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Council staff show their support to the *Flanno for a Farmer* fundraiser

Flanno for a Farmer: Council staff show their support

On Wednesday, 20 August, staff at the District Council of Yankalilla swapped their usual workwear for flannel shirts to take part in the *Flanno for a Farmer* fundraiser.

The cause is particularly close to our team, with many staff coming from farming families and a strong number living within our own district or just across the border in neighbouring Fleurieu councils. For them, the challenges faced by farmers are not distant headlines; they are lived experiences felt in their own

communities, friendship groups and families.

Staff made donations to wear their flannos, with all funds going directly to Rural Aid's Farm Angels. This charity provides practical and emotional support to farmers when they need it most, particularly in the long, difficult months after disaster has passed. From urgent financial assistance and mental health referrals to a simple call that reminds someone they're not alone, the impact is life-changing.

When the headlines fade and the cameras leave, the hardship often continues. Many families are still recovering from floods, droughts and fires, with the growing pressures taking a toll. Tragically, every 10 days an Australian farmer dies by suicide, more than just a statistic, a heartbreaking reality that *Flanno for a Farmer* aims to help change.

Our team at the District Council of Yankalilla are proud to support the cause and donations are still open. To contribute, visit:

www.flannoforafarmer.com.au/donate

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

This past month has been a valuable opportunity to reflect on the work Council is doing to ensure we are planning responsibly for the future while remaining responsive to the challenges of today.

One of the most important steps underway is the development of a three-year budget. As someone with a background in banking and finance, I recognised early on that our traditional budget approach needed something more practical between the annual budget and the 10-year Long-Term Financial Plan. This new process provides a clearer, medium-term view, helping Elected Members test options across multiple years and better understand the cumulative impact of their decisions. Ultimately, it means we can plan more deliberately, make more informed choices and ensure that change is both sustainable and well considered.

At the recent Audit and Risk Committee meeting, I was pleased to see some strong results. Council has paid off more than \$860,000 in fixed loans this financial year and our Finance team has also worked hard to significantly reduce outstanding rate debt from prior years, a great achievement. Risk management, business continuity planning and improvements in workplace safety continue to be a focus, ensuring Council remains resilient and sustainable into the future. I was also encouraged to see progress in policy reviews and positive early feedback on the transition to the new management model for Normanville Jetty Holiday Park.

Looking ahead, Council has now commenced a strategic service level review to help us better understand the cost, resourcing and delivery of the services we provide. This work will establish a clear baseline and framework for decision-making, aligning services with both community needs and our

financial capacity. Importantly, it will also support us to attract, retain and develop the right people to deliver on our commitments.

This month, I also attended a state government community forum at Victor Harbor on the ongoing algal bloom affecting coastal areas. With the Premier, senior government leaders and scientific experts present, the session provided the latest updates on the environmental, health and industry impacts, as well as the response and recovery efforts underway. It was also a chance for the community to raise concerns and have them addressed directly.

As always, I thank you for your continued support and input into the work we are doing together for our community.

Warm Regards,
Mayor Darryl Houston

How to stay

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Pick up a hard copy in Council facilities and various public outlets throughout the District. Alternatively, you can find monthly editions and subscribe to receive it by email, by scanning the QR Code or visiting https://bit.ly/dcy_intheloop

If you cannot access our news in any of the above formats, request to have a hard copy posted to you by calling us on 8558 0200 or by emailing council@yankalilla.sa.gov.au



Keep Your Contact Details Up to Date

Have you recently changed your postal address, phone number or email? To make sure you don't miss important information from Council, we encourage all ratepayers to keep their contact details up to date.

Updating your details is quick and easy:

Complete the **Change of Address form** on Council's website: www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/contact/residents/change-of-address, or email us directly at council@yankalilla.sa.gov.au.

By keeping your information current, you'll help us stay connected and ensure you receive your rate notices and other important updates without delay.



UPDATE



CEO'S CORNER

This winter has brought its fair share of challenges to our coastline, but it has also highlighted the strength and resilience of our community when we work together. From storm damage to environmental pressures and the uncertainty they have created, Council remains focused on addressing immediate issues while planning for a positive future.

Storm Damage Update

The Normanville Jetty remains closed after suffering significant damage, including the loss of its final sections/bays. Engineering assessments have been completed and presented to the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) as is required under the Council's Lease Agreement.

I acknowledge that the Jetty has already been closed for some time and progress may feel slow; however, key steps are occurring in the background. The scale and complexity of the required repairs necessitate that every step be carefully planned and approved in partnership with DIT before the repairs can be contracted. There are also only a small number of appropriately skilled companies in South Australia who undertake jetty repairs and Normanville is one of nearly a dozen which has recently suffered damage. This could impact the timing or sequencing of the repairs.

As previously outlined, the Council has managed this so that our insurer is covering the financial contribution of \$18,500 (required under the lease).

At Second Valley, repair work on the jetty and causeway has moved more quickly. The damage there was more localised and fell directly under DIT's responsibility. They were able to move swiftly with remedial works, which has led to the jetty being able to reopen. State Heritage approvals are still required for the longer-term stonework repairs.

Council continues to pursue insurance claims and grant opportunities for storm damage sustained across our coastline. Further details can be found in the "Assets and Environment Update" section of this edition.

Pontoon Update

On a more positive note, I'm pleased to confirm that the Normanville Pontoon will continue to be part of our summers. Thanks to a \$5,000 annual sponsorship from Belgravia (the operator of the Normanville Jetty Holiday Park) and some installation support from the Normanville Surf Life Saving Club, Council is now committed to this year's installation and retrieval. Council will also continue to explore further sponsorship opportunities to help mitigate any remaining costs. We see this as a great example of local organisations working together to make sure this much-loved piece of summer fun remains available for everyone to enjoy.

Algal Bloom

The algal bloom along our coast has had a real impact on local businesses and residents. While statewide updates and warnings are important, we've been focused on making sure the voices of our community are heard. Our staff have been gathering stories from those directly affected and sharing them with the Harmful Algal Bloom Taskforce, so decision-makers understand what it really means for people here on the Fleurieu Coast.

We've also successfully advocated for a dedicated Algal Bloom Community Forum to be held locally. This will give our region a direct voice in shaping the response and building stronger support for those affected. We'll share the details of the forum as soon as the date is locked in.

Working Together

Whether responding to storm damage, supporting the pontoon or addressing environmental challenges, recent months have reinforced the value of collaboration. Council will continue to advocate for the community and keep you updated every step of the way. We will also continue to provide updates to the community through Council meetings, social media, our website and future editions of this newsletter as new information on the issues above becomes available.

Nathan Cunningham
Chief Executive Officer



Road Name Change: Cheesman Street, Normanville

The District Council of Yankalilla has officially corrected a long-standing error in the spelling of Cheesman Street, Normanville.

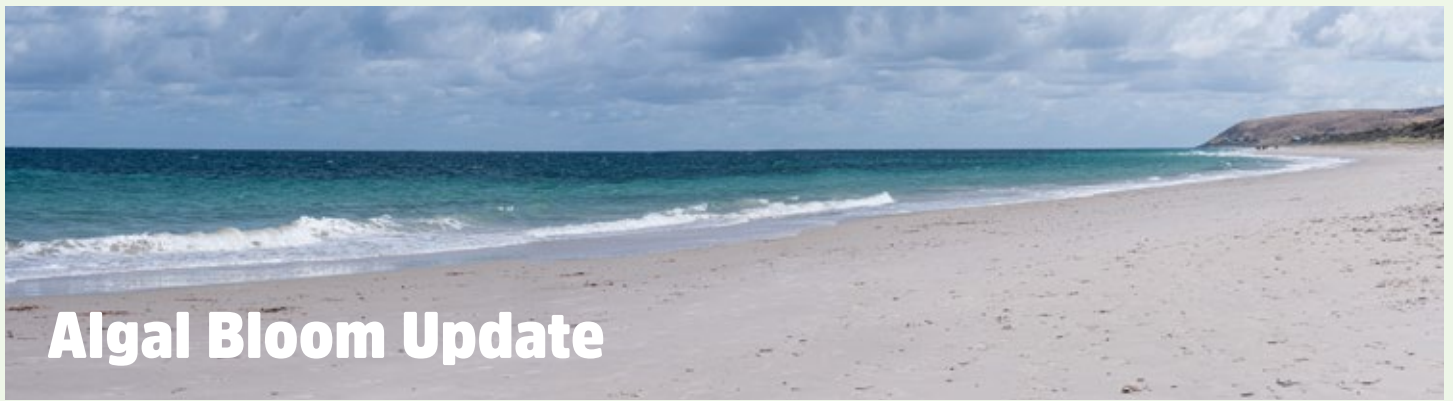
The error originated from incorrect records held by the Lands Titles Office, which resulted in the misspelling appearing in State Government data, satellite maps and street signage.

At its meeting on 17 September 2024, Council endorsed a proposal to correct the spelling in line with the wishes of the Cheesman family and the support of the Yankalilla Historical Society. In accordance with Council's Road Naming Policy, the community was invited to provide feedback on the proposed change.

Following consideration of community input, Council resolved

at its 15 July 2025 meeting, under Section 219 of the *Local Government Act 1999*, to correct the spelling of Cheesman Street. The change took effect on 16 July 2025.

Residents and visitors will soon see the correct spelling, **Cheesman Street**, reflected across all street signs and official records. Council thanks the community for their input and support throughout this process.



Algal Bloom Update

A harmful algal bloom caused by *Karenia mikimotoi* has been detected in South Australian waters, significantly impacting our coastline.

The bloom has discoloured and foamed the water in some areas and is believed to have caused the deaths of thousands of marine animals, affecting around 400 species.

Stay Informed

For up-to-date information from the South Australian Government - including details on staying safe, how the situation is being managed and the

\$28 million support package - visit: <https://www.algalbloom.sa.gov.au/>

For public health advice, visit [SA Health water quality alerts](#)

To report fish deaths: Call FISHWATCH on 1800 065 522

Report sick or dead wildlife, including marine mammals and wild birds: Call the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.

Provide Feedback

The District Council of Yankalilla is actively working with local residents,

community groups and businesses to advocate for support in response to the impacts of the harmful algal bloom affecting our region.

We will continue to provide accounts regarding the impacts to the Harmful Algal Bloom Reference Group, co-chaired by Deputy Premier Susan Close and Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Clare Scriven.

Provide your feedback by emailing council@yankalilla.sa.gov.au

2025-26 Community Grants are now Open!

Are you part of a community group or not-for-profit organisation looking to help fund a project?

The District Council of Yankalilla is excited to announce that the 2025-26 Community Grants Program is now open and accepting applications.

We invite all eligible community groups, charities and not-for-profit organisations to apply for funding to support projects that strengthen our community, enhance community well-being, increase participation in social and leisure activities and respond to local needs and issues.

Applications are now open and will close on Thursday, 25 September 2025. An amount of \$7,500 has been allocated in 2024-25, with the maximum available for any individual project limited to \$1,500.

Interested groups are encouraged to visit our website at www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/community/council/community-grants for more information on the application process, eligibility criteria and key dates.

We look forward to receiving your applications and supporting the incredible work you do in our community. Please call 8558 0200 or email council@yankalilla.sa.gov.au if you need any advice or assistance.



2024-25 Community Grant Recipients

Child and Baby First Aid Course – Book Now

We're delighted to share that, thanks to an overwhelming response from our community, a **Child and Baby First Aid Course with Tiny Hearts** is officially coming to Yankalilla.

This course is designed for any caregiver - mums, dads, grandparents or anyone who loves and cares for little ones. Developed by paramedics, the training provides practical, hands-on learning to help you feel confident and prepared in the event of an emergency. With guidance from a dedicated Tiny Hearts Educator, you'll gain life-saving skills and the reassurance of knowing exactly what to do when it matters most.

Course details

Date: Tuesday 9 September 2025

Times: 12:00pm to 4:00pm

Location: Yankalilla Cultural Centre and Library, 181 Main South Road, Yankalilla

Cost: \$45 per person (heavily subsidised by the Community team at the District Council of Yankalilla - regular cost is \$180.00 inclusive of travel)

Bookings are essential and places are limited. Don't miss this opportunity to become your own paramedic at home.

Book online: <https://www.trybooking.com/DDKGK>





BABY AND CHILD FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

Learn life-saving skills for your little one, designed by paramedics to ensure you know exactly what to do in an emergency. Bookings essential

Cost: \$45 per person
Time : 12:00pm- 4:00pm
Location: Yankalilla Culture Centre

BOOK NOW



<https://www.trybooking.com/DDKGK>

CALL: 8558 0200
EMAIL: COMMUNITY@YANKALILLA.SA.GOV.AU



Stay Informed: Accessing AEDs When It Matters Most

In a life-threatening emergency, every second counts. When you dial Triple Zero (000) in South Australia, the SA Ambulance Service (SAAS) call-taker can guide you to the nearest publicly accessible Automated External Defibrillator (AED), thanks to a comprehensive state-wide register.

This register, maintained by SAAS, includes all council-owned AEDs and other publicly available devices. It is integrated with the GoodSAM platform, enhancing accessibility and ensuring that call-takers can provide real-time directions to the closest AED during an emergency.

While mobile applications like GoodSAM are available for locating AEDs, in the urgency of a cardiac arrest, calling Triple Zero (000) remains the most efficient method to access immediate assistance and information. The call-taker can also dispatch nearby GoodSAM responders, trained volunteers who can provide CPR and use an AED before paramedics arrive.

For AED owners, SAAS offers a reimbursement program for the cost of replacing defibrillator pads used during a cardiac arrest. To be eligible, the AED must be registered and the owner must provide details

of the incident and a receipt for the replacement pads. It's important to note that this reimbursement does not extend to government organisations, including local councils.

To ensure your AED is included in the register, visit the SAAS AED Register page. Keeping your device registered and maintained could make a critical difference in an emergency. For more information, check out the SA Ambulance Service website at <https://saambulance.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/aed-register/>

Remember, in any emergency, call Triple Zero (000) immediately. Your prompt action can save lives.

Big Picture: Clear Focus



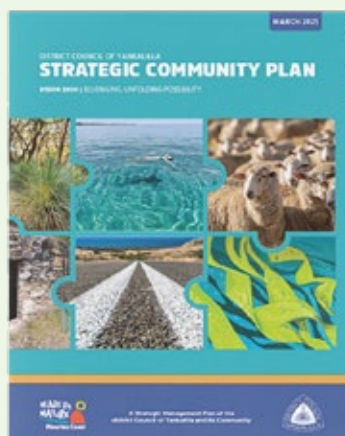
Council's Key Strategic Documents

Council has a range of strategic documents that guide decisions, set priorities and ensure transparency. Each plays a different role but together they provide a complete picture of where we are now, where we're going and how we'll get there.

Here, you'll find an overview of our key documents, each with a QR code that links directly to the document.

Strategic Community Plan: VISION 2030

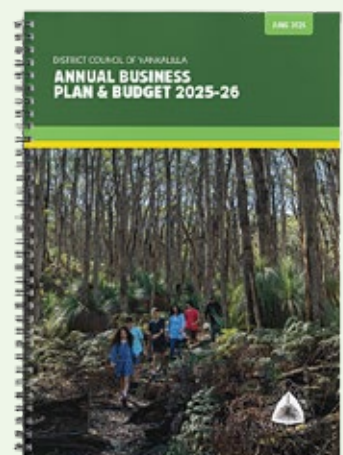
The [Strategic Community Plan: VISION 2030](#) sets out our shared vision for the future of the Yankalilla district. It reflects on what has changed since 2020 and reaffirms our priorities in a time of new opportunities and rising pressures. Shaped by local voices and community values, this plan serves as the roadmap guiding Council's focus as we work towards VISION 2030.



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Annual Business Plan & Budget 2025-2026

This plan sets out Council's priorities, key projects and actions for the financial year ahead. It explains how we'll deliver on VISION 2030 by focusing on essential services, completing delayed infrastructure projects and protecting our natural environment. The [Annual Business Plan & Budget](#) provides a clear picture of where we're heading and how we're working to meet community needs across 2025-26.



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Long-Term Financial Plan 2025–2035

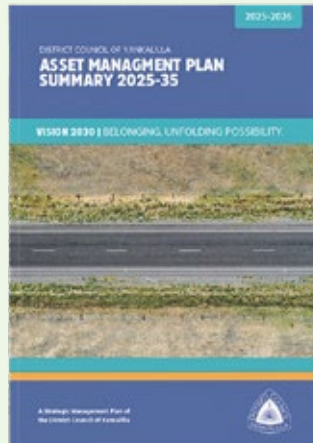
Looking beyond the next year, our [Long-Term Financial Plan](#) sets the financial direction for the decade ahead. Required under the *Local Government Act 1999*, it outlines how we'll manage resources to support our strategic goals and ensure financial sustainability. While less detailed than the annual budget, it provides the "big picture" view of projected income, spending and investment over time.



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Asset Management Plan Summary 2025–35

Council manages more than \$140 million worth of community assets, such as roads, buildings, stormwater systems and parks. The [Asset Management Plan Summary](#) outlines how we care for and invest in these assets, linking infrastructure needs to long-term financial planning. It introduces a clear roadmap for improving asset management practices, ensuring they remain safe, reliable, and sustainable for the community.



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2023–2024 Annual Report

Our [Annual Report](#) outlines Council's financial position at the end of each year and progress toward *VISION 2030*. It highlights the key services we provided, the infrastructure delivered and the achievements from the past year. The report also includes updates from our regional subsidiaries (the Fleurieu Regional Waste Authority and the Southern & Hills LGA) and reflects our commitment to transparency under the *Local Government Act 1999*.

We are currently preparing the 2024–25 Annual Report, which will be presented to Council later this year.



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How the Documents Work Together

Each of these documents plays a unique role, but they all connect:

The **Strategic Plan** sets the long-term vision.

The **Annual Business Plan & Budget** details what we'll deliver in the year ahead.

The **Long-Term Financial Plan** ensures decisions are financially sustainable over the decade.

The **Asset Management Plan** helps us plan and care for the infrastructure that supports our community.

The **Annual Report** shows our progress and achievements against these plans each year.

Together, they form the framework for building a strong, sustainable future for our district.

Where we are now, where we're going and how we'll get there

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**YOU
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Bringing Small Business Week to the Fleurieu Coast!

Local Connections, Practical Support and Future-Focused Learning

This September, the District Council of Yankalilla is proud to be partnering with the Office for Small & Family Business to bring Small Business Week 2025 to our region, for our local businesses.

Hosted by the District Council of Yankalilla and the Do Business Fleurieu Coast initiative, we're delivering a dynamic, relevant and practical lineup of **FREE** events and connection opportunities. From business support to workshops and opportunities to connect, the program is designed to empower our local operators from all business sectors and foster meaningful connections.

Kicking off on Monday, 22 September, Regional Tech Hub and NBN Co. will offer 1:1 support sessions in Normanville and Myponga, helping businesses navigate regional connectivity challenges. Book your appointment for Normanville or Myponga to get started on improving your connectivity experience.

Tuesday is jam-packed, starting with a morning **Coffee & Connect** in Yankalilla for **home-based businesses**, one of our most integral yet often underrepresented business sectors. Enjoy a relaxed morning gathering at the **Yankalilla Cultural Centre & Library**, with coffee provided by the **Barking Bean** coffee van.

Our Home-based businesses play a vital role in our local economy, contributing innovation, flexibility and employment across a wide range of industries, from creative services and consulting to online retail and trades.

This is a chance to step out from behind the desk, meet other local operators and share experiences. Register now to confirm your attendance and be part of a growing network of home-based entrepreneurs making a big impact in our region.

Further, for Super Tuesday, head to the **Normanville Surf Life Saving Club** in the afternoon for an innovative workshop on saving time with AI. Simone Douglas from Digital Marketing AOK will deliver **"How to Save 80 Hours a Month (Using AI)"** for small business operators. This workshop is about giving business owners back their time and demystifying AI without the overwhelm. Book now to avoid disappointment.

To round off the day, connect, collaborate and grow at our **Small Business Week Networking Event** on Tuesday evening. Book your free ticket and join in a relaxed environment where local business owners and entrepreneurs can meet, share ideas and build connections.

Whether you're looking for new opportunities, partnerships or simply a supportive community, this is a great chance to expand your network and be inspired by others on a similar journey.

Throughout the week, **Bloom & Brew's co-working space** in Normanville invites businesses to drop in and explore flexible working options. Call in anytime during Small Business Week, leave your business card or contact details, check out the space and enjoy a **free coffee!**

Wednesday provides an opportunity to meet with business financial counsellors from **Rural Business Support**. Book your appointment for independent and confidential advice for primary producers and regionally based small businesses.

Understand your role in protecting your business, its data and your clients from cybersecurity threats and scams. Join our group session for an online Cybersecurity class, part of the **ATO's Essentials to Strengthen Your Small Business** learning series. Hosted at the **Yankalilla Cultural Centre & Library** on Thursday afternoon. Register to book your place.

Booking information

To register or book for any of the above sessions, please visit Council's website:

www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/business/dobusinessfleurieucoast/small-business-week-2025

Small Business Week is your opportunity to build capability, expand your network and access practical tools to help your business thrive. With sincere thanks to our local program partners and sponsors:



Small Business Week 2025 is a Government of South Australia initiative, delivered in partnership by the Office for Small and Family Business, the Small Business Commission SA, the Industry Advocate and the Commissioner for Consumer and Business Services.

Running from 22 to 26 September, the state-wide Small Business Week program features a line-up of free events, practical resources, on-demand content and inspiring local stories to support small business success across South Australia.

Delivered by the Office for Small and Family Business, the Small Business Commissioner SA, the Industry Advocate, and the Commissioner for Consumer and Business Services, this year's theme is building capability, with sessions focused on topics including women in business, the digital environment, cyber resilience and growing a great team.

View the full program and register now: <https://business.sa.gov.au/programs/small-business-week>



Do Business Fleurieu Coast Local Business Survey - Opens Monday, 25 August

We're inviting all local businesses across the Fleurieu Coast to take part in the 2025 Local Business Survey, launching Monday, 25 August.

This is your opportunity to shape the future of business support in our region. Whether you're a sole trader, a retail business, a home-based business, a growing enterprise, in trade services, part of the producers' sector, or in manufacturing, your insights matter.

Why Participate?

- ✓ Help us understand your needs
- ✓ Guide future programs and services
- ✓ Advocate for issues that matter to you
- ✓ Ensure your voice is heard in local planning

The survey will gather valuable data on the challenges, opportunities and priorities facing businesses in our district.

This information will guide how the District Council of Yankalilla and the Do Business Fleurieu Coast initiative plan and deliver future support, from tailored programs and services to advocacy and strategic planning that reflects what our business community truly needs.

What We're Asking

- What support do you need to grow or sustain your business?
- What barriers are you facing?
- What topics or tools would help you build capability?
- What issues should Council advocate for on your behalf?

Your Business Voice = Real Impact

By completing the survey, you're helping us build a stronger, more responsive business environment, one that reflects the real needs of our community.

The survey is open, so click <https://www.yoursayyankalilla.com.au/> to participate.

Let's plan for a thriving future, together.

Food Safety

With the Environmental Health Officer



Environmental Awareness

We are all becoming more environmentally aware but sometimes messages on energy and water saving contradict good food safety advice.

Remember that being ill is a drain on the economy and not something we would wish on our family and friends.

Some types of food poisoning can have severe or even chronic consequences.

Water

Saving water is important but so is washing your hands properly.

Washing fruit and vegetables under running water removes loose soil and helps to remove many bacteria and viruses.

If you wash fruit and vegetables that are not going to be cooked in a bowl to save water, this can create a microbiological soup that may re-contaminate the food or your hands, depending on the types and amounts washed.

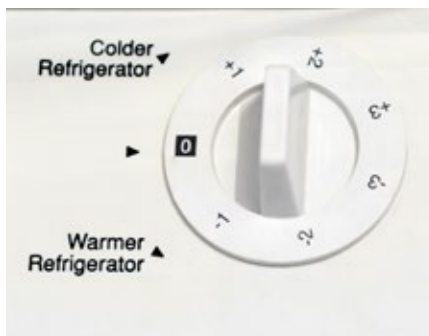
Alternatively, you can catch running water used for washing in a bowl or bucket and then use it on the garden, where it will not come into contact with other ready-to-eat fruits, vegetables and herbs.

Read labels of pre-cut or peeled fruits and vegetables. If they have already been washed before packaging and they are within their use by or best before date, then washing again is not necessary.



Energy

Don't be tempted to save electricity by setting your fridge to a warmer temperature. It must run at 5°C or below to make sure bacteria don't grow.



Gardening

It is great to grow your own food, as it tastes good, is fresh and helps our children understand where food comes from.

You can still get food poisoning or contamination from your own produce but this can be avoided with a bit of careful planning.

Remember not to put 'grey' water from the house, such as washing machine water, onto fruit, vegetables or herbs growing in the garden. Don't store grey water, as microbes will grow in it. Also, avoid using water from the washing up or dishwasher, as it contains too much fat and other solids that can be harmful to plant growth.

Don't locate your garden near any rubbish piles or bins that may contain chemicals that could leak into the garden or attract vermin.

Carefully choose the garden site for hazards, for example, if you have an older building, avoid using soil that could have been contaminated by scrapings of lead paint many years ago.

Make sure any compost you buy is treated and if you make it yourself, ensure it is well composted. This not only kills any weed seeds but also helps kill food poisoning bacteria. Prevent easy access by vermin and pests, such as mice and rats, which can spread diseases.

Never use any type of manure on food plants that hasn't been thoroughly composted, as it will be contaminated with bacteria, some of which can make you sick.

Take precautions to protect your vegetable garden from the entry of domestic and wild pests. Watch for evidence of invasions and discard damaged crops.

Minimise the use of garden chemicals and make sure you stick to the instructions for use. Use exactly the amount recommended on the label and avoid spraying other areas of the garden in windy conditions, as the spray may drift onto fruit and vegetables. Some chemicals will have withholding periods before you harvest any fruit or vegetables that have been sprayed, so that there are no residues in the food when consumed.



Plastic bags

Use separate, leak-proof, easily washable bags for meat/poultry/seafood and for fruit and vegetables. Retailers can still provide small plastic bags for these higher risk products, which are compostable at most supermarkets.

When you are purchasing your reusable bags, make sure you get a cooler bag to keep your refrigerated and frozen food at a safe temperature on the way home. You may need to add ice bricks on warm days.



Choose a clean trolley or basket for your shopping. Never put fresh fruit and vegetables that won't be peeled or cooked before eating directly into the trolley; put them in a clean bag.

Plan to do your food shopping last and take it straight home so perishable food doesn't warm to temperatures in the danger zone where bacteria can grow (5° to 60°C).

Don't leave your shopping in a hot car. When you get home, pack chilled and frozen products into your refrigerator or freezer immediately.

It's best not to store your reusable shopping bags in your car where they can get hot or can come into contact with pets or dirty items such as sporting equipment and shoes. If you do keep them in the car zip them into a cooler bag to keep them clean.

Reusable containers

Reusable food and drink containers, such as keep cups, are becoming more popular. Make sure your containers are clean by washing them in soapy hot water, rinsing, and drying thoroughly.

Make sure the containers are transported closed so they don't get re-contaminated and take any perishable food home straight away in a cooler bag (with ice brick if a long distance)

It is also up to the shop/ cafe if they allow this to be done, e.g. if their scales can be set for different containers.



Elected Member Information and Briefing Sessions

The District Council of Yankalilla is bringing Elected Member Information and Briefing Sessions out into the community, with meetings being held at different locations across the district.

The first session in this new format took place in August at the Cape Jervis Community Club. Over the next two months, sessions will be held at:

- **Tuesday, 2 September 2025 – Myponga Memorial Community Centre**
- **Tuesday, 7 October 2025 – Inman Valley Community & Memorial Hall**

These sessions are a fantastic opportunity for local residents, community groups and stakeholders to attend, listen and gain a greater understanding of the matters before Council.

What are Elected Member Information & Briefing Sessions?

Elected Member Information and Briefing Sessions play an important role in enhancing Council's decision-making processes. They allow Elected Members to become well-informed on issues, ask questions and seek



August Elected Member Information and Briefing Session held at Cape Jervis

clarification before making formal decisions at Council meetings.

Sessions are held in accordance with Council's *Code of Practice – Formal Proceedings of Council and Committee Meetings* pursuant to Section 90A of the *Local Government Act 1999*. They are generally open to the public, although some items may need to be discussed in confidence and the meeting closed for those particular matters.

When and where?

Elected Member Information and Briefing Sessions are held at 3pm on the first Tuesday of each month. The location is determined by the CEO and details are available in the agenda, which is published on Council's website the Friday before each session.

We encourage community members to come along and take advantage of this opportunity to see Council in action.

Assets & Environment Update

Welcome to this month's Assets & Environment Update, where we share progress on Council's key projects, infrastructure works and environmental initiatives across the district.

We encourage you to read the August Assets & Environment Update Report presented to Council for more detailed information.

Coastal Storm Damage

Storm damage remains a significant focus following the severe weather events of May, June, and early July. Council staff and contractors have been working steadily to assess, repair and make safe a number of coastal assets:

- **Normanville Jetty** – The jetty remains closed due to extensive damage, including severe structural issues at the seaward end. A qualified engineering assessment has been completed and presented to the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT). The report identifies the need for replacement of key structural components. Council will continue to work through the formal process with DIT under the lease agreement.
- **Normanville Foreshore Ramps** – Both the northern and southern beach access ramps remain closed. Quotes have been obtained and submitted to Council's insurer, with claims currently under assessment.
- **Normanville Surf Life Saving Club Retaining Wall** – Temporary protective works using sand reshaping remain effective, with further claims submitted to Council's insurer. Encouragingly, sand is beginning to naturally replenish in front of the surf club
- **Second Valley Causeway and Jetty** – The causeway and jetty have recently reopened. DIT has undertaken repair works following damage in July. Works and approvals continue to progress for full repair to the heritage stone works.
- **Myponga Beach Stairs** – Access remains closed. Quotes for repair and renewal have been received and a Coastal Protection Grant application has been submitted to help fund the works.

Grant Applications

Council has submitted a Coastal Protection Grant application to support storm recovery works, including dune fencing and planting at Myponga Beach, Carrickalinga and Normanville, the replacement of beach access stairs at Myponga Beach and sand replenishment at Normanville Beach.

Normanville Pontoon

The much-loved Normanville Pontoon has taken a positive step forward. Belgravia, operator of the Normanville Jetty Holiday Park, has offered \$5,000 per year in sponsorship. Combined with assistance from the Normanville Surf Life Saving Club for installation and retrieval, this will help secure the pontoon's future. Further work is underway to bridge the remaining funding gap.



Normanville Jetty



Normanville SLSC retaining wall



Second Valley Causeway



Myponga Beach stair access

Roads and Bridges

- **Unsealed Roads** - Council is working with Tonkins to prioritise roads for renewal within the 2025–26 budget. A full list of roads will be presented in the coming months and works are expected to commence later this year.
- **Shoulder Maintenance Works** - Planning is underway to identify suitable locations for shoulder maintenance works across the district. These works are generally carried out in autumn, so a full update will be provided once the program is finalised.
- **Finniss Vale Drive, Second Valley** - Design work is now complete, with two kerb options being costed. Once this is finalised, the project will move to open tender for construction.
- **Forktree Road / Myponga Beach Road Slip Lane** - Completed in June, this project improves safety at a key intersection following community concerns.
- **Blacker Road Bridge** - A redesign has been completed to reduce costs. Council is awaiting final cost estimates before considering delivery as part of the 2026–27 budget process.
- **Myponga Beach Bridge** - A maintenance schedule is being developed following inspection and a further update on this project will be provided once we have certainty from the appointed contractor.

Footpaths and Township Works

Planning for the 2025–26 Footpath Renewal Program is underway, with designs and costings being reviewed against available funding.

Environment and Community Engagement

The Fleurieu Coast Environment Reference Group (FERG) met in June, discussing coastal management, dune protection and First Nations engagement. Recommendations include new fencing and signage to protect vulnerable dunes, community education on coastal care and extending the Carrickalinga Dark Sky Community boundary. Officers are progressing these actions alongside the group.

Council Decisions

The following provides a summary of the decisions made at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 August 2025.

As always, we encourage you to read the complete agenda and minutes to get the details and a greater understanding of topics at www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/council/agenda-and-minutes

Mayor's Report

The Mayor's Report was received. The Mayor provided feedback on the Quarterly Strategic Workshop and the Audit & Risk Committee's activities. An update from the Algal Bloom Community Forum was also provided.

Reports of Members, Delegates and Working Parties

Cr's Quirke, Moffat, Rothwell, Olsson & Grocke provided verbal reports on their activities during the month.

Questions on Notice

Cr Quirke asked questions regarding Representative Attendance Costs for Seminars and Conferences. These questions were answered and included in the minutes.

Cr Quirke asked questions regarding Representative Attendance Costs for Training. These questions were answered and included in the minutes.

Questions without Notice

Questions were asked and answered.

Reports of Officers

Policy Review Project Update – August 2025.

The report was received and Council unanimously adopted Information and Records Management Policy V4.0 and Code of Practice for Access to Meetings and Documents V5.0. Council also thanked community members for their contribution to the public consultation on the Code of Practice.

Rapid Bay Camping Ground Community Land Management Plan Amendment and Consultation.

Cr Olsson moved the motion to commence community consultation on the Amendments to the Rapid Bay Camping Ground Community Land Management Plan, which will be conducted during September/October 2025.

2025-26 Organisation-Wide Workplan

Council unanimously received the report and recognised the importance of planning to deliver the 2025-26 Annual Business Plan & Budget as it aligns with the full suite of strategic documents: VISION 2030, 2025-35 Long-Term Financial Plan, and Infrastructure Asset Management Plans (IAMPs).

2025-2026 Community Grant Program

The report was received with the changes to the grant program endorsed. The Community Grants Panel for 2025-2026 was selected and will comprise Mayor Darryl Houston, Deputy Mayor David Olsson and Councillors Quirke & Grocke, supported by the Group Manager Economy & Community.

Carry Forward 2024-25 Capital Work in Progress Budgets

The report was received and the endorsement from the Audit & Risk Committee was carried unanimously.

Monthly Finance Reports

Council unanimously resolved to receive the report on the July 2025 Monthly Finance Reports.

Assets and Environment Update – August 2025

The motion was moved in Altered Form by Cr Rothwell. Council accepted the offer from Belgravia for \$5,000 towards the Normanville Swimming Pontoon and authorised Administration to cover remaining costs attributed to the annual installation and retrieval of the pontoon, noting that officers are continuing to explore and investigate sponsorship opportunities with other suitable parties to mitigate these costs.

Economy and Community Update

Cr Olsson moved the Economy and Community Monthly Update – Activity in July 2025 as provided to Council. This motion was carried unanimously.

Chief Executive Officer Report

The motion to receive the Chief Executive Officer Report was carried unanimously.

Council Committee Minutes

The motion to note the minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee Meeting, the Audit & Risk Chair's summary report and the minutes of the Chief Executive Officer Performance and Remuneration Review Committee was carried unanimously.

Audit & Risk Committee – Recommendations to Council

Motions to request a quarterly report from Belgravia on the performance of the Rapid Bay Campground and to receive and accept the Financial Sustainability Update and Plans to achieve the 2026-27 Forecast were carried unanimously.

Minute Action Report

The Minute Action Report was received by Council and the Action List noted.

Meeting dates

Meeting Schedule: Members of the public are welcome to attend Council and Committee Meetings. To help the community plan ahead, a full year meeting schedule for Council & Committee Meetings and Information & Briefing Sessions is available on our website www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/council/meetings-schedule and is updated regularly with additional dates, location changes and other information as necessary.

Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 4 pm in the Council Chambers, 1 Charles St, Yankalilla.

Agendas are available the Friday before the meeting and Minutes are available the Friday after the meeting, both on Council's website.

Tuesday, 16 September 2025

Tuesday, 21 October 2025

Elected Member Information & Briefing Sessions are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 3 pm in a location determined by the CEO. Please check the agenda for location details.

Agendas are available on the Friday before the session on Council's website.

Tuesday, 2 September 2025 – Myponga Memorial Community Centre

Tuesday, 7 October 2025 – Inman Valley Community & Memorial Hall

WHAT'S ON

AT THE LIBRARY SEPTEMBER '25

Yankalilla & District Historical Society

**Every Wednesday morning
10:00am - 12 noon**

Assistance with family and local history. Enquiries to YDHS: 0437 500 013 or email to yank.hist.soc@gmail.com
Bookings not required.

Advanced Care Directive support sessions

**Wednesday - September 3
(1st Wed. of each month)
2:00pm & 3:00pm**

Would you like information/help filling in Advanced Care Directive forms? Book into a one-on-one session to receive some support from trained volunteers.

Bookings essential online, or call the library team.

Tech @ the Library

**Fridays -Sept 5, 12, 19, 26
10:00am, 11:00am or 12noon**

One-on-one help with technology related questions including Government sites and Apps, mobile phones, tablets, the internet and more.

Bookings essential.

A Cuppa, A Chat and Craft

**Tuesdays - Sept 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
1:00pm - 3:00pm**

A friendly, casual and relaxed group that gathers to enjoy a chat and have a cuppa while each member starts, finishes or continues with a craft project of their own.

Come along, cuppa provided.

Bookings not required.

Southern Community Justice Centre

**Friday - September 5 & 19
10:00am - 1:00pm**

Book a free legal advice appointment with a solicitor who can assist with Family, Civil and Criminal law.

Enquiries and bookings:
1300 850 650.

Home Library Service

**Wednesday September 10
1:30pm - 2:30pm**

Free service to eligible residents. Call the Library if you are interested or think you know someone who might be interested. 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Yankalilla Library Baby Sprouts: Sensory play for families, parents, caregivers with babies

**Thursdays - Sept 4, 11, 18, 25
10:00am - 10:30am**

Engage in story, song and rhyme that supports early literacy. Get to know other families, bond with your little one and explore the Yankalilla Library. Bookings not required.

Yankalilla Library Sprouts: Literacy, science and maths Preschool program

**Thursdays - Sept 4, 11, 18, 25
10:30am - 11:30am**

Read books, sing along and engage in different activities each week that promotes early literacy development, socialising, science discovery, maths, creativity and fun! Bookings not required.

Yankalilla Library Sprouts: literacy, science and maths Preschool program at Rapid Bay Primary School. (Term time)

**Fridays - Sept 5, 12, 19, 26
9:30am - 10:30am**

Read books, sing along and engage in different activities each week that promotes early literacy development, socialising, science discovery, maths, creativity and fun! Bookings essential - phone Rapid Bay Primary School 08 8598 4062.

Next month

2 October: Coffee with a cop - join SAPOL staff to chat about concerns, initiatives and trends.
11:15am - 1:30pm
no bookings required

11 October: Nature Festival Event - Botanical Flow
- Cyanotype Workshop
\$20 per person (ages 14+)
Bookings via Humanitix

OCT SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM!!!
Contact us for more info

Weaving for Wellness

**Thursday Sept 4 & 18
1:00pm - 3:00pm**

Enjoy the relaxing process of weaving. Discover and develop your creative potential. Share a cuppa and a yarn and make creative connections. Be refreshed and inspired by your creative time out. Become a dream weaver. Craft materials & cuppa provided

Wiggle and Giggle

**Tuesdays -Sept 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
10:00am - 10:30am**

30 minutes of wiggling, jumping, dancing, music, singing and giggling for children 0-5 years (and parents/ grandparents/ caregivers!).

Bookings not required



**TURN OVER FOR
MORE EVENTS**

Yankalilla Library

181 Main South Road Yankalilla 5203
Library 08 8558 2043



YANKALILLA

WHAT'S ON

AT THE LIBRARY SEPTEMBER '25

After School Gaming & Media Lab

Wednesdays, Sept, 3, 10, 17, 24
3:30pm- 4:30pm

Different sessions may be offered!

Test your skill on our SWITCH – step up to the console!

Learn how to create stop motion movies!

Drive or program our Sphero bots!

Ages 8-12. One booking per child

Morning Tea and Tales

Thursday September 25

10:30am - 12:noon

Come to the Yankalilla Library for a social morning. Every month a guest speaker will share tales of their lives, their connection to our region, or connection to nature. All ages welcome.

Bookings not required.

Library Book Club

Friday - September 19

2:00pm - 3:00pm

By joining an active book club, you will be more likely to read and discuss your thoughts on the books with new and long-time friends. It's a great way to have meaningful discussions as well as some lighthearted fun.

Meets on the third Friday of the month.

Bookings not required.

JP Service @ the Library

Tuesdays Sept 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

11:00am - 1:00pm

Do you need a document certified or witnessed by a Justice of the Peace? Stat Dec or ID witnessed for business or legal purposes? Help with an ACD? Please get all copies made prior to meeting with the JP.

No bookings required, join the queue.

History Talk

Stringybark Forests - what were they like, what happened to them, what's left?

Friday September 19

10:30am - 12:30pm

Find out about the history & current status of Stringybark Forests. Australia has the highest number of fauna species globally that rely exclusively on tree hollows for nesting. Loss of large old stringybark trees equals loss of habitat.

Speaker Brian Gepp, former wildlife ecologist with Woods & Forests dept. will share his research and insights.

Brian hopes to connect with our community to add photos and data to the historical record and inform discussion regarding ongoing management and protection of stringybarks.

Bookings essential -please call the Library team to book on 8558 2043

The Aged Rights Advocacy Service (ARAS) Outreach

Tuesdays - September 23

10:00am - 12:00pm

ARAS offers a free, confidential service to older people, or their representatives, who are:

- living in residential aged care or a retirement village
- receiving or seeking to receive Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) or Home Care Package (HCP) services
- at risk of, or experiencing, abuse from family or friends

no bookings required

Between the shelves: The latest titles just in!

Adult Fiction:

Bruny, Heather Rose

The Scene of the crime - Lynda LaPlante

The Ghost Walk - Karen Herbert

Atlas, the story of Pa Salt -Lucinda Riley

The Senator - Maya Golden Bethany

Hotel Ukraine - Martin Cruz Smith

Adult Non Fiction:

Explore Australia 2026-

Dingo - Roland Breckwoldt

Planting for Butterflies & Bees -

Make happy things - Sue-Ching

News cowboys - Mike Amor

Lascalles

Short Story:

Mother Earth & other Stories - Isaac Asimov

Large Print:

Act of Grace - Anna Krein

Lyrebird - Jane Caro

The Creeper - Margaret Hickey

Children's collection:

The Emerald Egg - Kayla Whaley

Your Choose: prehistoric Peril -

George Inavoff

Meet Sprigatito - graphic novel

Teen Fiction:

Of Flame and Fury - Mikalya Bridge

Wings of Starlight - Alison Saff

Kung Fu Roo - Ahn Do

DVDs:

The Salt Path

Oh, Canada!

Family DVDs

PawPatrol: Jungle Pups

A Minecraft Movie

Dragonkeeper

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library@yankalilla.sa.gov.au

Yankalilla Library

181 Main South Road Yankalilla 5203

Library 08 8558 2043



YANKALILLA

WEEKLY EVENTS:

Club Fleurieu:

Monday:

Mahjong 2:00pm

Rock and Roll dance class 6:30pm

Tuesday:

Croquet 10:00am

Line dancing 2:00pm

Wednesday:

Zumba 5:00pm cost \$10.00 per session

Thursday:

Bingo 10.00am

Friday:

Craft, coffee and a chat 10:00am

Cards 2:00pm

Croquet 3:00pm

Sunday:

Croquet 10:00am

Enquiries: Ph 8558 2053 or 0477 111 315.

Cape Jervis Community Club

Monday: Yoga 10:00am

Tuesday: Gymnasium 6.00pm or by appointment

Wednesday: Library 1:00pm – 2:00 pm

Sew 'n Sews Noon to 4.30pm

Thursday: Dinner from 5.30pm.

Phone: 8598 0088 to book.

Yankalilla Men's Shed

Open weekly behind Club Fleurieu

Tuesday: 8:30am – 2:00pm

Wednesday 5:00pm – 9:00pm

Friday 8:30am – 2:00pm

Come visit us: Phone or email: 0439 047 336

yankalillamensshed@gmail.com

Wednesday:

Yank Youth

Free arvo sessions for young people aged 12-18. To find out more, email community@yankalilla.sa.gov.au or head to Club Reclink: Yankalilla Youth - Hangout Sessions!

Thursday:

Cockatoo Café

10:00am till 11:30am

Yankalilla Area School

Support local students by purchasing hot drinks & morning tea goodies

Hedge Witch Apothecary

10:00am till 3:00pm

Main Street, Yankalilla

Hot drinks- Herbal tinctures tailor-made to the individual.

Friday:

Lady Bay Hotel:

5pm – 7pm Happy Hour.

Phone 8558 0600 for more information or to book.

Yankalilla Hotel:

Meat tray raffle and draw 7pm.

www.yankalillahotel.com.au

Saturday:

Caffe on Bungala

Live music showcasing local artists on the 1st and 2nd Saturday of every month. Tapas menu, local wines & cold beers available.

No need to book, come along and join in the fun!

3pm-5pm, 48 Main Road, Normanville

Myponga Reservoir parkrun

5km walk or run. 8am start, register at

www.parkrun.com.au Sorry no dogs.

more info mypongareservoir@parkrun.com

FORTNIGHTLY EVENTS:

Club Fleurieu:

Quilting 10am (Weeks 2, 4, 5).

Enquiries: Ph 8558 2053 or 0477 111 315

MONTHLY EVENTS:

Club Fleurieu:

Tuesday 9th September – Club barbecue lunch 12 noon

Tuesday 9th September – Night bingo 7:00pm

Wednesday 17th September - Club lunch 12 noon

Friday 26th Sept –Happy hour and Dinner 5:00pm

Bookings essential for all events

Enquiries: Ph 8558 2053 or 0477 111 315

MARKETS:

Yankalilla Market

Every 3rd Saturday of the month – 20th Sept 2025.

Yankalilla Showgrounds. 9:00am – 1:00pm.

Contact Mattie 0447 044 721 for more information.

The Recycled Closet Market

Saturday 24th May 2025. Every 4th Saturday of the month: 10am -2pm

Yankalilla Hall

More info phone: 0488 965 164

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Fleurieu Environment Centre

Saturday 6th September at 9:20am – Veggie Swap

Friday 12th Sept at 10:30am – Make & Mend Circle

Working bees at various locations during September – please check flec.com.au for dates and locations.

Any questions, email info@flec.com.au

Devonshire Morning Tea – Red Cross fundraiser

Monday 1st September at 10:00am

Yankalilla Bowling Club.

Raffles, door prizes, trading table

Cost \$10, includes morning tea & raffle ticket.

Bookings essential on 8558 2053 or 0477 111 315

Southern Fleurieu Film Festival

Lunana: A Yak in the Classroom - Drama/Family

Thursday 4th September, 6.30pm for 7pm.

Join up for \$60 and enjoy a film per month.

More info: www.sffs.org.au

Wind Up Theatre at Club Fleurieu

Saturday 6th September at 7:00pm

Dinner show based on the music festival held at Myponga in 1971.

Cost TBA. Bar open, no BYO.

Bookings essential on 8558 2053 or 0477 111 315

Pasta likes Nonna Makes

Sunday 14th September at 11:00am

Lot 50 Yankalilla

Roll, fill, laugh, and eat – just like Nonna intended.

Cost \$125 Bookings essential:

www.fleurieufoodandwine.com.au

Yankalilla Acoustic Evening

Saturday 20th September at 7pm

Supper Room @ Yankalilla Showgrounds

Gold coin donation entry.

More Info: Phone 0439 861 001

Fahrenheit 451 – Lady Bay Resort

Renowned Adelaide band - Fahrenheit 451 will be paying tribute to the great songs of the Swinging 60's & 70's.

Friday 26th September, 7pm

\$70 per person for dinner and show

Book at Stickytickets.com.au

Glitzy X Puncho – Cafe on Bungala

Friday 26th September, 3pm-5pm

Enjoy a bluesy, country, jazz, rock soiree where torch songs meet twang, sass meets slide guitar, and anything could happen.

Contact Café on Bungala to book your spot!

A Cut Above: Steak Masterclass & Long Lunch

Saturday 27th September at 11:30am

Flame, flavour & fire at historic Bungala House. Step behind the flames at A Cut Above, a premium hands-on steak masterclass set in the stunning surrounds of historic Bungala House.

Cost \$200 Bookings essential:

www.fleurieufoodandwine.com.au

Yankalilla Library Events

The Yankalilla Library offers a range of events for the community tailored to adults, families, children and youth.

Find September's variety of events at:

<https://www.yankalilla.sa.gov.au/library/library/libraryevents>

UPCOMING EVENTS**Spring Fever Soiree – Lot 50**

Sunday 12th October at 2pm

Join us for another magical afternoon with cello, violin and piano and enjoy beverages from the Festival Fleurieu bar (no BYO).

Tickets \$25 – Bookings essential, limited seats.

Enquiries 0488 965 164 or email

shopatbirdie@gmail.com

Acoustic Fix – Lady Bay Resort

Easy Beats and Beatles combo set list

Friday 31st October, 7pm

\$70 per person for dinner and show

Book at Stickytickets.com.au

Yankalilla Show

Saturday 4th October, 9am-4pm

(October long weekend)

Yankalilla Showgrounds

\$10 Adults, Aged Pensioners & Children \$5,

Children under 5 free.

Shannons Yankalilla Classic Motor Show

Sunday 9th November at 11:00am

We are expecting over 250 classic vehicles to come from all parts of the State to participate in the Fleurieu Peninsula's newest motoring event which is open to historic vehicles of all types - muscle cars, hot rods, motorcycles, trucks, vans, buses, tractors, modified vehicles, specials, etc. built before 31 December 1994 are eligible to take part and rare, exotic and collectable vehicles built post 1994 may enter subject to the Committees approval.

Registrations are open until 1st November 2025.

\$15 for a car + 2 passengers, \$10 for a motorbike + rider. Additional passengers & spectators \$5.

Bookings at

www.facebook.com/YankalillaClassicMotorShow

or the Yankalilla Visitor Information Centre