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The Rotary Club of Mobilong meets every Wednesday at the RSL, Ross Rd, MB East at 6.00pm for a 6.30 pm start.



*Pres Sally Willoughby speaking about her Vision of Islands project*

## LAST WEEK

### “Pres Sally Willoughby - Vision of Islands”

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## SURROUNDING CLUBS WEBSITES

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[www.murraybridgerotary.org.au](http://www.murraybridgerotary.org.au)

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[www.rotarynews.info/club3776](http://www.rotarynews.info/club3776)

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[www.rotarynews.info/club3766](http://www.rotarynews.info/club3766)

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Districts of Australia,  
New Zealand & South Pacific Islands  
are combining to  
**RAISE AWARENESS AND  
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END the SILENCE**  
Rotary  
Districts of Australia



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We were up bright & early on Friday cooking breakfast at Edwards' Square for the Australia Day ceremony. Our Mayor Wayne Thorley and Federal minister Tony Pasin welcomed our newest citizens to our country. There were 22 in all.

Many spectators and participants lined up for free bacon & eggs from RC of Mobilong, pancakes from RC of Murray Bridge, and a sausage sizzle from the Lions Club.

We experienced an interruption to our cooking/serving where one of our members needed medical attention. Thankfully our nurse Bronwyn and our paramedic Sadie were on board to render assistance. All is well.

At our meeting on Wednesday I gave a power point presentation on our International project “Vision of Islands”. This is about Dr John Willoughby OAM and his mission to Tonga & Tuvalu performing cataract removal surgery to restore sight to the Islanders, who would otherwise be blind.

I am grateful for the feedback and comments from Club members. One of the ideas suggested was making a video to email to Clubs in our District. This may well entice recipients to ‘watch’ the project, rather than read about it, and hopefully donate to the cause. During our District Conference (March 15 to 17) in Loxton John will be present as an exhibitor in the Showcase Hall for anyone to visit, and talk with John personally. We are hoping this will result in more donations being made to the project.

Can I please ask everyone to come to our next meeting on Wednesday 31 January as it is a planning night for our major fund-raising event “Bridge Bricks Expo” convened by Bronwyn Heard. This is a very exciting project and we all need to support Bronwyn and her team. (I will make scones for supper!!)

Simon & Sadie will be away for the next 2 weeks leaving on Monday. They will also be travelling with Christine (Sadie’s ‘god-sister’) and Simon’s brother Mark who is disabled, together with a carer on board. We wish them a happy & safe voyage and return.

I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday.

Until then    Cheers    Sally

# JANUARY IS DISEASE VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

## PROGRAM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker / Activity / Topic</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Jan 31st	Bronwyn Heard "Bridge Bricks Expo Planning"	RSL
Feb 7th	Lea Hague "Organ Donation"	RSL
14th	TBA	
21st	Tammie Hamilton "RC of MB Community Service Officer"	RSL

## CATERING COMMITMENTS



Feb 4th (Sun)	Cars & Coffee @ The Wharf Precinct	7.15am - 10.00am
Mar 3rd (Sun)	Cars & Coffee @ The Wharf Precinct	7.15am - 10.00am
8th (Fri)	Ski for Life Breakfast @ Sturt Reserve	7.00am - 9.00am
April 7th (Sun)	Cars & Coffee @ The Wharf Precinct	7.00am - 10.00am
May 5th (Sun)	Cars & Coffee @ The Wharf Precinct	7.00am - 10.00am

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARY



5th Paul & Sally Willoughby

## NEW FOOD HANDLING LAWS

These came into effect on Dec 8th. [Please complete ASAP](#)

Everyone who handles / cooks / prepares food will need to complete a certificate.

We have had clarification that we do not need to do a supervisor's course, just the general one

: <https://dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au/index.php/en/>



## PAST PRESIDENTS

1980 - 82 †	Harry Stephen
1982 - 83 †	Malcolm Clarke
1983 - 84 †	Fred Wilson
1984 - 85 †	Laurie Cutting
1985 - 86 †	Richard Bowyer
1986 - 87 †	Vernon Graetz
1987 - 88 †	Maurice Wilhelm
1988 - 89 †	Warren Burgess
1989 - 90	Hanley Pullar
1990 - 91	Bob England
1991 - 92	Bob Spratt
1992 - 93 †	Ian Geue
1993 - 94 †	Colin Kuchel
1994 - 95	Trevor Herbert
1995 - 96	John Parsons
1996 - 97	Claude Minge
1997 - 98	Fred Toogood
1998 - 99 †	Aub Kretschmer
1999 - 00	Barry Stacey
2000 - 01	Perrin Kuchel
2001 - 02 †	Shirley Wilhelm
2002 - 03	Ken Carter
2003 - 04 †	Maureen Meers
2004 - 05	Simon Gliessert
2005 - 06	Brian Rainey
2006 - 07	Wendy Gaborit
2007 - 08	Dale Manson
2008 - 09	Jill Newman
2009 - 10	John Meers
2010 - 11	Warren Pratt
2011 - 12	Lorraine Hurrell
2012 - 13	Cecily Graetz
2013 - 14	Pam Luke
2014 - 15	Daniel Hart
2015 - 16	Bronwyn Heard
2016 - 17	Paul Willoughby
2017 - 18	Adrian Pergallini
2018 - 19	Adrian Pergallini
2019 - 20	Elizabeth Minge
2020 - 21	Bronwyn Heard
2021 - 22	Bronwyn Heard

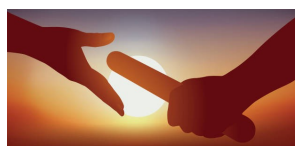
## CHANGE - OVER

Please add the date of Saturday July 13th 2024 to your diary for this years Changeover

More details will be forthcoming as it gets closer

## VERNON TOAST

Last week, President Sally proposed a toast to the late Vernon Graetz who would have celebrated his 84th birthday on Jan 24th



## CENTENARY OF ROTARY IN SA LUNCH

Sunday Feb 4th @ Adelaide Oval between 12pm - 3pm

Book by Jan 28th

\$80 per person includes 2 course meal, tea, coffee, guest speakers and entertainment. Drinks available at the bar.

Adelaide Oval is a cashless venue - card only

Click on the link below for more details and bookings



<https://adelaiderotary.com.au/index.php/events/find-and-book-an-event/lunches/centenary-of-rotary-in-south-australia-2024>

## ROTARY ART SHOW 2024

The Rotary Clubs of Murray Bridge will be again hosting the annual Art Show in the Murray Bridge Regional Gallery during April & May in 2024. Event opens to the public on 27th April and closes on 19th May.

Entries are now open via the [this link](#) or if you require more information, visit our website at [www.murraybridgeartshow.com.au](http://www.murraybridgeartshow.com.au).

Forms will also be available from the Murray Bridge Regional Gallery.

Entries will close on 14th April with works to be delivered to the Gallery on 16th April between 10am-4pm. As someone who has been an exhibitor or subscriber, we encourage you to consider entering in our 2024 Art Show.



Please contact me if you have any queries relating to entering in 2024.

Regards

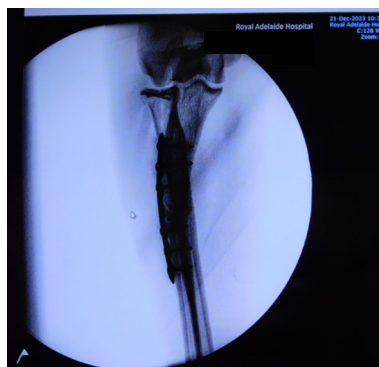
Robin LeGallez - Entries Coordinator

## BRAZILIAN EXCHANGE STUDENT - BELLA

Max did a short talk on our 2012 Brazilian exchange student who, with her husband came back to Australia last December to surprise Danielle Monjean for her wedding. Danielle's family was also one of her host families.

While they were staying with Max & Helen, Bella's husband decided to take Max's buggy for a spin around his property. Max did go through the safety rules etc but being young and invincible, things turned pear-shaped quickly.

He flipped the buggy on its side with his arm out and this was the outcome !



### You know it's HOT in Australia when....



1. The best carpark is determined by shade, not distance.
2. Hot water comes out of both taps.
3. You learn that a seat belt buckle makes a good branding iron.
4. The temp drops below 32 degrees C and you feel chilly.
5. You learn it only takes 2 fingers to steer a car.
6. You can sunburn through the windscreen of a car.
7. You develop a fear of door handles.
8. You break into a sweat @ 7am
9. Your biggest bicycle fear is "what if I get knocked out and end up cooking on the road".
10. You realise asphalt is a liquid state.
11. Farmers are feeding chickens ice to prevent hard boiled eggs.
12. The trees are whistling for dogs.
13. Shopping Centers are temples where you worship Air Conditioning
14. Sticking your head in freezers is considered normal
15. A cup full of ice is considered a great snack
16. A blackout is life threatening because the air con and fans stop working.
17. You keep everything in the fridge, including clothing
18. The effort of towelling yourself off after a shower means you need another shower right away
19. You worry the ceiling fan is spinning so fast it will fly off and kill you
20. You laugh because you know this list is so accurate.

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES - Community Director: Bronwyn Heard**

Thankyou to members who assisted at the Australia Day Breakfast Friday and thanks to Andrew Heard, Cecily Graetz and Kim Curtis ( Little Cafe) who dropped by and assisted. It was also great to have the company of the Rotary Club of MB members next to us.



A reminder that fencing at Monarto is on again this Monday 29th please be at the Wild Africa gate by 8 am if you are able to assist . If the temperature in MB is predicted at 36 or over it will be cancelled and moved to Thursday 1st Feb.

Our Bridge Bricks Expo is fast approaching so please ensure you put your availability on the rosters which are available at each meeting or you can send me a message.



Extra sponsorship would always be helpful to reduce costs so if you know a company or a person that would be willing to offer sponsorship, either a financial donation that can be used to cover costs of vouchers as prizes in various categories or can provide prizes, please let us know.

I will be giving an update to the Club on Wednesday so it would be great to know of any extra sponsorship prior to that.



Please remember to put the morning of Friday 8th March aside as we have the Ski for Life breakfast and will have 450 egg and bacon sandwiches within 2 hours so it will be all hands on deck and we thank the members of the Rotary Club of MB who will be assisting us on the morning



Jan	31st	Simon Gliessert
Feb	7th	Perrin Kuchel
	14th	Bob England
	21st	Warren Pratt
	28th	Jill Reddin
Mar	6th	Mobolaji Akinbo
	13th	John Meers
	20th	Adrian Pergallini
	27th	Claude Minge
Apr	3rd	Seun Akande
	10th	Liz Minge
	17th	Sadie Podger
	24th	Sharon Pratt
May	1st	Anna Bellon
	8th	Simon Podger
	15th	Paul Willoughby
	22nd	Max March
	29th	Barry Stacey
June	5th	Jade Mitchell
	12th	Joy Burgess
	19th	Barry Stanbury
	26th	Bronwyn Heard
July	3rd	Sally Willoughby

**2024 DISTRICT CONFERENCE LOXTON**

**Rotary**  
District 9510

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in the WORLD

*Inspire Hope & Celebrate*

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of Rotary  
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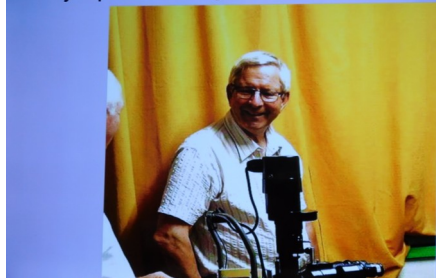
**15-17TH MARCH 2024**

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<https://2024loxtion.au/>

**RIVERLAND**  
GOOD TIMES FLOW

Led by Ophthalmologist Dr John Willoughby OAM



**VISION OF ISLANDS**

**Extreme eye disease as young as age 30**

- 1 in 25 blind in one eye
- 1 in 150 blind in both eyes
- More than 400 cases identified as needing urgent surgery

# AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST

Thanks to everyone that assisted with the Australia Day breakfast Friday morning



*Bronwyn promoting our Bridge Bricks Expo*



*Paul, Sally, Sadie, Simon & Bob with Citizen of the Year winner, Sandra Walding*



*Cecily, Paul & Barry #2*



*Paul, Barry #2, Sally and Simon*



*Murray Bridge's newest citizens*



*Mayoral award to the RC of TB for 40 years of Music Hall*

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Mobilong



**BRIDGE  
BRICKS EXPO**  
Feb 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> 2024



## 2024 BRIDGE BRICK EXHIBITOR APPLICATION

The Rotary Club of Mobilong in partnership with the Murray Bridge High School invite all members of the community far and wide to be apart of this event.

This is an opportunity to show your skills , creativity , innovation using Lego

**Disclaimer : LEGO( R) is a trademark of the LEGO Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorise or endorse this event**

The expo will be held in the Murray Bridge High School gymnasium, Long Island road , Murray Bridge on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of February and Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024 between 10am and 4pm both days .

There will be a small cost of \$10 for adults who enter an exhibit and \$5 per adult who will be accompanying children who are entering an exhibit, there is no cost for children under 16. A group / family can enter an exhibit

If you are an exhibitor you will not have to book online to entry the expo

All applications will be provided with trestle space which will be covered with a black stretchy tablecloth. There is the opportunity to indicate the trestle space and layout you require in the application details

Applications will close on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and payment must be made for the application to be accepted

Please complete the registration form and submit to [bridgebrick.expo@gmail.com](mailto:bridgebrick.expo@gmail.com) and make payment to

Rotary Mobilong      BSB                      015 665

Account              203729707

Please enter your surname / lego as reference

# 2024 Bridge Brick Expo

Name of Exhibitor (s)

Contact details eg email, phone number

Age of Exhibitor (if a group entry please provide all ages )

Name of Exhibit / category

Suggested categories are

1. Something you might see at Monarto Safari Park
2. Vehicles
3. TV / Movie inspired
4. Dinosaurs
5. Princess / Fairies
6. Open to your imagination
7. Your favourite thing

Prizes will be awarded in each category with age groups taken into consideration and we will offer a People's Choice where anyone viewing the Expo can vote on their favourite exhibit and a prize will be given to the one with the most votes

We look forward to seeing your creations

We thank our sponsors for supporting this event

Please indicate the number of standard 6 foot trestles you require for your exhibit which will be provided and set up for you

0.5                    1                    2                    No trestle required Freestanding

If you require 2 or more trestle could you please indicate how you would like the tables set out ie end to end, as a square or U shaped if using 3 tables

Does your exhibit require power,

No                    Yes

If power is required please ensure that cords etc have been tested and tagged prior to the event otherwise they will not be able to be used for safety reasons.

We encourage you to invite your family and friends to come along and not only see your exhibit but also view other people’s talents as well. Tickets will be available online through Trybooking and it will be possible to pay at the door.

Viewing sessions will be for 90 minutes to ensure the area does not get too crowded and make it difficult to view and chat to exhibitors .

Tea, coffee and water facilities will be available for exhibitors on both days

Exhibitors will be able to set up on Friday evening from 6pm -7pm or from 8am Saturday but all exhibits must be ready by 10am

If you require any further information please contact event co ordinator

Bronwyn Heard on 0417197219

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**BRIDGE  
BRICKS EXPO**  
Feb 17th - 18th 2024





# ROTARY CLUB OF MOBILONG INTERNATIONAL PROJECT

Can you help restore sight to people in our neighbouring Pacific nations?

*Vision of Islands is a non-profit volunteer eye surgical and clinical team, providing free-of-charge cataract removal for South Pacific Islanders (of all ages) who would otherwise be blind. To date the team, led by ophthalmologist Dr John Willoughby OAM, has worked in Tonga and Tuvalu.*

**The Rotary Club of Mobilong seeks financial support from clubs in District 9510 to allow Dr Willoughby and his team to continue and extend this work.**

Vision of Islands operates under the direction of the Ministry of Health of each participating country. Their medical outreach team trains the local medical staff in patient care. They provide medical and teaching equipment and train local staff in their use, as well as extend specialist eye services to remote areas where people lack specialist services because of remoteness.

The team provides all the equipment, expendables and teaching materials (with backup). They remove all their refuse, leaving the island as clean or cleaner than on arrival

Their goal is to include Registrar trainees from Australasia in the program to expose them to aspects of humanitarian care where they will also see extreme need and advanced pathology. They also aim to take other professionals who may wish to serve or study topics covering several island nations.

Their first volunteer trip back to the Pacific Islands since the Covid-19 Pandemic is now underway. On this trip Dr Willoughby and his team will treat hundreds of patients in the island nation of Tuvalu.

Dr Willoughby provides his surgical skills free of charge. But there are other huge ongoing overheads like travel costs, medical equipment, transport and mobile facilities to reach remote clinics.

## **CAN YOU HELP ?**

Your club will be acknowledged by Vision of Islands as a Supporting Donor.

Funding support should be transferred to the following account:

Rotary Club of Mobilong Inc

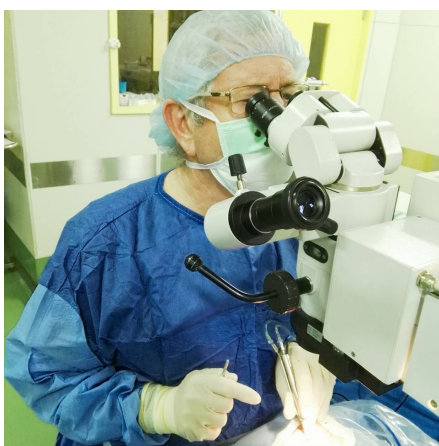
BSB: 015 665

Acc# 203 729 707

Please include the name of your club and Vision of Islands in the reference.

We ask clubs to please consider a donation of \$500.00 but any amount will be received gratefully.

The Rotary Club of Mobilong will also be applying for a Global Grant to assist Dr Willoughby in his on-going work restoring sight.



# FRIENDS OF ROTARY PROGRAM

Please email me your logo / business card if you would like to be added to our page

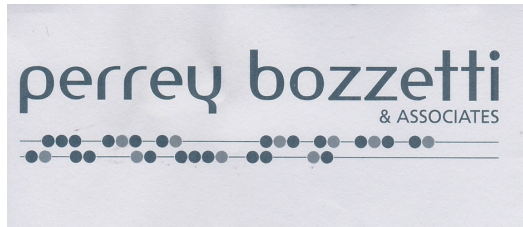
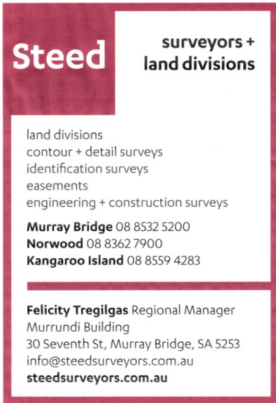
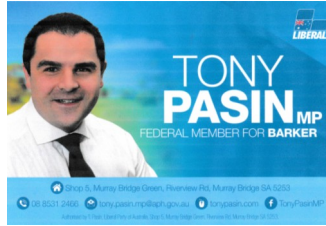


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## PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

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BURGESS	Joy
BURGESS †	Warren
CARTER	Ken
CUTTING †	Laurie
CUTTING	Coral
ENGLAND	Bob
GABORIT	Wendy
GLIESSERT	Simon
GRAETZ	Cecily
GRAETZ †	Vernon
GEUE †	Ian
HALLANDAL	Graham
HEARD	Bronwyn
HURRELL	Lorraine
KUCHEL	Perrin
KRETSCHMER	Aub
LUKE	Pam
LODEWIKUS	Rennis
MANSON	Dale
MARCH	Max
MEERS	John
MEERS †	Maureen
MENZIES	Hugh
MINGE	Claude
MINGE	Elizabeth
PARSONS	John
PERGALLINI	Adrian
PODGER	Sadie
PODGER	Simon
PRATT	Warren
PRATT	Sharon
PULLER	Hanley
RAINEY	Brian
RAINEY	Rosaria
REDDIN	Jillian
SICKERDICK	Scott
SICKERDICK	Valerie
STACEY	Barry
STEPHEN †	Harry
TOOGOOD	Fred
TOOGOOD	Barbara
WYBROW	Brian
WILDEN †	Bary
WILHELM †	Maurice
WILHELM †	Shirley
WILLOUGHBY	Paul
WILSON	Fred
YELLAND	Warren
ZADOW †	Ken

## 4 AVENUES OF SERVICE

ENGLAND	Bob
GABORIT	Wendy
HALLANDAL	Graham
PARSONS	John
STEPHEN †	Harry

## SAPPHIRE PINS

BURGESS	Joy
ENGLAND	Bob
GABORIT	Wendy (+4)
GRAETZ †	Vernon
HEARD	Bronwyn
HURRELL	Lorraine (+5)
MARCH	Max
MEERS	John
PRATT	Sharon
STEPHEN †	Harry
WILHELM †	Maurice

## RUBY PINS

GABORIT	Wendy (+1)
HURRELL	Lorraine

## CRYSTAL

RAINEY	Brian & Rosaria
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## COMMUNITY

THOMPSON	Dr Robert
WELLS	Ken
NICHOLSON	Cynthia

## THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- \*\* **FIRST.** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service
- \*\* **SECOND.** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- \*\* **THIRD.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life
- \*\* **FOURTH.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

## INVOCATION

For Good Food, Good Fellowship & the Opportunity of Service Through Rotary :

Option 1 We thank you Lord Option 2 We give Thanks

## FRIENDS OF ROTARY

Adrian Pederick MP JP	Aussie Apricots
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Bridge Carpet Court	Daish Irrigation
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Monteith Meats	Murray Bridge News
Murdoch Ins Brokers	Perrey Bozzetti & Associates
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Terminix	Thomas Foods International
Tony Pasin - MP for Barker	Wally's Bottleyard

*Please support our Friends of Rotary as they have supported us*

## NEIGHBOURING ROTARY CLUBS

- Tailem Bend - Monday's @ Riverside Hotel. 6.00 for 6.30pm
- Mt Barker - Monday's @ Mt Barker Golf Club. 6.15 for 6.45pm
- Murray Bridge - Tuesday's @ MB Golf Club. 5.45 for 6.15pm
- Strathalbyn - Tuesday's @ Victoria Hotel. 6.30 for 7.00pm
- Blakiston - Wednesday's @ Auchendarroch, Mt Barker. 6.30 for 6.45pm

