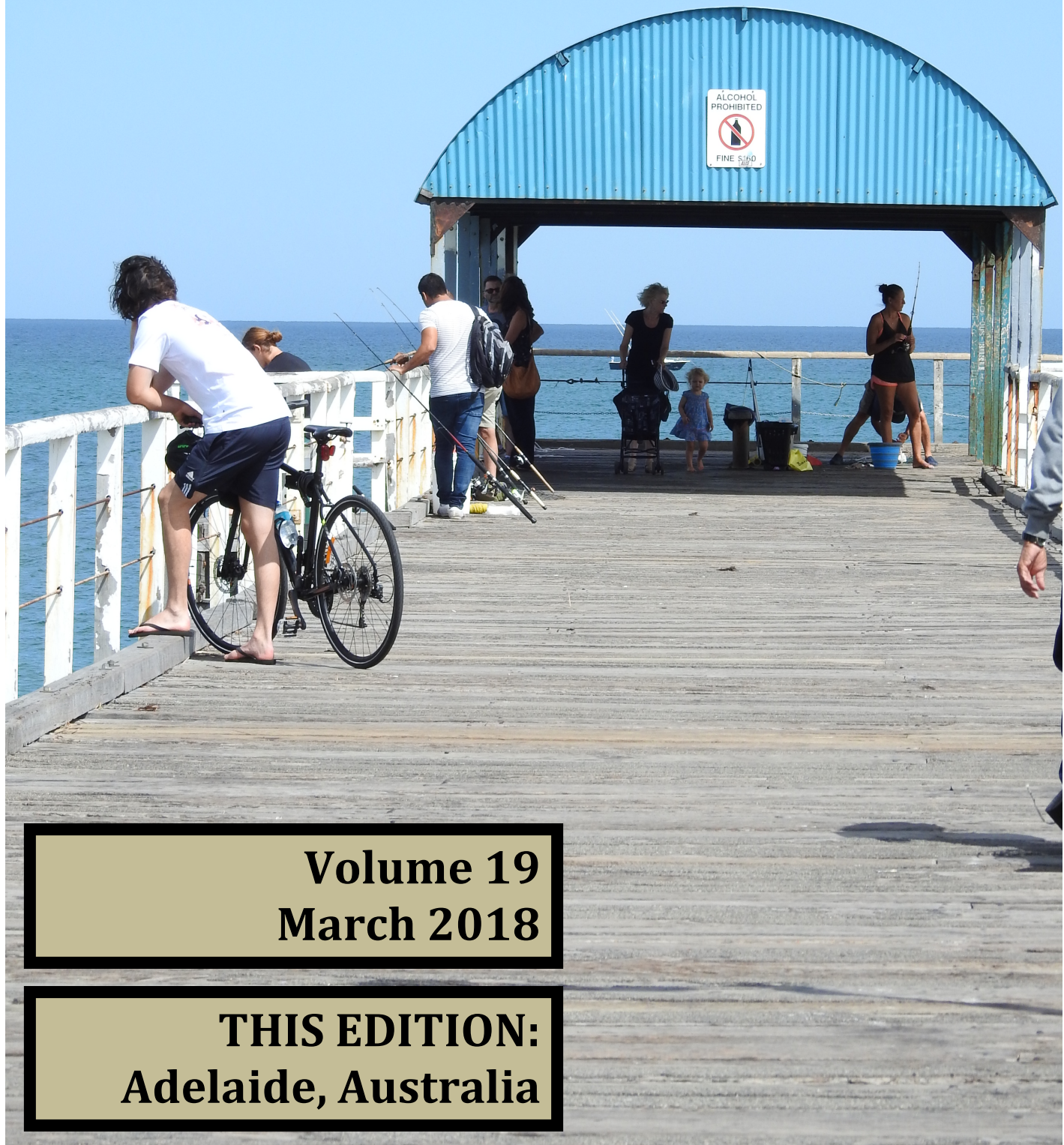


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**The world will never starve for wonder, but only for want of wonder.
G.K. Chesterson**



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editor's note

Welcome to the 19th edition of WANDER to WONDER

This edition of Wander to Wonder focuses on Adelaide, the capital of South Australia in Australia.

Until next edition, with another theme,

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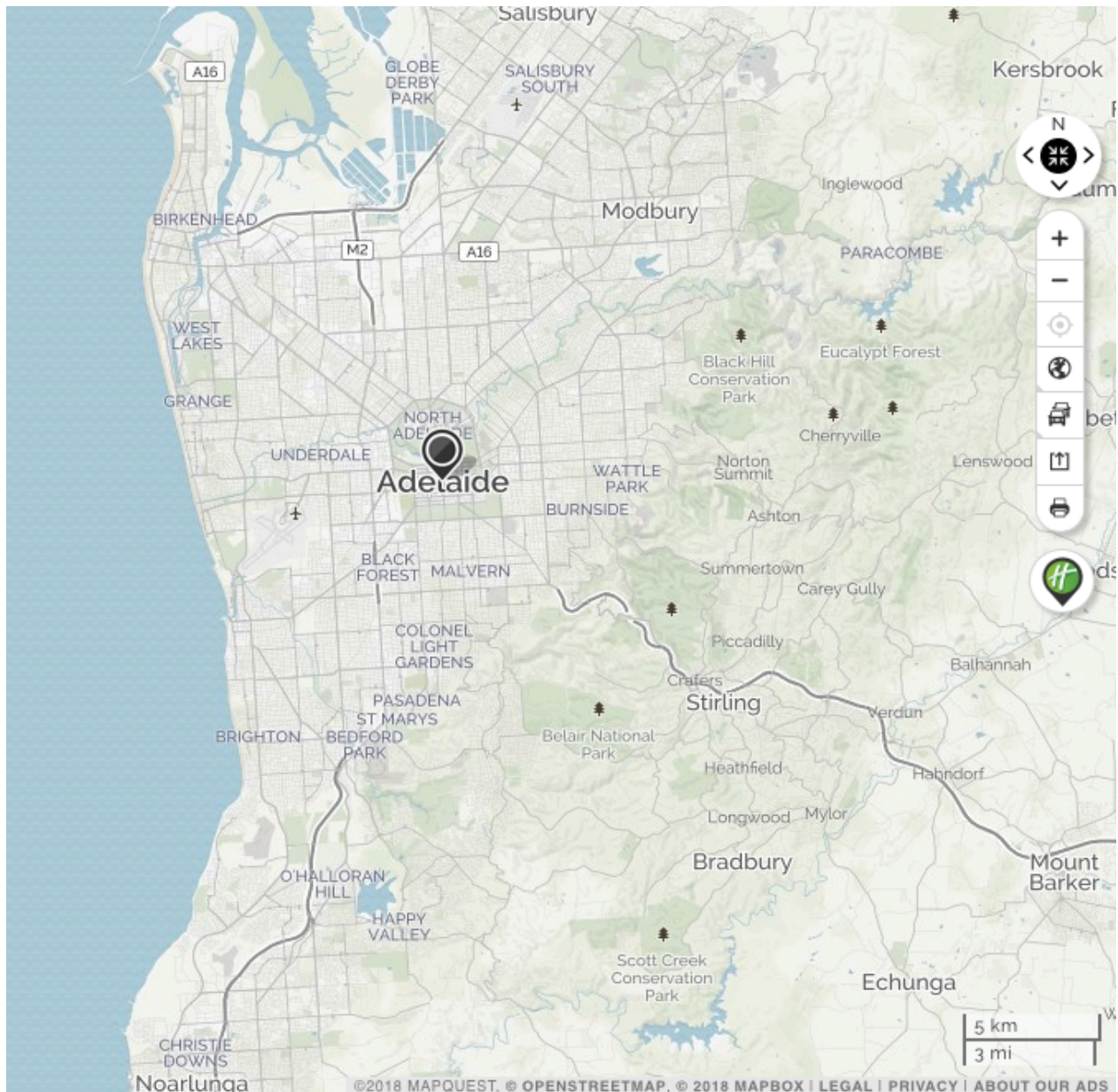
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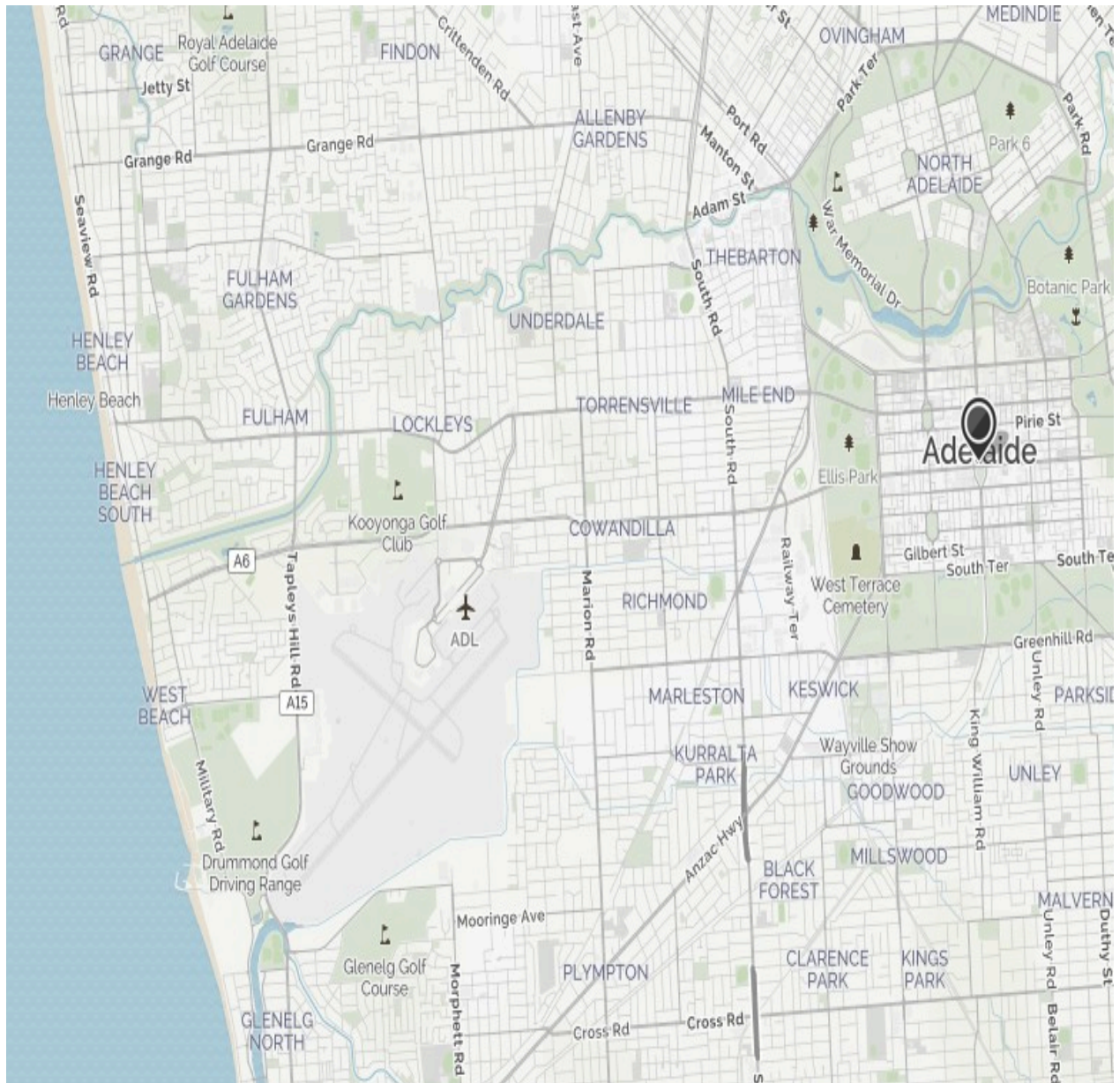
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adelaide

Adelaide is the capital of Australia's southern state of South Australia. It lies between the Gulf of St Vincent and the Mount Lofty Ranges; between sea and hills. It is 20 kilometres (12 miles) from the coast.

Adelaide was founded in 1836 by the British. Colonel William Light designed the city in a grid pattern around the River Torrens. The centre of the city is surrounded by parklands.

Adelaide is noted for its festivals and events and is consistently listed in The Economist Intelligence Unit's world's top 10 most liveable cities.



dingo



gum nuts







kangaroo paw

Kangaroo paw is a plant of the Haemodorraceae family. It is an arid climate plant with bird-attracting flowers.

The flowers are tubular, open at the top, and covered with hairs. The opening has six claw-like structures that look like a kangaroo paw.





sulphur-crested cockatoo





koala





australian sea lion

The Australian sea lion (*Neophoca cinerea*) is a [pinniped](#) from South Australia. They breed on about 50 islands (23 islands in South Australia and 27 islands in Western Australia). One of the four largest colonies of the sea lion is on South Australia's Kangaroo Island.





water dragon

The Water Dragon (*Intellagama lesueurii*) is an arboreal eastern Australian lizard.

The Water Dragon is a brown-green-grey lizard with a row of spikes at the base of its head (called a nuchal crest). Its throat has yellow, orange, or blue blotches. It has black bands across its back, tail, and legs. It can change colour to camouflage itself in its environment. It grows to about 60 centimetres (2 feet). It is a fast runner, strong climber, and good underwater swimmer.



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Similar but Different in the Animal Kingdom (2017)
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