

The Village Clarion



Friends of the Loxton Historical Village Newsletter No. 16 July - September 2009

Editorial

Welcome to our second quarterly edition of the *Village Clarion*. As we are covering a longer period, it is easy to miss items of interest or importance, so please let me know if I have missed something, or even better, give me a reminder of items to be included in the next edition in September. As you know, we have limited space for articles, but pictures are great, and the Village digital camera has really been handy to record aspects of our collective journey.

The past three months have passed very quickly, and we can now look forward to longer (and hopefully warmer) days this quarter. Highlights of interest covered in this edition include History Week (late May), a very successful Alive Day on the June long weekend, and Disaster Preparedness Workshop in late June.

There has been quiet but steady progress on the new toilets thanks to Alan Hucks and John (Shine) Stanitski, and when complete, will be much appreciated by all. Undercover extensions to the workshop area have slowed a little as we wait for development approvals, which seem to take longer as we are located on the Murray flood plain! One the approvals come through, this project will be ready to go!

CDO Penny Smith and Ed Davey were able to attend the Loxton High School class tourism presentation that focussed on the Historical Village. I am sure there are some good ideas to help us with our strategic planning and will link with a meeting of the *LHV Promotion/Marketing Working Group* to be held on July 27th.

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Closing date for the next Clarion : Monday September 21st

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The Village Comes to Town—May 27th-29th

Volunteers Gus Schwarz, Robert Scheer, Gary Meyer (from Berri) and Ron Menz helped set up and interact with members the public curious to see what we were doing. Joan Hopper, Lorraine Schulz and Eva Harvey can be seen in the Pie Cart. The Carousel was also on site

Diary Dates

Spirit Australia Cruises recommence on August 26th. Check with Bette or Melvin for updates. Gate staffing is the responsibility of the Friends of the Village

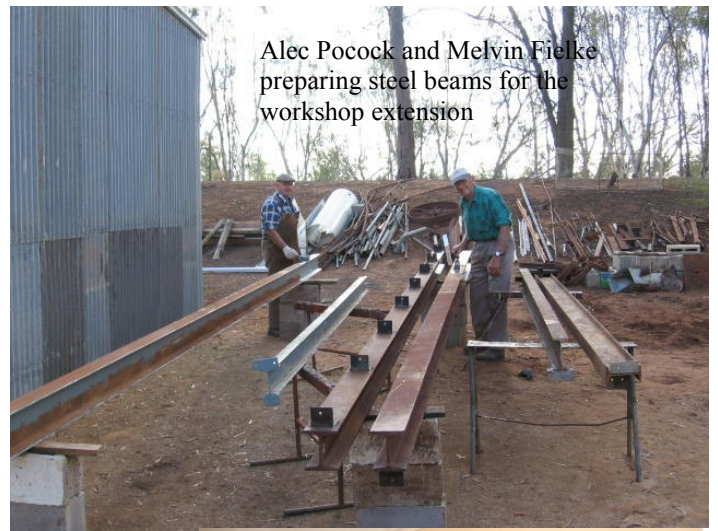
Village Alive—Saturday 3rd October

Friends of the Village meetings are held every third Tuesday of each month at 3pm in the Village Institute.

Loxton Historical Village Management Committee meetings are held every fourth Tuesday at 5.15pm in the Council Committee Room.



Removing the gum tree in preparation for the workshop extensions



Alec Pocock and Melvin Fielke preparing steel beams for the workshop extension



Progress with the new toilets. "Tiger" Hammerstein working on the concrete slab. Below: Work on the walls is very "fiddly" but the results are excellent thanks to "Shine" and Village volunteers (July 7th)

Members of the Riverland Vintage and classic Car Club engaged Harry Tickle to build new storage cupboards in the Garage office. This will greatly improve storage of Club records and resources. Special thanks to Ray Jones and Club president John English for their input.



On June 23rd –24th, Artlab Australia and the History Trust of SA ran a workshop on *Disaster Preparedness and Response*. Museum volunteers attended from Pinnaroo, Lameroo, Swan Reach, Renmark and Waikerie, as well as from the Village. There was an emphasis on recovering water damaged items. Here we see Karen George (HTSA). Mandi Schwarz, workshop leaders from Artlab Bee Flynn, Anne Dineen and Lorraine Schultz preparing articles on the second day.



Loxton High School year 11 students extended an invitation for the management committee to attend a Tourism presentation proposal. Richard Wood, Ed Davey, Ann Holman, Cr M Vowles and Penny Smith attended

