DISTRICT COUNCIL OF YANKALILLA

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Playground connects a community



A better connected community is the by-product of the new home of childhood fun in Myponga.

The Myponga Playground on Main South Road, opened on April 23 and instantly showed its value as so much more than just a place for kids to explore and have fun.

Parents and neighbours thought possibly to have never met before have embraced the playground and the chance to meet and build new community relationships already in the short time it has been open, says District Council of Yankalilla's Helen Sampson.

"It has been great to see, even from the day of the opening, people who had never met or knew little about their neighbours interacting in this great community facility," she says.

The playground is the result of work and funding from all three sectors of government – Local, State and Federal - and the dedication and foresight of the Myponga Progress Association which was formed expressly to establish the playground.

Last year, out of the Country Cabinet, the State Government granted \$80,000 to the project on under-utilised land made available by the council, and Federal Member for Mayo Rebekha Sharkie gave \$8,000 for barbecue facilities.

It was the culmination of hard work to form and run the Myponga Progress Association in order to seek funding to establish the playground and, now, the whole community is benefiting from that work.

"The beautiful thing about the opening was that there were families connecting for the first time," Mrs Sampson said.

"This is much more than a playground, this is about connecting communities."

Between the 2011 Census and the 2016 Census, the township of Myponga has experienced population growth of 45 percent.

Chair of the Myponga Progress Association, Larissa Barry, said: "It has blown my expectations as to how much the park has already achieved and how many people are using it. People say that it feels like an extension to their backyard and they are taking ownership of it and looking after it."



CEO CORNER

GRANT FUNDING PROCESS

Since the commencement of the current term, Council has engaged a part-time external funding officer to assist Council and the community to gain their fair share of available monies from government agencies for the delivery of strategic projects and to mitigate rate rise.

Since 2014 Council has received over \$7.1M in grant funding with community groups receiving over \$900,000 during this period.

Key projects progressed and delivered during this period include the Bungala and Memorial Park Bridges, Rapid Bay Road, Myponga Playground, Myponga Bowling Club Synthetic Green, Cape Jervis Club and Parawa Hall Upgrades, Normanville Wombat Crossing, Memorial Park Masterplan, Environmental and Conservation Initiatives

Council is pleased that many of the district's clubs have taken advantage of its offer to:

- assist with preparing strategic plans that support funding bids, and
- to mentor club volunteers during the preparation of funding applications to ensure success.

The Council is very proud and appreciative of the achievements of the community and its staff in their grant sourcing endeavours. Community driven partnerships represent a saving to Council in terms of resources (staff, time, money) as well as contributing to community capacity building and resilience.

PUBLIC MEETING ON THE PROPOSED 2018/19 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET AND INFORMATION SESSION ON WAR ON WASTE

At the time of writing this Council had completed the public meetings at Cape Jervis, Adelaide, Second Valley and Myponga with more than 80 people in total in attendance with the final session at Yankalilla to go. We have had great feedback during these sessions and it has been great to get out and meet more members of our community. All feedback received on the budget will be presented to Elected Members for consideration at the June meeting and feedback received on the Waste initiatives will be updated in our frequently asked questions on the website www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/waronwaste

SECOND VALLEY SMART BIN

In May 2018 we combined our War on Waste with Smart City innovation with the installation of our first Smart Bin Clean Cube at Second Valley.

One of Australia's top ten beaches is now one of the smartest

The Smart Bin will automatically monitor fill levels and compact and hold up to 8 times more waste, reduces collection frequencies for this remote bin collection, will send SMS alerts to our waste collection company when the General Waste bin is full and also send an SMS alert to the local community group when recycling is available to collect and cash in on the 10c container deposit scheme running in South Australia e.g. cans and bottles. It of course recharges it's batteries by solar energy.

The Smart Bin will even supply Free Wi-Fi to visitors to our beach (surf while you surf) and advertises our local Tourist attractions and events on the side of the bin. (We just need to connect it up, this should be done in the next couple of weeks)

Unfortunately, the bin is not smart enough to be able to make you coffee.







TRANSFER OF CWMS AND WATER ASSETS TO SA WATER

Council is currently seeking feedback on the transfer of CWMS and Water Assets to SA Water. The proposal will see over 80 percent of the community receiving reduced CWMS and Water charges with SA Water state based pricing.

By now you should have received a letter from SA Water detailing the proposal and may have attended a public meeting on the topic. To provide Council with feedback on the topic please visit www.yoursayyankalilla.com.au



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CEO CORNER CONTINUED

THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT MOBILE SERVICE CENTRE

Rural communities are being provided convenient access to Australian Government payments and services through a touring specialised vehicle which will visit Yankalilla on Friday June 1, from 9.30am to 4pm near Foodland on Main South Road.

The mobile service offers a wide range of face-to-face and self-service assistance for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with a disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people. Staff can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

For more information, go to humanservices.gov.au and search for Mobile Service Centre or call 132 316.

THE CARRICKALINGA WAVE GENERATOR

I often get asked about the Wave Generator that can be seen off the Carrickalinga coast line. Last week we asked for feedback from DPTI on the removal of the wave generator and were informed, DPTI have lodged a Development Application for its removal with the State Government and are currently awaiting approval which they expect to have back within a month. DPTI will make contact with us once they have a decision to work with.

INTEGRATED SERVICE STATION - NORMANVILLE

I am often asked when the Service Station will be completed. I have been informed at this stage the best estimate is that it will be opened in Spring.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Councils are often referred to on social media and there is so much out there it is hard to keep up. We can't read it all so I suggest if you want Council to know about something or you have a service request, please send it to council@yankalilla.sa.gov.au where it is recorded and actioned.

CAPE JERVIS PORT

With Kangaroo Island Connect (KIC) getting ready to ferry passengers from Cape Jervis to Kangaroo Island there has been a lot of action at the Cape Jervis Port. The dredging has now been successfully completed and KIC are in the process of finalising their berth. The berth will be located on an area under the care and control of the State Government but is subject to a planning application that is currently under consideration by Council.

DOGS OFF LEASH

I have previously mentioned Councillor Simon Rothwell and myself meeting with a working group of members of the community to discuss dogs off leash. The group has now held three public meetings to discuss various options and the group's representatives, Coral Ward and David Todd, have presented their feedback from these meetings. The feedback will be discussed at the June 2018 Elected Member forum and Simon will determine next steps. I thank Coral and David and the community for this feedback.

STREETSCAPING OUT THE FRONT OF NORMANVILLE POST OFFICE

At the June 2017 Council meeting in the adoption of the 2017/18 Annual Business Plan and Budget an amount of \$60,000 was allocated to perform streetscaping out the front of the post office, this was to create additional meeting space with decking and chairs and was designed to support local businesses, the project would also see a realignment of carparking and movement of the pedestrian crossing entrance across the road to no longer be directed at the parked cars. Council has been working with local businesses on this project. The budget has not been adjusted to the recently incorrectly reported amount of \$200,000 and has always remained at the adopted \$60,000. The project scope which is yet to be finalised will be discussed with Elected Members at the June 2018 Elected Member Forum.

ROADS

With the recent rains the crews continue to be out there six days a week addressing the roads. Unfortunately, we can't do them all at once but we will get to your road in due course.

GREEN ORGANICS BINS DELIVERY

The roll out of the Green Organics Bin to townships has already commenced. The cost of delivering all the bins to households was going to be over \$20,000 with funds going to an Adelaide company. In discussions between the Mayor Glen Rowlands and Chief Executive Nigel Morris it was decided to get the local clubs to perform the deliveries, of which the Mayor kindly volunteered to coordinate the roll out. The money Council needed to spend will be split between the Yankalilla Football Club and the Myponga Memorial Community Centre to deliver the bins,

kitchen caddies and compostable bags to all township households.

All bins will be delivered prior to the first pickups commencing in July 2018. When delivering the bins we understand that you may not be at home so the teams are attempting to place the new bin with your other two bins where possible. I thank Glen and the clubs for their involvement in this important project.





DOG & CAT MANAGEMENT

Big changes are on the way for dog and cat owners across the state as new legislation brings in reforms requiring greater responsibilities be taken for our furry friends.

The District Council of Yankalilla is one of only a handful of councils to make the move to require cats be registered and contained by owners along with the Dog and Cat Management Board's mandatory microchipping and desexing of all dogs and cats born after 1 July 2018. Key points to know are:

- All dogs and cats must be registered, microchipped and those born after 1 July 2018 must be desexed
- If you sell a dog or cat, you must be a registered breeder
- Wandering controls will be in place for all cats as well as dogs
- No more than 2 cats and/or 2 dogs permitted per property without council approval
- Dogs and cats are now either Standard (Microchipped and Desexed) or Non-Standard (all others)
- Vet exemptions refer to exemption from any expiations for non-compliance and does not change the category of the dog (Non-standard)
- Registration fees are higher for Non-Standard than Standard pets
- A new statewide system Dogs and Cats Online (DACO) for all registrations and animal information commences in July.

To avoid expiations, unregistered dogs and cats can be registered at the Council offices now ... for FREE until 29 June 2018. Renewals will only be issued to pets migrated to the DACO system in early July.

Over the following year Council will review Working Dogs to make sure they meet requirements of the Act. Currently, working dogs will keep that status with any new working dog owners needing to make a declaration and provide a PIC number.

Importantly, Council is committed to working with pet owners to educate and assist them.

- \$10 dog and cat microchipping via Chipblitz is available at council on June 30. Bookings must be made online at: http://chipblitz.simplybook.me/sheduler/manage We have already had over 450 pets chipblitzed this year in the District
- Council's website regarding dog and cat reforms http://yankalilla.sa.gov.au/page.aspx?u=835
- A public meeting where Council will go through the reforms, the cat by-law and have a demonstration of the Dogs and Cats Online system will be held in Council's offices on Thursday 21 June at 10am
- Assistance in renewing and making new registrations will be available at Council's locations
- Call our Customer Service Team on 8558 0200 if you have any questions

BUNGALA LINEAR PARK STEPS UP

Council moved at the most recent meeting to have a staged approach on the Bungala Linear Park project to link along the river alignment Bungala Park to the Normanville foreshore and to the Yankalilla Memorial Park.

The Council has asked that funding for Stage 1 commencing at Memorial Park be presented to Council in the budget for next year and considered at the June meeting of Council.

As the project progresses, Council will be looking to enter into Memorandum of Understandings with relevant land holders adjacent to the river over the next financial year to enable further design work to be undertaken in the future years.

Council also has agreed to undertake an audit of existing and planned revegetation along the river to ensure a full catalogue of vegetation is developed to inform future design activities.

PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATORS FOR YANKALILLA DISTRICT

St John Ambulance SA recently received funding through a grant from the Australian Hotels Association SA and Clubs SA to deploy more than 300 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) into regional South Australia over the next three years. The first 100 will be installed across SA between April and June this year, with a number of units being installed in the District Council of Yankalilla.

Sudden cardiac arrest is one of Australia's leading causes of death, with around 30,000 out-of-hospital arrests occurring each year in Australia. The only definitive treatment is a defibrillator shock, which can give a 90% survival rate if administered in the first minute. With every minute that passes after someone has a sudden cardiac arrest, the chances of survival decrease by approximately 10%. This is why access to an AED is crucial to respond to this lifethreatening condition.

Locations for installation are as follows:

- Leonards Mill Hotel Second Valley
- Wirrina Cove Resort Second Valley
- Cape Jervis Tavern Cape Jervis
- Yankalilla Hotel Yankalilla

Dates and Times for installation are to be confirmed with the venues.

Council has also just purchased a defib for The Centre which will be installed externally on the building.

It is important to remember that it can happen to anyone, of any age, at anytime.

If you would like to know more about AEDs, email firstaidadvice@stjohnsa.com.au or call 1300 785 646.



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CHEF OUTTA WATER

Portuguese born, Yankalilla-based Chef Filipe Santos is playing his part to put an international focus on Fleurieu Coast farmers and producers in a unique chef exchange program and challenge in China.

Filipe is taking part in the Chef Outta Water challenge in China, having been nominated by the Yankalilla Hotel and Club Fleurieu to participate in the exchange program which will, in return, put the spotlight on the fresh, clean and green products of the Fleurieu Coast and its farmers when participating chefs drop in as part of the challenge exchange program.

Commencing in China this month, Filipe will not only face a host of unfamiliar Chinese ways of cooking but also language barriers and traditions while learning local food culture, fresh produce and cooking techniques.

The Chef Outta Water tests in China start within 24 hours of arrival for participating chefs who will be sent out to collect produce at markets and head straight into kitchens at exclusive restaurants to work with local culinary association chefs to prepare dinner.

Chef Filipe says, "This will be an honour for me as I will be representing the communities of the Fleurieu Peninsula and I will be inviting chefs from Changshu to come to join me later this year as our region in South Australia will host several Chef Outta Water events. I am also excited to be working alongside these international chefs and bringing some of the skills I have from Portugal and Australia to be tested in China".

Our Fleurieu community can look forward to local Chef Outta Water culinary events prepared by international Chefs and Filipe Santos during the District's Festival of Nature from September 4 to September 9.

Filipe has been working in the Fleurieu Peninsula since 2013, having spent a brief time in the Australian Outback. He travelled from Lisbon in Portugal where he worked in the kitchens at the Lisbon Shearon Hotel & SPA and the Ritz Lisbon Four Seasons Hotel.

Filipe is a hardworking, pro-active Chef with 20 year's experience as a Chef and Pastry Chef with an upbeat and positive attitude, who is passionate about food and quality.

COMMUNITY PLANTING DAYS



Thank you to everyone who took part in the Community Planting day at Wirrina Cove on Saturday 21 April. With more than 200 trees planted, it was a fantastic effort by all involved.

If you're interested in supporting the Glossy Black Cockatoo, as part of the Australian Government's 20 Million Trees project, join us for a project day down at Wirrina Cove.

Bookina:

https://bookings.conservationvolunteers.org/ project/community-conservation-at-wirrina-cove-20-million-trees-project

BE BUSHFIRE READY

There is never a wrong time to be focussed on being Bushfire Ready, particularly following the busy bushfire season the Yankalilla District has just come out of.

While the wet weather has now hit and the district is greening up, winter is, in fact, the perfect time to be thinking ahead to be prepared for the next fire

Council will host the Country Fire Service on Thursday, June 21, to present a Bushfire Ready community information session which could save your life.

The 90 minute session from 7pm in the Council Chambers will provide crucial information to help residents prepare their properties for the fire season and give critical tips in how to respond in a bushfire situation.

Team Leader Compliance John Bednall said the CFS run workshop and information session is all about being bushfire ready in a rural area.

The information session will include topics of: bushfire behaviour and warnings, property preparation, keeping safe, where to go and when to activate your bushfire plan.

Light refreshments will be available at the session which runs from 7pm to 9pm.







MEET THE TEAM

GEMMA RUSSELL



FAST FACTS

Family – Husband Mike, Kids, Gabriella (29), Jennifer and Thomas (Twins 22) and grandchildren Alfie (5), Liam (3) and Ariana (3 months) Also Lucy (10 years) my precious Beagle.

Placed Lived - Bristol, England and Adelaide, Australia

Favourite Food – No favourite – just really like food!

Steak Cooked – Medium rare

Red Wine or White Wine – Sparking white!

Can't do without – a good laugh

Currently Watching on TV – The Handmaidens Tale, Westworld

AFL Team of choice - Adelaide Crows

First Car – Ford Escort Mark 1

First motorbike – Puch Maxi moped when I was 16.

First Job – Office cleaner whilst at high school.

Regrets – Not standing up for a friend who was being bullied at school.

Final Fun Fact – Gemma is known as the best worst joke teller at council!

GEMMA'S ROLE

As the General Manager Customer and Community Services for the past 2 years at Yankalilla, Gemma's role encompasses the library & community services at the Centre, Commonwealth Home Support Program, Compliance Team including animal management, Tourism and the Visitor Information Centre, Arts and Culture, Information Management and Customer Service.

BRIEF EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Gemma started in IT for local government offices in Bristol, followed by the Electricity Generating Board and Hewlett Packard. "I worked in the computer rooms the size of our Council offices full of computer consoles, disk drives and tape desks. The information stored and speed of the mainframes would be comparable to what we have today in our smartphones!"

After a short break with her first born, she started her own IT training company until another career break having twins and working part-time as a

Gemma and her family emigrated to Australia in 1998 when she continued to work in the training industry. Landing a job at Adelaide City Council, where council's Chief Executive Nigel Morris then worked, Gemma stayed there for 10 years moving into Team Leader roles to eventually end up managing the UPark car parks at an exciting time with major equipment upgrades which included the introduction of ticketless parking and credit card payments on entry and exit.

Gemma returned to the private sector to further her business experience before again working with Nigel at Burnside for a time before her shift to the District Council of Yankalilla in 2016.









Heritage of the Fleurieu Peninsula, as seen by children who live or holiday in the Yankalilla District provided a spotlight on youth during the History Festival throughout May. All 80 entries were exhibited at the Yankalilla Visitor Information Centre during May and can now be collected from the Centre.

The winners were announced at the inaugural Heritage Fleurieu Coast and the Regional History Festival launches at the Yankalilla Visitor Information Centre on Sunday 29 April. Although there were two categories for junior and seniors respectively, no prizes were awarded for the Senior section and the Judging Panel decided to award several Commendation prizes in addition to the winners of the Junior category.

Council's heritage planner commented on the results saying: "There is a wealth of both natural and built heritage in the council area. This type of competition helps to raise awareness of local history between generations, through classroom activity and out of school when kids interact with older people including parents, who can share the stories of the past as well as enjoy a child's perspective of history."

Awards selected by the Judging Panel, who were impressed with the variety and range of entries by the children include:

First Prize (\$100 voucher) - Adelaide Decrevel -"The Endeavour', water colour painting / pencil. Age 12

Second Prize (\$50 voucher) - Lauren Byles -

Visitor Information Centre or posted out on request to the recipients. Please email iris@yankalilla.sa.gov.au for further information

Prize vouchers may be collected from the Yankalilla



First Prize

Commendations: (all \$25 vouchers)

Amy Marni – Landscape in pencil

Zoe Graham - Normanville Saleyards 1973 watercolour/acrylic painting

Chloe Logie - Anglican Church, Yankalilla -acrylic painting. Age 8 years

painting – Age 6 years

Israel Woodley - The Yankalilla Agricultural Hall where

Ash Ransom - 'John Fowler's Cottage - Acrylic/collage - Age 10 yearS



Second Prize



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WHAT'S ON AT THE CENTRE & LIBRARY

181 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, YANKALILLA

Community Connect

Old School Building, 206
Main Rd, Yankalilla; Drop
in for a Coffee and a Chat;
Linking with Support Service
Agencies

Information

Contact 0400 287 761

Time

Mondays during school term, between 9am and 11am

Wiggle & Giggle

Centre 181 – 181 Main South Rd, Yankalilla, FREE, Suitable for Pre-schoolers

Enquiries Renee 0409 709 504

Time Tuesday during school term time, 9.30am – 10am

Drumming Circle

Centre 181 – 181 Main South Rd, Yankalilla, Gold Coin Donation, BYO Drum, ALL WELCOME, Enquiries

Enquiries Julianne 8558 0262

Time Wednesday during school term time, 2pm -3pm

RDA 'Building your Business on the Cloud'

Business Digital One-on-One, 90 minute Consultancy sessions

Book

Dilrini 8536 9200 dilrinip@rdahc.com.au

Time Thursday 21st, 9am-5pm

Womens Wellbeing Art Therapy Group

\$15, No art experience necessary

Enquiries Kerstin 0484 313 329

Time First and Third Tuesday of each month during school term time, 5th & 19th, 12.45-2.45pm

Australian Hearing

FREE hearing screening test, the Centre 181 – 181 Main South Rd, Yankalilla

Appointments

Victor Harbor 8551 1600

Time Tuesday 5th, 10-12pm

After School Lego

Gold Coin Donation, Suitable for ages 5 years and over

Enquiries

Julianne 8558 0262

Time Monday, 25th, 2.30pm-3.30pm

Story Time

FREE, No bookings required

Enquiries

The library on 8558 2043

Time Wednesdays 9 May – 27 June, 10am

Library & Information Week Statewide Photo Competition

Theme is 'Find Yourself in a Library'; Competition running 14 May – 8 June.

Statewide Prize is \$600 split over 3 categories

Enquiries Library on 8558 2043

Author Event: Helen Dinmore

FREE. Helen Dinmore talks about writing for Children and Adults.

Enquiries Library on 8558 2043

Time Thursday June 28, 2.30pm-3.30pm

Little Bang Discovery Club

Children aged 3-5 years. FREE. Bookings essential

Bookings Library on 8558 2043

Time 10am-11.30am Thursdays 24 May – 14 June.

Tech Savvy Seniors Sessions for over 60s

FREE

Bookings Essential

Bookings Library on 8558 2043

Time Mondays, July to October

UPCOMING COMMUNITY CONNECT FREE INFORMATION SESSIONS

Monday 4th Resilience and Positive Psychology with Fleurieu Families, begins @ 9.30am

TECH SAVVY SENIORS

Seniors are getting savvy in Yankalilla... Tech Savvy.

People over the age of 60 have the chance to brush up on the ever-changing technology at our fingertips with a series of tech training sessions at The Centre on Mondays throughout July and into August.

Keep in touch with family and friends using email; understand the basics of the internet for fun, education and every day convenience; learn how to pay for products online; uncover the fun and convenience of your smartphone and learn how to store and carry your electronic information and files.

The well-equipped sessions, with use of Library Computers in the trainings, includes cyber safety tips and take home handouts

Trainers will take you through at a pace easy to understand and work with those in the sessions using a large presentation screen to keep all participants well informed.

Tea and coffee will also be available for these fun and informative sessions. All you need is your library card and an Apple iPhone or iPad and an existing Apple account or ID for the Apple iPhone basics and an Android smartphone or Android tablet, along with a Google account or ID for the Android sessions.

FESTIVAL OF NATURE – GET INVOLVED

We're excited to announce the inaugural Festival of Nature will be held 5 - 9 September, 2018. The Festival spans a range of activities that celebrate the diversity of our region and share our creative and innovative approach towards a sustainable future.

From guided bushwalks to hands-on workshops, an open homes and gardens program showcasing new and retro-fits and culminating in a sustainable living expo.

Together we can make this a showcase event.

If you would like to get involved as a volunteer, sponsor, exhibitor, performer or part of the open house and garder program, we'd love to hear from you.

Contact Lisa Pearson on 0419 704 912 or at lisapearson@vankalilla.sa.gov.au



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

