



**Community captivated at author talk with Pip Williams**

# Weekly Round Up

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## Dog and cat registrations

It is that time of year again! Council will be sending out letters, emails and texts reminding people to renew their registrations for their dogs and cats.

Did you know it is against the law to own a dog or cat that is unregistered?

Don't get caught out and fined for having an unregistered pet! Plus, it can greatly assist when your lovely pooch or purr-baby goes missing.

You can renew your dog and cat registrations on the [Dogs & Cats Online \(DACO\)](#) system or you can call Council on 8342 7100 to get assistance from our helpful staff.

All Town of Walkerville residents have until the end of the month, 31 August 2023, to get their dog and cat registrations renewed.

Not only do your dogs and cats need to be registered, they also need to be desexed and microchipped!

For an easy guide to renewing your dog or cat registration, or to register a new pet, you can head to the [Dog and Cat Board website](#) for details.

Additionally, the Dog and Cat Board has a lot of handy tips for dog and cat owners.



# Final chapter to close on Library Survey 2.0

The Walkerville Library is investigating the possibility of changing opening hours and we want to hear from the community on their thoughts!

Last year, the Council undertook its first Library Survey to understand how the community use the local library, as well as collect ideas from participants on how we can provide better library services.

This current survey is to take our previous consultation further and discover what library hours best reflect the needs of the community.

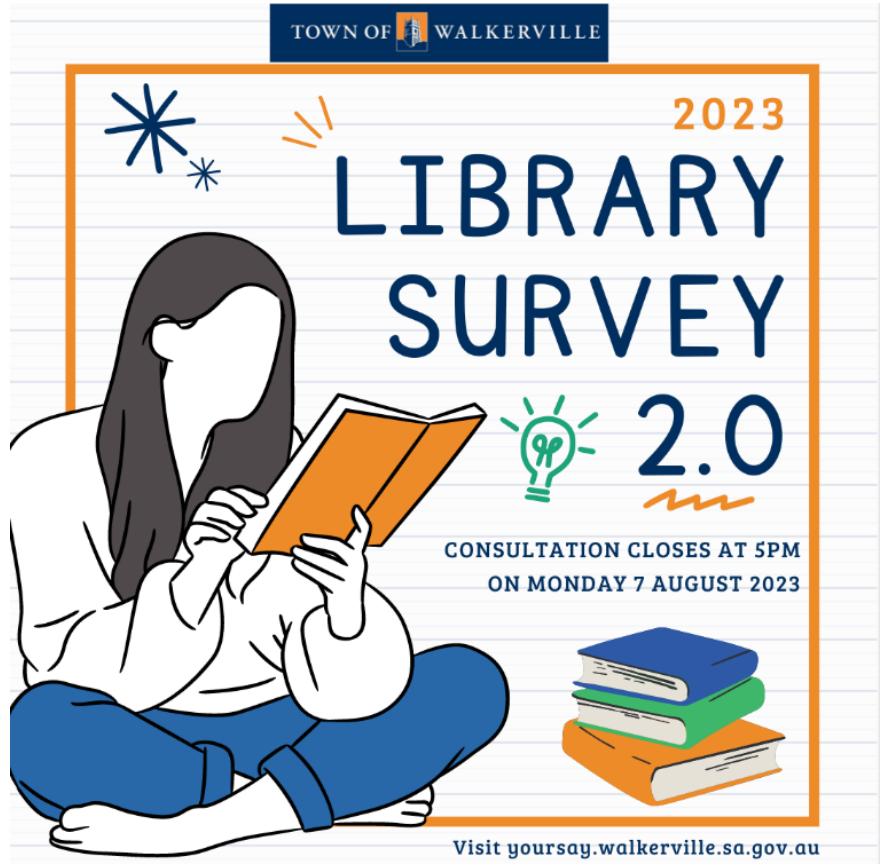
Do you prefer to keep the current library hours? Would you rather have the library open

late on two days a week instead of one? Do you want to keep the library open on Saturdays? These are the questions we want answered!

This is the perfect time to provide Walkerville Library insight on how you want to use and access your local library.

**You have to get in quick, as consultation closes at 5pm on Monday, 7 August 2023.** All survey participants can also enter the draw to win a \$100 Dymocks voucher.

To get involved, you can undertake the survey [here](#) or grab a hard copy from the foyer of the Civic & Community Centre. This survey is being conducted by Market Action Research. For more information, head to the [Your Say Walkerville website](#).



# Walkerville comes alive for SALA

For the upcoming South Australian Living Artists (SALA) Festival, Walkerville will come alive with art and music!

Town of Walkerville will be bringing the community a truly unique SALA event, placing artists and musicians in the heart of the Township, from 10am-2pm on Sunday, 13 August 2023.

Follow our live art trail through Walkerville and discover a world of paint, clay, chalk and more, produced right before your eyes!

A total of seven artists will be using their chosen medium to create amazing art live for all to watch, and will be accompanied by talented musicians.

Once completed, the permanent art pieces will be on display at the Civic & Community Centre for a few weeks before they make their way to their new home.

Visit [our website](#) for information about the event, including a map of the art trail and information about how you can enter a raffle to win the very art made on the day!



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## Huge turnout for author talk

The internationally acclaimed local author, based in the Adelaide Hills, Pip Williams, was the subject of Walkerville Library's most recent author talk.

Pip rose to the top of book reading charts across the world with her book, *The Dictionary of Lost Words* – which is currently being adapted into a TV show.

Now, her recent release *The Bookbinder of Jericho* is equally grabbing attention, with the historical novel set during World War I and revolving around two sisters who work at the bindery of Oxford University Press in Jericho.



*Pip Williams, author of The Dictionary of Lost Words and The Bookbinder of Jericho, with Victoria Purman, fellow author and interviewer for the author talk.*

This was Walkerville Library's most popular author talk to date, with nearly 100 people in attendance!





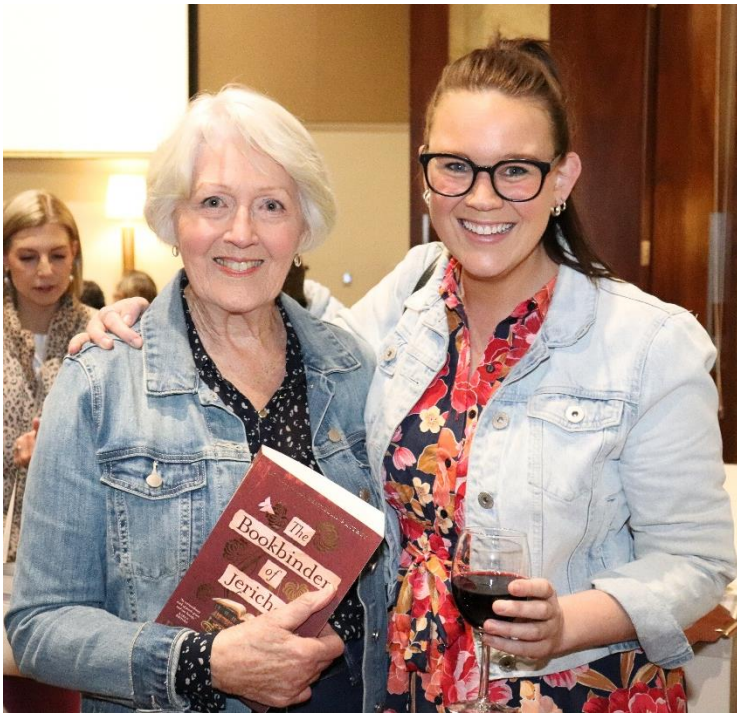
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## Town Hall restoration works underway

Refurbishment of the Walkerville Town Hall exterior commenced this week.



Whilst visiting the Civic & Community Centre over the coming weeks, you may notice some maintenance works occurring to the Walkerville Town Hall.

Painting and repair works are underway to restore the external doors, door frames and window frames around the building, which have deteriorated over time due to weather.

Colours will match the original pallet, with works expected to be completed by the end of August.

For further information, please contact the Assets & Infrastructure Team on 8342 7100 during business hours.

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## Let's reminisce: The opening of Tennyson Bridge

The whole Township turned out for the official opening of the new Tennyson Bridge over the River Torrens on 27 November 1903.

Children from Walkerville Primary School sang the National Anthem, which was *God Save the King* in 1903, and Governor George Le Hunte declared the bridge to be opened.

It was the first time the Governor had visited the district and there were, of course, many speeches by several dignitaries.



*People flooded to the opening of the Tennyson Bridge in 1903.*

This bridge was later named Tennyson Bridge to honour an earlier governor, but on that day in 1903, it was christened the 'Walkerville Bridge'.

It was funded two-thirds by Walkerville and St Peters councils. The previous old wooden bridge served to connect Walkerville and St Peters for 30 years, but was eventually declared unsafe 18 months earlier. There is a plaque on each of the stone abutments of this bridge.

The Tennyson Bridge was christened as the Tennyson Bridge by Miss Winifred Mary Jenkins, the Commissioner of Crown Lands the Honourable Richard Butler, Inspector General of Roads and engineer Ct Hargrave and contractor A. Schneemilch.

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 Tennyson Bridge was researched and collected with assistance from local historian, Lyn O'Grady.

# Volunteer for Santa's Repair Workshop!

Walkerville Community Committee (WCC) is looking for volunteers to assist in repairing miniature floats for the Walkerville Miniature Christmas Pageant.

From 8-17 November 2023, the well-loved Miniature Christmas Pageant will be on display at the Walkerville Town Hall.

However, in preparation for this event, WCC Members, who have taken on this event on behalf of the late Peter Golding, require volunteer help in restoring some of the floats.

Santa's Repair Workshop will run over two days and is open for anyone to volunteer.

People can elect to volunteer for the 2pm-4pm Friday, 11 August 2023 workshop or the 10am-12.30pm Saturday, 12 August 2023 workshop.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with our upcoming Walkerville Miniature Christmas Pageant, send an email to [walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au](mailto:walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au) to get more information and to register.

**Volunteer for**  
**Santa's Repair**  
**Workshop**

**2pm-4pm**  
**Friday, 11**  
**August 2023**  
**&**  
**10am-12.30pm**  
**Saturday,**  
**12 August 2023**

**Help us prepare for the**  
**Miniature Christmas Pageant**

# The Young People and Gambling Survey for South Australians

Are you aged 13 to 22 and residing in The Town of Walkerville? Helen Connolly, South Australia's Commissioner for Children and Young People, wants to hear from you! Participate in the Young People and Gambling Survey for South Australians.

The survey aims to understand young people's perspectives on gambling, which includes any activity involving spending or betting money or something valuable in hopes of gaining more money or a prize.

The Commissioner is concerned about the increasing exposure of young people to gambling propositions and seeks to gain insights into their thoughts and engagement levels.

The survey is anonymous, taking approximately 10 to 20 minutes to complete. It does not collect any identifying information and does not require gambling knowledge or experience to participate.

Responses will contribute to the Commissioner's advocacy efforts in protecting and raising awareness about the rights of children and young people. A summary report of key findings will be shared with policymakers, researchers, and the public.

Please click here to fill out the [Young People and Gambling Survey](#) for South Australians.

## Gambling Helpline

Call the Gambling Helpline 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 1800 858 858.

Get free, confidential and 24/7 support online at [www.gamblinghelponline.org.au](http://www.gamblinghelponline.org.au).



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## Through the lens: Seniors Card photographic competition

Through the Lens is part of International Day of Older Persons. The competition and exhibition promotes ageing well by celebrating skills of older South Australians through the art of photography and demonstrating that people can learn and create at any age.

Photos speak a thousand words.

Seniors Card members love to share their stories, and other members love to hear them.

*Through the Lens* is a wonderful opportunity for Seniors Card members to share photos that they have taken, that reflect their lives and interests.



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All South Australian Seniors Card members are invited to enter *Through the Lens*, the Seniors Card photographic competition.

[Click here to enter.](#)

Entries close Friday, 18 August 2023. The judges are looking for good photographic technique, creativity and clear photographs.

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## Dead Set Expo

Dying to Know Day empowers all adults to be strong self-advocates for their own personal planning when it comes to end-of-life. Council is collaborating with the Walkerville Uniting Church to bring you an expo with everything you want to know from Wills to funerals and much more.

10.30am-12.30pm, Wednesday, 9 August 2023, Walkerville Town Hall, free to attend. Book by calling 8342 7100 or [events.humanitix.com/dead-set-expo](https://events.humanitix.com/dead-set-expo)

## Photo organising presentation

Join Simone, a certified member of The Photo Managers, where her primary service is to help people organise both their printed and digital photos. Learn from her and enjoy the peace of mind of knowing all your photos are safe to share with future generations to come.

2.30pm-3.30pm, Wednesday, 16 August 2023. Free, for adults, Walkerville Town Hall. Book by calling 8342 7100 or by [events.humanitix.com/photo-organising](https://events.humanitix.com/photo-organising)





Learn



Laugh



Inspire



## National Science Week - The best of our little bang workshop

What? When? Why? How? Bring your little scientists along to discover the answers. Learn by watching, observing, and helping run experiments inspired by the Little Bang Discovery Club.

10am-11am, Tuesday, 22 August 2023, Walkerville Town Hall. Suitable children aged three to five, must be supervised by an

adult. Book by calling 8342 7100 or [events.humanitix.com/best-of-our-little-bang](https://events.humanitix.com/best-of-our-little-bang)

## Family yoga six-week course

Bond with your baby through this enriching experience and develop a personal practice that is right for you. This program incorporates breathing exercises, yoga poses, dance, games and stories, partner yoga, mindfulness activities, short meditations and relaxation.

10am-11am, Thursdays, 24 & 31 August, and 7, 14, 21 & 28 September, Walkerville Town Hall. Suitable for adults with babies - 15 months to four years old. \$30 for six weeks. Book by calling 8342 7100 or [events.humanitix.com/family-yoga-6-wk](https://events.humanitix.com/family-yoga-6-wk)



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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 in streets where issues are present generally 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
			9/08/2023
16/08/2023	23/08/2023	31/08/2023	6/09/2023
13/09/2023	20/09/2023	28/09/2023	4/10/2023
11/10/2023	18/10/2023	26/10/2023	1/11/2023
8/11/2023	15/11/2023	23/11/2023	29/11/2023
6/12/2023	13/12/2023	21/12/2023	27/12/2023

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## Council meetings

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 21 August 2023.



Questions for public question time may be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer by 12pm on Monday, 21 August 2023, via:

- email ([office@walkerville.sa.gov.au](mailto:office@walkerville.sa.gov.au));
- post (Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 55 Walkerville SA 5081); or
- hand delivery (Community and Civic Centre, 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton).



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