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Burra to 'barrow' back into the past

In 1983, to commemorate the Centenary of the founding of Broken Hill, the Councils of Broken Hill and Burra decided to host an historic race event – The Burra to Broken Hill Centenary Barrow Push.

Conducted over 5 days and 5 stages – from Burra to Terowie; Terowie to Yunta; Yunta to Olary; Olary to Cockburn; Cockburn to Broken Hill – the teams ran over 355kms, pushing wheelbarrows. The barrows contained both food items and mining implements totalling a 30kg load.

At the time of the first event, there was \$13,000 of prize money on offer – equal to almost \$40,000 today.

Now, the Regional Council of Goyder, in partnership with AGL, is pleased to announce plans are underway to revive the event in 2023. As part of the preparations, we are seeking input from those who recall or may even have participated in previous events. We would relish the opportunity to hear your stories, sight any items/photographs/documents and, most importantly, seek your interest in registering a team.

The Event Team have already been provided with significant amounts of documentation and some memorabilia from the Woolley Family and this material is currently being collated for future release to assist in promoting the return event.

If you would like to contribute or are interested in being kept informed of the event details, please contact the Regional Council of Goyder.

For further information please go to www.goyder.sa.gov.au

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Images attached - 1985 teams – [The Burra Barrow Birds](#)
& [Burra Breathers](#)

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