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ELLISTON COMMUNITY AND VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE NEWS

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WELCOME TO THE LATEST FROM OUR COMMUNITY

November has arrived, and there's plenty happening across our community as we head toward a busy and exciting end to the year. In this issue, we share updates on the Op Shop's recent revamp, local community news, stunning captures from the Camera Club, and details about the upcoming markets.

We're also delighted to feature Cait Wait's art exhibition, which recently opened at the Nautilus Theatre in Port Lincoln (see page 3), along with important fire prevention reminders as the fire season gets underway in South Australia.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Kym Gillett

**What do you enjoy most about volunteering?**

As a volunteer member for 39 years of the local Ambulance Team I still enjoy helping people and their families in their time of need. I'm a volunteer Elliston hospital representative on the Mid West Health and Aged Care Committee and have been along with Mary Reynolds and more recently, Trudy Venning. Our recent achievement is the addition of two new rooms to the Elliston Aged Care Facility. This is a wonderful addition for the Hospital.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

What spare time? I do enjoy tinkering in my workshop on the farm, fishing, entertaining my 9 Grandsons or vice versa and a good game of Canasta.

What's something you're really proud of?

In May 1999 I was involved in a Rescue of a fisherman stranded out to sea on a rock, South of Lock's Well. The rescue was successful with the help of Bruce Agars. Between the two of us we were able to get the fisherman to shore at the bottom of a cliff with two broken ankles. The rescue helicopter came along 12 hours later.

As a result of that day I was awarded an A.S.M. (Ambulance Service Medal) for bravery on the Queen's Birthday Honors List. This was the first Ambulance Service Medal awarded in SA. Also proud to have been awarded the District Council of Elliston Citizen of the year in 2017, for service to the Elliston Community.

Do you have any favourite quotes or sayings that resonate with you?

"Nothing better than the smell of freshly turned earth and a new hay cut". I also like the smell of rain after a dry spell.

Where is your favourite place to visit in our region?

During Summer when it's hot and the waters and sheep are all checked, I love sitting in a boat out at Waldegrave Island watching the seals.

WHATS ON

11 NOV: RemembranceDay - Elliston Memorial
10:45am**29 NOV: Elliston Markets at the**

Elliston Parklands 10am-2pm



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

OUR BACKYARD

WEDGE TAILED EAGLE

An iconic bird giving a soaring and gliding exhibition.

It is highly recommended that readers consult further reading: [Landscape.sa.gov.au Wedge-tailed eagles in agricultural areas Fact sheet 2024](https://landscape.sa.gov.au/Wedge-tailed-eagles-in-agricultural-areas-Fact-sheet-2024).

The SACWA Elliston branch presents the next of our bird articles for your interest Australia has 24 species of raptors, or diurnal birds of prey, including kites, goshawks, eagles, harriers, falcons and the osprey. All species hunt live prey during daylight hours. They are all characterised with a decurved and pointed bill, a fleshy skin in which the nostrils are embedded, and powerful gripping feet.

Wedge-tailed eagles (WTE) are an iconic Australian bird that are fascinating to watch. Its behaviours reflect its status as a top predator in its ecosystem, showcasing its adaptability and resilience in the face of environmental challenges. This statement can be challenged.

What do you actually know about this species?

Check this out: true or false?

- The largest bird of prey
- Wingspan of 2.3m, with a wedge shaped tail, and legs that are feathered to the base of the toes. Talons are large and powerful.
- Females weigh between 4.2- 5.3kg and are heavier than males 3.2- 4.0kg. Adults are mostly blackish- brown.

- keen eyesight, they can spot prey from over a kilometre away; it has bony rings on each eye that can squeeze the eyeball to enlarge what it sees just like a camera lens making it easier to spot prey from far distances.
- They are also known to occasionally attack aircraft, model airplanes, hang gliders, and helicopters.
- Life span of 30- 45 years in the wild
- They can lift 50% of their body weight
- During hunting dives, they can reach speeds of 195- 213km/hr (in a stoop dive)

The birds are monogamous and mate for life: if one bird of the pair is killed, the survivor will find a new mate. Established breeding pairs are territorial, and live in the one area throughout the year, defending around the nest sites from other eagles.

Courtship displays are most spectacular: one well known display is when a pair of birds, with claws interlocked, tumble through the air. Other displays can take place any time, when eagles, for the sheer enjoyment of life, apparently tumble through the air and ride the thermal currents over peaks. When seen fighting in the air, it is usually a mutual display of a pair or family group.

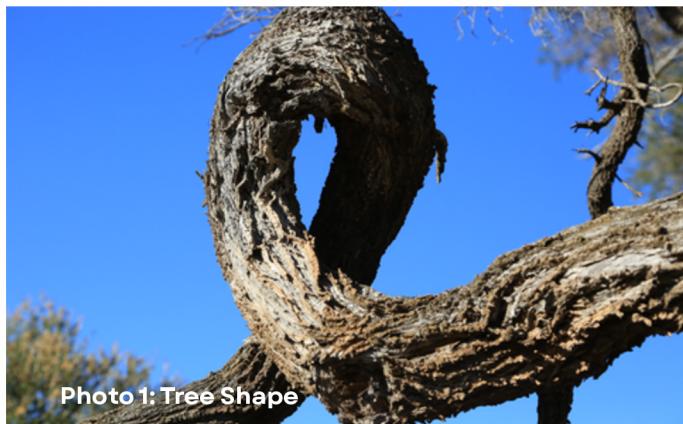


Keep an eye out for Part Two of the Wedge-tail Eagle article in next month's edition of The Echo.

Reference group: C O'Neil, I & D Penna, I Quinn, J Rossi, G Fieldhouse, co-ordinator S Fieldhouse.
Feedback or comments welcome.

ELLISTON CAMERA CLUB

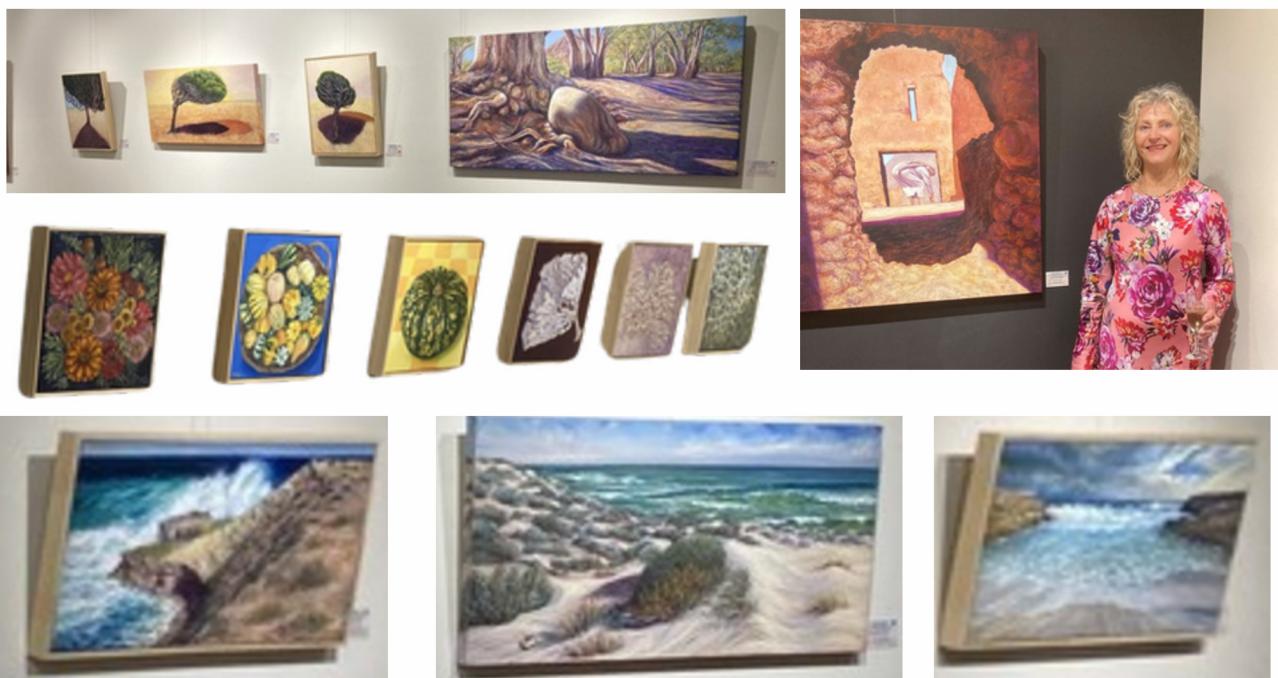
Photos by Dianne Penna



CAIT WAIT “VIEWPOINTS”



Cait Wait, an artist who now calls Elliston home, has put together an exhibition of her and thirteen of her friend's work called "Viewpoints" at the Nautilus Arts Centre in Port Lincoln. The opening of the exhibition was held on Sunday 26 October. It was an intimate gathering of approximately 40 people including artists, friends of Cait's and locals from Elliston. Cait's paintings include a series of still life works, as well as her landscape scenes. Her most current scenes capture the beauty of the coastline around Elliston and one can feel the power of the environment in them. One of which is a "love letter to Elliston" which is a painting of 16 small scenes in and around Elliston (in the accompanying picture). The works from her thirteen artist friends include sculptures, printings as well as paintings. Elliston locals, Siv Grava, Dave Beaty and Zephyr Jones have works in the exhibition. These are all displayed in the second gallery. We are fortunate to have such talented people in our community. The exhibition is on until 16 November 2025 and is worth a view.



PROTECTING OUR COASTLINE

JOIN THE CLEAN UP
LOG YOUR FINDS
PROTECT OUR COASTLINE

Together we can turn the tide on marine debris.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE PROJECT

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South Australian
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Fire Service

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Farm Fire Unit Registration

Becoming a registered Farm Fire Unit is beneficial to the owner/operator and the CFS. The CFS can provide coverage for injuries and vehicle damage, as well as information to assist you to work with your local CFS brigades before, during, and after fires. When FFU operators register with the CFS, it is much easier for all operators in the area to be identified.

An online registration system is available at using the QR Code or
cfs.sa.gov.au/farms

Region 6 Eyre Peninsula and West Coast 32 Matthew Place,

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REMINDER FIRE DANGER SEASON

15 OCT 25 - 15 APR 26



PREPARATION SAVES LIVES!

Bushfire Preparation Checklist

July	Create a 20-metre defendable space around your home Update your Bushfire Survival Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
August	Trim lower branches of trees to separate the foliage from the ground fuels underneath Create your emergency kits – home & car	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
September	Prune shrubs so that their tops are well away from the lower branches of trees Test equipment eg tank fittings, generators & sprinkler systems, pumps, hoses & hose fittings Download the Alert SA app	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
October	Block ember entry points eg vents, seals & flues Clean gutters & remove fine fuels Practice your bushfire plan & place on fridge Know your Australian Fire Danger Ratings	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

FIRE DANGER SEASON

November To April	Maintain yard, clear flammable materials away from buildings & sheds Maintain firefighting equipment readiness Monitor Fire Danger Ratings & weather Practice and follow your bushfire survival plan
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Bushfire Information Hotline 1800 362 361
For more information - cfs.sa.gov.au
Call 000 in any emergency

For more community information please call Region 6 CFS on 8682 4266

ECVIC UPDATES



OP SHOP REVAMP

Over the past few weeks, a dedicated group of volunteers have been busy giving the Elliston Op Shop a full revamp – and what a difference it's made! The team have worked tirelessly sorting, cleaning, and completely redesigning the layout to make the space more functional, welcoming and easier to navigate.

Visitors will notice a fresh new look and some thoughtful improvements, including a special items cupboard showcasing unique finds, clearly marked donation bins, and better organisation throughout the store. These updates not only make shopping more enjoyable but also help the team manage donations more efficiently.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the team of volunteers for their incredible effort and commitment. Their hard work and community spirit have truly breathed new life into our much-loved Op Shop!



Every Wednesday

(during school term only,
unless otherwise advertised)

Location: Elliston Hall

Time: 9.30 - 10.30am

For children aged 0-5 years of age



Parental supervision compulsory



COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Elliston Area School

REMEMBRANCE DAY

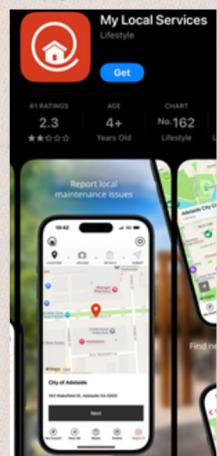
Commemorating the sacrifices of members of the armed forces and of civilians in times of war.

Tuesday 11th November
10:45am at the
Elliston Memorial

All Welcome



Lock Racing Club is holding a race meet on Wednesday 5th November it may be a great chance to have a day off before harvest starts we will be holding 5 races and 1 trial to be held straight after the last race we will have a downsized bar and canteen running as well as a bookie on site will update a starting time but gates will open by 11.30 am



The **My Local Services** app can help you discover upcoming local events and places of interest. You can also stay up-to-date with council issues.

The app allows you to:

- report issues such as potholes or damaged council infrastructure.
- personalise content to only show information from your local council
- set up weekly bin reminders
- find out what's on in your local area
- locate your nearest community centres, libraries, playgrounds, toilets, and council buildings

Elliston Community Health Centre Opening Hours:

Monday to Friday
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Phone: 08 8687 9012
Fax: 08 8687 9341

Mid Eye Medical Centre Opening Hours:

Monday to Wednesday (by appointment)
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone: 08 8687 9110
Fax: 08 8687 9318

Allied Health Clinic Dates:

Physiotherapy - 3rd and 17th Nov 25
Podiatry - 10th Nov 25
Social Work - N/A
Dietetics - 18th Nov 25
OT - 18th Nov 25
Speech Therapy - N/A

URGENT REFERRALS MAY BE REVIEWED VIA TELEHEALTH OR PHONE

To get a referral for an appointment contact:

Ayunda
Phone: 08 8687 9012
Monday to Friday
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Community Nurse: Elliston

SHARNI SIDDLER
Tuesday
9:30AM - 3:00PM

Diabetes Educator:

Ashlee Stringer
Mon, Tues & Thurs
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Support at Home:

Annette Jolly
Monday to Wednesday
8:45 AM - 3:30PM

 **Government of South Australia**
SA Health

CATHOLIC CHURCH: ELLISTON

NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday 2 th	5pm
Saturday 8 th	9am
Sunday 16 th	5pm
Sunday 23 rd	11am
Sunday 30 th	5pm

COMMUNITY GROUPS

ELLISTON CWA

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 13 November 10.30am cuppa for 11am start, all friends of CWA are welcome.



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

November

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1 Elliston Transfer Station 10am-12noon	2 10c bottle Recycling Elliston Caravan Park 11am-5pm Catholic Church 5pm
3 RED BINS	4 Melbourne Cup	5 Elliston Transfer Station 10am-12noon Lock Racing Club Race Meet 11:30am	6	7	8 Catholic Church 9am	9 10c bottle Recycling Elliston Caravan Park 11am-5pm
10 RED BINS	11 Remembrance Day 10:45AM - Elliston Memorial	12 Elliston Transfer Station 10am-12noon	13 CWA Meeting 10.30am	14 YELLOW BINS	15	16 10c bottle Recycling Elliston Caravan Park 11am-5pm Catholic Church 5pm
17 RED BINS	18	19 Elliston Transfer Station 10am-12noon	20	21	22	23 Catholic Church 11am 10c bottle Recycling Elliston Caravan Park 11am-5pm
24 RED BINS	25	26 Elliston Transfer Station 10am-12noon	27	28 YELLOW BINS	29	30 Catholic Church 5pm

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2025 NOVEMBER Northern Eyre Health Care Locum doctor roster
Streaky Bay • Kimba

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27	28	Kimba: Dr Khan Streaky Bay: Dr Wong	29	Kimba: Dr Khan Streaky Bay: Dr Wong
03	04	Kimba: Dr Estrada Streaky Bay: Dr Koh	05	Kimba: Dr Estrada Streaky Bay: Dr Koh
10	11	Kimba: Dr Estrada Streaky Bay: Dr Olutayo	12	Kimba: Dr Estrada Streaky Bay: Dr Olutayo
17	18	Kimba: Dr Akonjee Streaky Bay: Dr Olutayo	19	Kimba: Dr Akonjee Streaky Bay: Dr Olutayo
24	25	Kimba: TBA Streaky Bay: Dr Koh	26	Kimba: TBA Streaky Bay: Dr Koh
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				07 Kimba: Dr Estrada Streaky Bay: Dr Koh
				14 Kimba: Dr Estrada Streaky Bay: Dr Olutayo
				21 Kimba: Dr Akonjee Streaky Bay: Dr Olutayo
				28 Kimba: TBA Streaky Bay: Dr Koh

Returning in December: Dr Mukwevho

2025 NOVEMBER

Northern Eye Health Care Locum doctor roster Cleve • Cowell • Elliston

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27 Elliston: Dr Olutayo Cowell: Dr Mukwevho Cleve: Dr McManus	28 Elliston: Dr Olutayo Cowell: Dr Mukwevho Cleve: Dr McManus	29 Elliston: Dr Olutayo Cowell: Dr Mukwevho Cleve: Dr McManus	30 Cowell: Dr Mukwevho Cleve: Dr McManus Dr Olutayo	31 Cowell: Dr Mukwevho Cleve: Dr McManus Dr Olutayo
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17 Elliston: - Cowell: TBA Cleve: Dr Sorensen	18 Elliston: Dr Hitch Cowell: TBA Cleve: Dr Sorensen	19 Elliston: Dr Hitch Cowell: TBA Cleve: Dr Sorensen	20 Cowell: TBA Cleve: Dr Sorensen Dr Hitch	21 Cowell: TBA Cleve: Dr Sorensen Dr Hitch
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Returning in December: Dr Chuireki, Dr Maroussen, Dr Lawton, Dr Mukwevho, Dr McManus, Dr Rajini

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Draft Water Allocation Plan for Eyre Peninsula's groundwater

Community information sessions

We will be holding two community drop-in information sessions where you can talk to water experts and find out more about what's been considered in the amended Water Allocation Plan.



DROP-IN SESSIONS 3:30-6:30PM

Wednesday, November 19
Elliston Sporting Club

Thursday, November 20
Port Lincoln Yacht Club

Feedback open until December 16
yoursay.sa.gov.au