



Coffin Bay Sun



November 2023

Initiative of the
Coffin Bay Progress
Association

coffinbaysun@gmail.com

2023

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON



Coffin Bay Sports Club

Tuesday November 7 @ 12 Noon

Contact Us

President: Therase Hutchens 0478 057 918

Secretary: Tracy Matheson 0431 424 790

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Hall Flag: Sandra Peters 0408 895 674 - Peter & Lorraine Bradford 0428 854 138

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Public Officer: Tracy Matheson 0431 424 790

Coffin Bay Sun: Holly Gill 0424 989 360

**Next Progress Association meeting is Tuesday 14th November 2023
at 7pm in the kitchen of the Coffin Bay Hall. All welcome to attend.**



Hello Coffin Bay Community

Just a brief note to let you all know that Coffin Bay Progress Association has held there Annual General Meeting. We welcome and Congratulate the following people.

President - Therase Hutchens
Vice President - Pending
Secretary - Tracey Matheson
Treasure & Hall Booking - Linda Christian
Public Officer - Tracey Matheson
Committee Member 1 - Leanne Kemp
Committee Member 2 - Sarah Wells

All the Management Committee and Members would like to thank Georgina Lewis for taking on President for the last 12 months and for all the hard work which she achieved.

Coffin Bay Progress Association is holding a Dress Up Disco on the 3rd November at the Town Hall from 6pm - 9pm, Gold Coin Donation, BBQ Available & Bar Facilities. All enquiries to Therase Hutchens or Tracey Matheson.

Come in and join our Friendship Group on Fridays from 2pm - 4pm, @ The Town Hall in the Kitchen everyone is welcome. For more enquires please contact Tracey Matheson 0431 424790 or Christine Marshall 0411 528244



Regards
Tracey Matheson
Secretary
Coffin Bay Progress Association



Coffin Bay Markets
Sunday 12th November @ the Hall

2023

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON



Coffin Bay Sports Club

Tuesday November 7 @ 12 Noon

\$30 D/D

Complimentary Drink (Champagne or Soft Drink)

Chicken and Salad Bar

Smorgasbord of Sweets

Sweeps and Calcutta

Best Hat

Limited to 90 persons

Suggested Tables of 8

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COFFIN BAY TOURSIM ASSOCIATION

CHRISTMAS ON THE BAY 2023

Friday 22 Dec

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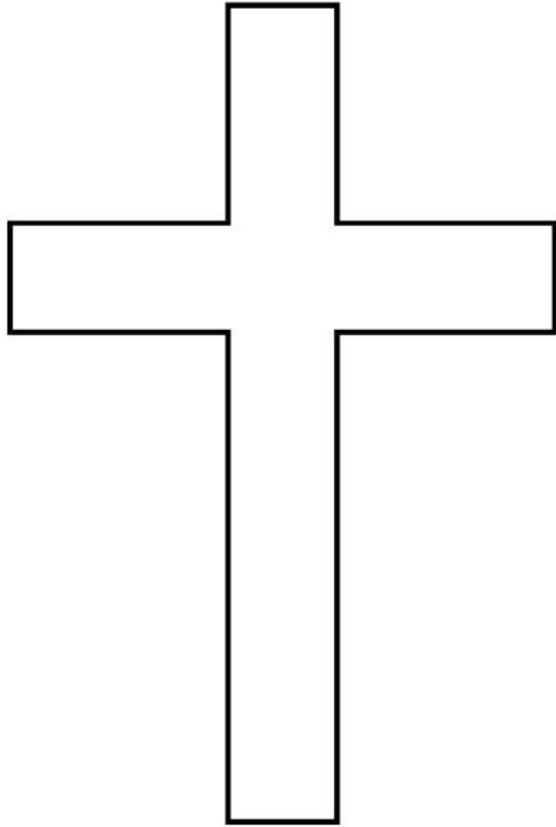
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Church Services - Coffin Bay

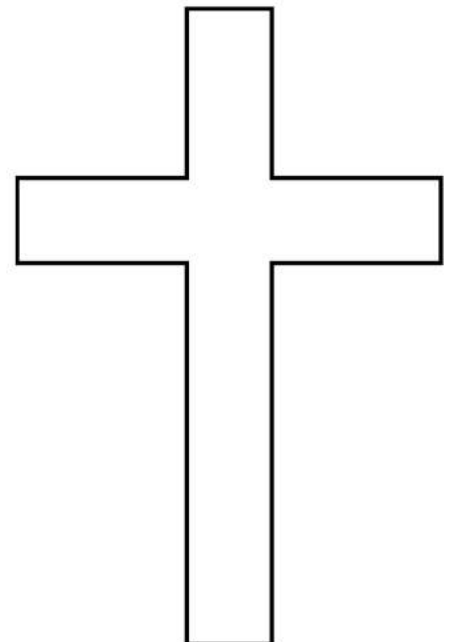


COFFIN BAY COMMUNITY CHURCH CNR HAGGARTY & TAPLEY ST

**Community Church
Services: 9am on the 1st,
3rd & 5th Sunday's of
each month**

**St Mary of the Angels
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**Mass
Coffin Bay Community Church
6pm on the First Sunday
of each month**



Coffin Bay Boat Ramp

Permits & Fees

Effective 4 September 2023, permits will be required to launch a vessel from the Coffin Bay Boat Ramp. Please see permit fees and charges in the below table and click [here](#) to book your permit now.

Use Type	Non-Concession	Concession
Recreational Use		
Yearly	\$100.00	\$80.00
Monthly	\$55.00	\$44.00
Weekly	\$28.00	\$22.00
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Commercial		
Yearly (1 Boat)	\$500.00	N/A
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Community



Coffin Bay Playgroup

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CEA-SIDE STITCHERS

We meet Friday mornings 9-12pm at Coffin Bay Golf Clubrooms.

We extend an invitation to anyone (residents or visitors) interested in quilting, sewing or needlework to join us at our weekly get together.

Bring along your machine or knitting etc. All welcome.



Lake Wangary School Fundraiser

LWS has positioned bottle and can recycling trailers in Coffin Bay (behind the hall), at Lake Wangary School (visible from Farm Beach Rd) and at Farm Beach Caravan Park.

We thank all those who donate bottles and cans. The money goes towards our learning programs and facilities. Please contact the school if you have high levels of bottles and cans you need removed and we may be able to help. Thanks from LWS.





Health & Wellbeing



November 2023

What's New At



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Your participation helps us to learn and develop progressive ways to provide valuable preventative health programs to our community.

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SHINGLES

From Nov 1st the Adult National immunisation Program for Shingles vaccination is changing.

Eligible groups will now include:

- Adults aged 65+
- ATSI adults aged 50+
- Immunocompromised adults aged 18+ *specific conditions only

Please note that adults who have already recieved a Zostavax vaccine within the last 5 years **cannot** be vaccinated under the new schedule with Shingrix vaccine.



Please enquire with a clinic nurse if you have questions regarding your eligibility



CREATING CONNECTIONS

Free events for residents of the
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Health & Wellbeing



Coffin Bay Pharmacy

Please kindly note that the operating timing for pharmacy has changed

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Coffin Bay Community Hall

Needs Volunteers

You may like to assist with existing events or fundraisers OR you or your group may wish to create and run a community project or event. The hall and/or the Coffin Bay Progress Association (CBPA) are there to be used for the benefit of the community. CBPA needs people to join and utilise what the hall and association offers in assistance in running community projects, events or workshops.

Do you visit the hall for the:

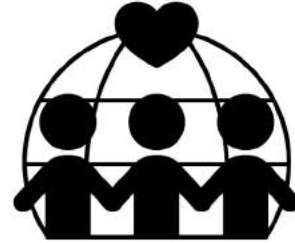
- Library
- Markets
- Doctor
- Outback Country Health
- Pilates
- Yoga

Would you like to give back to the community on your own with a friend or friends or as a group. Assist in maintaining the hall , garden, newsletter OR organise something yourself.

If you would like to volunteer please contact

Georgina Lewis - 0411 784401

The hall and association belong to benefit the community of Coffin Bay. Please utilise it.



Volunteering and caring enriches you and the community



Lower Eyre
Coastcare
Association

We meet for our regular monthly workdays on the last Monday of the month and other workdays as required. Check us out on [f @lepcoastcare](#) to stay up to date with our current projects and workdays. On the last Monday we meet at the Coffin Bay boat ramp BBQ area, 8.30 am. Visitors most welcome.

We undertake varied activities around the coastline of Lower Eyre Peninsula, including collecting native plant seed, growing native plant seedlings, organising the annual Greenly Beach planting day, beach cleanups, coastal erosion management and increasingly campsite management.

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The CBTA manages the Coffin Bay Visitors website www.coffinbay.net Visitor Information Board, produces local maps and brochures promoting the area, along with other tourism related projects.

Membership forms can be found on the website <https://coffinbay.net/contact/membership-application/>

CBTA next monthly meeting is TUESDAY 21st NOVEMBER
Coffin Bay Yacht Club @ 7.30pm. All members are encouraged to attend.
Enter via the car park / back door. All Welcome!



Club Function Hire - Enquiries
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Tuesday LADIES competition – names in by noon
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returns from 5th October
Bookings: **0423 459 167**

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With several members having retired from bowls or moved away, we are needing new players to join our club.

Come and enjoy the fantastic game of bowls. Our friendly group will welcome any interested persons, regardless of playing ability or experience.

Our facilities are arguably the best on Eyre Peninsula, offering social bowls through to pennant competition.

Travelling or short term bowlers encouraged to contact the club as players often required.

Season : October - March

Contact : Peter and Lorraine Shepperd – 0429399054
or
Contact Paul Phillips - 0411881474



The Yacht Club has been built on the strength of its volunteers. From building the clubhouse, running the kitchen and the bar, offering sail training to the community, volunteers have provided the energy, skills and commitment every step of the way.

Are you looking for a chance to give back to your community? Are you new to town and want to meet some locals? If you can spare a few hours a month to help in our kitchen or bar, then come & join our team with the added bonus of an amazing view, a free meal & drink on the night and a voucher to return with your family or friends in your own time.

The club's focus is to foster a love for the sea, to promote sailing and water sports in our bay, and to provide a meeting place for locals, families and visitors. Well known for the friendly and welcoming atmosphere, the Coffin Bay Yacht Club strives to continue to be a vital part of the Coffin Bay community.

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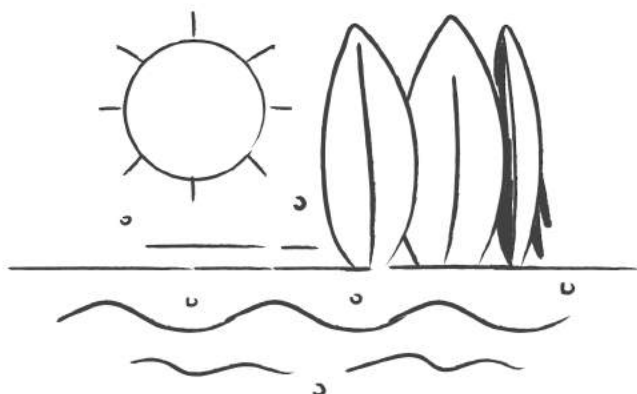
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Sun	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	Sat
			1 Dr Rowe (clinic room)	2 Library a.m. Dr Rowe (clinic room) COBH (car park)	3 Pilates class 9.30- 10.30am Complete Personnel (Library) Friendship Group 2pm - 4pm (kitchen)	4 Library a.m.
5	6 Playgroup 10am – 12 noon	7 C & O Health (clinic room) Complete Personnel (Library)	8 Dr Rowe (clinic room)	9 Library a.m.	10 Pilates class 9.30- 10.30am Friendship Group 2pm- 4pm (kitchen)	11 Library a.m.
12 Market 10am- 2.30pm	13 Playgroup 10am – 12 noon C & O Health (clinic room)	14 CBPA Meeting 7pm	15 Dr Rowe (clinic room) St Josephs School	16 Library a.m. Dr Rowe (clinic room) St Josephs School	17 Pilates class 9.30- 10.30am Complete Personnel (Library) Friendship Group 2pm- 4pm (kitchen)	18 Library a.m.
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26	27 Playgroup 10am – 12 noon	28	29 Dr Rowe (clinic room)	30 Library a.m. C & O Health (hall & kitchen) 11am – 1pm		

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ROCK PARROTS



Some years ago, I came across a book “Australian Birds” by Robin Hill on the bookshelf of the Crab Claw Island bar in the NT. (Some of us locals roost there to escape the southern winter). I wrote down an excerpt which has been tucked into the pages of one of my bird books ever since. Here it is:

“An unusual bird in its nesting habits, the Rock Parrot breeds in holes in cliffs or other rocky situations. It is a coastal bird and was once found in large numbers on various offshore islands around our southern coasts.

Charles Barrett writes of visiting Goat Island in 1909, a limestone island of less than a hectare at the eastern end of the Great Australian Bight. As the boat drew near, a shot was fired and a minute later the air was thronged with Rock Parrots. From behind the pigface (*Mesembryanthemum*) draping the rock ledges, they appeared in hundreds.....”

A few people have asked me “I’ve seen this parrot, but I’m not sure what it is”, so here goes: Firstly, the shape of the beak, and usually, but not always, bright feathers identify the bird as a parrot. Next comes the **size** – 21 to 23 cms; **colouring** – dull olive, yellower on belly and underside of tail; **distinctive blue features** – a mask across the top of the beak to behind the eyes; and on wing edges.

Rock Parrots have adapted to living and feeding in shrubby coastal areas along the southern coast of Australia. They are often seen in small flocks feeding in samphire patches. Most are concealed in the vegetation except for the sentries who watch for danger from the tops of higher bushes.

Twenty-five years ago, these birds were regularly seen on Goat Island, on our town lawns and paddocks and in the Long Beach samphire. Now, like a number of our smaller species of birds, there are only occasional sightings. They are still regular inhabitants of the other islands and in the National Park.

My thanks to Ari Slater for the excellent photos. These birds are shy and difficult to approach close enough for a sharp image. Ari exhibited some beautiful shots of birds in the Coffin Bay Hall for the Nature Festival.

Doug Clarke Oct. '23



Wrap up of Nature Festival events in Coffin Bay

We would like to thank everyone who helped make our first events in the Nature Festival SA a success. Thank you to everyone who came along to the Coffin Bay Hall for the **Through the lens** exhibition. The gold coin entry (including donations from some of the exhibitors) raised \$308.75 for the Friends of the Osprey.

Thank you to the Coffin Bay Community Progress Association who work hard to keep the Coffin Bay hall going. There were a lot of comments about how good the hall looked filled with the displays. Thanks to all the exhibitors who made such an impressive display in the hall. It was wonderful to have such positivity and eagerness to take part. Thanks to everyone who came along and gave such great feedback including about when we do it next year! We have a while to consider that but we welcome any ideas for future events.



Part of Lake Wangary School display 1



It was a wonderful sight to see all the fantastically coloured birds out on display on Long Beach for World Migratory Bird Day. Many of the artists came to see their birds amongst the flock. A fast incoming tide made for a hasty relocation of the birds and always interesting to watch the reaction of local resident birds to their colourful counterparts. Thanks to Lake Wangary School Governing Council for cooking the snags on what was a cooler day, but never too cool for gelato thanks to One Scoop or Two. Thanks to Coastcare volunteers spread across the locations and the wonderful Lake Wangary school kids helping out.



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