

Important Reminder: Scams

This is a reminder to our community to stay vigilant of scam phone calls, emails and texts.

Scammers use phone calls, emails and texts to contact you and pretend to be a person or an organisation you know and trust. Often scammers will convince you to transfer money or provide personal information.

If you think a call, email or text could be a scam, stop and contact the organisation or individual using a publicly known phone number. This includes any communication which may be impersonating the District Council of Grant.

Remember, the contact details for District Council of Grant sites are:

Principal Office

- Phone: (08) 8721 0444
- Email: info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au

Port MacDonnell Community Complex

- Phone: (08) 8738 3000
- Email: pmcc@dcgrant.sa.gov.au

Mount Gambier Regional Airport

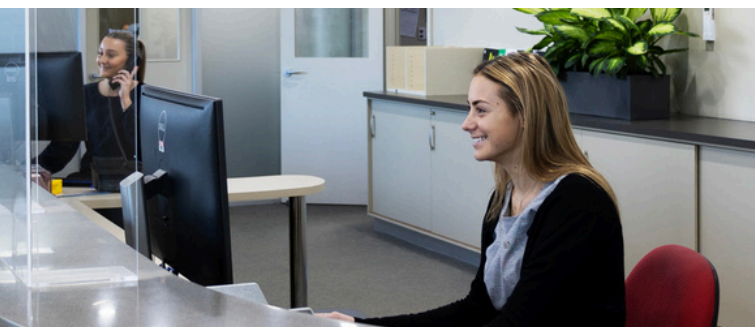
- Phone: (08) 8725 1112

Mount Gambier & District Saleyards

- Phone: (08) 8725 6155

Find out how you can protect yourself from scams online at www.police.sa.gov.au/your-safety/scams-and-cybercrime.

Report a scam or cybercrime online at www.cyber.gov.au/report-and-recover/report or visit your nearest police station.



Council Decisions

Road Maintenance Request in Port MacDonnell: At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Monday 15 July 2024, it was reported that Council's Access and Inclusion Advisory Panel noted Sea Parade, from Riddoch Highway to the Woolwash, at Port MacDonnell was in need of road surface improvements and repairs. Council staff agreed that this road requires improvements for safety and comfort of all road users.

Council resolved to write to Ministers the Hon. Tom Koutsantonis MP and the Hon. Dan Cregan MP and request an inspection and urgent road maintenance to improve the section of Sea Parade from Riddoch Highway to the junction of Pascoe Road / Eight Mile Creek Road at Port MacDonnell.

Next Council Meeting: 5:30pm Monday 19 August 2024 in the Council Chambers at 324 Commercial Street West, Mount Gambier.

Visit Council's website at www.dcgrant.sa.gov.au for full Council meeting reports and minutes.

Flashback



Tour of the Great South Coast | July 2017

Race start in Port MacDonnell



Out & About with Council

National General Assembly, Senator Visit & Drop-In Sessions

Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly

Mayor Kylie Boston, Deputy Mayor Cr Bruce Bain, Chief Executive Officer Darryl Whicker and Manager Strategy and Growth Rebecca Perkin attended the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly in Canberra between 1 and 5 July 2024.

Council representatives are pictured in Canberra with Mr Tony Pasin MP and Mount Gambier Combined Agents member Sam O'Connor to discuss funding for the Saleyards Transformation Project.



Visit from Senator Bridget McKenzie

Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport and Regional Development Senator Bridget McKenzie visited the Mount Gambier & District Saleyards on Friday 12 July 2024.

Senator McKenzie met with Mr Tony Pasin MP, Mayor Kylie Boston and the Mount Gambier Combined Agents to discuss the Saleyards Transformation Project.



Draft Strategic Plan 2024-2034 Drop-In Sessions

Three Drop-In Sessions were held during Council's Draft Strategic Plan community consultation period.

These sessions were held:

11 July 2024 at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex

16 July 2024 at the Mount Gambier Regional Airport

22 July 2024 online via Microsoft Teams

The sessions were an opportunity for interested parties to learn more about what was proposed in the Draft Plan and ask questions to Council representatives.

Mayor Kylie Boston, Acting Chief Executive Officer Gary Button and other Council staff members were in attendance to present the Draft Plan and answer questions from attendees.

More information about the Draft Strategic Plan 2024-2034 process is available on page 3 and online at www.yoursaydgcg.com.au.



Draft Strategic Plan 2024-2034 Update

Consultation Closed | Feedback to be Reviewed

The District Council of Grant worked with local community groups, businesses and key industries to a collective vision for our district.

5 goals were developed to represent a collective vision for our future over the next 4-10 years:



Goal 1: Community. A connected, inclusive, resilient and engaged community



Goal 2: Economy. A growing, diverse and vibrant economy, optimising our unique primary industries and natural assets



Goal 3: Infrastructure. Reliable and contemporary infrastructure that meets the needs of our community, industry and visitors



Goal 4: Environment. A sustainable district that values the natural qualities and heritage that underpin our health, liveability and economy



Goal 5: Council. A strategic and financially sustainable Council that values its people and delivers quality services

These goals and associated proposed projects were open for community consultation between 18 June and 24 July 2024.

The District Council of Grant thanks all community members who took time to read the Draft Plan and submit feedback.

Next Steps

Feedback submitted during the consultation period will be reviewed by Council staff and amendments to the Draft Strategic Plan will be made where appropriate. A refined Strategic Plan will then be presented to Council on Monday 19 August 2024 for endorsement.

More information about the Draft Strategic Plan 2024-2034 is still available to view online at www.yoursaydgcg.com.au.

Extracts from Draft Strategic Plan



Mayor and CEO Welcome

The delivery of our Strategic Plan for 2024 to 2034 is underpinned by our ongoing sustainable financial management, as reflected through Council's Long Term Financial Plan and recent Council Services Commission of South Australia report.

Our Strategic Plan 2024 to 2034 demonstrates our commitment to deliver quality services, maintain financial sustainability, work together with our communities and to create an environment where we can all live, work and play.

The goals that make up our Strategic Plan are representative of our community engagement process. It would like to thank all those in our community who contributed through the engagement process, which supported us in the creation of these strategic goals and aims. Council is committed to living and listening to our community.

This Plan recognises the current strengths and challenges of our community, but looks to the future so we can strive to achieve community aspirations. We are so fortunate to live in such a beautiful part of the world with a connected, diverse community.

In Council's effort to implement the strategic goals, I am committed to effective leadership, good governance, and making sure that we contribute to a future our community will prosper and grow in.

I am confident that the strategic programs, projects and service standards to be delivered during the Strategic Plan period are achievable and will contribute positively to our vision and ensure a sustainable future.



Acknowledgement of Country

It is a privilege to be standing on Bardiwadj country.

We acknowledge the contributions of Aboriginal Australians and non-Aboriginal Australians to the development of all peoples in the country we live in and share together - Australia.

Our Vision

We are a district of welcoming, inclusive and vibrant coastal and rural communities within the Limestone Coast.

With a pristine environment, relaxed rural lifestyle, quality services and a picturesque coastal experience, this is a great place to live, conduct business and an exciting destination to visit and stay.

Our Strategic Plan

This Strategic Plan is our visioning document, which sets out the aspirations, goals and plans which will guide Council's actions over the coming 10-15 years.

The plan has been informed by background research into key demographic, policy trends and engagement with our community, elected members and staff. Our plan reflects the priorities of people who live in, visit and enjoy our district.

Working Together to Prepare this Plan

Targeted engagement was undertaken with key stakeholders, including a group of community members (a Citizens Jury) formed with representatives from a variety of community groups, local businesses and the Limestone Coast Council and a diversity of local experience in our district, as well as our Council Members (Council) and our delivery team (staff).

Across two workshop sessions, each undertaken a SWOT analysis of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats to our district, followed by consideration of our vision, what we require to get there (including short-term actions, long-term actions and ultimately, what success would look like at regular intervals and our key goals for the future).

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Council's Strategic Framework

Council has also identified a range of future plans that warrant consideration or development.

Community	Economy	Environment	Infrastructure	Council
- Regional Public Health & Wellbeing Plan - Disability Access & Inclusion Plan - Greater Garden Master Plan - Community Grants Master Plan - Recreation & Community Development Plan - Recreation Plan	- Agriculture, Rural and Land Use Plan - Planning and Signage Strategy - Sustainable Growth and Tourism Plan	- Car and Dog Management Plan - Bank & Coastal Communities Urban Design Framework - Port Macdonnell Urban Design Framework - Port Macdonnell Urban Design Framework - Water Management Plan	- Building Asset Management Plan - CRMS Asset Management Plan - Port Macdonnell Urban Design Framework - ICT Equipment Asset Management Plan - Port Macdonnell Urban Design Framework	- Community Engagement Framework - Corporate Branding Guide - Business Community Plan



Mount Gambier Regional Airport Update

World War II Pilot & Emergency Response Exercise

Return of World War II Pilot

Recently, a World War II pilot returned to the Limestone Coast to share his story with members of the Mount Gambier Aviation Museum and District Council of Grant staff in the hopes to immortalise his story.

Ian McCrae, a 101-year-old Second World War veteran, is one of the people who has shared his story of his time in Mount Gambier as a flight sergeant in hopes it will be archived into the future museum.

Now living in Victoria, Mr McCrae is believed to be the last surviving member of the Limestone Coast RAAF from the days of the Second World War.

Mount Gambier Aviation Museum Head of Management and Governance Don Dyson said:

"The RAAF base here was only one of two observer schools in all of Australia and Ian is probably the last remaining person we know of who actually worked on this base as a pilot to train the navigators and observers before they went to overseas deployments,"

"To have someone who has the history and what life was like on this base is just absolute gold to us,"

"It is almost like a living history, which fits in really well with what we are trying to do with our museum by trying to capture the entire history of aviation in this area."



Airport Emergency Response Exercise

A practical emergency response exercise was conducted at the Airport on Tuesday 25 June 2024.

An emergency scenario was reenacted where a nineteen-seater aircraft, carrying one pilot and four passengers, hit a wind shear causing it to crash land on the Airport runway.

Members from the South Australian Police, South Australian Ambulance Service, Metropolitan Fire Service, Country Fire Service, State Emergency Service, Mount Gambier Airport Services (REX), Precision Aviation (Qantas) and Mount Gambier Regional Airport management team assisted in the exercise.

The practical exercise was designed to test the response of the local emergency services and in particular, the effectiveness of the Mount Gambier Regional Airport's current Airport Emergency Plan.

It was reported that those who participated showed excellent inter-agency cooperation, communication and collaboration which resulted in the emergency scenario being effectively managed and completed in a timely manner.



Port MacDonnell Community Complex Update

School Holiday Program, Donation & Author Event

Winter School Holiday Recap

Between Monday 8 and Sunday 21 July 2024, the Port MacDonnell Community Complex hosted its Winter School Holiday Program.

A wide variety of challenging and creative crafts were available for the children to participate in during their time off of school. Crafts on offer were:

- kaleidoscope making
- cotton ball painting
- button badge making
- diorama making
- yarn painting
- pizza making
- tissue paper coasters
- stitch cards

Also accessible during the holidays was the Wii, PlayStation, 8ball table, youth area, connect 4 and free WIFI.



Donation from Baytown Group

Recently, the Baytown Group kindly donated a button badge maker and glass cabinets to the Port MacDonnell Community Complex.

The badge maker was a popular addition to the Complex's Winter School Holiday Program.

The two glass cabinets now enable high value or delicate artworks to be stored safely whilst being showcased.



Author Event - Leonie Kelsall

On Sunday 14 July 2024, the Port MacDonnell Community Complex hosted 'An afternoon with Leonie Kelsall' who spoke about her newest book release; The Homestead In The Eucalypts.

The author event was successful with over 20 people in attendance.



Mount Gambier & District Saleyards Update

Support Our Farmers

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BACK OUR SALEYARDS



Scan the QR code to sign the petition calling for Federal Government funding to upgrade the Mount Gambier & District Saleyards.



Waste and Recycling Update

Waste Transfer Stations & Mobile Garbage Bins

Waste Transfer Station Vouchers

Each property in the District Council of Grant is eligible for a cashless waste transfer station voucher at the commencement of each financial year. The voucher card entitles the resident / tenant to 6 visits, with a heaped tandem trailer load of segregated waste considered to be the maximum quantity for each visit on the voucher card.

Segregated loads of scrap metal are free, and green waste during the fire danger season will not constitute a visit on the voucher.

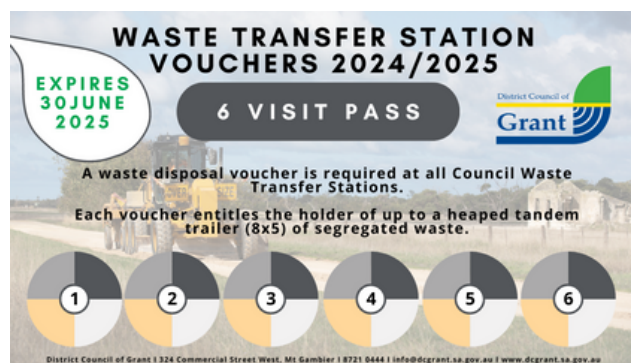
Vouchers are now available to collect:

In-person:

- Principal Office: 324 Commercial Street West, Mount Gambier
- Port MacDonnell Community Complex: 5-7 Charles Street, Port MacDonnell

Phone: (08) 8721 0444

Email: info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au



Mobile Garbage Bin Collection

Pictured on the right of this page is Council's updated Mobile Garbage Bin collection calendar for 2024-2025.

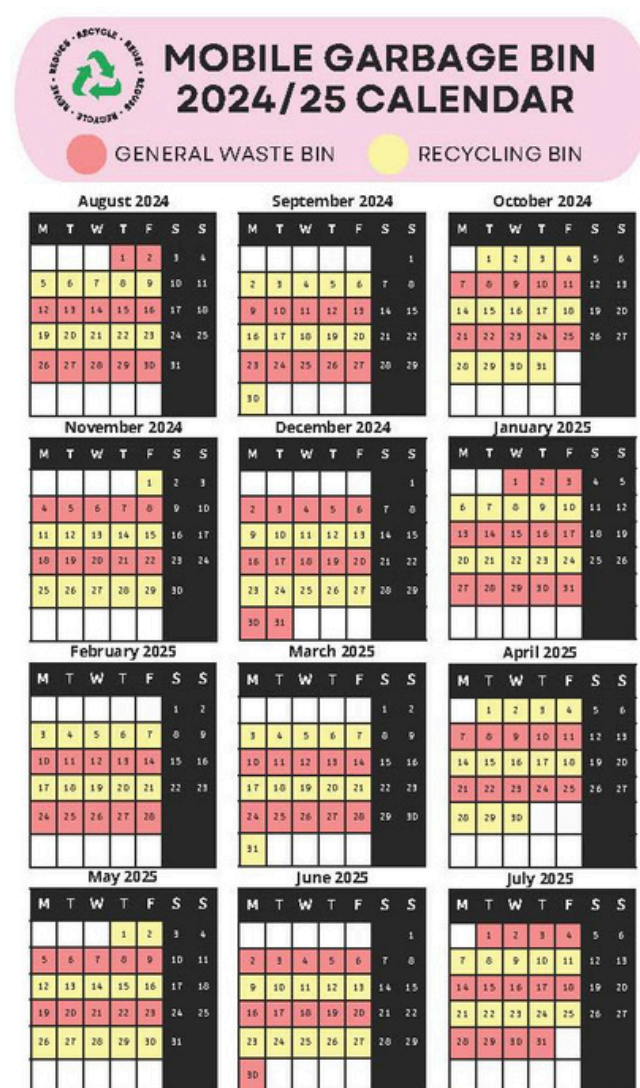
Please note it is imperative that bins are placed out the night before or prior to 6:00am on the day of your service to ensure collection.

The bin is to be placed with the lid opening towards the road and the lid is kept closed to prevent animal scavenging and/or wind blowing rubbish along the roadside.

Bins which are overweight (above 70kg) or contaminated may not be collected. A sticker will be placed on your bin to advise of reason for non-collection.

Non-council branded bins will not be collected.

Replacement bins required due to damage, loss and/or stolen can be issued at the owner's expense. Contact Council to arrange a replacement.



**Collection Enquiries & Missed Bins**
Ph: 8427 8204

**Bin Repairs &/or Replacements**
Ph: 8721 0444



Unsure which Bin to put in? Go to "Which Bin" website to find out!

Dog & Cat Owner Reminders

Barking, Exercise & Registration Renewals

Barking Dogs

Barking is perfectly natural behaviour for a dog. Barking can be an alert to a disturbance or a person entering your property, a demand for attention or contact, communication with other dogs, or just a response to being left alone. Even more seriously, your dog may be barking to let you know that it is in pain or discomfort.

Whilst barking is a natural behaviour, it may need to be controlled if:

- it continues for extended periods of time
- it occurs too frequently
- it occurs at inappropriate times of the day or night

You may not be aware that your dog is causing a disturbance until your neighbours speak to you or you are notified that there has been a report lodged with your local council.

It is an offence under the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995* for an owner or person responsible to allow their dog to create noise, barking or otherwise, that interferes with the peace, comfort or convince of another person.

Exercise

Exercise is an essential component of a dog's life. If your dog is highly energetic breed, it might not be getting enough exercise to keep it happy. You can increase your dog's physical activity by:

- taking it for longer walks
- taking it to an off-lead dog park for a run and to socialise with other dogs
- throwing a ball to your dog

*Sourced from the Dog and Cat Management Board's Dog Owners' Handbook 2020



How to Renew Registration

All dog, cat, breeder and business registrations expire 30 June each year. Registration renewal notices are sent out, prompting you to re-register and check your details are correct or still current.

Log in to check and update your and your animal's details, and pay by credit card, following these seven simple steps.

Go to dogsandcatsonline.com.au:

1. Select Register
2. Select Renew Registration
3. Enter renewal code and surname
4. Check your personal details are correct
5. Check your dog and/or cat details are correct
6. Add any new dogs and/or cats
7. Complete payment section

The fees on renewal notices have been calculated on the information in the system at the time of print and may change. Contact your council if you require assistance.

*Sourced from the Dog and Cat Management Board website

Registration Renewals Now Due

All registered dog and cat owners should have now received a renewal reminder from the Dog and Cat Management Board.

Visit the Dogs and Cats Online website at dogsandcatsonline.com.au to renew your pet today or contact Council's friendly Customer Service staff for assistance on (08) 8721 0444.

Useful Planning & Development Information

Notified Developments

Notified Developments

Some lodged development applications need public notification as part of their assessment process.

Public notification lets neighbours and other interested parties have a say about a development before a decision is made.

When you have your say on a notified development application, it's called submitting a representation.

You can submit your representation online through the above link, or directly to the planning authority, so long as it is submitted in writing.



How to submit a representation:

1. Understand the application:

When you submit a representation, your comments must relate to planning matters only such as noise, overlooking or safety.

Make sure you read through all documentation provided with the application to fully understand potential planning impacts.

2. Prepare your representation:

Your representation must be submitted through an approved form which can be completed digitally or as a printed paper copy. A representation form is available for each application that is on public notification.

For some applications, the form is also attached to a letter sent to affected residents. For a representation to be valid, it must: be in writing, outline the reasons for the representation, include your name and address, state if you wish to speak at the hearing where they will make a decision about the development. If you are unsure if you wish to attend, then please say yes.

3. Submit your representation:

After completing your representation form, you need to provide it to the relevant authority for consideration.

If you are submitting your representation digitally, it will automatically be sent to the relevant authority via the Development Application Processing (DAP) system.

If you are submitting your representation in hardcopy, provide this to the relevant authority of the application by post, email or in person.

The relevant authority is noted on the representation form and may be a council assessment panel or the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP).

For SCAP applications, send your representation to:

- Email: scapreps@sa.gov.au
- Post: The Secretary, State Commission Assessment Panel, GPO Box 1815, Adelaide SA 5001
- In person: State Commission Assessment Panel, Level 10, 83 Flinders Street, Adelaide

4. Track your representation:

All representations submitted are public information, including your name and address.

If you have any concerns about details being published, contact the relevant authority for the application. This may be a council assessment panel or the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP).

Valid representations:

- are forwarded to the applicant to give them the opportunity to respond before a decision
- may be published for a time on the PlanSA portal as part of the decision-making process for the development.

*Sourced from the PlanSA website.

More information about the representation process is available online plan.sa.gov.au.

Australian of the Year 2025 Awards

Who inspires you?

The Australian of the Year Awards honours incredible Australians who have gone the extra mile to create a better country for us all. We all know someone that goes above and beyond in contributing to a greater community – the quiet achievers, the community heroes, the leaders and the doers.

Since its inception in 1960, the Australian of the Year Awards has provided a focal point for Australia Day celebrations and a forum for the recognition of outstanding achievement.

Each year our nation celebrates the contributions of eminent Australians through the Australian of the Year Awards by profiling leading citizens who are role models for us all. They inspire us through their achievements and challenge us to make our own contribution to creating a better Australia.

The Australian of the Year Awards provide everyone with the opportunity to recognise any Australian who makes them proud.

Nominations are now open for the Australian of the Year 2025 Awards and close **Wednesday 31 July 2024**.

Nominate someone you know online at australianoftheyear.org.au/nominate.

Community members will also have an opportunity to nominate someone who contributes to community life and participates in local projects for a 2025 Citizen of the Year Award.

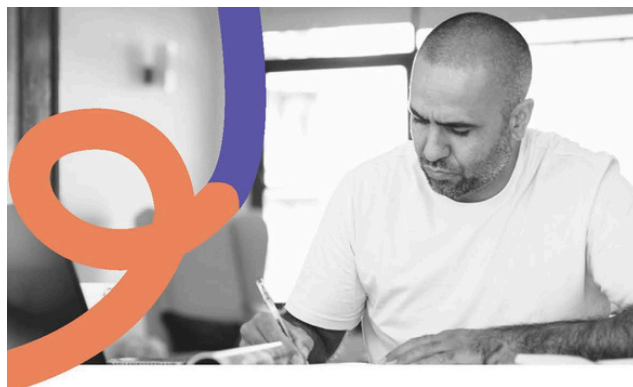
Nominations are open all year round however close Friday 15 November 2024.

Nominate on the Citizen of the Year website at citizenoftheyear.com.au.



South
Australia

Free support for Carers



Caring for a friend or relative can be complicated

Connecting with other carers just like you can help

The Carer Forum is a safe online space where Australian carers can meet others facing similar challenges in their caring roles.

Share your stories, get some practical advice, support and have a laugh or two. Jump online and join the forum today.

"The community here is very welcoming and supportive"

"Thanks for the encouragement"

The Carer Gateway Community Forum is available 24/7.

To find out more, visit the Forum Getting Started Page at: forum.carergateway.gov.au/s/gettingstarted.



Through the Lens: Seniors Card photographic competition and exhibition

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

Seniors Card members love to share their stories, and other members love to hear them. Photos speak a thousand words. Through the Lens is a wonderful opportunity for Seniors Card members to share photos that they have taken, that reflect their lives and interests.

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

Categories

The judges are looking for good photographic technique, creativity and clear photographs.

Below are the available categories:

- Active ageing
- Artistic photography
- Landscape & nature
- Meaningful connections
- Portrait

Prizes

Winners in each of the five categories and the Judge's Choice Award will receive a prize.

Finalists in each of the five categories will receive a large ready-to-hang print of their photo.

Exhibition

Finalists and winners in each of the categories as well as the winner of the Judge's Choice Award, will have their work featured in the Through the Lens exhibition at the City Library for public view throughout October 2024.

Entries close Friday 16 August 2024

Enter today via the Seniors Card website at www.seniorscard.sa.gov.au/benefits/through-the-lens.

Previous winners

2023



Lawrence Vassollo took out the Judge's Choice Award for his photo, "Early morning opportunity", depicting a Pixies Parasol (*Mycena interrupta*) in the early morning.

2022



Ian Patterson took out the Judge's Choice Award in 2022 for his photo, "Cruising". Ian's winning photo is of a Giant Australian Cuttlefish captured near Whyalla.

2021



Ian Probyn took out the Judge's Choice Award in 2021 for his photo, 'All of us'. Ian's winning photo is a portrait of a colony of tube worms, isolated on black.

2020



Kay Jamieson's photo, 'Crossing the line' took out the top prize in 2020. Kay's 62 year old friend manages the tricky boat-to-boat transfer during a bespoke outing in Coffin Bay.

2019



A photo depicting a striking lionfish won in 2019. Ian Patterson was awarded the top prize for his photo taken during a night drive off the Indonesian island of Sulawesi.

2018



A photo depicting the strong hypnotic stare of Ellie the owl won in 2018. David Munro was awarded the top prize for his photo taken at the Raptor Domain on Kangaroo Island.

Rates Instalment Reminder

District Council of
Grant

First
instalment due:

**Friday
6 September
2024**

Second
instalment due:

**Friday
6 December
2024**

Third
instalment due:

**Friday
7 March
2025**

Fourth
instalment due:

**Friday
6 June
2025**

Sign up for FlexiPay

FlexiPay is giving you the chance
to win a \$750 Visa Gift Card.

You can do this by scanning the
QR code on the notice.

Be quick!

You have until
6/9/24



Pay bills on time,
every time

**A new system designed
to make paying your
bill easier.**



Nominate Bank Account,
Credit Card, Apple Pay
or Google Pay



Enjoy flexible
payment plans that
work for you

Just 3 easy steps!

Step 1

Scan the QR code on your notice OR go
to dcgrant.enotices.com.au and enter the
Reference Number located by the 



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Cancel

Submit

Step 2

Select your payment frequency and start
date

Step 3

Check your email inbox and click the link
to provide your payment method.

If you are already on direct debit you are already in the draw

(08) 8721 0444

dcgrant.enotices.com.au

info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au



External Community Consultation

Cat Management & Dingley Dell

Clarifying current cat management laws

The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) are seeking feedback on the proposed changes to the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995* (the Act).

Background

Managing cats is complex with responsibilities shared between individuals, local, state and federal government, as well as non-government parties.

The Act is South Australia's legal framework for managing dogs and cats. It outlines the responsibilities of dog and cat owners and includes powers for cat management undertaken by local government and other stakeholders, including National Parks and Landscape Boards.

For local communities and cat owners, amendments are needed so councils are able to return lost cats to owners and implement cat management by-laws.

The Act also has operational issues for officers working to manage cats in areas of the State where feral cats are problematic.

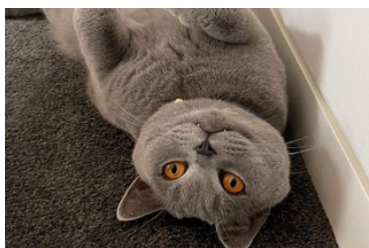
Get involved

Find out more by reading the Explanatory Guide, draft Bill and FAQ document online at yoursay.sa.gov.au (scan the QR code below).

Have your say by:

- Completing the questionnaire; or
- Sending your formal submission to DEW.DogAndCatReform@sa.gov.au including your contact details such as name, address, telephone number and email

Consultation closes Wednesday 4 September 2024.



Dingley Dell Conservation Park Draft Management Plan

The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) are seeking your views on the draft management plan for Dingley Dell Conservation Park.

Background

Management plans are high level, strategic documents that set the direction and outline how parks will be managed. They are required for all parks under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972*.

Once finalised, the plan will replace the Dingley Dell Conservation Park section of the *Small Inland Parks of the South East Management Plan* (1994). While the protection and conservation of natural and heritage values, and providing opportunity for tourism is a focus in the current plan it doesn't envisage tourist accommodation.

The draft plan enables upgrades of existing infrastructure and the development of new facilities including small-scale accommodation to support tourism and experiences where visitors can appreciate and learn about Dingley Dell Cottage and the park's biodiversity.

Get involved

Read the Dingley Dell Conservation Park Draft Management Plan online at yoursay.sa.gov.au (scan the QR code below) and have your say by:

- taking the online survey
- emailing a submission to DEWProtectedAreaManagement@sa.gov.au
- posting a written submission to Department for Environment and Water, National Parks and Protected Area Program, GPO Box 1047 ADELAIDE SA 5001

Consultation closes Friday 6 September 2024.



External Grant Funding & Programs

Community Grant & Cyber Resilience

Flinders University Rural and Remote Health Community Partnership Grant 2024

Flinders University strive to improve the health of our geographically and culturally diverse communities through the transformative power of education, research and health care. Strong partnerships with communities are fundamental to educating students, ensuring graduates are ready to serve them.

The Community Partnership Grant is one way that Flinders University is investing in local rural communities.

Grants of up to \$2,000 will be funded to support projects that benefit local rural and regional communities within the local government areas of Flinders University Rural and Remote Health SA located campuses. Regions include the Riverland, Barossa Valley, Hills Mallee Fleurieu and Greater Green Triangle.

If your group or organisation has a great idea that will positively contribute to the health and wellbeing of your community, apply for a Flinders University Rural and Remote Health Community Partnership Grant via the link or QR code below.

Applications close Friday 30 August 2024.

More information via the QR code or online at: www.flinders.edu.au/flinders-rural-and-remote-health-sa/community-engagement

Questions and enquiries can be directed to:

Flinders University Rural and Remote Health SA
Phone: 0434 882 882
Email: rrh.marcom@flinders.edu.au



Office for Small & Family Business Cyber Uplift Step Program

Navigating the digital world as a small business owner can be challenging, especially when it comes to cyber security.

The Office for Small & Family Business believes with the right resources and expertise; all businesses can build their resilience to withstand the challenges of the digital world and thrive in today's competitive economy.

The Cyber Uplift Step Program is specifically designed to help South Australian businesses with under 20 employees, or majority family-owned, take that first (or next step) with confidence.

By empowering small businesses with knowledge and actionable steps, the Cyber Uplift Step Program (CUSP) removes uncertainty and gives you the confidence to take charge of your cyber security.

With the support of the Government of South Australia, \$10,000 worth of expertise and resources are being offered for a one-off payment and subsidised cost of \$500.

The Program includes:

- Dedicated Cyber Coach
- Personalised roadmap
- Online training and tools
- Workshop and networking events
- Digital certification
- 1 year Affiliate membership to the Australian Cyber Collaboration Centre

More information about the Program and how to join is available via the QR code or online at: www.cusp.org.au.





NEED A PLACE TO WORK?

CO-WORKING *space*

TUESDAY 20 AUGUST

PORT MACDONNELL COMMUNITY COMPLEX
DROP IN BETWEEN 9:30AM AND 3:00PM

WORKSPACE AREA
FAST WI-FI
NEARBY CAFES



MOUNT GAMBIER
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE



*This event is a joint initiative of the Mount Gambier Chamber of Commerce
and District Council of Grant*

Want to know more about the Mount Gambier Chamber of Commerce?
Chat with a Chamber Board Member at the upcoming session or visit
www.mountgambierchamber.com.au

Registrations are
encouraged by
scanning the
QR code



Admella Wreckage Anniversary

Display at the Port MacDonnell Maritime Museum



In the week between 5 and 12 August 2024, we commemorate the incredulous human bravery of the epic local tragedy of the 'SS Admella' shipwreck 165 years ago.

Visit the Port MacDonnell Maritime Museum, inside the Community Complex, to view a new video in the large area. Inside the Museum is also a fully detailed display with actual artefacts and relics from the ship.

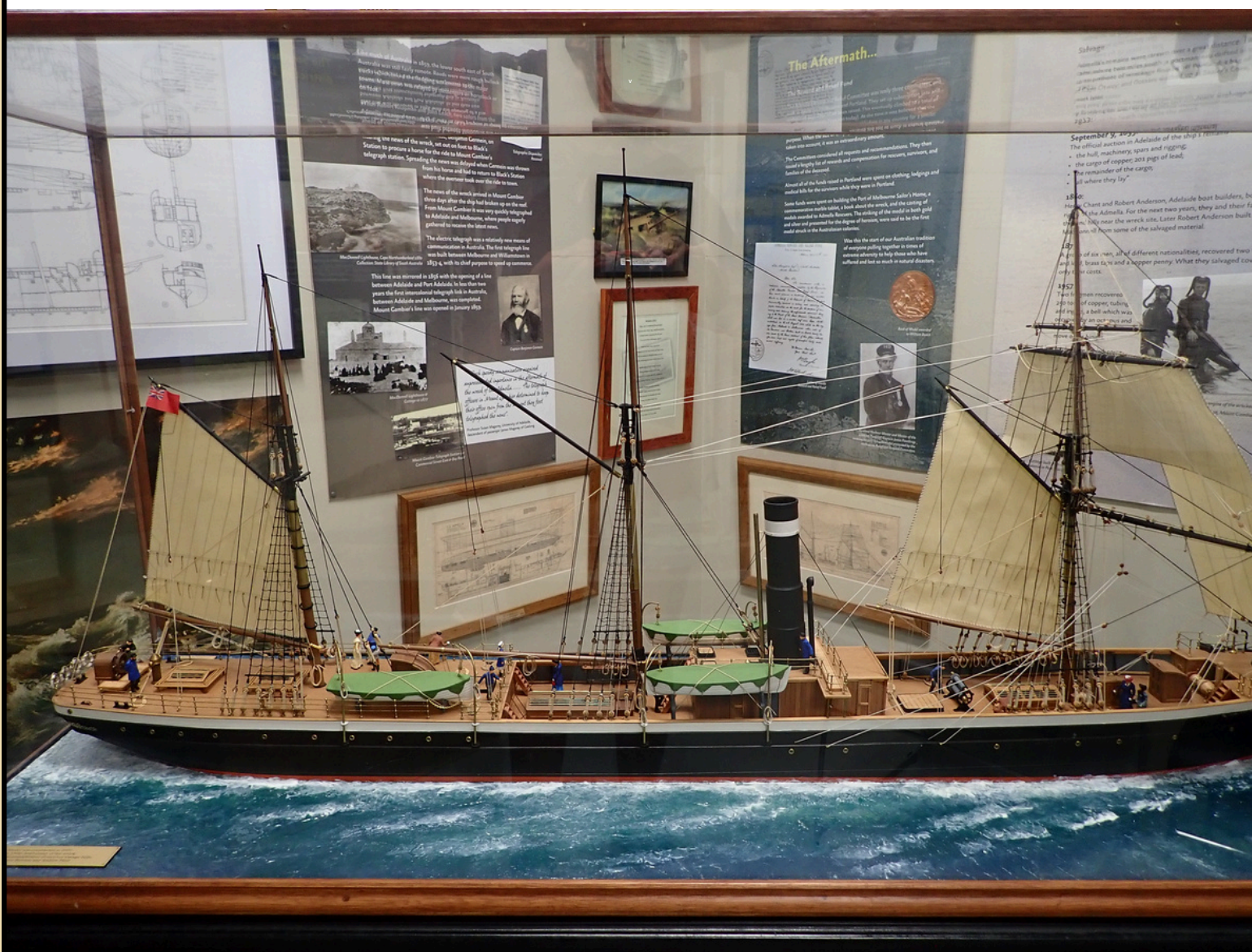
6 August 1859 at 5:00am

The 'Admella', a coastal steamship, was en-route from Adelaide to Melbourne when it struck the reef off Carpenter Rocks. It broke into three, hurling and wildly sweeping away its ship parts, people, cargo and horses.

There were 113 men, women and children on board. Only 24 survived the horrific conditions and tragic rescue attempts.

Rescue attempts were desperate and fraught with their own tragedies. Eight days of terror, unprotected, clinging to whatever was near, without food and water, exhausted. No children survived, only one woman.

We know of two (maybe more) families alive today in our district who are direct descendants from two of those survivors.



SKILL UP

BOARD GOVERNANCE BUILDING BLOCKS

Four free online workshops

- For current board and committee members - or those considering joining - to understand your governance duties.
- Be empowered with the knowledge and confidence to contribute to your community.
- Choose which sessions to attend or attend all four.
- Common sense, practical workshops, Q&A session.

Dates and topics:

- **19 August 2024:** Governing Rules
- **21 October 2024:** Effective Meeting Procedures
- **17 February 2025:** Strategic Planning
- **17 March 2025:** Understanding Financial Reports

6.30pm- 8.30pm (CST)



Natasha Rees has extensive experience in complex social policy and transformational change projects in the human services sector.

During her career in federal and state government Natasha designed and implemented significant national social policy initiatives.

As a coach and mentor, Natasha uses a strengths-based approach to improve workplace performance, with experience in mentoring Indigenous leaders and leaders with disability.

Registrations essential

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Essentials to strengthen your small business

Strengthen your small business with our new online learning platform.

If you're a small business or tax professional, get ready for this! The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) has launched a new online learning platform [Essentials to strengthen your small business](#).

Are you looking to improve your financial, record-keeping and business knowledge to support your business to thrive?

There are currently 30 courses available, designed to help you get the basics right. These courses cover:

- record-keeping
- cash flow
- deductions
- GST
- Super, and more!

You can complete each course at your own pace by saving your progress and coming back another time. You can even choose your own pathway, depending on the industry you're in and where you're at in your business lifecycle.

The online courses are complemented by Masterclasses facilitated by the ATO. Masterclasses allow you to dive-deeper into each topic, ask questions and hear from others.

So, what are you waiting for? Start taking steps to strengthen your small business today!

If you've registered for a Masterclass, it is helpful to review the course(s) prior to attending, it will provide you with a good foundation so you can ask questions relevant to your business needs. The courses are typically short and easy to follow.

Links to our most popular courses can be found here:

- [Starting a small business](#)
- [Record keeping](#)
- [Goods and services tax \(GST\)](#)
- [Claiming small business tax deductions](#)
- [Cash flow for small business success](#)
- [Hiring workers](#)

MACKILLOP FARM MANAGEMENT GROUP PRESENTS **MFMG** 

LIVESTOCK STRATEGIES FOR THE NEXT 100 DAYS

with a focus on beef production

Mount Gambier Golf Club | Monday 19 August 2024

2.00pm to 6.00pm, followed by dinner

Topics and Presenters

As we move through a challenging season, hear from topic experts on developing strategies going forward including:

**Grazing management and optimising Winter forage options |
Rick Jordan, Gambier Seeds**

**Nutrition - early weaning, what it requires and alternate feed sources |
Ashlee Wachtel, Tailored Livestock Consulting**

**Animal Health Management | Dr Andrew Hoare
SE Vets**

Come for the session and stay for a Schnitzel.

**FREE to attend - for seat and catering requirements, please register to attend at
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