



**Congratulations to the
Town of Walkerville
2024 Citizen of the Year:
Annie Hutchinson**

Weekly Round Up

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2024 Citizen of the Year Awards

At the Australia Day citizenship ceremony, Walkerville Mayor Melissa Jones announced the winners of the 2024 Citizen of the Year Awards.



Mayor Melissa Jones with Citizen of the Year, Annie Hutchinson; Young Citizen of the Year, Jessica Craig; and volunteers from the Walkerville Bushcare Volunteers Group - winners of the Active Citizenship Award - Rose Dow, Jackie Streets and Lynda Matthews.

The awards are an opportunity for Council and the larger community to recognise people going above and beyond in the Township.

Annie Hutchinson won the **Citizen of the Year Award** for her tireless work in the community through the Friends of Walkerville Primary School (WPS) group.

A member of the Friends of WPS since 2017, Annie has held the Vice President position from 2018 and then the President position from 2021-2023.

Over her time at the group, Annie has helped raise \$73,500 for a nature playground for

Walkerville Primary School. Annie has been integral in creating a sense of community at the school and in the wider community.



Mayor Melissa Jones with Citizen of the Year, Annie Hutchinson.

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After COVID-19 restrictions lifted, Annie continued with the “Walky spirit” and ensured that people in the group re-engaged with the community.

Annie has been a caring, passionate and inspirational leader in the community, assisting many students, teachers, parents, grandparents and friends.

The winner of the **Young Citizen of the Year Award** was 18-year-old Wilderness student, Jessica Craig.

Jessica was the Vice President of the Student Representative Council at Wilderness, working hard to create an inclusive school environment.

She did charitable work outside of this, volunteering weekly with foster care children in the ‘Fun in the Wilderness’ program and caring for children with disability through SONY Foundation Camp.

Jessica also volunteered overseas in Ethiopia for the Catherine Hamlin Hospital.

The **Active Citizenship Award** went to the Walkerville Bushcare Volunteers Group.

Over the last three decades, this group has restored, regenerated and maintained many sites along the Linear Park River Torrens area.

The volunteers have assisted with the Township’s biodiversity, encouraging insects and animal life in the area, and helping with mitigating climate change.

A big congratulations to the award winners!



Mayor Melissa Jones with Young Citizen of the Year, Jessica Craig.



Rose Dow receiving the Active Citizenship Award on behalf of the Walkerville Bushcare Volunteers Group.

Australia Day citizenship ceremony

Last Friday, the Town of Walkerville held an Australia Day citizenship ceremony, welcoming Council's newest citizens.

The new citizens hail from across the globe, including United Kingdom, Scotland, Germany, New Zealand, Ireland, India, Ukraine, Sri Lanka, Norway and South Africa.



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Let's reminisce: Local bank robbers guilty conscience

In 1889, George Jenner moved into a residence on Burlington Street, Walkerville, with his son, Thomas Edward Jenner.

The young Mr Thomas Jenner was a cashier and teller at the Hindmarsh branch of the National Bank for upwards of seven years.

On Thursday, 17 October 1889, the teller at the Hindmarsh branch of the National Bank failed to make an appearance, which aroused suspicion in the mind of the branch manager, Mr F.G. Smith.



Following an inspection, it proved that a robbery had taken place. Communication was immediately sent to the head office in town and two accountants were sent to the branch to assist Mr Smith in assessing the true state of the case.

It was found that over £410 was short in the teller's cash – which was considered a very large sum in those days, estimated to be equal to \$40,000 today.

The missing clerk, Mr Thomas Jenner, had been residing with his father in Walkerville, but had been spotted at the Adelaide Railway Station. It was thought he had left the city by the Melbourne Express.

On the following Monday after the bank robbery, Mr Smith wrote to head office saying that, "No trace whatever appears to be obtainable in regard to this delinquent, for although the detectives believe he went to Melbourne, there is no actual proof".

Pictured right: The newspaper clipping on the right was sourced from Trove, a database of information from Australian libraries, universities, museums, galleries and archives.



“The modes of escape from Melbourne are now so frequent that he may have escaped altogether – not having a photograph of him intensifies the difficulty of tracing him.”

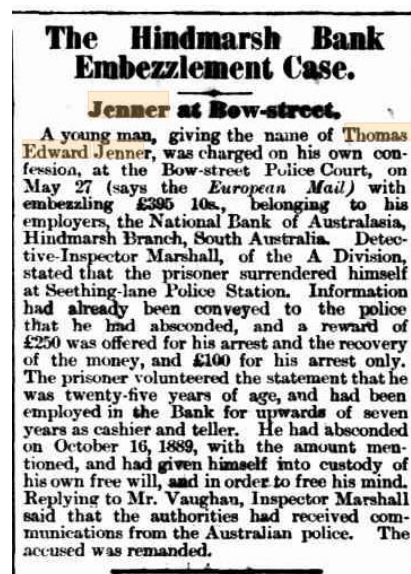
The bank very well believed that Thomas would get away with his thievery, however, he later handed himself into police in London on 27 May 1890, to the Seething-lane Police Station.

In *The Evening Journal* on Thursday, 3 July 1890, the paper stated that Thomas had “given himself into custody of his own free will, and in order to free his mind”.

Thomas was searched by the police and was found to be without the money, having spent the whole of the £400 he stole from the bank.

Thomas was charged on his own confessions at the Bow-street Police Court on 27 May 1890, with embezzling £395 from the National Bank of Australasia.

This throwback is part of the Town of Walkerville’s monthly history series, touching on iconic and famous moments, people and places in Walkerville history. The history of this robbery was researched and collected with assistance from local historian, Lyn O’Grady.



Weekly waste tip

Getting those pencils sharpened and ready for school?

Did you know the green bin is perfect for saving pencil shavings?

Pencil and other wood shavings, like sawdust, can go in your green bin.

If you have your own composting system set up, you may like to add small amounts of wood shavings.

For more information and other tips and tricks, head to the [Which Bin website](https://www.whichbin.sa.gov.au).



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2024 Youth Environment Council

The Youth Environment Council (YEC) is open to South Australian students in Years 7 to 11 with a passion for the environment and creating a sustainable future.

The yearly program is targeted at teens and pre-teens to boost their environmental knowledge and leadership skills through a fun camp, workshops, online forums and the delivery of an end-of-year environmental project.

Last year, 45 young people were part of the free program and six others used their own Youth Environment Council experience to be mentors. They took the lead on their own projects and got guidance on everything from fundraising to leading teams and public speaking.



Participants choose a wide range of environmental actions to focus on in the program. In the past, some of these have included creating food and wildlife gardens in schools, setting up and maintaining recycling stations, fundraising for environmental and community organisations and much more.

Participants will:

- share their passion for the environment and sustainability with students across the State;
- develop leadership and public speaking skills at camps, workshops and forums;
- take actions for the environment and make a difference; and
- share their views and actions with government.

Eligible students, in both regional and metropolitan South Australia, are invited to apply. Places are strictly limited.

To apply for the Youth Environmental Council, [click here](#). Applications close on Thursday, 29 February 2024.

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Last chance to have your say on the Walkerville Oval amenity development consultation

The Town of Walkerville has developed concept plans for sports and infrastructure improvements within the Walkerville Oval precinct, which is currently out for public consultation.

The proposed changes seek to bring the existing sporting infrastructure at the Oval up to modern design, compliance and safety standards, whilst also improving pedestrian connectivity and amenity through the precinct.

The recommended changes have come about as a result of Town of Walkerville's long-standing commitment to improving the facilities at Walkerville Oval as part of its Major Projects strategy. The proposed scope of works would include the following:



- New Walkerville Oval lighting & electrical infrastructure;
- New multi-sport community court area with lighting (featuring line marking and match-compliant runoff for netball, basketball and tennis. Under plans, the current two tennis courts would be reduced to one tennis court to allow for line marking);
- New cricket practice nets (featuring six synthetic pitches for public use and two turf pitches to be used and maintained by the Walkerville Cricket Club);
- New 10m x 4m shelter with two picnic tables/seating and new barbecue, with an accessible path linking through to Alfred Street; and
- New public toilet (Exeloo).

The benefits of the above proposal include the improvement of night-time sporting standards, the introduction of community basketball within the oval precinct and much more`.

This consultation survey was launched this week and can be found on the [Your Say Walkerville website](#). Hard copy surveys can be found at the Civic & Community Centre.

The Walkerville Oval amenity development consultation will run until 5pm on Wednesday, 7 February 2024.

Consultation on draft Code of Practice

Council has reviewed its current Code of Practice – Access to Council Meetings and Documents (Code of Practice), which is soon to close to community feedback.

The updated Code allows for Council Members to participate in Committee Meetings and Informal Gatherings when a matter is to be considered/discussed in confidence if a member is attending a meeting electronically or over the telephone.

Additionally, the reviewed Code of Practice will allow community members to ask a question during an Ordinary Council Meeting rather than submitting a request to the CEO prior to an Ordinary Council Meeting.

The new Code of Practice Policy is based on the Local Government Association's model Code of Practice Policy, which makes Committee Meetings and Informal Gatherings more accessible to Council Members during confidential matters, as well as Ordinary Council Meetings more accessible to the public.

The existing Code of Practice has also had minor amendments of a grammatical nature and to ensure it complies with current legislation and internal policies.

At the January Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council Members endorsed the draft Code of Practice for consultation. The full Council report can be viewed on the [Town of Walkerville website](https://www.walkerville.sa.gov.au).

The draft Code of Practice is open for consultation until 5pm on Monday, 5 February 2024.

If you wish to provide feedback on the draft Code of Practice, you can:

- Send an email to walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au with the subject line "Draft Code of Practice";
- Drop off a feedback letter into the consultation box in the foyer of the Civic & Community Centre; or
- Post a response to Council to:

*The Chief Executive Officer
Draft Code of Practice
66 Walkerville Terrace
GILBERTON SA 5081*

Mayor's Minute

Keep up to date with the latest outcomes from Council meetings through the new Mayor's Minute program!

Walkerville Mayor Melissa Jones will be giving a debrief to the community after every Council meeting through this new communication segment.

If you want to keep up to date with Council resolutions on important matters in the Township, then tune into the Mayor's Minute – which is available on social media and Town of Walkerville's YouTube channel.

The most recent Mayor's Minute covered the draft Code of Practice – Access to Council and Committee Meetings and Documents, which is out for public consultation and closing to feedback at 5pm on Monday, 5 February 2024, and the establishment of a Major Projects Advisory Committee that will provide advice on the Major Projects for the Township.

You can also sign up to the Weekly Round Up and e-news to get regular Council news straight to your inbox. Subscribe here: walkerville.sa.gov.au/subscribe



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We are hiring

Town of Walkerville is currently hiring for two different roles.

Town of Walkerville is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion.

The diversity of staff is one of Council's greatest strengths. An inclusive and equitable environment enables Council to deliver innovative and sustainable outcomes for the staff, clients and community. From day one, new staff members will be encouraged to be themselves and supported to perform at their best. With the right technology, support and resources, Council staff can work in a range of flexible ways.

Council encourages candidates to speak with a member of the recruitment team if you require adjustments to the recruitment process to support you and the type of working arrangements that would help you thrive.

Rates & Finance Officer

The position:

The Rates & Finance Officer is responsible for the effective coordination and actioning of Council's data integrity and property rating systems, coordination of rates and collection functions, facilitation of payments and the provision of strong and professional communication for all internal and external stakeholders.

The Rates Officer is also responsible for assisting with the coordination and delivery of high quality, efficient and accurate financial services, as well as providing backup/back-fill duties for the Accounts, Finance and Payroll team during periods of leave.

The suitable candidate will possess the ability to function as an active member of the Finance Team who provide an effective and timely service to Council and its customers.

Essential experience and qualifications for the role include experience with Microsoft Office Suite and Adobe Acrobat Pro, proficient written and verbal communication skills, driver's license or equivalent reliable transport method and police clearance (ability to attain).

To find out key responsibilities and essential qualifications or to apply, [click here](#).

Applications close at 5pm on Friday, 16 February 2024.

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Notice of public meeting to reactivate the Walkerville Residents' Association

A meeting will be held early this year with the aim to reactivate the Walkerville Residents' Association (WRA), which has been inactive for the past four years.

The meeting, open to all residents of the Town of Walkerville, will be held from 6pm-7pm on Monday, 5 February 2024, at the Walkerville Civic & Community Centre in Room 1855 (entrance will be available via the rear car park, off Stephen Terrace).

Residents will be aware that a proposed new development on the site of the Buckingham Arms Hotel is currently under consideration by the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP). This proposed new development consists of three 10-storey towers with some 180 residences. Several residents in the Walkerville Council area have significant concerns about this development.

A revived Walkerville Resident's Association, open to all residents of the Walkerville, Vale Park, Gilberton and Medindie areas, aims to discuss the proposed design and size of the development, including traffic and environmental aspects at the entry to Walkerville Terrace.

Residents are encouraged to attend this short meeting and consider nominating themselves for the Management Committee (eight members required). For further information, please contact Mike Duigan at mikeduigan19@gmail.com or 0459 506 281.



South Australian United Nations Youth State Conference 2024

This year's theme, "The Future of Your Democracy in the 21st Century", aims to introduce Australian youth to the intricacies of participating in the democratic process with the innovations of the 21st century.

UN Youth SA is excited to be partnering with the Adelaide Hills Council for this event.

The event is targeted at Students in Years 9-12.

There are three primary segments:

- (1) Students with a social sciences/public policy interest;
- (2) Students with an interest in technology and its influence on public opinion; and
- (3) Students with an interest in international affairs and political sciences.

Workshops

Trained facilitators will run immersive workshops with students that will challenge and strengthen their world views.

Interactive problem-solving activity (IPS):

The Conference will feature a simulated Joint Cabinet Crisis where students will be divided into nations and attempt to resolve a constantly evolving hypothetical international issue.

Speaker sessions:

Students will have the opportunity to hear from expert speakers in the field, enabling them to expand their knowledge on the topics of radicalisation and democracy.

Model United Nations debate:

Students will represent a country that sits on the General Assembly of the United Nations and negotiate a resolution with the other countries represented.

Woodhouse Activity Centre, Piccadilly

\$205 per person, Friday, 1 March 2024 – Sunday, 3 March 2024

To register, [click here](#).

Cricut cutting demonstration

Unlock your creativity and learn how to use a Cricut machine. Understand the fundamentals of Cricut cutting using Design Space. This demonstration will take you through the steps to create your own iron-on t-shirt prints and labels.

10am-12pm, Thursday, 8 February 2024. \$2, suitable for adults. Held in meeting room 1855. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at events.humanitix.com/cricut-demo



Pickle Party

Learn how to pickle, ferment and preserve local produce! This workshop is part of a broader program, supporting you to grow food at home, connect with nature through gardening and experience positive impacts in health, wellbeing and sustainability.

What to bring: Two clean jars with labels removed, an apron (only if you want one) and a drink bottle.

10am, Saturday, 10 February 2024. \$15 per person, Walkerville Town Hall. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at events.humanitix.com/pickle-party



Author talk - romance, crime and mystery

Experience an evening of literature, wine and cheese, and meet talented authors - Joanne Spiers, queen of romance; Mercedes Mercier, mystery maven; and Rebecca Heath, the crime master - as they discuss their latest releases and their literary journeys.

6pm, Thursday, 15 February 2024. \$5 per person, suitable for adults, at Walkerville Town Hall. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at

events.humanitix.com/romance-crime-mystery



Monster characters workshop

Do you love to draw? Design and draw your very own monster and their bedroom with George Rex, while you learn techniques about character design and drawing.

10am, Saturday, 17 February 2024. \$2 per person, suitable for children aged 8-12. Children must be supervised by an adult, Walkerville Town Hall. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at events.humanitix.com/drawing-workshop



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Street sweeping helps keep the Township clean

Our street sweeping programs are seasonally adjusted to effectively manage the level of risk relating to street tree litter.



While we make every effort to keep our streets clean year-round, you can help out by doing the following:

- Avoid sweeping leaves or clippings onto the road;
- Do not park caravans, trailers or boats on the road for extended periods.

Main Roads	Gilberton/Medindie	Walkerville	Vale Park
	7/2/2024	15/2/2024	21/2/2024
28/2/2024	6/3/2024	14/3/2024	20/3/2024
27/3/2024	3/4/2024	11/4/2024	17/4/2024
24/4/2024	1/5/2024	9/5/2024	15/5/2024
22/5/2024	29/5/2024	6/6/2024	12/6/2024
19/6/2024	26/6/2024	4/7/2024	10/7/2024
17/7/2024	24/7/2024	1/8/2024	7/8/2024
14/8/2024	21/8/2024	29/8/2024	4/9/2024
11/9/2024	18/9/2024	26/9/2024	2/10/2024
9/10/2024	16/10/2024	24/10/2024	30/10/2024
6/11/2024	13/11/2024	21/11/2024	27/11/2024
4/12/2024	11/12/2024	19/12/2024	27/12/2024

Council meetings

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 19 February 2024.



Questions for public question time must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer prior to a Council Meeting via:

- email (governance@walkerville.sa.gov.au);
- post (Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 55 Walkerville SA 5081); or
- hand delivery (Community & Civic Centre, 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton).



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