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DISTRICT COUNCIL OF YANKALILLA

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Glossy Black Cockatoos



Image: Rapid Bay Primary School with Totally Wild

Glossy Black Cockatoos will soon begin winging their way across the seas from Kangaroo Island back to the Fleurieu Peninsula – fingers crossed.

The endangered bird hasn't been seen in the area in more than 40 years, but efforts to replant the species' native vegetation around Cape Jervis will hopefully entice it back.

Through the 20 Million Trees project and a Federal Government grant, 70 hectares of revegetation including more than 100,000 plants are the primary focus of efforts.

"There's only around 300 birds left on Kangaroo Island and the birds can live up to 100 years old, so many of these birds aren't in breeding condition," said Corey Jackson, Coast, Estuary & Marine Officer for the Southern Fleurieu Peninsula.

"The decline in numbers came as a result of a lot of clearance after the Second World War and the last birds that were seen regularly around Cape Jervis were seen in the 1970s."

"The stories I've heard is that during the 1970s they were flying across from Kangaroo Island daily to feed, until one day they just stopped flying over and haven't really crossed since."

Rapid Bay Primary School recently assisted in the revegetation works. Students planted hundreds of stems in conjunction with children's television show *Totally Wild* filming a story about the bird. Each year the school takes part in a revegetation program with the Council.



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CEO'S CORNER

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After copping a battering in our wet and wild start to Spring, road maintenance and much needed repairs remain at the top of our priority list. We had a comprehensive roads plan in place prior to the storms. I can reassure you this plan is even more significant in the aftermath of the extreme weather.

There is no denying there are a lot of roads in our district needing work. We have brought some road repairs forward, brought in extra resources and will be working weekends and we'll be undertaking other work to make roads safer as we expect – and plan for – more people travelling in the area over coming months. We will be doing initial repairs and patrol grading and then will be returning again in summer to address drainage issues. All roads will be addressed in priority order and we have a big job ahead of us.

As you're aware, the storms caused damage not just to our roads, but also to our beaches. A number of beach access points have been destroyed and dunes have been eroded causing extensive damage. The main access points requiring repair are at Carrickalinga Sands, Pitman's Leap and near the Carrickalinga toilet block. All these are scheduled to be fixed by December. At the October Council meeting funds were allocated to reinstate some of the dune fences that were recently damaged as well as reinstate signage.

With the weather now on the improve, we are also able to get back out there and commence our weed spraying programme. Results from this will soon be seen.

Next Council Meeting

**Council Meeting
4pm Tuesday, 15 November**

A snapshot of the storm damage: Children and staff had to be evacuated from Rapid Bay Primary School after the town was surrounded by floodwaters and the road to school cut off during the storms in September.

QUICK QUESTIONS

COUNCILLOR BRUCE SPILBURY

How long have you been a councillor?

Since May 2003.

How long have you lived in the area?

I grew up in Victor Harbour and then moved here in the 1970s.

Where do you live in the area?

Carrickalinga Sands.

What is your proudest achievement at council?

Getting our finances on track.

Why did you join council?

I have an interest in helping out in the district.

What is your tourism tip to someone who isn't from the area?

Definitely visit the beaches and Deep Creek.

What is something people don't know about the area?

We have some of the safest beaches in the state.

What is something that people don't know about you?

I've been doing long trips around Australia, 10 weeks at a time, to see all that we have to offer.

What is your favourite local food?

Pizzas, fish and chips and Chinese from our local takeaway shops.

What's on the radar for you at the moment?

Promoting the district.

NORMANVILLE BEACH ACCESS

At the October council meeting, Council voted that the interlocking plastic mats used last season for beach access at Normanville now be considered the long-term solution for the launching and retrieval of watercraft. The mats will be returned to the beach in November, however this is dependent on the condition of the beach which has recently had storm damage. This decision was made after hearing from key community stakeholders. Council thanks all contributors to this meeting.

VIC

NOT JUST FOR VISITORS

It's an often forgotten fact the local Visitor Information Centre (VIC) is not just for tourists. It can also help locals with a whole range of useful advice and services.

Event bookings can be made, merchandise can be bought and walking tracks can be discovered – just by stepping into the VIC.

“We’ve got information and maps not just on the area but also further afield including Kangaroo Island, Adelaide, the Riverland and the Great Ocean Road,” said Allison Angus, VIC Coordinator.

“We’ve also got merchandise and souvenirs including locally made candles and hand cream.”

Located at 163 Main South Road, the VIC is a one stop shop for local information with a team of resourceful and knowledgeable volunteers able to provide insights on the area.

“We can help people book holidays or a variety of community activities and events. For many people this can be a stressful part of going away or simply attending an event and we can help ease that stress and do the hard work for visitors or residents alike!”

The VIC is open seven days a week, Monday to Friday 9am-5pm and weekends and public holidays 10am-4pm.

FUN FACT AN OLYMPIC SIZED POOL HOLDS 2,500,000 LITRES OF WATER



The Normanville Community Wastewater Management System (CWMS) last year processed 147,160,000 litres of effluent which equals on average 2,830,000 litres a week.

If we started filling an empty Olympic sized pool with the waste water on Monday it would be overflowing on Sunday.

HOODED PLOVERS

Birds of all sorts are flocking to the district this Spring, with the recent addition of a Hooded Plover Display in Normanville.

The display, which was put together by the Normanville Natural Resource Centre and Hoodie Volunteers, is designed to raise awareness about the threatened bird.

There are less than 70 Hooded Plovers on the Fleurieu Peninsula.

The NRM Board also funded an educational sign - one of the new permanent signs installed across the Fleurieu at key breeding sites.

Beachgoers should be aware the breeding season is now underway and the following steps should be taken to help protect the bird:

- Keep dogs on a leash around designated Hooded Plover breeding areas during Spring and Summer
- Don't disrupt dune areas where key breeding sites exist
- Move away quietly when you see Hooded Plovers



Image: Hooded Plover Display



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HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Our Term 3 Holiday Program was a huge success, with a range of well attended activities.

Of note was our 'Let's Go Fly a Kite' afternoon which was a great partnership between the Library, the Normanville Natural Resource Centre, Nature Play and STEM at Fleurieu which saw participants learn about flight, make a kite and then test them out.

We're currently getting geared up for the Summer Holiday Program – stay tuned for more information.

MOUNT LOFTY RANGES WORLD HERITAGE BID

The Mount Lofty Ranges World Heritage Bid invites you to the following community information session to learn more about the project and how it will benefit you and your community:

10 November 2016, 6pm - 8pm - Strathalbyn Library, 1 Colman Terrace, Strathalbyn

Contact Project Manager, Stephanie Johnston for more information via email stephaniejohnston@adam.com.au or phone 0400 738 844.

CURRENT CONSULTATIONS

Review of Elector Representation: The first stage consultation on the Options Paper commenced on 29 September and concludes on Friday 11 November 2016.

Information can be obtained from the Council Offices or by going online to yoursayyankalilla.com.au.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

All our stunning 30 applications for Community Grants will be considered at the November Council meeting.



After Hours Emergency ☎ 8558 0200
Visitor Information Centre ☎ 8558 0240
The Centre ☎ 8558 0264
Library ☎ 8558 2043

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH AT THE CENTRE & LIBRARY

181 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, YANKALILLA

Wiggle 'n' Giggle

Tuesdays during school term.

Time 10:00am - 10:30am

Christmas Food Drive

All of November

Collection Points at Community Centre and Civic Centre

STEM Display

1st – 18th November

Time During library open hours

Library online

Friday 11th November

Time 1.30pm

Craft with Judith

Tuesday 15th November

Time 11:15am – 2:00pm

Yankalilla and District Historical Society Talk 'Rapid Bay'

Friday 18th November

Time 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Don't miss out!

After School LEGO Fun Club

Tuesday 8th November

For just a gold coin donation get creative with our LEGO supply. This fun initiative will be a more regular feature next year.

Time 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Christmas Creations with Kimberley

Saturday 19th November

Time 11:00am - 12:30pm

Cooking for Blokes

Monday 21st November

Time 10:30am - 1:00pm

Just for Laughs Drama Class for Adults

Wednesday 23rd November

Time 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Christmas Creations with Kimberley

Saturday 26th November

Time 11:00am - 12:30pm

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