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The towns of  
Barmera, Glossop  
and Monash were  
gazetted throughout  
1921 and this year  
will celebrate 100  
years of town and  
community across our

region. Neighbouring Cobdogla,  
Loveday and Overland Corner are  
also being encouraged to participate  
in the centenary celebrations as they  
too have been an integral part of the  
Riverland region's prosperity.

On behalf of the Berri Barmera  
Council, it gives me great pleasure to  
celebrate this milestone along with our  
community volunteers, families, and  
visitors throughout the 2021 centenary  
calendar of events. I too am delighted  
to welcome and host His Excellency  
the Governor, Hieu Van Le, and his wife  
Mrs Le back to our region as guests to  
the various functions being held over  
the last weekend in May.

The council is excited for the  
year ahead planned by the towns'  
community committees who have been

volunteering behind the scenes in the  
lead up to this wonderful achievement.  
The committees have done an  
outstanding job in planning COVID-19  
safe events so that the past century can  
be celebrated safely.

Council has also committed to  
supporting these initiatives through  
cash funding and in-kind support  
wherever possible, and hopes to see  
our community come out and embrace  
the committees' tremendous efforts in  
organising the range of events.

As we celebrate the towns'  
centenaries through the year of  
memorable festivals, parades, and  
other events, I trust that you will take  
the opportunity to look back and reflect  
on the many advantages and privileges  
of living in such a thriving and resilient  
community.

I look forward with optimism and  
confidence that our towns will continue  
to grow and prosper through another  
100 years.

**Mayor Peter R. Hunt**  
Berri Barmera Council



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# BARMERA HISTORY

Officially gazetted in 1921, Barmera was already taking shape with Lake Bonney – named after Charles Bonney – identified as a major resource for irrigation and farming in the decades previous.

Charles Bonney was the friend and travelling companion of Joseph Hawdon, the first white man to set foot on the site of Barmera in 1838.

The first settlers noted the potential of the lake-side spot, but it wasn't until about 50 years later that talk of construction of irrigation infrastructure began in the South Australian parliament.

The name Barmera came from the Aboriginal word Barmeedjie meaning lake, with indigenous tribes surrounding Lake Bonney benefiting from the riches the water provided for their families.

In the lead-up to the gazetting of Barmera, the surrounding areas of Cobdogla and Overland Corner were also being established and developed.

The iconic Overland Corner Hotel was built in 1859 to cater for the overland drovers and is still in operation today.

Meanwhile Cobdogla – from the Aboriginal word meaning 'land of plenty' – was first occupied in the 1840s by John Chambers under a pastoral lease for purebred horses for the police and military.

The first detailed surveying around the Barmera area was conducted for the Cobdogla Irrigation Scheme in 1911.

The town survey for Barmera took place in 1920, before the official gazetting the following year, however many people had already started to lay their roots around the area, with the first house built in Barmera in 1912.

Barmera's first business – a general store – was built in 1919 on the corner of Laffer Street and Barwell Avenue by William Struthers. This was the beginning of a long and proud history of business in Barmera.

In the years to come, Barwell Avenue began to take shape as the town's main shopping strip. From hairdressers, butchers, a billiard saloon, tobacco



**People at Barmera Railway Station, Easter Monday 1939. Many travelled to Barmera from across the region and Mallee to attend the picnics on Easter Monday on the lake front.**

shops and newsagencies, the main drag was certainly a buzzing place to be.

Barmera's Catholic Church was built in 1929 on Lake Avenue, while the Church of England was built in 1921 and the Congregational Church was built in 1922. The Church of Christ was built in 1958.

The Barmera Hotel was built in 1932, and was home to the town's library, in its cellar, run by Miss Margaret Tonkin and later Mrs T Wilson.

The town's first presence from the law occurred in 1920 when H. W. Hilton was based in Barmera at a temporary police station, before a permanent station was built in 1924.

Barmera's first primary school building was officially opened in 1922, and quickly had 118 students. The school expanded to cope with demand.

The Lady Weigall Hospital was opened in 1922 and by 1933 could house 270 patients.

As the population grew in Barmera and the surrounding towns, Australian Rules Football became increasingly popular. The Barmera Football Club formed in 1920 and became a strong club.

During World War II football went into recess, before Barmera and Cobdogla formed in the late 1940s, then disbanded and formed the Barmera-Monash Football Club and the Cobdogla Football Club, separately.

At the outbreak of World War II, internment camps became part of Australian life with one of the largest opening in Loveday.

The Loveday group of internment camps was the largest in Australia and during the peak of the war held nearly 5500 internees, and served as base for over 1500 army personnel.

The camps comprised a group headquarters, three separate internment camps, and three wood camps.

A wonderful area for growing and irrigating, much of the surrounding land of Barmera was used to grow wine grapes and various vegetables.

The Cobdogla District Council was gazetted in 1924 and after many years of debate was renamed the Barmera District Council in 1937.

From 1928 to 1980, Barmera's railway line played an important role for the district, and was mainly used as a freight route.

The town of Barmera has seen many famous country music artists visit the area for the Barmera Country Music Festival, which experienced over 40 years of success over the June long weekend.

Throughout the years since Barmera was gazetted, the town has faced many hardships including floods, including the unforgettable 1956 flood, the depression following World War I, locals serving in World War II, a devastating tornado, and many droughts.

Barmera locals have also enjoyed decades of iconic events, the influx of visitors from far and near for the Easter long weekend sandcastle competition, sporting successes, and many colourful characters gracing the town for many years.



## TIMELINE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

**1921:**

The town of Barmera is gazetted

**1924:**

A devastating tornado strikes the new town

**1928:**

The first train to Barmera arrives from Adelaide

**1937:**

The first local power station is opened

**1939:**

The outbreak of World War II impacts the young town

**1941:**

Internment camps are established

**1956:**

A disastrous flood hits the area

**1964:**

Sir Donald Campbell attempts to break the world water speed record on Lake Bonney

**1980:**

The Barmera rail line closes

**1996:**

The district councils of Barmera and Berri amalgamate

# BARMERA RARING TO CELEBRATE



This photo taken was looking west towards the jetty on Easter Monday Carnival Day.

The town of Barmera is ready to celebrate its centenary in a big way, with a number of events set to excite locals and visitors.

The Barmera Centenary Committee has been working tirelessly to make sure 2021 will be a year to remember and the perfect way to celebrate Barmera.

Committee member Helen Barney said the centenary celebrations have brought the town together.

"What it's done is bring the community together in a stronger way," she said.

"Because we're all working on celebrating this year and it means that we're actually putting the history of Barmera out there in the community.

"Everyone is reliving their family history and buildings in the town.

"It's really brought people together for a common objective."

Barmera's calendar of things to do includes an extravaganza of events over the Easter long weekend, beginning on Easter Saturday with Sandy Centenary Fun at Lake Bonney's volleyball area, and will also continue on the Sunday.

The event includes a "sand sculpture spectacular", which celebrates the once popular Easter sand castle competition from decades ago.

Barmera's always-popular Main Street Markets will take place on Easter Sunday, and will include the interring of Barmera's time capsule at 3pm.

Meta4 will be playing on the verandah of the Bonney Theatre in the afternoon and a family film will complete the day's

events.

Mrs Barney said the time capsule was one of the committee's ideas to celebrate the centenary.

"The capsule is being made for us by Scotty's Fabrications and Engineering in Berri," she said.

"It will hold historical information from the past 100 years of Barmera to be unearthed in 100 years' time.

"We're putting in lots of photographs and historical items from Barmera, Overland Corner, Loveday, Cobdogla, and surroundings areas."

The Barmera Centenary Committee has also worked hard to decorate the main street to showcase the town's history throughout the entire year.

Many of Barwell Avenue's shops are being occupied by historical displays, including the inside of an original blocker's home, a 1930s living room and a toy display.

Mrs Barney, who is also involved in the National Trust, said the organisation had assisted with sourcing artefacts and items for the display.

She said there will be no shortage of events to keep locals and visitors busy for the remainder of the year.

"It's just fantastic everything we have going on and the events are quite continuous throughout the year," Mrs Barney said.

"And a lot of events are really great for families and we hope people from all over the Riverland get involved."

For more details on the events check out pages 16 to 19.





Barmera Primary School students Koa Packer, year 3, Ava Sard, year 2, and Sam Jericho, year 7, at the location of the school's 40-year-old time capsule. The trio all have grandparents and parents who attended the school.

## BARMERA PRIMARY'S TIME CAPSULE CELEBRATIONS

Past students, teachers and community members have been invited to witness the unearthing of a 40-year-old time capsule at the Barmera Primary School.

The time capsule will be unveiled on Saturday, May 29, between 12 noon and 1pm, and will be officially opened by the South Australian Governor.

Barmera Primary School teacher and centenary celebration co-ordinator Glenys Matthews said the entire school community was excited to reveal the time capsule's contents.

"It was placed here when the school was moved from its old location to the new location in December 1981," she said.

"It was to commemorate 100 years of education in Barmera which meant that its opening would coincide, 40 years later, with the town centenary."

Mrs Matthews said she has spoken to former staff who were at the school when the capsule was filled, but the exact contents are somewhat of a mystery.

"From what they can remember they know that each class contributed a

number of items to go into it such as drawings, pictures and photographs but the memories have faded so no one seems to know at this stage what additional items are in there."

The entire community will be welcome to attend the school for the unveiling with the site open from 12 noon to 3pm.

"We'll have the choir singing and we'll have a display of past archival records and photographs in the hall," said Mrs Matthews.

"We'll have one of the units open so after looking at the hall people can see a 'then and now' school display. They'll be able to see the old items and then be able to see what we're doing at the present time."

Mrs Matthews said another time capsule will be collated and buried at a later stage in the year after gaining some inspiration from the 40-year-old capsule.

She said the opportunity to celebrate the centenary with students this year had been a valuable experience.

"As part of the curriculum for history

for the lower grades there is a section called 'Then and Now' which looks at the past and compares how things change over time," Mrs Matthews said.

"It's a great opportunity for students to compare things in the local area.

"At the moment the shop windows in the main street of Barmera have been decorated with all sorts of past displays and the plan is to take groups of students to have a look at the shop windows and show them how things have changed."

The school will also host a sports day on the town oval after a march down the main street as was done in years gone by.

The sports day will take place on Friday, June 4, with events like three-legged and egg-and-spoon races featuring.

Later in the year on Wednesday, September 1 – the official 100-year anniversary of Barmera appearing in the Government Gazette – the school will invite local seniors to attend for a morning tea and welcomes them to join students to play games like marbles and knucklebones.



# BARMERA'S EDUCATION HISTORY

Education began in Barmera as a private school run by reverend A. McCulloch in a hall.

The school was taken over by government when Barmera was officially named and gazetted in September, 1921.

Two stone buildings were built on Scott Avenue to replace the old building. A total of 118 students were enrolled in these new buildings, with Tom Sard as

the head teacher.

The school grew rapidly and became a higher primary school in 1929 therefore providing some secondary education for the local community. This continued until Glossop High School opened in 1941.

Additional classrooms were added over time and particularly during an influx of students between 1956 and 1966.

Late in 1965 it was suggested that the school be rebuilt however due to financial constraints and disruption to learning, it was decided to relocate the school to a new site.

The school was moved from its location on Scott Avenue to its present



**The south facade of the original higher primary school, on the corner of Scott Avenue and Sturt Street, which opened in 1922.**

location on Rumbold Drive in 1981.

It was officially opened by Harold Allison, Minister for Education on October 30, 1982.

A "Back to Barmera School" day was held to celebrate the opening.

The school continues to

provide education to the local community in the same buildings.

The grounds have been developed over time to include expansion to the playground areas and updating of the garden areas around the school buildings.

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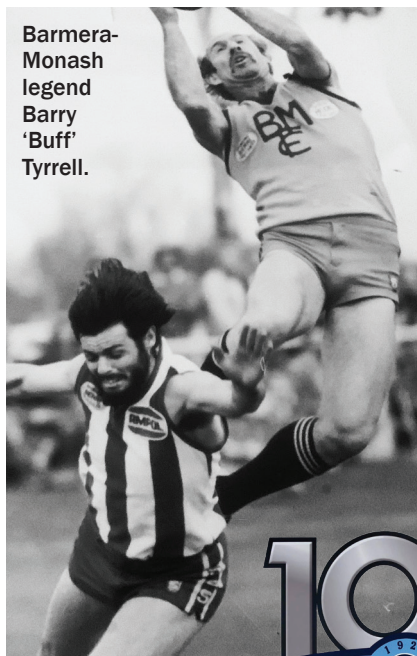
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Barmera-Monash legend Barry 'Buff' Tyrrell.



The predecessor of what is today the Barmera-Monash Football Club was a team that commenced playing in a local competition known as the Central Albert Football Association in 1920.

This Barmera team competed under a variety of names, including Barmera, Lakes, Lake Bonney and Lake Barmera.

In 1921 the Barmera Football Club was formed and joined the Upper Murray Football Association (UMFA), competing against teams from Berri, Renmark, Lyrup and Glossop.

Another football team from the Barmera area, South Lake Ramblers, commenced playing in the local Central Albert Football Association competition in that same year, 1921.

A premiership was not long in coming for the new Barmera team in the UMFA, and in 1922 the all-conquering Barmera Football Club, led by former North Adelaide champion, Lloyd Davies, was undefeated for the year.

The team from Barmera played at a few different ovals before settling on the main town oval, Memorial Oval. These early locations include Bruce Oval, which became the town's trotting track, and a lake-front spot to the west of Memorial Oval.

After the 1922 success, Barmera endured an A grade premiership

# A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE BARMERA-MONASH FOOTBALL CLUB

drought for another 15 years, before again reigning supreme in the UMFA competition in 1937, winning the premiership under the leadership of Neil Munro and Ron McKay.

The UMFA went into recess during World War II, from mid-1940 through to 1945. As the war in Europe drew to a close, the Bonney Friendly Football Association was established, in April 1945.

The participating teams were Barmera, Berri, Cobdogla, Kingston-Moorook, Loxton, Renmark, and at the completion of the first round a team from Loveday, known as Loveday Camps, was admitted to the competition.

Barmera FC resumed in the UMFA in 1946, before Barmera and Cobdogla merged the next year, playing as Cobdogla-Barmera United from 1947 to 1951.

Barmera resumed under its own banner in 1952, continuing as the Barmera Football Club through to 1956, when the great River Murray flood saw the competition cancelled.

In 1957 Barmera amalgamated again, this time with Monash, becoming known as the Barmera-Monash Football Club (BMFC).

In a heartbreaking run from 1961 to 1964, Barmera-Monash was runner-up to Loxton in the UMFL competition four times in a row, which included a drawn grand final in 1962 and defeat in the replay, followed by a three-point loss in the next year, 1963.

The UMFA had changed its name to the Upper Murray Football League (UMFL) in 1953, then in 1972 its name changed again, to the Riverland Football League (RFL).

The club's new clubrooms were officially opened on July 27, 1980, after years of planning.

The pre-existing clubrooms became changerooms and remain in that capacity today.

The club's striking red and

yellow colours and nickname of the Pelicans were changed in 1981, at the recommendation of A grade coach Bob Fisher. Barmera-Monash reverted to double-blue colours it wore pre-1936 and become the Roos.

It was not until 1983, after being runner-up in the previous three years, that Barmera-Monash finally held the RFL A grade premiership trophy aloft, breaking a premiership drought of 46 years.

Even better, coach Barry "Buff" Tyrrell – who joined the club after a decorated SANFL career with Woodville – and his brilliant team repeated this for the next four years, making it five straight premierships from 1983 to 1987.

After a slight glitch in 1988, Barmera-Monash won the 1989 premiership under the guidance of SANFL state representative, North Adelaide and Woodville player and 1960 Magarey Medallist, Barrie Barbary, making it six premierships in seven years.

**THE TEAM FROM BARMERA PLAYED AT A FEW DIFFERENT OVALS BEFORE SETTLING ON THE MAIN TOWN OVAL, MEMORIAL OVAL.**

The club endured another frustrating run of disappointments until 2012 when Barmera-Monash, coached by one of Tyrrell's champion A grade premiership players from the 1980s, Lyndon Burns, was again RFL A grade premier, for only the ninth time in its history.

On 22 occasions, nearly a quarter of all grand finals played in the 100 years of the Barmera-based team, the lakeside club has been on the wrong end of a grand final defeat.

Sources: Hallett Shueard, and Hallett Shueard's book, *The Barmera-Monash Football Club Centenary Book*.





Barmera-Monash's 1937 premierships team.

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# BARMERA'S LIBRARY LOVE AFFAIR

Right from the earliest beginnings as a town, Barmera people have always loved libraries and reading.

That's from very humble beginnings, with librarian Mrs H Corney (operating as a branch of the Cobdogla Institute Library) lending books from the home of Mr Lang.

After the Barmera Institute Committee was formed in 1920, Mrs Corney was employed as the first librarian. According to George Woolmer in *The Barmera Story*, this library was in the reverend J. Harold Datsun's hut.

In 1920, the institute bought a cubicle in Nookamka Terrace and the Barmera Institute Library

moved there.

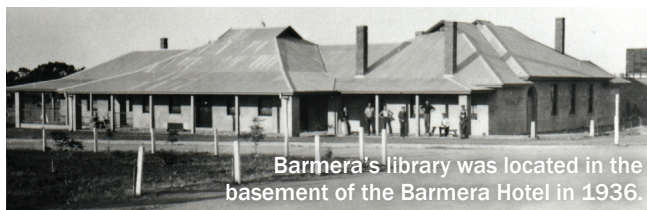
Mr Bill Rogers acted as both secretary and librarian. It was just established when it was damaged in the 1924 tornado.

The institute repaired the library and moved it to the Soldiers' Memorial Hall around 1929 with Mr Rogers still acting as librarian.

Miss Margaret Tonkin was the first librarian in the Barmera Hotel Incorporated Library of 1936.

The library was in the hotel's cellar. Past Barmera residents recall going down some steep stairs to borrow books in the cellar, where the librarian always used to look up over her glasses.

After Miss Tonkin came librarian Mrs T Wilson. Then



Barmera's library was located in the basement of the Barmera Hotel in 1936.

in 1948, the community centre took over the library, moving it near the old Hambours (B and B's) site.

In 1961, the Barmera Public Library opened at its present site in 4C Barwell Avenue, Barmera.

Miss Jan Wallage was librarian for six months, and then came Miss Diane Tillett, who was librarian for 40 years.

Ms Marie Trezise was librarian in 2002 and Mr Warren Winship from 2004 to 2006.

Today the library's staff of Peggy Germein (team leader), Sue Webber, Jody Bannear, Joella Crossfield and Sue John are just as enthusiastic and dedicated as librarians in the past.

A life-sized paper mache figure representing the 1936 Barmera librarian Miss Margaret Tonkin is currently a special guest, sitting outside the present Barmera Library.

- Peggy Germein, Barmera Library team leader.

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Life-sized paper mache depictions of people of interest are among the displays in centenary-themed shop fronts in Barmera.

## 1921-2021

The Barmera Centenary Committee has created a number of centenary

displays in shop fronts along Barwell Avenue. They include life-sized paper mache people of interest.

Some of the displays include a toy shop (pictured), a 1930 living room, a blocker's home and a tailor shop.

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A variety of vehicles eligible for membership in the two clubs. These were participating in one of the past Riverland All Cars Days hosted by the clubs.

## BARMERA'S SHOW-STOPPING AUTO STREET PARTY

Motoring enthusiasts are in for a massive treat later this year when the Riverside Rodders and Riverland Customs and Classics host the Riverland Auto Street Party.

The event will take place on Saturday, November 6, and Sunday, November 7, to celebrate Barmera's centenary and also 100 years of the automobile in Barmera.

On the Saturday, Dean Drive (Barmera's lake front) will be closed to through traffic for a display of an anticipated 200-plus special interest

vehicles from the past 100 years.

There will be market stalls, a live band, plenty of food and drink stalls and shady spots for the participants and public to enjoy.

If you own a motorbike, truck, or car from the past 100 years that you think is special, then come along and put it on display.

Vehicle owners from outside the region will also be invited to participate in the spectacle.

Awards will be given for Policeman's Pick, MP's Pick, Mayor's

Pick, Club Manager's Pick and People's Choice.

There will be no charge for entering your vehicle or coming along to have a look on the day.

Saturday evening will be a social meal for participants at the Barmera Club and Sunday morning will see two wind-down cruises departing from the lake front after coffee.

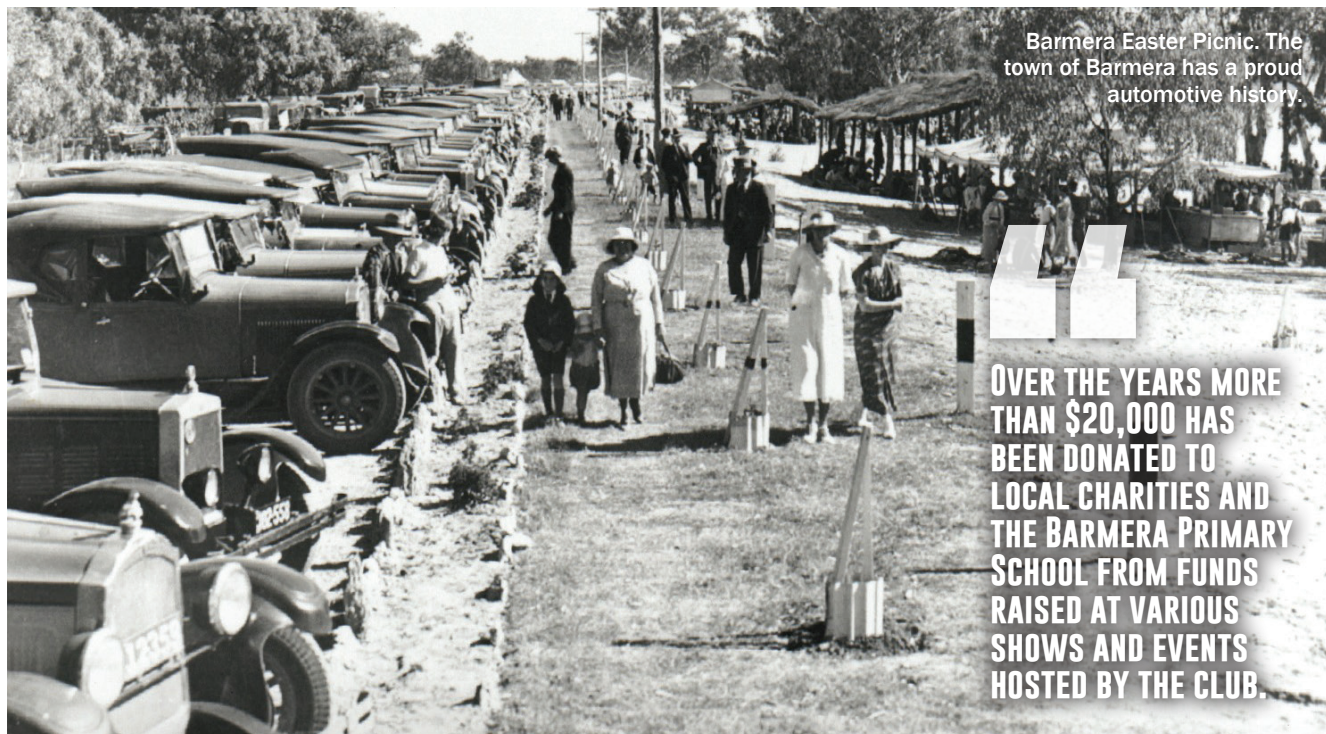
One of these will head east and the other west, with the final destinations for lunch yet to be confirmed.



Entrants' cars attending one of the many Riverside Campout weekends hosted by Riverside Rodders in the Riverland.



# PROUD HISTORY BEHIND THE RODDERS



Barmera Easter Picnic. The town of Barmera has a proud automotive history.

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OVER THE YEARS MORE THAN \$20,000 HAS BEEN DONATED TO LOCAL CHARITIES AND THE BARMERA PRIMARY SCHOOL FROM FUNDS RAISED AT VARIOUS SHOWS AND EVENTS HOSTED BY THE CLUB.

Established in the mid 1980s, the Riverside Rodders was the first hot rod club in the Riverland region.

Membership was small initially, but the members' enthusiasm made up for that, holding events and attending car shows across the country while building and driving their hot rods.

The club is affiliated with the Australian Street Rod Federation and operates within its rules, while the members own and build ASRF class vehicles within the National Street Rod Guidelines.

Riverside Rodders received a Regional Tourism Award for their 10th Anniversary Riverside Campout and regularly took out awards at the Adelaide Hot Rod and Street Machine Spectacular.

Over the years more than \$20,000 has been

donated to local charities and the Barmera Primary School from funds raised at various shows and events hosted by the club.

Following the success of the Big River Regional Street Rod Nationals held in Barmera in 2006 and again in 2012, another car club, Riverland Customs and Classics, was founded.

This club can operate as a club in its own right, however its members and Riverside Rodders considered it in the best interest of the Riverland car community to co-exist as the one club.

Membership is available to people owning original, restored, or modified vehicles manufactured prior to 1978.

Both clubs complement and assist each other with family friendly activities and events. They also offer conditional club registration to their members.



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## COBDOGLA

Cobdogla started out as part of the Cobdogla Station with the homestead being built on the site of the current Cobdogla Station Caravan Park. This lease was taken out by the Chambers family in 1846. The station once covered over 200 miles (over 500km) of river frontage. The first police greys were bred on the property and the famous explorer John McDouall Stuart used "Circle C" horses from here for his journey across Australia from north to south.



**Cobdogla is home to the Cobdogla Irrigation and Steam Museum, which has the world's only operational Humphrey Pump. The pump is currently not operating due to building renovations. The Cobdogla Station Caravan Park houses the historic Cobdogla Chimney. The chimney is a 1846 relic of the Cobdogla homestead complex.**

## LOVEDAY

Proclaimed in 1940, Loveday was the site of one of Australia's largest internment camps during World War II. At its peak it housed 5380 internees of German, Japanese and Italian descent as well as over 1500 Australian Military personnel. The camp supplied a variety of products including wheat, vegetables, fruit and seeds. It also grew opium poppies. These were used for the production of morphine required medicinally by the armed forces. The ruins for the World War II Internment Camp still remain.

**Ernest Alfred Loveday (pictured) was born 1868 and died in 1915. He was a surveyor and superintending surveyor of the Murray Irrigation Settlement. It was after the party led by Mr Loveday had come to the area that Berri became a large government scheme instead of a small village settlement, which was originally proposed. Mr Loveday was son of Corporal Richard John Loveday and laid out the township of Berri. The Loveday settlement was named after him. The Loveday Memorial was unveiled at Cobdogla in appreciation of his work in 1930.**



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## OVERLAND CORNER

Overland Corner became famous from 1838 as a river crossing and stopover for overlanders moving from the eastern states to South Australia. In 1860 Overland Corner was on the Wentworth mail route from Adelaide. A telegraphic communication line between Adelaide and Sydney was erected in 1865 and passed through Overland Corner. Traffic along the overland trail increased with the construction of the railway at Morgan in 1878. The hotel built in 1859 was one of the first stone buildings constructed in the Riverland. This was the stagecoach post for Cobb and Co. and has been restored by the National Heritage Trust of South Australia.



The Overland Corner Hotel surrounded by water during the 1956 flood.

## WINKIE

Originally part of Cobdogla Station, this locality was marked on early maps as Wink Wink Paddock. The area was surveyed and channelled from 1911 to 1913 as part of the Berri Irrigation Area. It was extended for soldier settlement after World War I. In the 1950s there were plans to establish a residential township area. This did not eventuate, however it is a sought-after area for out-of-town living.

Winkie footballers Eric McDonald and Lionel Aldenhoven (pictured) dressed in long shorts and big boots for football. Winkie

Football Club wore black guernseys with a red band from approximately 1925 to 1928. In 1930 Winkie and Glossop amalgamated to form a new "Centrals" club which won the 1931 premiership. Club colours are a mystery, with some sources claiming purple guernseys and a white band, others maintaining the colours were dark blue with a light blue band. The football ground at Winkie was on the Winkie Recreation Grounds.



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1921  
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The view down Barwell Avenue looking north towards the lake, 1937. Note cars on both sides of the Avenue, with one-way traffic not yet introduced. Pendle's bus is in the foreground.

# COUNCIL SUPPORTS CENTENARY EVENTS

The Centenary Grants Scheme is a one-off initiative to support community groups and organisations by providing financial and in-kind support to enhance their capacity to provide Barmera, Monash, Glossop, Cobdogla, Loveday and Overland Corner centenary-orientated programs and events within the Berri Barmera Council area during 2021.

- The requested support must provide a direct benefit to the Berri Barmera Council community. The applicant must be based in the Berri Barmera Council region, have a membership base within the Berri Barmera Council, or be delivering a service which will be of a direct benefit to members of the Berri Barmera Council community.

- Applicants must agree to comply with conditions which council may apply to the support provided, have

appropriate public liability insurance and adhere to sound workplace health and safety practices.

- Berri Barmera Council has so far allocated \$56,000 through the Centenary Grants Scheme towards events and projects with Round 1 of the Grants Scheme closing in October 2020. A second round of funding opened on March 17, with applications due by April 30, 2021. There is also the possibility of a third round of Centenary Grant funding to be offered for mid-2021.

## Before completing an application:

- You should approach either the Barmera Centenary Committee, the Lone Gum and Monash Community Association Inc or the Glossop Centenary Committee if you want to conduct an event in the Barmera, Monash or Glossop areas.

This will ensure that

your event can be co-ordinated, or perhaps be joined with other planned Centenary programs, events or activities. To contact any of these groups directly, email the Barmera group at [centenary2021@barmeratourism.com.au](mailto:centenary2021@barmeratourism.com.au) (or by telephone on 8588 2289), email the Monash group at [ali@grantsheds.com.au](mailto:ali@grantsheds.com.au) (or by telephone 8583 5262) or email the Glossop group at [princessannie2310@gmail.com](mailto:princessannie2310@gmail.com) (or by telephone 0438 890 496).

- Please ensure that you read the Centenary

Grants Scheme conditions which provides the details of the program and the process when applying, which can be found at [www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au/centenary-2021](http://www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au/centenary-2021)

To apply for a community grant and/or support, please complete the Centenary Grant Scheme Application Form and submit to council.

For enquiries relating to the Centenary Grants Scheme please contact council's library manager, Peter Ison by emailing [pison@bbc.sa.gov.au](mailto:pison@bbc.sa.gov.au) or calling 0428 883 177.



The "Lone Gum" at Monash from which the district first took the name Lone Gum, still stands today in the middle of a fruit property. Because of its location it is not a usual tourist attraction and only locals tend to know the exact location and history of the tree along Lobban Road.



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# CENTENARY EVENTS

## APRIL

**Easter Saturday,  
April 3, 2021**

### **Sandy Centenary Fun**

Lake Bonney Sand  
Sculpture Spectacular  
**10am**

*Barmera Lakefront, volleyball area*

### **Berri Easter Carnival**

Featuring towns celebrating their  
centenary and their schools

**Radio 5RM and Berri Rotary Club**

**Free Breakfast - 7am**

**Easter Parade - 11am**

*Vaughan Tce, Berri*

### **919 Wines Vineyard Lunch**

Bring your smart devices so you can  
go back in time but be back in time for  
dinner

**11am-3pm**

*919 Wines, Hodges Rd, Glossop*



Berri Easter carnival carp throwing  
competition, 1995

**Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021**

### **Barmera Centenary Street Party**

Featuring the interring of Barmera's  
100-Years' Time Capsule

**3pm**

*Barwell Ave, Barmera*

### **Sandy Centenary Fun**

Lake Bonney Sand  
Sculpture Spectacular  
**10am**

*Barmera Lakefront, volleyball area*

### **Barmera Twilight Easter Market**

**2pm-6pm**

Live music by Meta4 on the  
Bonney Theatre outside balcony

**4pm-6pm**

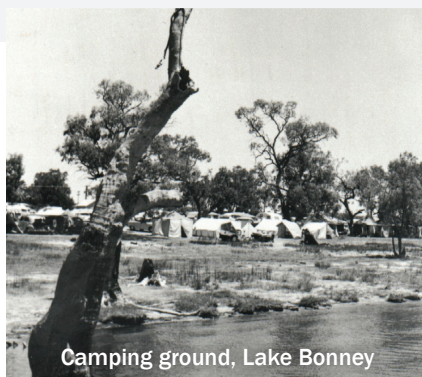
Family movie **from 7pm**

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Camping ground, Lake Bonney

## MAY

**SA History Festival  
May 1 - May 31, 2021**

### **Barmera Centenary Exhibition**

Check out a selection of historical  
photographs and memorabilia during  
History Month.

**Times TBC**

Barmera Soldiers Memorial Hall

*Barwell Ave, Barmera*



**May 21 - May 22, 2021**

### **Barmera Centenary Bowls Spectacular**

Featuring: The Australian Jackaroos  
Bowls Team

*Barmera Bowling Club*

*Nookamka Tce, Barmera*

**Friday, May 21:**

Meet & Greet 5pm until late

**Saturday, May 22:**

Junior Coaching Clinic

**9am-10am**

Adult Coaching Clinic

**12:30pm-1:30pm**

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# 1921-2021

Lunch

**1:30pm-2:30pm**

Barmera Centenary Demo Game,  
Australian Jackaroos vs Berri Barmera  
Council All-stars

**2:30pm-4:30pm**

Sports Night and dinner

**6pm till late**

**Sunday, May 23:**

**Open Fours Carnival**

Morning game featuring  
Australian Jackaroos

**9.30am**

Lunch

**12 noon-1pm**

Afternoon game followed by  
presentations and farewell

**1:30pm**

**Friday, May 28 –  
Sunday, May 30, 2021**

**Monash Hidden Secrets Exposed  
Exhibition**

Monash Memorial Hall

Randell Tce, Monash

**Saturday, May 29, 2021**

**Opening of the school time capsule  
Barmera Primary School**

by His Excellency the Governor at  
**12 noon to 1pm** followed by a viewing  
of school memorabilia in the hall.

**12 noon - 3pm**

Barmera Primary School Hall



Barmera Higher Primary School

## JUNE

**Friday, June 4, 2021**

**Barmera Primary School Centenary  
Sports Day**

**10am - 12 noon (TBC)**

Barmera Town Oval, Barmera

**Thursday, June 10-  
Sunday, June 13, 2021**

**SA Sheepdog Trials**



Barmera Drum & Fife School Band



Monash Memorial Hall, 1983

## AUGUST

**Sunday, August 29, 2021**

**Monash Military Ceremony and  
Flyover**

Coincides with the 100th Anniversary  
of the Dedication of Monash on  
August 28, 1921

**9am - 11am**

Monash Memorial Hall, Monash

This calendar lists centenary events  
that will be held across the Berri  
Barmera Council area in 2021 to  
celebrate 100 years since the towns  
of Barmera, Monash and Glossop  
were gazetted.

Please note that these events are  
organised by various community-  
based centenary groups and the  
Berri Barmera Council takes no  
responsibility for event organisation  
and delivery.

At time of printing all details in this  
program were correct but events,  
dates and times are all subject to  
change due to COVID-19 or other  
circumstances.

Please contact the  
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# CENTENARY EVENTS

## SEPTEMBER

**Wednesday, September 1, 2021**

### Senior Citizen's Morning Tea

Celebrating Barmera being officially named in the Government Gazette

**10am - 11.30am (TBC)**

Barmera Primary School Hall

**Friday, September 17 -  
Saturday, September 18, 2021**

Riverland Field Days with Centenary 2021 stall

52 Field Day Dr, Barmera



Barwell Avenue, Barmera, 1938

**Friday, September 24, 2021**

### Barmera Centenary Dinner

Black Tie Event

Bonney Theatre 6pm

**Saturday, September 25,  
2021 - October 10, 2021**

### Waterways of the Riverland Art Exhibition

Exhibition to feature paintings, photography, metal work and quilting.

## OCTOBER

**Saturday, October 2, 2021**

### Monash Shindig

Celebrating the centenary of the Monash Community through a communal feast of food, wine and music.

**5pm - 12 midnight**

Adjacent to the Monash Memorial Hall, Randell Tce.

**Monday, October 4 -  
October 8, 2021**

### Riverdaze 2021, State Girl Guide Camp

Camp Kedron, Barmera

**Thursday, October 14, 2021**

### Glossop High School's 80th Anniversary Continental

**5:30pm - 8:30pm**

535 Old Sturt Highway, Glossop



Glossop High School student Judy Solly winning a hurdle race

**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

### Glossop High School Open Day

**10am - 4pm**

'Back to Glossop' Dinner at the Barmera Club

**6pm pre-dinner drinks, 7pm dinner**

Check the Glossop Centenary 2021 Facebook page for the latest

## NOVEMBER

**Saturday, November 6 -  
Sunday, November 7, 2021**

### Riverland Auto Street Party

Celebrating 100 years of the automobile in Barmera.

**Saturday 6:** See special interest motor vehicles from the past 100 years on display along the lake front. Live band, market stalls and food and drinks available.

**Sunday 7:** Two wind-down cruises will depart from the lake front, one heading east, the other west Barmera Lakefront

**Saturday, November 20 -  
Sunday, November 21, 2021**

### St. Edmunds Anglican Church 100 Year Centenary Celebrations

Everyone welcome, history display over the weekend, Saturday evening activity and Sunday Church Service. Event details to be finalised.

St Edmund's Anglican Church, Barmera



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planning your activities

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# 1921-2021

## DECEMBER

Friday, December 10, 2021

### Barmera Centenary Christmas Pageant and Fireworks Spectacular

Barwell Ave, Barmera

Pageant on Barwell Ave, begins at **5:30pm**

Santa's Cave

Fireworks on Barmera Oval, begins at **9:15pm**

### Barmera Centenary Christmas Shop Window Displays

On display all of December 2021.

Barwell Ave, Barmera



Cobdogla Pumping Station

## ALL-YEAR EVENTS

### Cobdogla Irrigation and Steam Museum Open Days

Family \$40 (2 adults + children under 18 years), Pensioner \$15, Children 5 to 18 years \$10, under 5 years free.

**11am - 4:30pm**

Trussell Terrace, Cobdogla

Sunday, March 7

Easter Saturday, April 3

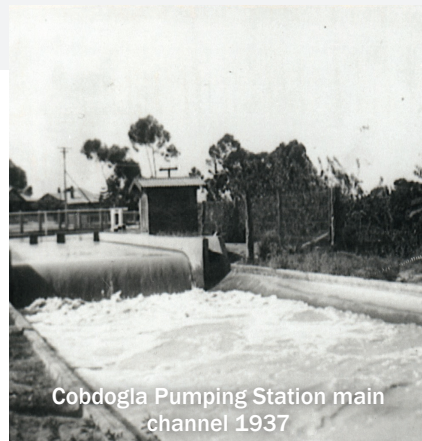
Sunday, June 13

Sunday, July 11

Sunday, October 3

### Barmera Centenary Shop Window Displays

Running until November 2021.



Cobdogla Pumping Station main channel 1937

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Winkie's Alan Delaine was one of Glossop High School's first students in 1941.



The placing of Glossop High School's foundation stone in 1941.



Glossop High School's first school committee.



# ONE OF GLOSSOP HIGH'S ORIGINALS TAKING IN THE BITTERSWEET MOMENT

One of Glossop High School's first students says he was "proud and honoured" to witness the opening of an "amazing school", which he will miss dearly when it closes later this year.

Winkie's Alan Delaine, 93, began first year at Glossop High School in 1941 from the day it opened.

Mr Delaine said the school was stationed at an "ideal location" for students living in surrounding areas.

"At the time there was a rivalry with Berri and Barmera and they couldn't decide where to put the school," he said.

"That's how Glossop got chosen for the location.

"I was born and raised in Winkie and every day I rode to school on my bike, which took approximately 30 minutes."

Mr Delaine said many students enrolled at Glossop High School as soon as it opened.

"When the school opened, there were 177 students and you knew

opened, students living in the Berri/Barmera area would travel to Renmark to attend high school.

"I spent one term at Renmark High at the beginning of first year because Glossop hadn't opened yet," he said.

"Many of the students travelled to Renmark with Mr Mortimer by horse and trailer.

"There was a high demand for a secondary school in the area so its opening was a big deal and very exciting."

Mr Delaine said the school had evolved over the years.

"When the school opened it was just the main building, and afterwards one portable was built for the leaving students," he said.

"The rest of the ground was just dirt.

"There was a train line that also ran through the school, which travelled from Barmera to Adelaide daily.

"The other side of the train track was school property but we didn't realise that because it was a fruit block.

"Later on, the ag students took over that part, but now that part is a gymnasium, which wasn't built until 40 or 50 years after I left.

"There were sports days when we were in school and music became big after a few years, which was run by Miss Paterson.

"Some of the students were fantastic and with Miss Paterson's help, they managed to put on good shows.

"We mostly learnt math and English subjects – there were no tech studies or anything like that. School ran from 9am to 4pm and there were only three school terms in the year instead of four.

"Christmas break was very long because students had to help out on fruit blocks and cut apricots and things like that.

"There was an assembly weekly. Every Monday we sang the school hymn and regularly had air-raid warnings."

Mr Delaine said because the school was built during the war, there were shortages of school supplies.

"Our classrooms were just tables, chairs and a blackboard and we wrote on notepads," he said.

"Every morning we lined up at the book room to get our supplies for the day.

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"At the time only girls had uniforms – they were hard to get – and the boys wore suits.

"It didn't matter what colours the boys wore but as long as it was a suit with a tie, that's all that mattered."

Mr Delaine said he will be sad to see the school go.

"Over the years I've come back to visit the school and it's evolved beautifully and come a long way," he said.

"What is here now is amazing, so seeing it go is a real shame.

"My children went here and my grandson went here too, so they got to see the school's expansions and enjoy everything new.

"Although it's the end of an era, it's also the start of something special and I wish the new Berri Regional Secondary School all the best and I am very lucky to say I was there from day dot."

**I WAS BORN AND  
RAISED IN WINKIE  
AND EVERY DAY I  
RODE TO SCHOOL ON  
MY BIKE, WHICH  
TOOK APPROXIMATELY  
30 MINUTES.**

everyone by name," he said.

"Back then we didn't call each year level by a number, we went by first year, second year, intermediate, leaving and leaving honours.

"At first the school just went up to leaving and it wasn't until later that leaving honours came along."

Mr Delaine said before the school

# 1941 - 2021



## GLOSSOP HIGH SCHOOL

**Commemorating 80 years of Secondary Education**

Glossop High School has been providing quality secondary education to students from Glossop, Barmera, Monash, Berri and surrounding districts for the past 80 years and proudly supports the towns celebrating their Centenaries.

2021 is a significant year for Glossop High School. The school is commemorating its 80th Anniversary and the final year at the original Glossop site. In 2022 the two Glossop High School campuses will consolidate in Berri and will be known as Berri Regional Secondary College.

The school community invites past and present students, families and staff to the following celebrations:

### **Continental**

Glossop Campus  
Thursday 14th  
October  
5:30 - 8:30  
Wear your house  
colour with pride

### **Glossop Campus Open School**

Saturday 16th  
October  
10am - 4pm

### **Back to Glossop Dinner**

Sat 16th October  
Barmera Club  
6:30pm \$50/head  
Tickets to be purchased  
from Sue at the Club  
ph: 85882025



For more information contact Jenni at Glossop High School  
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# GLOSSOP'S FAMILY FUN CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

1921  
2021

Glossop's township will hold a number of events this year to celebrate its centenary and the closing of Glossop High School.

The Glossop Centenary Committee has planned projects that showcase the best of Glossop, which include:

- A projection display of old photos on the side of the Ashborn building – from Thursday, October 14, to Sunday, October 17.
- 919 Wines vineyard lunch – Saturday, April 3, and Sunday, April 4.
- Glossop High School open day – Saturday, October 16, 2021. 10am to 4pm.
- Glossop Primary Community School open day – Sunday, October 17, from 10am.
- Back to Glossop dinner at the Barmera Club – Saturday,

October 16, from 6pm.

- Glossop High School 80th anniversary continental – Thursday, October 14, from 5.30pm.

Glossop centenary committee member Jenni Jury said the Glossop High School 80th anniversary continental was one event in particular the committee was most looking forward to.

"The continental will be very special because it's the end of an era," she said.

"The first continental started back in 1947 and it used to take place over the first two weeks of the school year.

"For two weeks, up until the lead-up to the event, the school would host fundraisers like walkathons, baking of goods, picking of grapes, fashion parades and quiz nights to name a few.

"Even in recent years, the school would raise up to \$50,000.

"This year's event will be more of a community event and not have that competitive edge.

"The money raised this year will go towards purchasing an electronic honour board for Berri Regional Secondary College, so we can preserve the history of Glossop High."

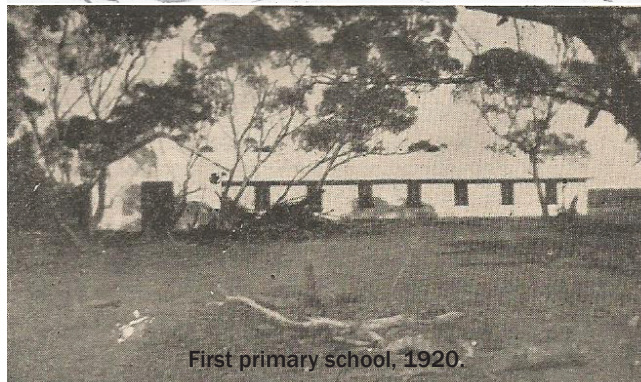
Ms Jury said the evening would be a "fun, family night".

"There will be food and market stalls but we will be mostly showcasing the school and giving the community an opportunity to say their goodbyes," she said.

"Students will be setting up their own displays to showcase and sell what they have to the community.

"The night will have a lot of student involvement."

**THE FIRST CONTINENTAL STARTED BACK IN 1947 AND IT USED TO TAKE PLACE OVER THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.**



First primary school, 1920.



Mr Grayson's Glossop store.

# GLOSSOP'S PROUD HISTORY

The township of Glossop is named after Vice Admiral John Collings Taswell Glossop. John Glossop was Captain of HMAS Sydney when it sank the German war ship SMS 'Emden' in November 1914 off the coast of the Cocos Islands.

The anchor from the 'Emden' to this day sits on display in front of the motel in Glossop.

Even though Glossop was only gazetted as a town in August 1921 it had started to grow well before this.

Glossop was settled in the "soldier settlement scheme" in 1919/1920 with returned soldiers from World War I being allocated pieces of scrubland on which they were to clear the land and plant fruit blocks as they forged a new life for themselves and their families.

Behind where the motel is now was a large temporary camp for the lime kiln workers and the construction workers, building the channel system throughout Glossop, Monash and

Winkie. This was established here due to the fact there was a lime kiln a short distance away, and lime was needed for the concrete for the channels and block houses.

Glossop Primary School was established in 1920 and soon outgrew its rooms, so another school was built in 1924, which is at the present-day site.

The year of 1941 saw the establishment of Glossop High School, thus securing Glossop as the hub of the Berri, Barmera and surrounding areas.

Glossop became a thriving town with about 200 town blocks and all the fruit properties around making it central for many businesses to start up, although since

the 1980s there has been a downturn in businesses establishing themselves in Glossop.

Through the 1970s and early 1980s the Glossop Club was a central part of the community, but unfortunately the club ceased to trade.

In the early 1980s the Sikh community purchased the club and breathed new life into it by transforming it into their temple.

A diverse range of nationalities have now settled within the Glossop community.

## TIMELINE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

**1919/1920:**  
Arrival and settlement of soldier settlers on scrub blocks, which were then planted up to fruit properties.

**1920:**  
Glossop Primary School opened with 18 students and soon rose to 30 students.

**1921:**  
Glossop officially gazetted as a town.

**1924:**  
Methodist church was opened in Campbell Street. The church is still standing today.

**1924:**  
Glossop Primary moved to its now existing site with new facilities able to accommodate up to 70 students.

**1925 – 1926:**  
Glossop Agriculture Bureau held a produce show in the hall both years.

**1941:**  
The Glossop High School opens.

**EARLY 1960s:**  
BP service station was built (around 1961) by Wilf Heuzenroeder, followed by him building the motel (around 1964).

**1967:**  
The new (now existing) fire station was built.

**EARLY 1970s:**  
The Glossop Club was built.

**1974:**  
Berri Estates is devastated by a fire.

**1973-1974:**  
Glossop effluent drainage scheme for the township and high school was installed.

**1978:**  
Anchor monument for Sir John Glossop, HMAS Sydney and plaque unveiled by Mayor H Bosman.

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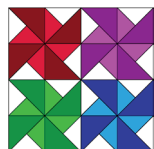
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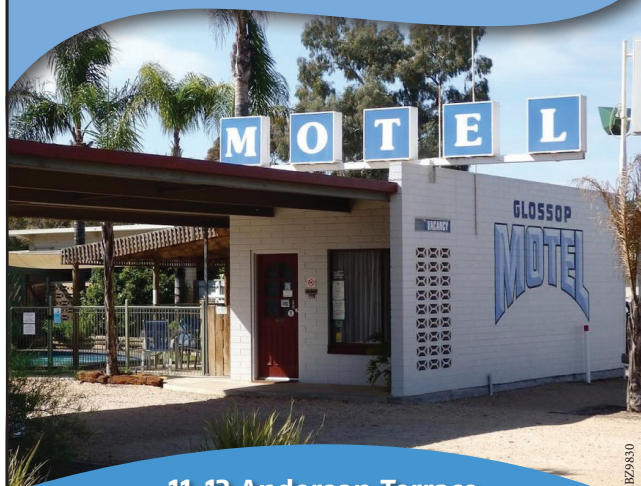
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# FROM SOLDIER SETTLEMENT TO THRIVING COMMUNITY: MONASH'S 100 YEARS OF HISTORY

Monash was named after General Sir John Monash, renowned military commander of World War I – a fitting name to bestow, in that the township and surrounds were established by returned WWI soldiers.

This area of the Berri irrigation area was planned for allotment just before WWI.

Mr Joyce and his workers had completed the main channels in the Lone Gum area by 1912 and surrounding land was ready for surveying.

The Monash Survey Camp was established near the old Lone Gum (along Lobban Road), the tree for which the district took its name. Thousands of acres of land north and west of Monash were also surveyed.

It was after this that returned soldiers were offered the land for establishment of fruit blocks.

The first allotment was made to H.

Beriman at Lone Gum on November 1, 1917, with further allotments being made throughout 1918.

Monash was unique in that from October 21, 1920, it had established a "Settlers' Club" and then a model parliament to look after the interests of the community, both politically and socially.

The town was officially proclaimed on August 25, 1921.

The Monash and Lone Gum community was very strong through the early decades as families supported each other, willingly joining working bees to help out other soldier settlers who may have had ill health from their WWI experiences.

Social clubs such as tennis, football, cricket, Girl Guides and Brownies and even a Monash Literary Society, grew as the early fruit-growing families sought groups

to socialise and be involved in their community.

The Monash School began in 1920 and the Settlers' Hall opened around 1920 with the new stone Memorial Hall built in 1939.

The old Monash Playground, also known as Grant Park, was started by Grant Telfer in the 1960s on a local reserve, eventually growing to include about 180 pieces of equipment and drawing hundreds of thousands of visitors annually.

Today, Monash continues to have a thriving and proactive community. It maintains its ties to the past, with many fruit block owners knowing of the original soldier settler who owned their block.

The town continues to maintain a community spirit that is rare elsewhere.

*- Thanks to Jacque Zagotsis, Ali Halupka and Lloyd Wright*



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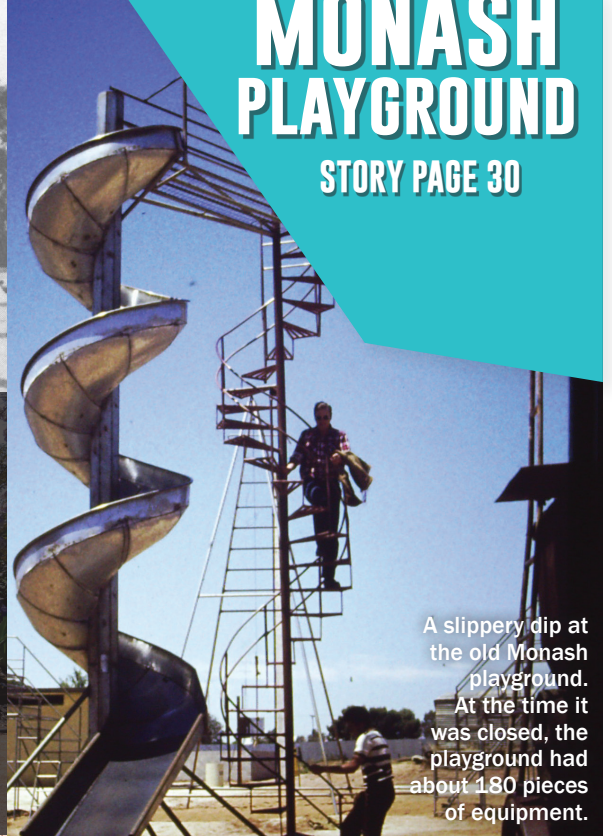


# MONASH PLAYGROUND

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Mr Telfer last year with his great-grandchildren Kallie, 10, Nate, 7, and Logan Harrington, 3, who are sitting on a piece of equipment from the old playground.



A slippery dip at the old Monash playground. At the time it was closed, the playground had about 180 pieces of equipment.

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# THE PLAYGROUND THAT PUT MONASH ON THE MAP

Monash residents are remembering a local landmark that drew millions of families and visitors from around the country throughout the 70s and 80s and helped put their town on the map.

At the peak of its popularity the old Monash Playground, also known as Grant Park, is estimated to have drawn as many as 300,000 people each year to the region, and became one of regional South Australia's most popular attractions.

The playground began in the 1960s, when Monash resident Grant Telfer – the son of an original soldier settler – began placing play equipment in a local council reserve.

Mr Telfer's daughter Alison Halupka said the playground really began to grow in the 1970s when her father began placing "more and more interesting items".

"For example, he installed several different pieces of equipment that he'd seen at the Semaphore beachside play area in his childhood," she said.

"In the late 1970s and early 1980s, he enthusiastically added more and more, finding ways to make as many different types of play equipment as he could, like butterfly style seesaws, or even seesaws that could seat three, seven or nine people.

"There were also different types of slippery dips, rocking horses, flying foxes, swinging ropes, rotary cones and even a human-operated roller-coaster.

"The playground ended up with 180 items of equipment and covered five acres of the Monash recreation reserve, and he'd never sought permission to put it there and was never told to take it down.

"And, of course, it was free to enter seven days per week

"It is estimated that it attracted 300,000 people each year to Monash and the Riverland – can you imagine if that could happen today, from just one playground or just one tourist attraction?

"For anyone over 35, throughout SA and even Australia, this was a much loved and much remembered playground.

"It's something that people who never experienced it cannot fathom

compared to other playgrounds."

Ms Halupka said the equipment at the playground attracted people of all ages until its closure after almost three decades.

"It was closed and dismantled in 1992 when Grant's insurance company would no longer insure him for it," she said.

"This was the beginning of the 'litigation era' and insurance companies got nervous about insuring any playgrounds – it was not because of any particular injury or injuries at the old Monash playground."

An active Facebook page dedicated to sharing memories about the old playground has over 4000 likes.

At 89 years old, Mr Telfer can still be seen riding about 20km each day around the Riverland on his bike while barefoot, wearing his distinctive white overalls.

As part of this year's celebration, members of the Lone Gum and Monash Community Association are raising funds to create and install a statue of Mr Telfer near the Monash Adventure Park that currently sits on the former playground site.

Association member Lloyd Wright said the group had currently raised more than \$20,000, with a final total of \$80,000 required to build the bronze statue.

"It's been a long-standing wish item for the Monash community for a statue to show respect for Grant Telfer as the inventor and provider of the Monash playground in particular, but also for setting up a successful business that has employed lots of locals," he said.

"There is a lot of respect for the bloke, and we bit the bullet in some ways and used the centenary Facebook page to see if the community wanted it and they certainly did.

"Grant was interested in it and allowed us to do it, although he was a little bit shy about it."

Mr Wright said the statue would be lifelike and feature some of the history of the playground for people to read.

"We're aiming high by going for a bronze statue and making it out of a metal that will give it some longevity," he said. "We haven't had any success applying for grants... our most



successful avenue of fundraising has been from direct donations from Monash residents.

"There have been some really substantial donations.

"We also have a MyCause website that we have promoted on the Facebook page.

"We were unfortunate during 2020 because with COVID and post-bushfire we have found it really hard to get people to donate.

"We'll get there, but it might not occur this year like we would have hoped it to."

Mr Wright said it was important to honour the legacy of Mr Telfer and his playground.

"The playground is what put Monash on the map outside of the Riverland," he said.

"It could also be credited with putting the Riverland on the map as well.

"There are so many stories that kids of the '70s and '80s tell about the Monash playground.

"Where else was there such an equivalent thing? A free playground that was designed for kids and adults, open all the time and maintained philanthropically.

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# SHINDIG AND MILITARY CEREMONY AMONG CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Monash is set to host several big events this year to celebrate its centenary, including a military ceremony recognising the town's roots as a soldier settlement and a multicultural feast featuring the area's best food and wine.

The Monash Military Ceremony will be held on Sunday, August 29 at 9am, just days after the centenary on August 25.

Event organiser Lloyd Wright said the ceremony would be similar to an Anzac Day or Remembrance Day service, and is expected to draw a large crowd.

"The ceremony will give us an opportunity to pay respects to the soldier settlers who were diggers and sailors during World War I, and to also pay respect to General Sir John Monash – the famous Australian general from WWI after who the town is named," he said.

"We've made formal requests to the army to provide the chaplain, the flag raising and lowering, the bugler and the catafalque party.

"We've also requested a flyover but whether that comes about or not isn't clear just yet.

"We expect probably about 1000 people – it's proving to be quite popular."

Mr Wright said the event would also tie in to research conducted by locals on the town's soldier settlers

"We will also probably do at least a part re-run of the soldier settler research we will be displaying in May as part of the Monash Hidden Secrets Exposed event," he said.

"There will be plenty of past and current residents and a lot of catching up between people, and hopefully a lot of people organising dinner at the Monash Club as well."

The ceremony will be followed a few months later with a town 'shindig' – a multicultural feast which is set to be held at the Monash Town Hall on Saturday, October 2.

The shindig will include a three-course meal which will reflect the different community groups that have lived in the district, with local businesses and organisations expected to contribute to the celebration.

Shindig organiser Mick Heward said Monash was a "really good example of how multiculturalism can work in a community".

"There will be some Greek, Lebanese, Indian and possibly more, and we are still finalising the menu," he said.

"We'll be using indigenous herbs and spices in some of the food – it should be fantastic.

"I think celebrating food and wine represents what Monash and the Riverland are all about."

Mr Heward said he hoped the event would bring former residents back to the town.

"It will be a long weekend as well which gives people from out of town the chance to stick around for the Sunday as well and head home on the Monday," he said.

"It will be a good, fun night.

"We've gone out to the smaller wineries and told them that we'd love for them to do something on the Sunday on their own accord, so we're hoping people will take that opportunity to showcase themselves.

"The Monash CFS will be a beneficiary and have volunteered to run the bar on the night."

**The first Monash Primary School (then called Lone Gum) was a corrugated iron building, a former recreation hall from the Milbrook Reservoir. It was erected near the general store being run by Mr Tom Nixon. It served until 1924 when this new stone school building was opened on its present site. On July 6, 1928 the school received official notice that from that date it was to be called the Monash School.**







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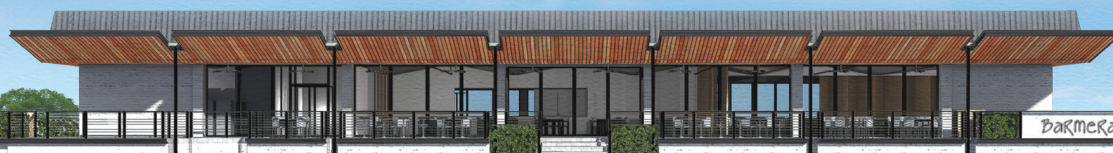


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