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Meeting dates.

ACRM SA Inc. Meetings are on the FOURTH TUESDAY of each month.

There is no Meeting in December.

The OCM in August is on the 28th...

Septemer’s OCM is on the 25th.

ACRM SA Inc. Meetings are held at 3 Redmond Rd. Collinswood. SA.

Gawler/Barossa general meetings are bi-monthly (every two months), on the THIRD TUESDAY of the month. No meeting in December.

Next meeting, Oct 23rd .

PRESSIE'S PRATTLE: Phil 48:

When I opened this article, I had another whinge to write about but luckily for everybody I forgot what it was (Old timers disease setting in) so I've taken a break and will come back to it if I get inspired.

It wasn't much of a break, as I thought of the Tech Tips I had in mind so went off and wrote that first.

Now I'm back and the gist of my article was going to be the Gil Harris Trial (Mallala), but that is a fizzer too because I'm going to do an article on the trial separately. Suffice to say, if you look up the literal meaning of Quagmire, you have a pretty good description of the conditions at main this year. Although, at no time would you consider it was lousy weather, in contrast, it drizzled on & off for the best part of the day, turning an already wet area into a mud bath. Even a walk (trudge) across the yard to visit the tow-around-toilets was akin to an assault on Mt. Kosciusko. Keeping mud out of the van was a trick in itself and I can recommend the effectiveness of the dirt-magnet mats (I think they're known as dirt-stop mats, providing they are actually stepped upon. They do a marvelous job of keeping the rest of the van clean, unfortunately, some people are clean freaks, who, being unaware of the mats purpose, step over it so it won't get dirty. Ironically, when we arrived and pulled into our spot, I was ushered forward another 2 metres and naturally, where I stood to erect aerials was in a puddle of water about 50 mm deep but about 2 mtrs back, where I first stopped it was dry as a bone. Sorry, not dry but not in a 2 inch puddle either.

Comms through Rep 2 at Mt Lofty were patchy as usual, however on the whole better than some years. We had hoped to put a second repeater in a local area to take over comms but the conditions made it impassible (yeah, impossible also) to get to the chosen hill, thus we persevered with Rep 2. A couple of controls had to shift a bit and erect higher antennae. Officials had fairly good comms around the course and phone back-up was not too bad either. Predictably a few stages had to be monitored closely but with only a little divine intervention, only one stage was closed. It was mainly because of the outfits safety but it was easier to pull the whole section than have put in a diversion for the sidecars only. The upside was twofold, safety – plus being a late control, getting an unexpected early minute's grace is always a bonus.

Rally Round-up;Trev 120:

I was unable to be at the Gill Harris Trial this year so I will have to read about it in 48's coverage of it too. I thank all who managed to find time to attend and help us this year.

It's also worth a mention that the Levis crew did their best to host an, as usual, great event and the doubles were a bonus that helped us cover the event.

Mallala '18; Phil 48:

Strangely enough, the initial M for Mallala is also aptly the start of Mud, which is the only way to describe the ground at main control, in capitals no less, MUD. I don't think I can remember another Gil Harris trial that could come close to this year's. I remember a 24, back in about 2002, which was a mud bath and a Tom Quilty in 1986 that was equally as bad but usually Mallala is fairly dry with mozzies being the main complaint, particularly over to the West in the swampy areas.

Generally the trial went well, with one exception, one of our monitors obtained some vehicle damage while trying to get to his control.

Whenever the medics aren't kept busy it usually means the riders are not getting hurt and that was the case this year. The theory is that the wet has two results, one, it slows the riders down a bit and secondly, the ground is a bit softer if they do come off.

A big bonfire is as traditional as the ride itself and although wet it was duly lit that evening. I guess the obligatory dose of diesel did its job. Being a one dayer, with only two laps, we were able to clear the last control (CP14) by 2030 hrs and we were home shortly after 2200.

Preparation for the trial was not quite as easy, as we again struggled to cover controls. Luckily many controls were doubles (in and out at same location), making the load lighter and we didn't have to rely on controllers to take up the slack. All but the control, we didn't cover because of damage sustained while trying to get to that control and in that case mobile phone did the trick.

Training Officer's tweet;Bill 78:

At the Mallala motorbike trial, it appeared that some operators left their position without notifying Main and being allowed to go. We are obligated to remain and at times will be the only contact with the senior event officials. Do not leave until your position/control has been closed down and verbally allowed to leave.

: Tech Tips; Phil 48:

Hopefully, this is a not needed article and by the end you will all say “I knew that.” Sadly, there are more and more scammers coming on the scene – and the reason is that they make good money from it, which to my way of thinking means too many people are getting caught out by the scammers. The warning was always aimed at computer owners but nowadays it is equally bad over the phone, in some cases worse. The scammers will often purport to be from Legal Offices or the Police Dept and threaten serious action if the money isn’t paid. Rest assured, no legitimate Law or collection agency will ever use these tactics, just hang up on them. A few parting expletives are optional and in some cases highly recommended.

Email threats may even include a bill or what they claim is proof of debt. Never open or download any attachments that are not from a trustworthy source. No matter how curious you may be about the contents of an attachment, resist the urge to open it. No matter what it is if you haven’t seen it, you wont miss it. Unlike the typical scam letter, which they want you to read, rarely in itself, is malicious – but attachments, once run (opened) are usually malware and if written well can sit unbeknownst to you are your virus checkers for years, sending off data and other sensitive info everytime your computer is on. The frequency of calls to mobiles and land-lines has grown in later months so the warning to folks without computers is equally as important

My Mother always told me ; Chris 49:

My Mother always said, by Anna Tochter. A small book containing bits I’m sure we have all heard, starting with, you’ll understand when you have children of your own. It is divided into sections and we are up to:

Section 15; *Punishment*

I’m only doing this for your own good.

You’ll thank me later.

This is going to hurt me more than it’s going to hurt you.

And another (out of order), 14 - *Food*

Crusts will make your hair curly.
Carrots will help you see in the dark.
Eat your greens or you’ll get warts.
Eat your spinach and you’ll get strong.

Chew it properly.
Don't play with your food.
How do you know you don't like it, you've never tasted it?
There'll be no pudding until you've eaten everything on your plate.
Waste not, want not.
Eat that up, don't you know there are people in India who would love that?

I mixed up one section, Manners and Manners maketh daughters, so you may get
some of these twice. To make it worse, a third manners was included.

Table Manners

In between admonishments, we managed to get something to eat.

Don't read at the table.

Elbows off the table and hands in laps.

Don't speak with your mouth full.

Flags were meant for waving, not forks.

Don't start until your mother is served.

Tuck's tales; Graham 141:

This has not been a good month for some of my old acquaintances.

In fact I have attended 3 funerals over a period of eight days.

First was the wife of my best man held at Magill Road. When I arrived, her son greeted me by name and I would not have seen him for 20 plus years when he was about 13.

Then one of the members of our wine club passed away and her funeral was held down the Port Rd at Queenstown. Again, I was welcomed by her daughter who recognised me despite not seeing her for about 20 years.

The third was at Elizabeth, for an ex-member of the Gawler Visitor Centre with a large attendance, including ex 113, who had been the manager at the Visitor Centre when she worked there.

I'm told its not unusual to have a number of passings around my age.

I However, have to stay around to do Tucks tales!



Ed: And the minutes Sir. I guess you just have one of those recognisable faces.

LAST MONTH'S
CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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August's answers

Birthday greetings and best wishes.

Birthday greetings for September are extended to:

Jean 318 for the 3rd.
Elaine 43 & Dean 211 for the 12th
and Phil 48 for the 22nd.

We wish you all the very best on your special day.

WANTED TO SELL, BUY OR EXCHANGE

Wanted to sell, buy, or exchange ads are free to members. Please contact a committee member or send your ad to The Editor c/- ACRM at the address on the cover. You can also email it to The Editor c/- phil.48@bigpond.com
I hate to say it but items for sale, to buy or exchange have been a little scant over the last few months, thus it is an ideal time to submit your for sale items to us.

MEMBER'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR DELINQUENCY

This is from Derek 40 and to an old codger like me, quite well understood. However some of you spring chickens might find it necessary to check the original songs on the net, (Dr. Google) or check with parents and/or grand Parents for the original words.

Some of the artists from the 60's are revising their hits with new lyrics to accommodate aging baby boomers who can remember doing the "Limbo" as if it were yesterday!

They include:

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Bobby Darin's ---
"Splish, Splash, I Was Having A Flash!"



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Herman's Hermits ---
"Mrs. Brown, You've Got a Lovely Walker!"



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Ringo Starr ---
"I Get By With A Little Help From Depends!"



The Bee Gees ---
"How Can You Mend A Broken Hip?"



Roberta Flack ---
"The First Time Ever I forgot Your Face!"



Johnny Nash ---
"I Can't See Clearly Now!"



Paul Simon---
"Fifty Ways To Lose Your Liver"



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The Commodores ---
"Once, Twice, Three times To The Bathroom!"



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Procol Harem---"A Whiter Shade Of Hair!"

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Leo Sayer ---
"You Make Me Feel Like Napping!"
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The Temptations ---
"Papa's Got A Kidney Stone!"

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Abba---
"Denture Queen!"

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Tony Orlando (Dawn)---
"Knock 3 Times On The Ceiling If You Hear Me Fall!"

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Helen Reddy ---
"I Am Woman; Hear Me Snore!"

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Leslie Gore---
"It's My Procedure, and I'll Cry If I Want To!"

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And, last , but NOT least,
Willie Nelson ---"On the Commode Again!"

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Chris 49 handed me a little book she thought would have some funnies in, called 'Laughter, the best medicine', produced by Readers Digest, saying that some may be suitable for the mag.

I agreed but while looking through it I wasn't sure that I had the right book, as I got to page 34 before finding anything that was remotely humorous.

Even then the humour was short lived so panic not, you are not going to get a whole book in instalments. I picked these because I got a giggle out of them.

The young lady smiled sweetly at the people in the waiting line as she stepped into the phone booth; "I won't be long, I just want to hang up on him."

We'd had no bites in an entire evening's fishing. As we rowed towards shore, we passed another couple in a rowboat. "Did you have any luck?" We called out.

"No," said the young man gloomily.

"What bait are you using?"

After a moments silence, the young man called back,"I wasn't fishing!"

After scoring zero in another of the frequent disputes with my teenage daughter, I left for a PTA meeting feeling decidedly depressed.

"Tell me," I pleaded with the mother of another 15 year old, "can you still talk to your daughter?" "I can," she replied, "but not civilly.

The hostess poured a cup of tea for a middle-aged man at her party and asked him if he took sugar, "No " he said. "Yes, "answered his wife brightly, at the same moment. Then she turned accusingly at him, "but I always put sugar in your tea." "I know" said the man, ruefully, "I used to remind you, now I just don't stir."

Minutes of 405th OCM

Minutes of Meeting 405 held on 24th July 2018 at Collinswood.

Meeting opened at 2000 hrs

Present.. 141,78 , 21, 232,43,44,48,49 , 212 ,153

Apologies 80,233,64,370,371,372,333,40,423,120, 45

Minutes of Previous Meeting Moved 141 Sec21 Carried

Matters arising Nil

Correspondence In nil

Reports

President:- Networking problems with computer so had trouble printing the mag. Sandy Ck Ride was a success.

Secretary. Nil

Treasurer Bal \$7500.61 In \$525.11 Out \$411

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Treas report accepted, Moved 21 Sec 78 & carried.

Training Officer Reminder of Emergency phone number 112.

Rally Coord. Absent with apology

Social Sec Moved that raffle draw be held over for another month. Carried

Resources Nil

General Business

Nil

Next meeting 406 28th August 2018

Meeting Closed 2031



IN THE KITCHEN WITH CHRIS 49.

CORN FLAKES CAKES

110g softened butter
1 egg
¼ tsp salt
Corn flakes crumbs, to coat

½ cup sugar
170g self-raising flour
2 heaped tblspns sultanas

Method: - Preheat oven to 180°C. Chill a baking tray.
Cream butter and sugar, then add egg and beat well. Mix in sifted flour and salt, and stir in sultanas. Roll teaspoonsful of mixture into balls, then roll in flakes, to coat. Put balls on the cold oven tray and bake for about 15 minutes, until golden brown.
Makes 24 –30

GINGER CRISPIES

500g softened butter
1 egg, beaten
1 cup chopped sweet preserved ginger

500g sugar
1 ⅔ cups S.R. flour
cornflour, to coat

Method: - Preheat the oven to 180°C. Grease a baking tray.
Cream butter and sugar, then beat in egg and lastly add sifted flour and ginger. Mix well. Form mixture into small balls and roll in cornflour to coat.
Place on prepared tray and bake for 10 minutes.
Makes 25-30

JELLY CRYSTAL BISCUITS

225g softened butter
2 eggs, beaten
1 tblspn cornflour

2 x 85g packets jelly crystals
3 small cups S.R. flour
white sugar to coat

Method: - Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease a baking tray.
Cream butter and jelly crystals, beat in eggs, then add sifted flours. Roll mixture into balls then toss them in sugar to coat. Place on prepared baking tray and press with the back of a fork. Bake for 15-20 minutes, until golden brown.
Makes 36

APRICOT CANDY BALLS

1 ½ cups chopped dried apricots 2 ½ cups desiccated coconut
¾ cup condensed milk icing sugar , to coat

Method: - Mix together the apricots, coconut and condensed milk. Roll mixture into small balls, then toss in icing sugar to coat. Allow to dry before serving.
Makes 30-34

ROLLED OAT SHORTBREAD

125g butter, melted 125g sugar
125g rolled oats 125g desiccated coconut

Method: - Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease a Swiss roll tin.
Mix all ingredients together and put into prepared tin. Cook for 30 minutes. Cut into squares.
Makes 20-25

APRICOT BISCUITS

85g softened butter 85g sugar
1 tblspn apricot jam 140g self-raising flour

Method: - Preheat oven to 175°C. Grease baking trays.
Cream butter and sugar, beat in jam then add sifted flour and mix well.
Take small portions of the mixture and roll into balls. Place on prepared trays and press balls lightly with the back of a fork. Bake for 10-15 minutes, until golden brown. Makes 20

COCONUT BISCUITS

60g softened butter	1 cup sugar
1 egg	pinch of salt
Vanilla essence, to taste	1 cup desiccated coconut
1 ½ cups self-raising flour	Chocolate icing (see below)
Extra coconut for sprinkling	

Method: - Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease baking tray.
Cream butter and sugar, then beat in egg, salt and vanilla. Add coconut and sifted flour and mix well. Roll into balls, flatten a little with your hands and place on prepared trays. Bake for 20 minutes until golden brown. Ice with chocolate icing and sprinkle with coconut.
Makes 20 minutes

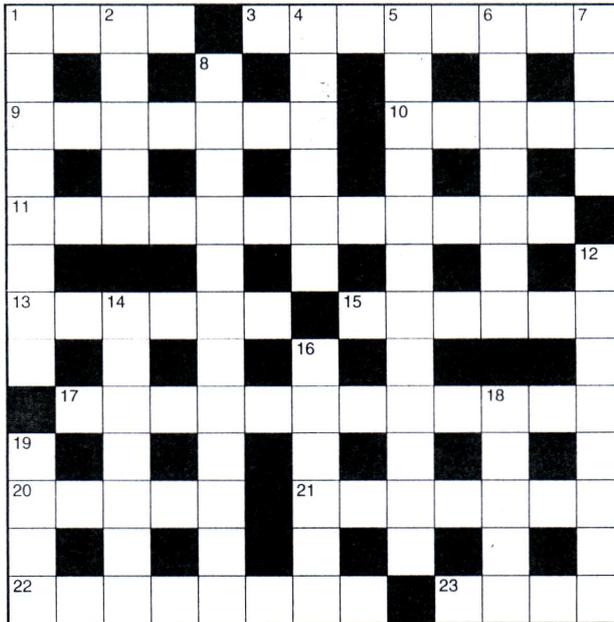
CHOCOLATE ICING

2 cups icing sugar	4 tblspns cocoa
2 tsps melted butter	

Method: - Sift icing sugar and cocoa into a bowl. Add melted butter to 3-4 tblspns warm water, then stir enough of the liquid into the sugar mix to make a spreading consistency

Crossword Puzzle, compiled by
Chris 49.

Answers next month.



(Sep 18)

ACROSS

1. Gum or pine e.g. (4).
3. Insulin deficiency. (8)
9. Flight Company. (7).
10. Gathered leaves. (5).
11. Child's Funfair ride. (13).
13. Interfere. (6).
15. Animals. (6).
17. Disgraceful. (12).
20. Same again (5).
21. Photographic apparatuses. (7).
22. element with symbol W. (8).
23. Second hand. (4).

DOWN

1. fellow sports player. (8).
2. Mistake. (5).
4. Esky E.G (6).
5. Extended longevity. (8,4).
6. Daily income. (7)
- 7 Fizzy drink. (4)
- 8 Teenager's seldom have.. (pl 4,8)
12. Rated. (8).
14. Dampen. (7).
16. Race of Indian. (6).
18. Poets. (5).
19. .Correct text (4).

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