



A team of 15 Habitat for Humanity SA volunteers last week assisted flood clean-up efforts for two property owners in the Marks Landing area near Swan Reach. PHOTOS: supplied

Many hands make light work for Murray River flood victims

A 15-STRONG band of volunteers descended on Swan Reach last week to clean up and restore gardens, and lift the spirits of property owners, following the devastating Murray River floods almost a year ago.

The Habitat for Humanity SA's disaster recovery team, which has already worked on five flood-affected properties in the Lower Murray region, spent two days – 6 November and 7 November – helping two property owners in the Marks Landing area, near Swan Reach.

Natalie Fuller – who previously co-ordinated the organisation's 2019-20 bushfire recovery volunteers and now, in retirement, is voluntarily managing the flood recovery program – says property owners near the Murray needed a hand in what has been a challenging period following the flood.

“As with the bushfires, property owners along the Murray often struggle to see the way forward in the face of such devastation, and that's where our volunteers can step in, make a real difference and lift the landowner's spirits,” Ms Fuller said.

“The 15-person team we took to Swan Reach (was) able to achieve a lot in terms of removing flood debris, landscaping eroded areas, repairing garden beds and replanting, over those two days.”

Ms Fuller said Habitat for Humanity receives referrals for assistance from the SA Housing Authority's Emergency Relief Unit, for homeowners whose principal place of residence was impacted by the floods.

Habitat for Humanity then makes its own assessment of the work needed and the num-

ber of volunteers required. The Swan Reach team of 15 volunteers was the largest the organization has assembled to date, with most teams numbering from eight to 10 people.

Ms Fuller said the group's work could only be carried out with the generous support of sponsors, including the RAA, Foundation SA and the State Government.

It is understood the Swan Reach Progress Association sponsored accommodation and food for the volunteers.

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the quiz



1. Who was the patron saint of animals?
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2. In Jonathan Swift's 'Gulliver's Travels', what was Gulliver's first name?
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3. What does OPEC stand for?
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4. Which English band released the single 'Turning Japanese' in 1980?
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5. In which country was the author Hans Christian Andersen born?
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6. In how many films did Sean Connery play James Bond?
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7. What is the name of the electronic system used at Wimbledon tennis matches which is used to determine whether a ball is in or out?
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8. How many chess pieces are on a board at the start of a match?
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9. Of which US state was Bill Clinton Governor before he became US President?
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10. Which is the final book in the 'Chronicles of Narnia' series by C.S. Lewis?
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11. Whose plays include 'The Rat Trap', 'Private Lives' and 'Post Mortem'?
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12. In which Disney film does the villain Jafar appear?
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13. Ruby is the traditional birthstone of people born in which month of the year?
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14. On which continent are the Atlas Mountains?
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15. What is the national language of Liechtenstein?
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16. What type of creature is a 'remora'?
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17. If you were to suffer from mysophobia, what would you be afraid of?
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18. What is ten cubed?
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19. Nick Mason was most famously the drummer with which band?
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20. Which US state is nicknamed the 'Heart of Dixie'?
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BONUS QUESTION: How was Mrs Hugh McCorquodale better known in the literary world? Answer in next week's Quiz

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