

ELLISTON ECHO

ELLISTON COMMUNITY AND VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE NEWS

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IF YOU HAVE A COMMUNITY NOTICE OR SOME INTERESTING NEWS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE COMMUNITY, PLEASE EMAIL, FAX OR DROP INTO CENTRE BEFORE THE 26TH OF THE MONTH

December in Elliston

We've made it to the final month of 2024! To end the year on a high note, there's plenty of fun events to look forward to. Join us for the community Christmas party at Elliston Parklands on December 13th, from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM. There will be fun activities for kids, woodfired pizza, and a special guest - Santa Claus - joining us for the evening! You are welcome to bring your own drinks.

Don't miss Music and Movement with Sophie Barkway on December 2nd and 9th, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Wild and Wonderful Creations with Rebecca Pickett will also be held on December 2nd and 9th, from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

The Elliston Hotel will be hosting live music on December 1st, 6th, and 22nd. And don't forget their Musical Bingo night on Saturday, December 28th.

We hope you all have a safe and happy holiday season!

SAVE THE DATE

1ST, 6TH, 22ND DECEMBER - LIVE MUSIC AT THE ELLISTON HOTEL

2ND & 9TH DECEMBER - CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES IN ELLISTON HALL

13TH DECEMBER - COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

28TH DECEMBER - MUSICAL BINGO AT THE ELLISTON HOTEL

OPENING HOURS

Monday - Friday

9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturday - Sunday

9.30am - 1.00pm

Public Holidays

9.30am - 1.00pm

Closed for Lunch Mon-Fri

12.30pm - 1.30pm

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

CHERYL CLISSOLD



What inspired you to become a volunteer with us?

I was a visitor to Elliston in 2017 and called into the information centre where I saw first hand the interaction between tourists and the volunteers and the wealth of information they provided. On my return in 2018, I became one of those volunteers and am still enjoying it.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

In my spare time gardening and photography are my passions or just playing with my beautiful dog "Gypsy" in our backyard.

What is something you're really proud of achieving?

Making a life changing decision to move from Victoria to South Australia and finding and making friends to rebuild my life here in Elliston.

Where is your favourite place to visit?

As a new South Australian I still have plenty to see and do. But I think Mt. Gambier, Fowlers Bay and Coober Pedy are my favourites.



Facebook Pages - Elliston Community & Visitor Information Centre
- Australian Salmon Fishing Championship - Elliston

Facebook Group - Elliston Markets



Instagram - @elliston.sa



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COMMUNITY NEWS

CORROBOREE BEHAVIOR OF THE NEW HOLLAND HONEY EATER

The SACWA Elliston branch present the next of our bird article for your interest.

Elliston township is fortunate to have both habitat and consistent food supply to sustain a number of groups. New Holland honey eaters obtain most of their carbohydrate requirements from the nectar of flowers, and consequently are key pollinators of banksia, hakea, xanthorrhoea and acacia, which occur in gardens and some bushland. They are not strictly nectarivorous, so they must supplement their diet with invertebrates such as spiders and insects that are rich in protein. They sometimes feed alone but usually gather in groups.

The term 'corroboree' refers to a congregation display, using repeated calling of two or more individuals of a group, adoption of a posture resembling a low bow with head raised, with fluttering of the wings. The term was first used by research biologists from 1970, 1975, and 1979. These behaviours have also been observed in five other species of honeyeater, and of the noisy minor.

This combination of movement, postures and vocalisations by many individuals was reminiscent of dances performed by groups of Aboriginal people.

Of the research papers available on line, biologists were interested to find out its frequency over time of day and year, what birds: sex and status were participating, and the occurrence of corroboree activity and the level of co-operative social behavior.

The methodology for identifying resident birds and their groupings come from research from heathland near Sydney, and New England National Park in NE NSW.

They appear to be a socially monogamous bird, with no sign of co-operative breeding.

In breeding territories, males spend a large proportion of their time defending the nest and food resources, while the female invests a large proportion of their time in nest construction, incubation, and the majority of nesting care. It is common for females to utilize food resources that are in close proximity to the nest, while males venture further afield towards the outskirts of the territory.

Research Results:

- On average, the total number of birds involved in a corroboree was 6.2. Two thirds of the displays almost had been four and six birds attending.

- Almost all of the identified birds observed in either group were male
- The calling groups and corroborees were either made in the morning or afternoon,
- It is possible that that group behavior is initiated by birds that are re-establishing their accustomed home ranges
- Corroborees tended to be most frequent in the breeding season, and tended to involve birds that were adult and resident

The function of corroboree behaviour is not clear, however one explanation is that display enables birds to associate and learn to recognize neighbours or others in a group.

New Holland honey eaters occupy territories or centres of activity in close proximity. Within these neighbourhoods, the corroboree behavior may be a non aggressive means of allowing resident birds to congregate and identify surrounding territory owners, thereby reducing future aggression costs of time and energy associated with territory defence.

They are able to identify neighbours, and are less aggressive toward them compared to responses to transients.

Such 'co-operative actions' may include mobbing predators, or chasing larger competitors.



Reference group: C. O' Neil, D. & I. Penna, I. Quinn, G. Fieldhouse, J. Rossi, Co-ordinator S Fieldhouse. Any comments or feedback welcome: gally3@bigpond.com

ELLISTON CAMERA CLUB



PHOTOS BY DIANNE PENNA

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Psychic medium in town!



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Elizabeth is an inspiring example of what's possible!

"It's not what happens to you, it's how you handle it."

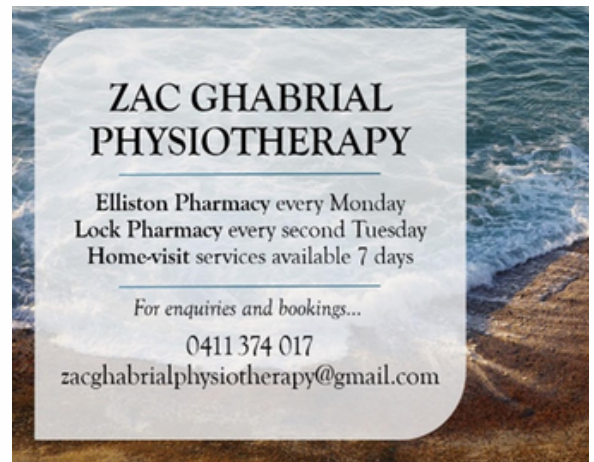
Elizabeth is a
psychic medium
mentor & entrepreneur
spiritual counsellor
teacher
soul reader
meditation facilitator
past life therapist
Usui Reiki Master
Independent Enagic® distributor



The Elliston Camera Club 2025 calendar is now for sale at the Elliston Post Office and the Elliston Community and Visitor Information Centre.



Business/office hours for enquiries that don't require immediate police attendance - 86879006 (This number diverts to Pt Lincoln on days off or out of mobile range) Requires police attendance - 131444 Emergency - 000



Caring for women from ocean to outback

BreastScreen SA's Mobile Screening Unit is visiting Port Lincoln from late October 2024 to early March 2025

We're inviting all women aged over 40, especially 50 to 74 years, to come along for their 2-yearly screening mammogram (breast X-ray).

- It's FREE and quick – it can take as little as 15 minutes
- You can make a booking with a friend, family member or group
- It's the best way of detecting breast cancer early (before symptoms start to show), giving you a greater chance of successful treatment.

Book online at www.breastscreen.sa.gov.au or call 13 20 50

Book now!

Scan QR code or visit breastscreen.sa.gov.au



You'll find us in the car park behind the Arteyrea Workshop
25 Mortlock Terrace, Port Lincoln



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STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?
CONTACT US ON 86879177



COMMUNITY

Christmas display



OPEN TO PUBLIC

- Sunday Dec 1st
- Wednesday Dec 4th
- Saturday Dec 7th
- Sunday Dec 8th
- Wednesday Dec 11th
- Friday Dec 13th
- Saturday Dec 14th
- Sunday Dec 15th
- 16th - 22nd December TBA



Church on Little Bay Road

for more information contact
BEC PICKET - 0431 679 265



On the 25th of June 2024, Louella Weetra was born at WCH with a cleft pallet, small airways, and moderate hearing loss, as her ears have not fully developed due to a condition known as Treacher Collins Syndrome.

At 2 weeks old, Louella needed a tracheostomy to assist with breathing difficulties caused by her small airways. It is unknown how long she will require the tracheostomy.

Louella spent her first 3 months in hospital and is now a happy, thriving 5-month-old, with a long journey ahead of her. She requires night nurses, as she needs to be monitored 24/7 due to her tracheostomy care. Her family are relocating to Adelaide for 12+ months to access essential services for her ongoing medical needs.

If you would like to contribute financially towards the purchase of a portable suction machine and oximeter, the unexpected relocation costs of setting up a home in Adelaide, and Louella's ongoing medical appointments and future medical procedures

A bank account has been set up for funds to go towards these costs.

Louella Weetra
BSB: 062948
Account number: 44185021

Tracy and Shannon are forever grateful for all the love and support that family and friends have given so far on this journey.

Treacher Collins Syndrome is a rare condition that affects the development of bones and other tissues of the face. The signs and symptoms of this syndrome vary greatly, ranging from almost unnoticeable to severe. Most affected individuals have underdeveloped facial bones, particularly the cheek bones, and a very small jaw and chin. This condition is also characterised by absent, small, or unusually formed ears and half have hearing loss. This condition affects an estimated 1 in 50,000 people.

Organised by Tara Waters

ELLISTON SUPERMARKET

Wishing all of our valued customers and wonderful staff members are very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We will be closed on the following days over the festive period:

Wednesday 25th December

Thursday 26th December

Wednesday 1st January

Please keep an eye on our Facebook and Google pages for up-to-date opening hours over the summer period

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CATHOLIC CHURCH AT ELLISTON

DECEMBER 2024

Sunday 1st	5pm
Saturday 7th	9am
Sunday 15th	5pm
Sunday 22nd	11am
Wednesday 25th	11am
Saturday 28th	9am

ELLISTON CARAVAN PARK

Now offering a home delivery service on 45kg gas bottles on Mondays & Thursdays from 10am - 2pm.

- \$20 drop off
- \$30 Changeover



Prices are per bottle.

C.O.D or payment via eftpos or bank transfer prior to delivery

ELLISTON MEN'S SHED

Open for morning chat, tea and coffee. 9-11am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Also available at the shed

Key Cutting Service

Knife and Scissor Sharpening

The Men's Shed Group meets for committee meetings on the second Thursday of the month at 9.30am.

ALL WELCOME



**AUSTRALIAN
MEN'S SHED
ASSOCIATION**
Shoulder to Shoulder

ELLISTON CWA

A big thank you to everyone who supported our stall at both the Wool Show and the recent Market Day!

December is shaping up to be a busy month with a visit to Cummins Winter Wonderland on Thursday, December 12th. Join us for Handicraft on Tuesday, December 17th at 10:00 AM, and don't miss the Christmas BBQ with the Elliston Men's Shed on December 20th. Visitors are always welcome—please contact Vicki Hull, for more details at 0428 109 476.

ELLISTON HEALTH CENTRE OPENING HOURS

Monday - 9.00AM – 4.30PM
 Tuesday - 9.00AM – 4.30PM
 Wednesday - 9.00AM – 4.30PM
 Thursday - 9.00AM – 4.30PM
 Friday - 9.00AM – 1.00PM
 PHONE: 08 8687 9012
 FAX: 08 8687 9341

ALLIED HEALTH CLINIC

Physiotherapist – Fortnightly
 OT – Monthly
 Speech pathologist - Monthly
 Social Work - Monthly
 Dietician - Monthly
 Podiatrist – Monthly
 *Urgent referrals may be reviewed via telehealth or phone



Government of South Australia
SA Health

ADMINISTRATION	Ayunda Fatima	Mon - Fri	9AM - 1PM
COMMUNITY NURSE ELLISTON, WUDINNA & LOCK	Jess Bascomb 0428576670	Mon - Fri	8AM - 4.30PM
DIABETES EDUCATOR EFNLHN - REGIONAL	Ashlee Stringer	Tues & Thurs	8.30AM - 5PM
CME ADMINISTRATOR	Ebony Feltus	Mon - Fri	8.15AM - 5PM
HOME CARE COORDINATOR ELLISTON, WUDINNA & LOCK	Annette Jolly	Mon, Tues & Wed	8.30AM-3.30PM
ALLIED HEALTH ASSISTANT	Tracy Kenny	Mon & Tues	8.30AM - 4.30PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

KIDS ACTIVITIES

EVERY MONDAY

Location: Elliston Hall
Maximum of 10 children per session

9:30am-10:30am

**Music and Movement
Kinder Gym Playtime**

0-5 years

with **Sophie Barkway**

parental supervision compulsory

3:30pm-4:30pm

Wild and Wonderful Creations

School age children
with **Rebecca Pickett**

coffee and tea available for gold coin donation
contact ECVIC to book your place



Australia Day COMMUNITY EVENT

When?

🕒 3PM - 9PM
Sunday 26 January 2025

📍 ELLISTON PARKLANDS

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

A fun-filled day featuring
award presentations,
delicious food, vibrant
markets, free kids' activities,
and entertainment.



2024 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Friday December 13th
5:00 PM - 7:30 PM at the
Elliston Parklands**

**WOODFIRED
PIZZA**

**FREE KIDS
BBQ**

**BYO
DRINKS**

**PHOTOS WITH
SANTA**

**KIDS GAMES AND
ACTIVITIES**



WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

Sun

						1 Catholic Church 5pm Live Music - Elliston Hotel
2 RED BINS Kids Activities	3	4	5	6 Live Music - Elliston Hotel	7 Catholic Church 9am	8
9 RED BINS Kids Activities	10	11	12	13 YELLOW BINS Community Xmas Party	14	15 Catholic Church 5pm
16 RED BINS	17 Council Meeting	18	19	20 CWA & Men's Shed BBQ	21	22 Catholic Church 11am Live Music - Elliston Hotel
23 RED BINS	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day  Catholic Church 11am	26 Boxing Day	27 YELLOW BINS	28 Catholic Church 9am Musical Bingo	29
30	31 New Year's Eve					