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District Council of Grant put on a full slate of animal-themed programming during the April school holidays. Port MacDonnell Community Complex set the tone with a two-week program of daily craft activities and a hands-on animal encounter experience on Monday 20 April 2026. For more information, continue reading on Page 6.

As part of SA Youth Week 2026, the inaugural Youth in Ag event was held at the Mount Gambier & District Saleyards on Friday 10 April 2026. This event was hosted in partnership with Workforce Australia Local Jobs, providing a day of immersive education for youth across the district with an interest in pursuing careers in agriculture. Despite blustery weather, approximately 120 students from six schools attended the event.

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Sinkholes Masterplan Progress

Council has accepted the submission from Adelaide-based City Collective to prepare a Sinkholes Masterplan and Little Blue Lake Detailed Design, following a successful Expression of Interest (EOI) process that began in January 2026.

Seven submissions were received throughout the EOI period, with prices ranging from \$95,800 to \$296,764. City Collective were recommended by the administration for offering the best value for money with a price of \$96,300.

Council also accepted varying the 2025-2026 Budget to include an additional \$50,000 to fund the project.



Generative Artificial Intelligence Policy

Council has endorsed and adopted the Generative Artificial Intelligence Policy presented to the Audit and Risk Committee on 26 March 2026.

The policy provides guidance to staff and Elected Members on the acceptable use of free and open-source GenAI that is in line with legislation. The policy aims to manage the risks associated with the technology while allowing for safe experimentation to increase productivity if desired.

More information about this resolution and other Council matters can be found in the Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes on the District Council of Grant website:

www.dcgrant.sa.gov.au/council/meetings/ordinary

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Next Ordinary Council Meeting - Monday 18 May
5:30pm, Council Chamber, 324 Commercial St.
West, Mount Gambier

District Council Welcomes New CEO

27 March 2026

Media Release

The District Council of Grant is pleased to announce the appointment of Gary Button as its new Chief Executive Officer.

Councillors endorsed the recommendation of the CEO Recruitment, Performance and Remuneration Selection Panel to appoint Mr Button at a Special Council Meeting on Monday night, following an extensive and competitive recruitment process.

Mr Button brings a strong understanding of the District Council of Grant, having served as Acting Chief Executive Officer since the resignation of former CEO Darryl Whicker in February 2026, as well as on numerous occasions covering CEO annual leave. In addition, he has held the role of Director of Corporate Services and Community, providing him with broad organisational knowledge and a deep appreciation of the district and its communities.

Mayor Kylie Boston welcomed Mr Button's appointment, describing it as a positive and confident step forward for the organisation.

"This is a fantastic result for Council and for our community," Mayor Boston said.

"Gary has demonstrated strong leadership during his time as Acting CEO, guiding the organisation with stability, professionalism and a clear focus on our strategic priorities."

"His extensive experience, collaborative leadership style and commitment to community-driven outcomes align strongly with Council's values and aspirations."

Mayor Boston said the appointment comes at an important time for the district, with Elected Members looking forward to working closely with Mr Button to continue delivering Council's Strategic Plan and achieving its long-term objectives.

"This is an exciting time for our district, with several major projects underway, including the Saleyards Transformation Project," she said. "Gary brings energy, insight and continuity to the role. He is well placed to build on the momentum already underway and deliver positive outcomes for our district now and into the future."

Mr Button officially commenced as Chief Executive Officer of the District Council of Grant on the 30th March 2026.



Reminders & Information

Temporary Road Closures

Port MacDonnell Anzac Day Dawn Service

A section of Sea Parade, Port MacDonnell, between Standish Street and Bookey Street, and a section of Charles Street, Port MacDonnell, between Milstead Street and Sea Parade will be closed between 5:30am and 7:00am on **Saturday 25 April 2026**.

Generations in Jazz

A section of Childs Road, OB Flat, between OB Flat Road and Glenelg River Road, and a section of Clarke Road OB Flat, from the intersection with Glenelg River Road to 585m east, will be closed from **1:00pm Friday 1 May 2026 to 3:00pm Sunday 3 May 2026**.

End of Fire Danger Season

The Lower South East's 2025-2026 Fire Danger Season is ending on 30 April 2026. However, some restrictions still apply.

Residents within specified townships are still required to obtain a fire permit from Council before undertaking certain burning activities outside of the Fire Danger Season. Those townships within the District Council of Grant are:

- Allendale East
- Blackfellows
- Cape Douglas
- Carpenter Rocks
- Donovans
- Kongorong
- Nene Valley
- Pelican Point
- Port MacDonnell
- Racecourse Bay
- Tarpeena
- Yahl

Further information on permit requirements and burning activities can be found on Council's website:

<https://www.dcgrant.sa.gov.au/services/fire-prevention,restrictions-and-permits/>.



Fuel Security Urged by SAPOL



South Australian Police are encouraging residents of rural communities, especially those on properties with fuel tanks or diesel machinery, to take safety precautions against thefts. SAPOL have released a Fuel Security fact sheet urging the following measures:

Lock it

If it can be locked, lock it! If not, consider installing anti-theft fuel caps on machinery and locks on pumps.

Monitor

Keep track of your fuel levels and deliveries. Only fill mobile tanks when in use.

Thoughtful fuel storage

Position within sight of the main residence. Install fencing. Consider cameras/security lighting.

Park smart

Park fuel trailers within sight of the residence and out of view from roads. Secure them if they must be left in paddocks overnight.

Remember to report all theft and trespass to police as every bit of information helps. More detailed information on rural security is available at <https://www.police.sa.gov.au/your-safety/crime-prevention-and-security/rural-security>.

Reminders & Information

Qantas Halting Services



On Tuesday April 14 2026, Qantas announced it will cease services to the Mount Gambier Regional Airport, citing the global increase in fuel costs and low passenger numbers.

As owner-operator of the Mount Gambier Regional Airport, Council has expressed disappointment at the news as Council has previously engaged constructively with Qantas to consider more viable route options for the Limestone Coast.

The last day of QantasLink services will be 17 May 2026. Any customers who previously booked flights after this date will be contacted by Qantas directly.

The Mount Gambier Regional Airport is still serviced by Regional Express (Rex), ensuring Mount Gambier and the District remains accessible and connected.

Follow Council for More Info

For up to date information about road closures and service disruptions, follow District Council of Grant on social media:



www.facebook.com/GrantDistCouncil



www.instagram.com/districtcouncilofgrant/



www.dcgrant.sa.gov.au/

Advocacy Plan Released

District Council of Grant has released its Advocacy Plan 2026, outlining a suite of transformative projects for which Council is seeking funding.

The Plan was endorsed at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 16 February 2026 and solidifies Council's vision for its priority projects into one document.

Projects detailed in the Plan include:

- Upgrades to the Mount Gambier & District Saleyards,
- Security screening infrastructure at the Mount Gambier Regional Airport,
- Community Wastewater Management Systems serving Donovans Landing, Dry Creek and Reed Bed,
- A Sinkhole Masterplan to protect, manage and activate the district's sinkholes and karst landscapes, and
- The Limestone Coast Connective Trails Masterplan for a coastal trail corridor linking Coonawarra to Port MacDonnell.

These key focus areas were identified as priorities in Council's Strategic Plan 2024-2034, informed by Elected Members and in consultation with stakeholders and the broader community.

To read District Council of Grant's Advocacy Plan 2026, visit the website at: <https://www.dcgrant.sa.gov.au/council/policies-by-laws-and-documents/strategiesplans>



Animal Encounters

School Holidays at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex

The Community Complex in Port MacDonnell brought farmyard fun to local families during the April school holidays.

From 11-26 April 2026, the Community Complex provided daily animal-themed craft activities as part of its school holiday program, from pompom sheep to goat hand puppets.

The centrepiece of the program was the hands-on animal experience presented by Little Animal Encounters on Monday 20 April 2026. This special event offered the chance to gently interact with a variety of animals and learn in an exciting, engaging way.

Little Animal Encounters brought with them chickens, goats, lambs, guinea pigs, rabbits, a blue tongue lizard and a bearded dragon.

Over 100 people attended from Port MacDonnell and across the region to meet the animals, followed by a badge making activity in the Community Complex. A selection of animal-themed books was also available to borrow from the library to keep the fun going at home.

The Community Complex hosts a range of activities for children and young people throughout the year, from school holiday programs to seasonal crafts and author events. To keep up to date with what's coming up at the Complex, follow the PMCC Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/portmacdonnellcommunitycomplex>



Did You Know?

Books borrowed from the library within the Port MacDonnell Community Complex can be returned at any library within South Australia on the OneCard Network. Membership is free and grants access to books, DVDs, magazines, audiobooks, ebooks and more.

Sign up for a free statewide library card by visiting https://onecard.network/client/en_AU/portmacdonnell/

Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2026-2027

21 April 2026

Share Feedback on Council's Proposed Programs and Services

District Council of Grant has released its Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2026-2027 and now invites the community to comment on the proposed works and services for the year ahead.

The \$21.670 million Draft Budget outlines Council's priority projects, as well as core services and investment in essential infrastructure.

To support the delivery of these services and projects, the Draft Plan proposes a rate increase of 6.00%, consistent with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan.

District Council of Grant Mayor Kylie Boston said the rising cost of living was a central consideration in Council's decision-making regarding the rate increase.

"Council has carefully balanced the financial pressures faced by our community with our responsibility to maintain and renew our assets as laid out in the Strategic Management Plan 2020-2030 and the Asset Management Plans," Mayor Boston said.

"The proposed increase allows Council to maintain high quality essential services alongside continued investment in roads, strategic infrastructure and community facilities that support our residents and ratepayers."

Approximately \$4.23 million will be spent on transport and infrastructure, including construction, resheeting and resealing on Council's road network, and \$192,640 has been allocated to Community Wastewater Management Schemes.

\$10.2 million in capital spend has also been assigned to the Mount Gambier and Districts Saleyard Transformation Project, with a further \$2.7 million in funding committed by the State Government.

Council is also investing in the community with funds dedicated to key projects, such as \$30,000 for the development of an Art Strategy, \$25,000 to implement recommendations from the Coastal Adaption Strategy, and approximately \$232,000 in grants and sponsorships to assist community organisations and clubs.

\$50,000 has also been budgeted to implement the first year of the name change and branding strategy, should it be adopted after community consultation.

The Draft Budget does detail an operating deficit of \$35,000, however Chief Executive Officer Gary Button is confident in Council's continued financial sustainability.

"Due to surplus delivered in prior years, Council will be able to cover the expected deficit and still deliver it's full slate of projects and services," Mr Button said.

A detailed breakdown of continuing services, capital spend, and rates and charges is included in the Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2026-2027, which is available digitally or in hardcopy from Council's Principal Office.



Consultation information detailed on Page 9



Name Change and Brand Identity Update

21 April 2026

A New Name and New Look for Council

Council is seeking community input on an exciting proposal to change its name from District Council of Grant to Southern Limestone Coast Council.

The 'Southern Limestone Coast Council' name is the centrepiece of a broader branding review aimed at ensuring Council's visual identity reflects the values of the organisation and the community at large.

District Council of Grant Mayor Kylie Boston noted that Council's branding has remained unchanged since the Council was created through amalgamation in 1996.

"In light of our upcoming thirty-year anniversary, it became clear that Council needs more than a fresh logo – this is an opportunity to forge ahead under a new name," said Mayor Boston.

"'Southern Limestone Coast Council' links us geographically to where we are and celebrates the abundance of natural resources that strengthens our community."

Adelaide based creative agency Fuller were brought onto the project in mid-2025 through a successful expression of interest process. Fuller have worked closely with Elected Members to put forward a brand concept around the Southern Limestone Coast name, and a Citizen's Jury was held in March to further refine the logo, fonts, and colours.

The proposed logo is inspired by the geology of the region, from sinkholes to the rugged coastline. It also represents each of the gazetted townships and communities throughout the district, emphasising strength and unity.



A variation on this logo would also apply across Council's sites, namely the Mount Gambier & District Saleyards, Mount Gambier Regional Airport, and Port MacDonnell Community Complex. Currently, these sites have individual branding that is not easily linked back to the District Council of Grant.

Council is open to accepting alternative logo concepts from local artists or designers as part of the consultation process.

"It's important that community members feel represented by the final product, and we encourage any residents or ratepayers in District Council of Grant to put forward their ideas," Mayor Boston said.

The name change and brand identity update was approved for community consultation at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 20 April 2026 and will remain open for a period of six weeks.

Have Your Say

Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2026-2027

Council has released its Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget for 2026-2027. This document outlines Council's priority projects and major spending for the next financial year, as well as changes to property rates and service charges.

For 2026-2027, Council has developed a Draft Budget of \$21.670 million across capital spend, ongoing services, and community projects. To deliver this budget, Council is proposing a 6.00% rate increase, consistent with the Long Term Financial Plan.

Submit your feedback on the proposed budget from **21 April 2026** to **11 May 2026**.

A Public Meeting will be held on **18 May 2026** for any community members who would like to make a submission to Council in person.

How to Submit Feedback

Community members can have their say on these projects by:

- Heading online to Your Say DCG (yoursaydcg.com.au)
- Emailing feedback to info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au
- Submitting a hard copy feedback form or letter to:
 - District Council of Grant Principal Office, 324 Commercial Street West, Mount Gambier
 - Port MacDonnell Community Complex, 5-7 Charles Street, Port MacDonnell
 - PO Box 724, Mount Gambier SA 5290

Sign up for project updates on
Your Say DCG



Name Change & Branding Identity Update

Council is proposing to change its name from District Council of Grant to 'Southern Limestone Coast Council'. If adopted, the name change would be accompanied by a rebrand, including new logo.

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes to Council's name and branding from **21 April 2026** to **2 June 2026**.



As part of the consultation period, Council is welcoming alternative logo submissions from local artists and graphic designers. If you would like to submit an alternative logo, please reach out to Council staff on (08) 8721 0444 for Terms and Conditions and design guidelines.

A series of community drop-in sessions will be held across the district throughout the month of May to give residents and ratepayers an opportunity to ask questions and share their feedback in person. Join us at:

- Monday 4 May, 4:00pm-6:00pm - Port MacDonnell Community Complex (5-7 Charles Street, Port MacDonnell)
- Wednesday 13 May, 4:00pm-6:00pm - Mount Gambier Regional Airport (Airport Road, Wandilo)
- Tuesday 19 May, 4:00pm-6:00pm - Italo Australian Club, Casadio Park (134-136 Bay Road, Moorak)



Frequently Asked Questions

A set of frequently asked questions have been compiled for this project. They are available in hardcopy from the Principal Office, by email on request, or on the project's Your Say DCG page.

Out and about with Council



Mayor Kylie Boston welcomed the Boandik Ascot Club to the Council Chambers on Tuesday 31 March 2026

Mayor Kylie Boston celebrated the launch of the Walking Football program at Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre with Former SA Human Services Minister Hon. Nat Cook MP, City of Mount Gambier Mayor Lynette Martin, Nathan Koopman from FAS Limestone Coast, Matthew Key, and Tony Elletson of Connected and Active Communities Limestone Coast.



Contact the District Council of Grant

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

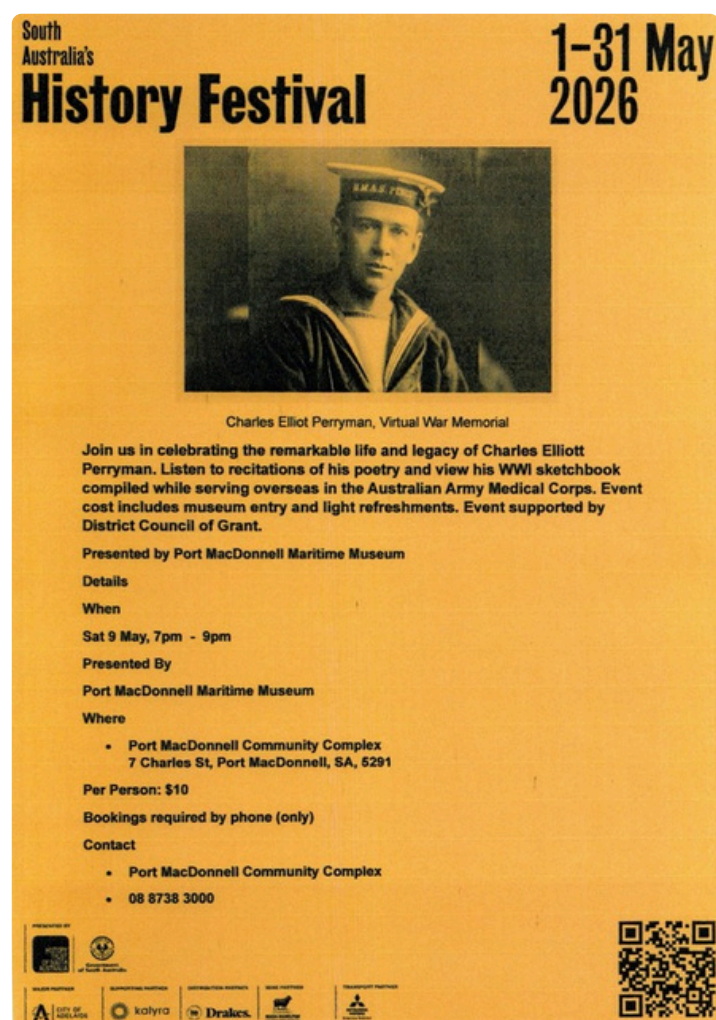
Community Spotlight

New Exhibit at the Port MacDonnell Maritime Museum

For the first time in its history, the Port MacDonnell & District Maritime Museum is hosting an event for SA History Festival.

A newly curated exhibit will be running for the whole month of May, with a special cultural launch on 9 May 2026 from 7:00pm.

The following article has been kindly provided by the passionate Maritime Museum Committee:



South Australia's History Festival 1-31 May 2026

Charles Elliot Perryman, Virtual War Memorial

Join us in celebrating the remarkable life and legacy of Charles Elliott Perryman. Listen to recitations of his poetry and view his WWI sketchbook compiled while serving overseas in the Australian Army Medical Corps. Event cost includes museum entry and light refreshments. Event supported by District Council of Grant.

Presented by Port MacDonnell Maritime Museum

Details

When

Sat 9 May, 7pm - 9pm

Presented By

Port MacDonnell Maritime Museum

Where

- Port MacDonnell Community Complex
7 Charles St, Port MacDonnell, SA, 5291

Per Person: \$10

Bookings required by phone (only)

Contact

- Port MacDonnell Community Complex
08 8738 3000

Logos for sponsors: City of Port Phillip, kalra, Drakes, and others.

The Port MacDonnell and District Maritime Museum Committee is proud to celebrate 'The SA History Month of May' with a special display that features a unique collection of personal items from the amazing life of a Port MacDonnell son: Charles Percival Elliott Perryman, 1887-1948.

Port MacDonnell Museum Committee member Sharon Bruhn and others have researched his life and collected some of his art, poetry, memoir writing and photographs. Not an ordinary life, but an amazingly rich and diverse range of world experiences and revelations of his unique interests and talents.

This is revealed in his 200 page autobiographical unpublished manuscript which has been carefully archived for many years - in the Council's vault! The era covered is 1887-1948.

Charles was the eldest of eight Perryman children, and he went to school in Port MacDonnell. Opportunities then encouraged him to participate in the world way beyond Port MacDonnell.

His World War 1 Defence Force service in the Army and Navy took him to Gallipoli, the Western Front and the Pacific. He studied art techniques in London. He was a lighthouse keeper for 20 years in SA coastal stations including Kingston and Port MacDonnell, even residing in 'Dingley Dell' for a short time. During times of solitude, he composed several outstanding poems.

He married beautiful Ivy Karran of Glenelg, who sadly died two years later. Without descendants, his paintings, artworks and writings were seemingly scattered - some were found in local homes, and an etching is in the National Art Gallery in Canberra. One of his treasures was sold recently by a SA dealer in antique books. Sharon tracked down his exquisite small war sketchbook which the Museum has on loan from a private collector in Sydney, for the month of May display. It was posted to us carefully wrapped in calico.

This presentation is truly unique and one that all Port MacDonnell residents, particularly the descendants of local families, should know about and be proud of.

This event is gladly supported by District Council of Grant and the Port MacDonnell Community Complex.

Community Grants & Funding



The Elders Community Giving Project supports initiatives that provide sustainable, tangible and long-term benefits with positive outcomes for regional communities across Australia.

Grants of \$10,000 and \$20,000 are available:

- **Regional skills and workforce development**

For initiatives that build long-term skills and learning pathways, strengthening the regional workforce.

- **Environmental awareness**

For initiatives that enhance resource efficiency, reduce waste or restore natural environments.

- **Innovation**

For initiatives that introduce new technologies, systems or training across to strengthen the agricultural sector.

- **Healthy bodies and minds**

For initiatives that promote healthy lifestyles and minds, raising awareness and support mental health or long-term health outcomes.

- **Encouraging diversity**

For initiatives that promote belonging, inclusivity, cultural participation and equitable access.

- **Safety first**

For initiatives that strengthen safety and emergency response capabilities.

Applications are open until 5:00pm **21 May 2026**, with winners announced in July 2026. For more information and online applications, visit the Elders website:

<https://elders.com.au/about-us/for-your-community/community-giving-project/>

Mental Health Month Rural Grants

The Mental Health Coalition of South Australia (MHCSA) is offering small grants of up to \$1,000 to support mental health activities and events in regional SA during October 2026.

Mental health service providers, community organisations, and individuals are all welcome to apply for activities or events that promote mental health, wellbeing, and stigma reduction in their local community.

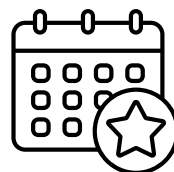
MHCSA is looking for creative, community-driven events that spark real conversation, such as:

- Exhibitions, murals & installations
- Theatre, music, spoken word, comedy or storytelling
- Writing, painting, photography or pottery workshops
- Film screenings, panels or creative presentations
- Zine-shares and crafting events

Applications that demonstrate collaboration between local organisations, strong Lived Experience leadership and co-design, and in-kind or cash contributions will be highly regarded

Applications close: 5pm Monday, 25 May 2026. For more information, please head to the Mental Health Month website:

<https://mhcsa.org.au/funding-opportunities/>



Are you hosting an upcoming event?

Advertise your event with Council's community event calendar! Submit your event with a short description and any flyers or promotional materials to info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au at least two weeks prior to be featured.

Community Events



Mount Gambier Aviation Museum
100+ years of history

Family Fun Day

Explore the first stage of Mount Gambier's new Aviation Museum. View aircraft and vehicle displays. Enjoy a day full of entertainment and family fun.

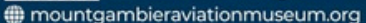
10:00 AM - 14:00 PM
Sunday, 26 April 2026

Mount Gambier Regional Airport

Museum Open **Aircraft Display** **Food Trucks**

Market and Trade stalls **Childrens Activities**

EVERYONE WELCOME **GOLD COIN DONATION ENTRY**

Kristy Riddell
presents
Between the Seen and Unseen
Art Exhibition

@ The Port MacDonnell Community Complex
2nd April - 27th May 2026
official opening Thursday 2nd April @ 2pm, all welcome



giJ **GENERATIONS IN JAZZ 2026**

FRI 1 MAY
SAT 2 MAY
SUN 3 MAY

Have an event to share with the community?

Email info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au for the opportunity to feature in a future newsletter or online community events calendar. Your community groups, event or not-for-profit organisation must be located in the District Council of Grant area.

Community Events



Seaweed. A Celebration Exhibition

An exhibition of works highlighting the marine flora and fauna of the Limestone Coast region

27 March to 31 May 2026

Hangar Gallery
Mount Gambier Airport

Seaweed. A Celebration is proudly supported by the District Council of Grant, whose funding and partnership make this enlightening community program possible



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Workforce Australia
Local Jobs
Murray and South East

FREE EVENT

Limestone Coast

JOBS, SKILLS & CAREERS SHOWCASE

Wednesday, 13 May 2026

From 10:00am - 1:00pm

Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre



SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES / the **2026 SOUTH AUSTRALIA REGIONAL SERIES**

SUNDAY 17 MAY

PORT MACDONNELL

SKATE PARK COMPETITION

This event is proudly supported by District Council of Grant

SCAN TO REGISTER

SCOOT 11:00am
BMX 12:30pm
SKATE 1:30pm

Boat Ramp Access, Port Macdonnell SA 5291, Australia

Free entry, all ages and abilities welcome.



Adelaide University

Mount Gambier Public Lecture

THE PLANTED FOREST IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

THE PLANTED FOREST IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Presented by: Professor in the Department of Wood Science and Engineering at Oregon State University

Forestry is an important economic contributor to the U.S. Pacific Northwest, but it has transitioned from utilisation of old grow native forests to dependence on plantation timbers.

This transition has resulted in dramatic changes to processing in the region. This presentation will overview the resources in the region, how they are processed and finish with research underway to add more value including through the use of mass timber element in building construction.

About the presenter:



Dr Scott Leavengood is a Professor in the Department of Wood Science and Engineering at Oregon State University. He joined the faculty as an extension specialist in 1994. He holds a PhD in Engineering Management from Portland State University along with MSc and BSc degrees from Oregon State University and Colorado State University in Forest Products/ Wood Science and Engineering.

He is Director of the Oregon Wood Innovation Center whose goal is helping move research to applications within the forest industry.

Tuesday 19th of May 2026

6pm for a 6.30pm start - 8pm

**Bob & Gayle Cowan Auditorium
Adelaide University
Mount Gambier Campus
Wireless Road West**



Registrations are essential and can be made via [Humanityx](https://humanityx.com) or scan QR Code. This event will be recorded for those unable to attend. Contact mandy.kormosen@adelaide.edu.au for further information.

Community Events

'Celebrating You'

An invitation to



Volunteers Morning Tea

Wednesday 20 May 2026 | 10:30am to 12:00pm

Community Complex
5-7 Charles Street, Port MacDonnell

To recognise the wonderful contribution volunteers make across our community, the District Council of Grant warmly invites volunteers from organisations, sporting clubs, schools, and community groups to join us for a special Volunteers Morning Tea.

RSVP's are essential and required by Friday 15 May 2026.
Please contact the Port MacDonnell Community Complex
on (08) 8738 3000 or pmcc@dcgrant.sa.gov.au.

Free return bus available for volunteers travelling from
Tarpeena through to Port MacDonnell.



Lifeline **CONNECT** is brought to you by Lifeline South East
A mobile service designed to bring information, support, care and connection
directly to your community.

A safe, inclusive, supportive space for YOU to:

- Create meaningful connections
- Strengthen your sense of community
- Learn of available support services

Our friendly and experienced Lifeline staff and volunteers will be on board to:

- Have a chat with you
- Listen with care and respect
- Link you with helpful supports and services

**Come by to say hello, have a chat
and learn about Lifeline services.**

Look out for our **CONNECT vehicle in your area soon.**

Location: Sea Parade, Port MacDonnell
Date: Friday 22nd of May 2026
Time: 10am - 1pm

✉ reception@lifelinesa.com.au

☎ 08 8723 2299

COME AND TRY WALKING FOOTBALL

A free, social program for men aged 55+ of all abilities.
Bring a friend or two!

WULANDA RECREATION & CONVENTION CENTRE
THURSDAYS 5:30PM - 7:30PM

KICKING OFF ON 30 APRIL 2026

**No
experience
needed.
Everyone
welcome!**



Connected
and Active
Communities

Limestone
Coast



Government of South Australia
Supported by Office for Ageing Well

SIGN UP NOW

<https://tinyurl.com/WF-EOI>



FOR MORE INFORMATION:
TONY ELLETON
0400 262 738 or telleton@lclga.sa.gov.au

This project has been approved by the Flinders University Human Research Ethics Committee (no. 9032)

Free online presentation



Be Connected
Every Australian online.

Apps for smarter travel

Want to learn about helpful
apps for travel? Join a free live
stream presentation for older
Australians, hosted by the
eSafety Commissioner.



Planning a trip and getting to your destination has never been easier with information
and services available with a tap of your smart device. Discover useful apps that can
help you research your next holiday and improve your travel experience.

Join our presentation to learn:

- benefits of using apps
- useful apps for traveling in Australia and overseas
- transport apps that help make it easier to get around
- tips to keep safe when using apps.

When: Wednesday 14th May

Time: 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Where: Port MacDonnell Community Complex. Please call 8738 3000 to book.



eSafety Commissioner

This program has been developed by eSafety as part of the Be Connected initiative.

beconnected.esafety.gov.au/bookings

Notices

SARDI pestfacts



Stay ahead with PestFacts SA

The PestFacts SA team are closely monitoring seasonal conditions and pest activity to provide timely updates, risk alerts and practical management advice.

Subscribe to PIRSA's PestFacts newsletter to receive the latest updates:

<https://pir.sa.gov.au/sardi/crop-sciences/entomology/pestfacts>

Where is my nearest brigade?



The CFS has 13 brigades and 2 Group Bases in the District Council of Grant area as well as an Operational Support brigade in Mt Gambier.

There is a brigade near you!

VOLUNTEER NOW

Contact the Regional Office on 8762 7100 to find your nearest brigade.

Kingsley CFS Seeking Volunteers

The Kingsley CFS group is seeking volunteers across the Grant area for a variety of roles from firefighters to operational support and cadets.

All training is provided, and the CFA has a commitment to its volunteers that no out of pocket expenses should be incurred as a result of undertaking a volunteer role.

There is no obligation to respond to every type of incident, and many volunteers work behind the scenes to provide valuable support to crews on the front line.

If you are interested in joining the CFS or having a more in-depth conversation about volunteering options, please call the Regional Office on 8762 7100.

Australia Human Rights Commission - On Your Terms Survey

Young people's views on consent and sex education matter.

That's why the Australian Human Rights Commission is running the On Your Terms survey – an online survey that asks for young people's views on consent, respectful relationships and sex education. The insights gathered will help shape how Australian schools teach consent and respectful relationships into the future, supporting schools to build safe and inclusive learning environments.

If you or someone you know is aged between 14–18 and lives in Australia, we encourage you to share this survey with them. It's anonymous and takes just 10-15 minutes to complete.

You can even enter a draw to win 1 of 40x \$50 eGift cards by completing the survey.

Have your say or share the survey here
go.wallis.social/1qx8k6

What is the
**ON YOUR
TERMS**
survey?



Notices



ACTIVE KIDS ARE HEALTHY KIDS

JOIN US
FRIDAY 22 MAY 2026



Until they're ten, children must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road

Walk Safely to School Day

Primary school children across Australia will take important steps towards a healthier future when National Walk Safely to School Day returns on Friday 22 May 2026.

Children need at least 60 minutes of physical activity every day, and walking before and after school is one of the simplest ways to help meet that target. Regular movement supports healthy growth, strong bones and muscles, improved cardiovascular fitness and overall wellbeing. Research also shows that active children demonstrate stronger concentration and cognitive performance, helping them arrive at school focused and ready to learn.

Safety remains central to the campaign, with parents and carers reminded that children under 10 must always hold the hand of an adult when crossing the road.

Parents and carers are encouraged to speak with their school principal, teachers or P&C about participating in Walk Safely to School Day and incorporating walking activities on Friday 22 May.

For more information, visit the Pedestrian Council of Australia online: <https://www.walk.com.au/WSTSD/>

TOURISM 101

REGISTRATIONS OPEN



SA Tourism Commission - Tourism 101

Tourism 101 is a free practical, introductory workshop, designed for new and emerging tourism operators.

Delivered as a two-hour, in-region session, Tourism 101 breaks down the South Australian tourism landscape and how to get started in the industry with confidence. You will gain a clear understanding of who visits South Australia, what visitors are looking for, and how businesses like yours can succeed.

Tourism 101 is ideal if you are:

- Exploring a tourism idea but not sure where to start
- A business owner considering adding a visitor experience
- New to tourism and wanting to understand the landscape
- An existing business already interacting with visitors

Date: Thursday 30 April | **Time:** 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Location: Brand's Laira, Coonawarra

Register to attend here:

<https://tourism.sa.gov.au/support/industry-capability-programs/tourism-101>

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'SWITCH THE PLAY'

Information Session - Embedding a locally developed & successful sporting club Mental Health & Wellbeing Role within your sporting club

'Switch The Play' is proudly a locally developed sporting club Mental Health and Wellbeing model successfully established and embedded within Nangwarry Football & Netball Club since 2022.

The Model is adaptable within all sporting clubs, with ongoing local, accessible professional Mental Health support for clubs, during and after implementation (not a fly-in-fly-out model).

Sporting clubs of any type are invited to attend to learn about the model, hear from guest speakers with first hand experience of the journey & implementation at Nangwarry, the many ways the model has benefitted & supported the club & community, and how the model can be implemented into other clubs.

Livestream:

The event will be accessible via livestream, for those unable to attend, particularly from outer-lying areas of our region

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Have you ever used or seen an advertisement for an online doctor or private telehealth service?

Help us develop an essential Health Online Toolkit.

Who we are looking for:

- Young people aged 18 to 24 (from anywhere in South Australia), and/or
- People living in regional, rural or remote communities in South Australia (of any age)
- Experience using commercial telehealth or online prescribing platforms is welcome, but not essential

Compensation Details

\$35/hr plus expenses

For an ongoing role on our advisory group meeting every 6-8 weeks, from April 2026 until Feb 2027

Reimbursement strictly through vouchers/gift cards



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@adelaide.edu.au

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