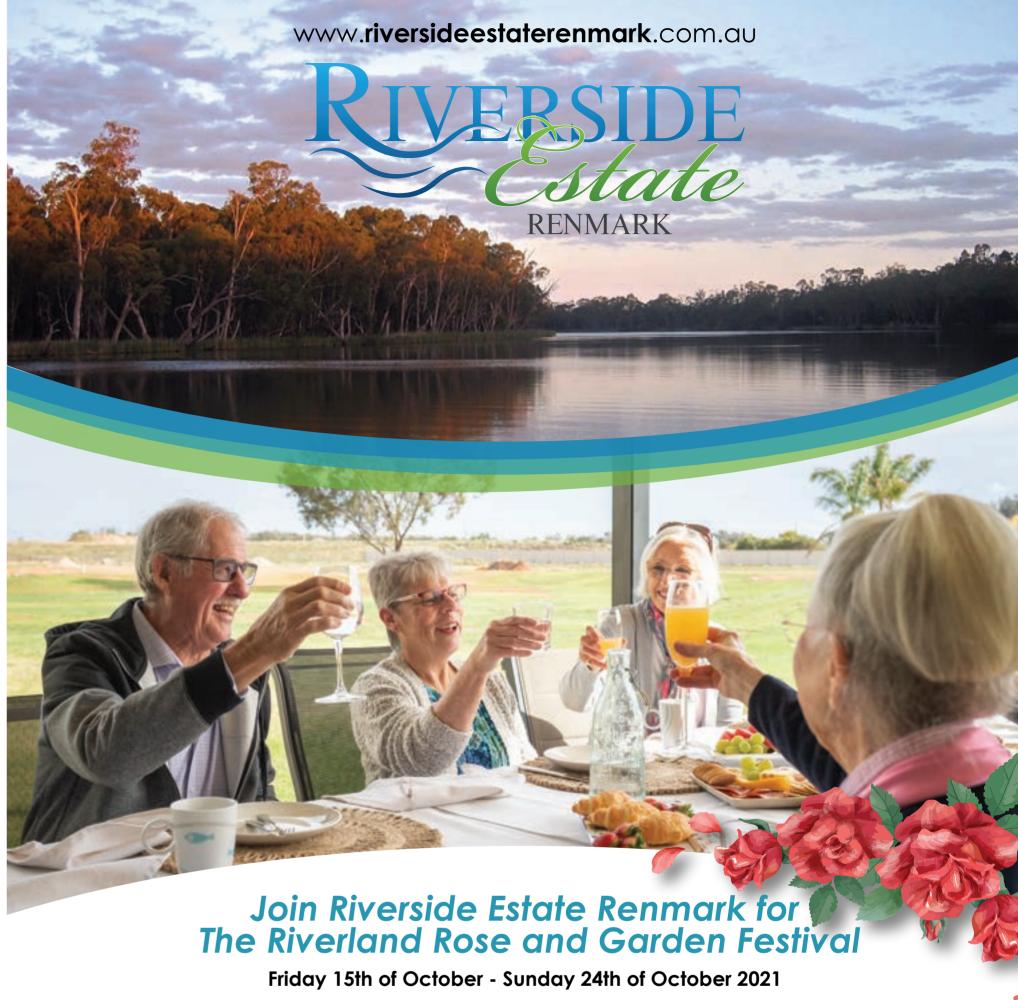
As she says, one third of the food we eat relies on bee pollination for success including canola, citrus, apples, avocadoes, apricots, cherries, stone fruits and almonds to name a few. Learn about what makes the honeybee an expert pollinator and the importance of bee pollination for our Riverland almond industry.

She is also passionate about the "Host a Hive" program which provides an opportunity for individuals to reap all the benefits of having a beehive in their own backyard but without the stress! As she will explain your garden and fruit trees will get a boost from the bee pollination and as a reward get the sweetest gift of all – honey.

# The rose festival traditionally attracts hundreds of delegates from around the globe.







Enjoy wandering through our extensive gardens and see if you can count all 1000 of our beautiful roses!

Join us in the Recreation Centre for morning and afternoon tea daily, our friendly residents would love to chat about their experience living at Riverside. Whilst there, you can also view the display of artwork by resident Yvonne Lempens or even join in on an art class (Please call for further information).

Many of our homes will be open for inspection as we'd love to share with you the quality homes and lifestyle Riverside has to offer. The Potters Inn Garden Club will be offering plants for sale in the Riverside Community Garden. We'd also like to invite you to attend one of the seminars mentioned below, scan the QR code for more information and to purchase your ticket!

Morning tea: 10am - 11am Afternoon tea: 2pm - 3pm

#### Kelvin Trimper Seminar - Wednesday 20th October from 10am

Spend a day with Kelvin Trimper, share in his passion for all things roses, whilst enjoying the beautiful gardens of Riverside Estate Renmark.

Tickets \$10 per person- Limited available



Learn all about Bees & their Benefits from the Bee Lady herself, Kerry Chambers!

Tickets \$10 per person- Limited available



Follow us on Facebook to keep updated with all the events & activities happening around Riverside Estate during the festival or call for more information

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