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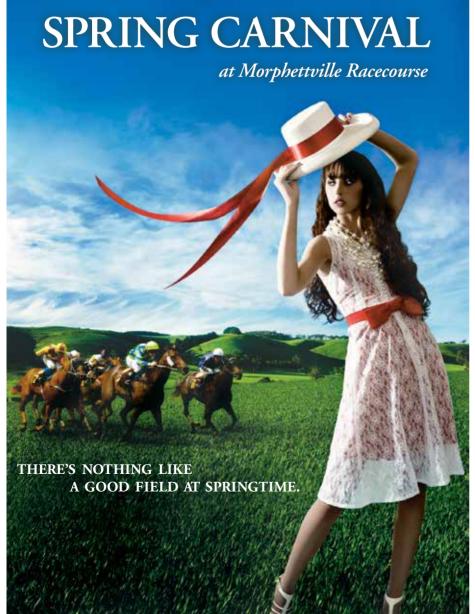
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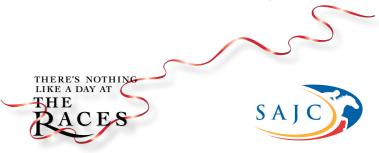
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COMMUNITY PEOPLE

The Community Care Unit provides a comprehensive support service to help residents live independently at home

Caring for you

The City of Marion has a specialist team dedicated to helping frail older people and younger people with a disability live independently in their homes.

The Community Care Unit can provide eligible residents with volunteers to take them shopping and to medical appointments, conduct minor home maintenance, short-term cleaning after they are discharged from hospital, and access the Community Bus. In addition to providing services for residents, the unit supports their carers.

Funding is provided by a Home and Community Care grant from the Federal Government and the City of Marion.

The Community Care Unit provides in-home assessments to understand people's needs and help them plan for the future.

For more information, please contact Community Care on 8375 6649 or visit the City of Marion website marion.sa.gov.au

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FRONT COVER

Hallett Cove R-12 and Hallett Cove pre-school students, teachers and parents and members of Hallett Cove Lions and District Club on the site where the new library, community centre and enterprise hub will be built. Picture by Simon Stanbury.

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WHAT'S NEW?

Unsung heroes

A record 29 individuals and groups were honoured for their community work at the City of Marion's annual Unsung Heroes Awards.

The awardees were recognised for their work in volunteering for charity organisations, tutoring, graffiti removal and environmental initiatives. Marion Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis presented certificates to the awardees at a ceremony at the Marion Cultural Centre on July 21.

"It's very humbling to listen to the stories of the nominees each year and celebrate their efforts to better the community and the everyday lives of others," Ms Lewis said.

The following people and groups were recognised:

- Community Spirit Vern Roberts, Claude Rankin, Peter Coote, Tom and Myra McGinn, Jim Bellingham, Terry Slape, Kyra Berry, Fran Southern, Ken Turnbull, Glenys and Alan Brokenshire, David, Tracy, Michael, Emma and Kate Smith, Lorraine Haynes, Peter Collyer, Bruce Penberthy, Margaret Joy Forster, Lois Lock, Alan Colton, Michelle Woodford, Active Volunteers for Graffiti Removal, Marion City Band, Murray Baulderstone, Mitchell Park English Second Language volunteer tutors, Koorana Gymnastics Club volunteers.
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- > Arts and Culture Stuart Sampson.

Kokobunji calling

To celebrate the City of Marion's 20th anniversary as sister city to Kokobunji in Japan we are seeking expressions of interest from people to form a self-funded community delegation in 2013.

The proposed visit is an opportunity to experience Japanese culture while strengthening the ties between the City of Marion and Kokobunji.

Kokobunji and the City of Marion have enjoyed a rich history of cultural and educational exchanges involving local schools, community groups and individuals.

We are currently negotiating with the City of Kokobunji about the practicalities of a visit in April next year.

The 20th anniversary visit would last about two weeks and include time for personal trips and sightseeing as well as group tours.

Kokobunji is in Tokyo, making it easy to access many significant cultural, tourism and business destinations.

Marion Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis is planning to lead the community delegation and will pay for her own travel and accommodation. The visit is not being funded by council.

To register interest, please contact executive assistant to the Mayor, Suzanne Roberts, on 8375 6611 or by email mayorea@marion.sa.gov.au

One card gives choice of millions

By Richard Watson
Photography Simon Stanbury

Marion Libraries has given its members access to millions of books, DVDs, CDs and magazines after it became one of the first libraries in South Australia to join the *One Card* network.

One Card enables members to borrow items from - and return them to - any participating library.

Members can also order online from a massive new centralised catalogue.

The first customer to use *One Card* in Marion was Mitcham resident Amy Chessle.

"I love *One Card* as it's given me and my three-year-old son a much bigger choice of movies and magazines," Amy, 25, said.

"I use Marion Cultural Centre Library a lot - and am a member of too many other libraries to mention - so this makes borrowing items much easier"

The amount of items people can borrow has doubled from 50 to 100, and includes 20 DVDs.

Members' existing cards will work with the *One Card* system.



One Card will be rolled out across South Australia's more than 130 libraries over the next three years.

A full list of participating libraries is on the Libraries SA website at libraries.sa.gov.au

NUMBER ONE

Amy Chessle was Marion's first One Card user.

OUR OPINION





CEO's comment

I recently participated in the annual Vinnies CEO sleepout and am happy to report that it helped raise more than \$7200 to support people who are homeless out of a total South Australian tally of \$386,000. I would like to thank everyone who supported Vinnies with donations, including many City of Marion staff. With about 8000 homeless people in the state it is important to do what we can to bring attention to those who are less fortunate than ourselves and help them where we can.

The sleepout is also an important learning experience, and as someone who is passionate about lifelong learning, I took a lot from it. Learning takes many forms, and Marion will soon again be the focus of one of Australia's longestrunning, and South Australia's only, learning festival.

The Marion Learning Festival runs from August 24 to 27 and details of some of the stage demonstrations and workshops are on pages 14 and 15. It is an opportunity to learn new skills and explore hobbies ranging from dance and fencing to yoga, wood oven cooking and art - you can even attend a career workshop. The festival is a relaxed and enjoyable way to broaden our horizons.

We will soon be embarking on a comprehensive review of the Strategic Plan – to be called the Community Plan – to map the future of Marion. This is a very exciting project for which we will be seeking considerable community input over the next few months. I look forward to seeing some of your ideas and visions for what our city can become over the next 30 years

Regards

CEO, City of Marion

Mayor's comment

The Hallett Cove library, community centre and enterprise hub finally got a green light after a successful bid for \$3.4 million of Federal Government funding towards the City of Marion's contribution of \$10 million. A big thank you to everyone involved.

City Limits' readers will recall I mentioned the amazing president of Riding for the Disabled, Pat Warde, in my last column. Pat won Citizen of the Year at the City of Marion 2012 Australia Day Awards and also featured in an article in City Limits last year detailing RDA's move to their site at O'Halloran Hill. It is an honour to be a patron of RDA, who provide horse riding and associated activities as therapy, sport and active recreation for people with disabilities in an enjoyable and caring environment.

RDA has built a hay shed, temporary arena, shelters for horses, and the shell of their administration building. There is still a large amount of money needed to complete this centre, including an indoor arena, stables and more ground preparation. With the current weather conditions they have had to cancel lessons, which means many disappointed and disadvantaged children. They currently have 50 riders and volunteer helpers, with many more riders on the waiting list.

RDA is planning a charity fun night on October 13 and is seeking donations of items to raffle. They also desperately need donations of services – such as landscaping - and cash will also be gratefully accepted. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Pat on 0447 038 740.

Regards

Felicity-ann Lewis Mayor, City of Marion

DOG REGISTRATIONS DUE

Dog registrations expired on June 30 and payment is due by August 31.

It is important to register your dog so that if it becomes lost it can be returned quickly.

Payment details are online at marion.sa.gov.au





By Craig Clarke

This is the first glimpse of the long-awaited Hallett Cove library, community centre and enterprise hub.

Construction of the \$13.4 million complex is set to begin at Ramrod Reserve in March next year after a 20-year wait.

The Federal Government earmarked \$3.4 million in the May budget to turn the project into a reality while the City of Marion has invested up to \$10 million.

The complex will feature:

- A modern library with an estimated 35,000 books, magazines and DVDs.
- > Flexible meeting rooms that will expand out to into a community hall.
- A computer training suite and wi-fi and broadband facilities to enable users to connect with the digital economy.
- Meeting facilities and resources for local businesses to learn and network with each other.
- A children's toy library and early childhood resources and services.

Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis said council and the community have worked for more than 20 years towards building a state-of-the-art library, business and community centre in the southern suburbs.

"The hub will be a modern library that will serve a growing community with a high proportion of young people and families," Ms Lewis said. The design is based on extensive consultation and the City of Marion intends to talk again with the community to help further shape the design of thefacility and services and programs on offer.

"It will also give 8000 small businesses access to high quality business information, facilities and services, which will enable them to compete more effectively and drive jobs growth.

"It's wonderful that the Federal Government has agreed to support this much-needed facility."

The design is based on extensive consultation and the City of Marion intends to talk again with the community to help further shape the design of the facility and services and programs on offer.

Hassell Architects has created a green-friendly building that can evolve over time to meet the community's changing needs.

Abby Dickson, manager libraries and cultural development, said the design is shaped by the feedback from the community who wanted their own space which is welcoming to all ages, hosts a diverse range of activities and strengthens connections within the community.

"The design is also inspired by the natural features of the area. Natural light will fill the facility and finishes will make subtle references to the coastline and natural vegetation," Ms Dickson said.

The complex is expected to open in July 2014.

When completed, the hub will be open seven days a week and is expected to attract more than 130,000 visitors a year.

It will be built next to the Hallett Cove Shopping Centre, completing a 12-year, \$75 million redevelopment for the region as part of the Marion South Plan.

A survey of more than 8000 households found 91 per cent of people supported the project with a similar number indicating they would use the complex.

Ms Dickson said: "It's exciting to finally see the long-awaited facility coming to life".

"The complex will be a focal point for the community and provide a place to meet, learn, relax and enjoy."

Federal Member for Kingston Amanda Rishworth along with the City of Marion advocated long and hard to secure the government funding.

"I am thrilled that the Federal Labor Government is delivering \$3.4 million for this much needed new local infrastructure, and I look forward to seeing the positive impact it will have on the local community once operational," Ms Rishworth said.



What you had to say

The southern suburbs have been waiting for a new library and better business and community facilities for many years.

City Limits hit the streets to speak to library users and businesses about what the new facility will mean to them.



Deirdre Albrighton, managing director Albrighton Consulting and Training Services.

"The hub's meeting rooms will be a great place for local businesses to get together. I will use it extensively for training, and having fast connection library users." to the web will make my work much easier.'



Hallett Cove Library volunteer

"The new centre will provide a broader service and a better. more modern venue, for community groups, businesses and



Student Mariah Abrante

"The new library will be great for students with its wif-fi and broadband connections, books and magazines. It will definitely make studying easier."



Mark Reynolds, principal, Mark Reynolds IT Consulting.

"The hub will create an opportunity for me to hold workshops to keep small businesses updated with trends and changes in new technologies. It's a very exciting development for the region."

Shape your space

Community input during consultations in 2008 and 2009 helped design the building, you can now tell us what services and programs you would like it to deliver, as well as what the precinct and external spaces should look like.

This is your space, so please come and shape it at this special workshop:

Community design workshop

Date: Monday, August 20

Time: 7pm-8pm

Place: Hallett Cove Library

RSVP by Friday, August 17 on 8375 6755 or email jayne.webster@marion.sa.gov.au

Please register your interest in participating in future consultations about the centre by emailing communityengagement@marion.sa.gov.au



Rock of ages

By Craig Clarke
Photography Simon Stanbury

A scientific study has shed new light on the Hallett Cove coastline, revealing the naturally rocky beach is more than 270 million years in the making.

The 15-month study by coastal engineers found the shingle over the beach – covered by a thin veneer of sand – is the result of a prehistoric glacier traversing the area.

"The beach itself comprises a mixture of shingle and sand ... is derived both from the eroded glacial deposits that overlay the Cambrian bedrock and from the ongoing erosion of the exposed cliffs and rock shelves," the study says.

"This results in a variety of rocks forming the shingle layer and larger stones on the beach."

The City of Marion and the State Government's Coastal Protection Board commissioned the Coastal Management Study – Hallett Cove.

In addition to examining the geological history of the beach, the experts studied the impact of sea level rises, sand movement and erosion, as well as identified long-term plans to protect the area.

It says shingle beaches of the type found at Hallett Cove require only a small amount of sand given they are exposed to weather and tidal movements.

"While there is a widely held perception within the community that Hallett Cove Beach is eroding and has changed from a sandy beach to a rocky beach over the past 20 years due to a loss of sand ... careful interpretation of available historical evidence is not clear cut," the report says.

"Close examination of the hundreds of early photos available (1960s to present) suggests that from time to time sections of the beach oscillate from predominately exposed shingle to carrying a thin sand veneer."

HISTORIC COAST

Hallett Cove beach has been the subject of a specialist study.

The report says no significant developments were considered at immediate threat from coastal erosion, with the report acknowledging the exceptional natural and heritage value of the area.

Renee Pitcher, the landscape project officer at the City of Marion, said after undertaking the research, it is unlikely that sand replenishment will be a realistic option to protect the foreshore.

"Limited sand sources, naturally occurring erosion, the costs of sourcing sand and the logistics of placing and distributing it are likely to be undesirable for council and surrounding residents," Ms Pitcher said.



Glasses bring recycling into focus

By Richard Watson **Photography** Catherine Gasmier

Edwardstown Lions Club is improving the sight of thousands of people in developing nations by donating used eyeglasses.

The club has sent more than 10,000 pairs of recycled glasses to transform the lives of people in Africa, India, Fiji and East Timor over the past 10 years.

Edwardstown Lions are now asking the community to help boost this year's collection drive by donating their old glasses at special collection stations in Marion.

"We are asking people to look in their drawers and cupboards for old reading glasses or sunglasses and deposit them in a collection box," Edwardstown Lions Club past president Judy Glastonbury said.

"In many developing countries an eye exam can cost a month's wages and an optometrist serves hundreds of thousands of people.

"Donating an old pair of glasses costs nothing and will help these people see, which is a priceless gift."

Lions Recycle for Sight collection boxes are at Marion Council Administration Centre on Sturt Road, Mitre 10 on Brighton Road, Coast FM at Glandore Community Centre and Spec Savers at Castle Plaza Shopping Centre.

For more information, contact Judy Glastonbury on 8374 4539 or judgla@hotmail.com

GLASSES WANTED

Judy Glastonbury of Edwardstown Lions Club with a recycling collection box.



Let's make Marion

OUR FUTURE

Residents of all ages can have their say on how they want Marion to develop.

By Richard Watson

Marion Council is giving residents a unique opportunity to design a city of the future with the most innovative review yet of its strategic planning.

Residents will have direct input as to how they want the city developed up to 2040 through a wide-ranging community consultation beginning in August.

The *Making Marion* campaign invites all 86,000 residents to tell council what they want their neighbourhood and city to look like, the facilities and services they think they will need, and the type of community they would like to live in.

The information gathered will be used as the foundation for the *Community Plan* which will map out the future of Marion.

The community can have its say on all aspects of how they would like Marion to develop, including:

- Open space recreation and sporting facilities, wetlands, walking trails and cycle paths.
- Housing affordability, the types and density of dwellings.
- Environment stormwater collection, water conservation and quality, irrigation, waste and recycling, biodiversity and climate change mitigation.
- > Economy jobs, innovation, skills, education, investment attraction and future technologies.

- Movement footpaths, roads and access to facilities.
- People and communities libraries, neighbourhood centres and community building projects.

Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis urged residents to get involved in designing the city they would like for themselves and future generations.

"Now is the time to start planning for our future as the decisions we make today will shape the city we, our children, and grandchildren live in," Mayor Lewis said.

"I strongly urge the entire community, young and old, to help make Marion by using the many communication channels we have created especially for them."

Engagement activities will run in September and October and involve extensive discussion and feedback opportunities on social media, including council's Facebook page, website, Twitter and the online community forum, *Marion Matters*.

Reply paid postcards will be sent to residents on key topics, enabling quick and easy written submissions.

To encourage and inform debate, information packs highlighting city development trends, statistics and facts will also be distributed throughout Marion and be available online.

There will also be opportunities for the community to speak to staff and councillors face-to-face at events and at public displays.

"Now is the time to start planning for our future as the decisions we make today will shape the city we, our children, and grandchildren live in."

Additionally, people will be able to communicate their ideas via Pinterest, a web-based pinboard that allows images to be uploaded and commented on.

Mayor Lewis said the scale of engagement activity reflected the importance of understanding the community's vision for the future.

"It is critical that people tell us how they want Marion to develop at face-to-face discussions, online and in writing," Mayor Lewis said.

"To get involved, people should look for *Making Marion* adverts in the *Guardian Messenger*, check their postbox and council's website."

After consultation closes in October, the public's input will be fed into the draft *Community Plan*. The draft plan will then be made available for community comment.

The *Community Plan* is a comprehensive review of Marion's *Strategic Plan* which must be updated every four years.

Full details of *Making Marion* are on council's website marion.sa.gov.au



International life saving championships to splash down in Marion

By Richard Watson

Marion is poised to share in an \$18 million cash surge when more than 20,000 athletes and spectators descend on Adelaide for *Rescue 2012*, the Life Saving World Championships, in November.

The SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre will be one of three venues along with Glenelg and Christies Beach that is expected to draw a flood of visitors from 35 nations.

The championships are the peak international event for life savers and include five different competitions – World National Team Championships, World Interclub Championships, World Masters Championships, World Surf Boat Championships, and World Inflatable Rescue Boat Championships.

The local economy can expect to benefit from a spend of \$1200 per visitor as an estimated 6000 competitors and officials and 17,000 supporters make Adelaide home from November 4 to 18

Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis said Rescue 2012 followed the success of the *Australian Swimming Championships*, which doubled as Olympic selection trials, in confirming Marion as the

new destination for international swimming as well as providing ongoing fitness benefits for casual swimmers.

"We are very excited that *Rescue 2012* is being held in Marion as this is another opportunity for people to enjoy a top class event at the SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre," Ms Lewis said.

"Attendances at the Australian Swimming Championships held in Marion in March numbered 35,794, exceeding those in Sydney in 2008 by more than 14,000, showing overwhelming community support for the event.

"Rescue 2012 will attract people from countries as diverse as Argentina, India, Macedonia and the USA, as well as Europe and Africa, and it is important we make them feel at home during their stay."

Athletes can compete in 10 separate disciplines – swimming, simulated emergency rescue, ironman and ironwoman, surf-ski, board, beach sprints, beach flags, surf boats and inflatable rescue boat.

The SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre will host all pool events, starting with the Life Saving and Sport Development Program for developing nations on November 4.

Beach, national teams and all inflatable rescue boat events will be held at Glenelg Beach, while Christies Beach will be the home of all masters, interclub and surf boat events.

The 11 days of competition includes more than 400 events and will see 3396 medals awarded.

The City of Marion will celebrate the championships with a series of events including an outdoor movie night in the plaza adjacent to the Marion Cultural Centre, which will also host a special music program, a civic reception, and Southern Adelaide Development Board will organise a business function.

Rescue 2012 organisers are seeking volunteers for the roles of patrol members, medical practitioners, liaisons, water safety and powercraft operators, workforce, event results, event administration, gear and equipment workforce and at pool events. Anyone interested should email spallett@slsa.asn.au

Full details of *Rescue 2012* are online at rescue 2012.com.au

INTERNATIONAL FIELD

Competitors from around the world will compete in *Rescue 2012*



Wood works

By Richard Watson Photography Heidi Linehan

Glandore Community Centre's woodwork group is bringing people together to learn new skills and forge friendships.

Coordinated by volunteer Murray Smith, woodworkers have built a Japanese garden arch, tables, blanket boxes and a model aircraft.

Murray began volunteering in 2003 just one week after retiring from teaching carpentry and joinery at TAFE for 34 years.

"I enjoy passing on my knowledge, the camaraderie, and seeing people develop skills," Murray, 67, said.

"Men and women are welcome. and a great fellowship develops while you are doing something constructive.

"We have volunteer mentors of all ages, including Keith Smith, 89, who has been volunteering for 25 years and Glen Forgan and Bill Jolley who have helped out for more than 15 years each."

Classes run Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm, and cost \$5 per

The group works from a fullyequipped shed that includes lathes, routers, rip saws, planers and drills.

If you would like to join the group as a participant or volunteer, contact Glandore Community Centre on 8371 1139.

WORKING TOGETHER

Woodwork class coordinator, Murray Smith, in the shed with Ray Lockwood and Elizabeth Taylor.

Flow gates to improve water quality at wetlands

By Richard Watson Photography Heidi Linehan

Gates to control the flow of water at Warriparinga Wetlands are being installed as part of a long-term plan to improve water quality on the site.

The specially designed gates will be used to reduce the flow of water from the Sturt River into the wetlands to encourage the growth of aquatic plants, which improve water quality by acting as filters.

There will be a noticeable drop in water levels during spring and summer, which is an ideal time to encourage plant growth, said water and resource coordinator, City of Marion, Glynn Ricketts.

"The combination of less water and the spread of plants should create a more effective natural filtration system," Mr Ricketts said.

"The gates will enable us to control the flow of water both into and out of the wetlands, reducing erosion and also improving the quality of water that flows back out to the Sturt River"

Debris and excess vegetation will also be removed from the river to ensure high flows do not back up. Water flow in the wetlands will be improved by clearing giant bamboo and treating typha reeds and ash trees to stop them spreading.

This is the first phase of a longterm plan to improve water quality in the wetlands and follows the forming of the Wetland Advisory Group comprising representatives from PIRSA, SARDI, the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resource Management Board. the volunteer group Friends of Warriparinga, and council staff.

The group was created to guide council on a range of scientific and technical issues associated with improving the wetlands. It also plans to liaise with key stakeholders, including the Kaurna community.

If you would like to be updated of developments at the wetlands, contact City of Marion's water and resource coordinator, Glynn Ricketts on 7420 6416.



Women's soccer club aiming high

By Richard Watson
Photography Simon Stanbury

Sturt Marion Women's Soccer Club has set itself a goal of becoming the home of women's soccer in the region when it celebrates its 15th anniversary next year.

The club is gearing up to field teams in all junior and senior age groups with a revamped youth development program, new Football Federation SA approved lighting for practice and competitive matches and after school coaching sessions to attract new players.

The club aims to build on its reputation for developing and welcoming players of all levels, said president Greg Bennett.

"We have women who have played international soccer for the Matildas and W-League rubbing shoulders with new recruits at training," Greg said.

"Our Active After School program, where young players can try out the sport at supervised training sessions, has been very successful in attracting new members.

"On June 1 we held our first competitive match under new floodlights and we have great training facilities and clubrooms."

While the club's seniors won the Premier League in 2008 and the under 13s were B division champions in 2009, success has been hard to come by in recent years.

That has not stopped a steady stream of experienced players joining the club, including former W-League and under 20 Australian player, Ashlee Faul.



"I chose to come back to soccer with Sturt Marion after a year out studying and working as they are a friendly club with great facilities and a positive atmosphere," Ashlee, 19, said.

"Soccer is a very exciting team sport, great for girls of all ages."

The current season ends in September, but the club has already begun its recruitment drive for the 2013 season and is keen to hear from girls and women interested in playing along with coaches for age groups from under 8s upwards.

Sturt Marion Women's Soccer Club trains at Marion Sports and Community Club, 262 Sturt Road, Marion.

For more information, contact Greg Bennett on email gcchb@adam.com.au or visit the website sturtmarionwsc.com

BRIGHT FUTURE

Chloe Dancer, Ashlee Faul and Aidene Parr prepare for training under Sturt Women's Soccer Club's new lights.

"We have women who have played international soccer for the Matildas and W-League rubbing shoulders with new recruits at training."

Get healthy and win

Participants in healthy lifestyle classes have a unique chance to *Give it a Go!* and win great prizes, including swimming with dolphins as part of a sailing adventure, an iPod, massages, gift vouchers and pamper packs.

The promotion applies to branded *Give it a Go!* healthy lifestyle activities as part of the Healthy Communities initiative funded by the Australian Government. Classes held at City of Marion's neighbourhood centres, GP Plus Marion and EFM Bedford Park include gardening, cooking, keep fit, HeartMoves, Wise Move, Lift for Life, tai chi, indoor bowls, yoga and walking groups.

Fill out an entry form the next time you go to a *Give it* a *Go!* class, or sign up to one by calling into your local neighbourhood centre, for a chance to win a great prize.

Full details are under Healthy Communities on the City of Marion website marion.sa.go.au



MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE

Tonsley Park update







Tonsley Park is set to become a platform for the state's economic growth, attracting companies with advanced manufacturing capabilities and services that can respond to the needs of growing industries.

Progress on the redevelopment has continued since the master plan was released in March this year. Plans for the site outline how it will bring together industry, education, the research sector and the community, to boost local skills and experience.

The redevelopment aims to encourage innovation, in ways that will ensure South Australia is equipped to supply technologies, products and services in the mining, renewable energy, health care, construction and environmental industries.

Construction on site began in January with the removal of the asbestos wall and roof cladding from the main assembly plant. The main assembly plant structure is being retained to house industry, education and retail facilities.

A retail strategy and a social and community planning analysis were undertaken earlier this year. The retail strategy will help determine what kind of retail outlets should be accommodated around the proposed town centre. The social and community planning analysis is aimed at identifying community assets and services currently located within the area and what could potentially be located on site. The findings of these reports will help influence the final site design.

Tenders for the detailed design of Tonsley Park are also being released, building on the work undertaken during the master planning process. Tenders include public realm design, main assembly building architect, civil engineer and urban design

The tenders are expected to be awarded in the coming months and the detailed design process is expected to be completed by the end of this year. For more information, visit the SA Tenders and Contracts website.

Following recent enabling works, construction works will also be underway later this year on TAFE SA's Sustainable Industries Education Centre (SIEC). The SIEC will be located in the southern portion of the main assembly plant. The centre is set to open in early 2014.

To find out more about what's happening, please visit the website at southaustralia.biz/tonsley or call the Tonsley Park Hotline on 1300 321 208.

WORK UNDERWAY

 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{Time lapse photographs show the wall and roof cladding being removed from the } \\$

Building work to start on wetland

Construction work is set to begin on Oaklands Wetland in December after council gave the green light to the precinct master plan.

The master plan for the 2.3 hectare wetland reflects considerable community and stakeholder input gathered during a comprehensive consultation period earlier this year.

Adopting the master plan was a significant step forward said project manager, Jeremy Clapp, of FMG Engineering who are the leading consultants for the Oaklands Wetland development.

"This is a critical step in the process as it locates the wetland footprint within the site whilst allowing maximum flexibility for future activities around the wetland," Mr Clapp said.

"The design team worked tirelessly through the planning and consultation phase, designing a concept that meets all the objectives.

"FMG Engineering and the principle design team members of DesignFlow, Taylor Cullity Lethlean and Hydroplan were thrilled that the hard work they put in has been recognised with overwhelming support by council."

The wetland will capture stormwater from the Sturt River, clean it, and store the water in the aquifer 100m underground.

The water will be pumped through a series of pipes to irrigate up to 30 council parks and reserves.

The wetland aquifer, wells and pile system is expected to be completed by June next year. The next stage of the development will include recreational elements and its timing will depend on future funding.

The wetland project will cost about \$8.5 million with the City of Marion and the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board each contributing \$2.36 million. The Federal Government is providing \$3.73 million through the Water for the Future

Details of how wetlands work are explained on the council website marion.sa.gov.au



Learning comes alive

By Richard Watson **Photography** Catherine Gasmier

More than 100 workshops and performances will take learning out of the classroom and into the community at this year's *Marion Learning Festival*.

City of Marion venues including neighbourhood centres, the Marion Cultural Centre and the Living Kaurna Cultural Centre will come alive with an array of themed workshops while Hallett Cove Shopping Centre is hosting action-packed demonstrations and entertainment with music, dance, martial arts and fencing.

Marion Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis said the festival was a unique and exciting way for people to explore learning opportunities and discover new hobbies and interests.

"The Marion Learning Festival makes it easy for people to try activities ranging from taekwondo to Bollywood dance at demonstration events, to finding out how to grow vegetables and what career they could pursue at workshops," Mayor Lewis said.

"The breadth of the festival is staggering and will promote learning to everyone to ensure we build a strong and engaged community.

"I urge everyone to check out the program, get involved, and try something new."

A highpoint for the festival will be a four-day activity showcase blending demonstrations, "come and try" activities and information booths at Hallett Cove Shopping Centre.

One of the many groups taking centre stage is Trott Park Fencing Club who will provide a practical introduction of the sport on Sunday, August 26, said head coach Jenny Cassidy.

"We will put foam swords in the hands of anyone who wants to give fencing a go," Jenny said.

"We will also give a demonstration using three different swords and be on hand to talk to people.

"Fencing is a fast and furious sport for all ages from seven up. The club caters for both the ablebodied and people with a disability and provides all equipment."

Hallett Cove Shopping Centre will also host a cooking demonstration from former MasterChef contestant Callum Hann on Saturday, August 25, from 12.30pm to 1.15pm, after which there will be a book signing.

Callum, who was runner up in the second series of MasterChef, will discuss his new book, *The Starter Kitchen*, which is an easy-to-follow guide to setting up a kitchen, basic cooking skills, and features recipes for beginners.

Other action includes a kids' theme day with choirs and storybook reading on Friday, August 24 and a seniors' day with exhibits by COTA, Aged Rights Advocacy Services and entertainment galore on Monday, August 27.

Additionally, there will be a performance and display of steel drums made from environmentally recycled material, choirs, and information about international student exchange programs and university courses.

More than 50 workshops will be held at neighbourhood centres, the Marion Cultural Centre and the Living Kaurna Cultural Centre covering arts and culture, the environment, healthy lifestyle, career, business, digital technology and leisure.

A full workshop program has been distributed to City of Marion venues and was in the last rates notice.

The Marion Learning Festival is funded by DFEEST, SA Works and the City of Marion with performance and exhibition space provided free by Hallett Cove Shopping Centre. The festival is affiliated with Adult Learners' Week.

A comprehensive guide to the *Marion Learning Festival* is on the City of Marion website marion.sa.gov.au



More than 50 workshops themed around arts and culture, the environment, healthy lifestyle, career, business, and leisure will be held across the City of Marion.

The listing below gives a flavour of what you can expect. For full details, go to the City of Marion website

marion.sa.gov.au

Theatre Games with 18 Carrot Productions

18 Carrot Productions

18 Carrot Productions present Theatre Games - an improvisational theatre event. Be part of this interactive workshop that will improve your lateral thinking, sharpen your public speaking and cause spontaneous laughter.

Friday 24 August, 7.30pm - 9pm Date: Marion Cultural Centre, Venue:

Domain Theatre Free / Bookings essential

- 8375 685**5**

The Yoga of Sound

Michelle Byrne

Learn about mantra and sacred sound from ancient cultures. Relax using your voice and your breath to create balance and well-being. No experience necessary.

Date: Saturday 25 August, 2pm - 3pm Venue: Glandore Community Centre, Clark

Room

Free / Bookings essential Cost:

Attention Pie Lovers

Paul and Tony Clancy

Learn about our pie culture, history and what constitutes a decent pie. Meet authors of The Pie Buyers Guide to Australia, Paul and Tony Clancy.

Monday 27 August, 1pm - 3pm Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre Venue: Cost: \$5 / Bookings essential

- 8375 6703

Tricky Waste and What to Do With It

Ever wondered what to do with stuff you can't just throw away in the bin? This session takes a look at what you can do with tricky waste such as paint, mattresses, tvs, batteries, light globes and much more

Date: Friday 24 August, 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Marion Cultural Centre, Sturt Room

Cost: Free / Bookings essential

- 8375 6855

Worm Farming Basics

Learn how to make and care for a worm farm. Join the popular and engaging Harry, and learn how to make worms a hassle- free and environmentally friendly pet.

Saturday 25 August, 2pm - 3pm Glandore Community Centre, Venue: Community Garden

Cost Free / Bookings essential

- 8371 1139

Local Food - Get It, Prepare It, Recycle It

Get food: Grow and source local foods. Prepare food: Recipes and sustainable ways to cook and preserve food. Recycle food: Composting, worm farming and bio char.

Saturday 25 August, 10am - 1pm Date: Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre Venue: Free / Bookings essential

- 8375 6703

Make Your Own Body Products

Learn to make your own deodorants, hair care products (shampoos, conditioners, rinses and dyes), foot care, mouth washes and tooth-powder. Please bring three small recycled jars to take home your products.

Saturday 25 August, Date:

10am - 12pm

Glandore Community Centre, Slade

Room

Free / Bookings essential Cost:

- 8371 1139

Ride a Bike Right

Teaching cycling skills to adults so they become recreational cyclists using the parks and bike paths in the community. Focusing on the fundamental skills of balance, slowing and stopping, correct cycling techniques and riding for recreation. Puncture repair demonstration and basic maintenance included. Lunch provided.

Saturday 25 August, 10am - 2pm Date: Venue: Marion Council, Chamber \$5 / Bookings essential Cost: – 8375 6887

Heart Moves

Heart Foundation Heart Moves is a gentle physical activity program suitable for anyone who hasn't done exercise in a while. You can exercise at your own pace in a friendly atmosphere. Designed to be safe for people with stable long-term health conditions.

Monday 27 August, 10am - 11am Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre Venue: Cost: \$4 / Bookings essential - 8387 2074

Bugs for Kids

Get up close and personal with bugs. Learn about their eco skeleton and what makes them tick. Host Harry will have you intrigued with the secret life of bugs.

Saturday 25 August,

10am - 10.45am

Venue Glandore Community Centre.

Community Garden Free / Bookings essential

Cost: – 8373 1139

Kids Bollywood Francesca McMillan

Swing your body parts to a catchy tune and add some graceful hand and neck

movements to create a Spice of Life. Sunday 26 August, 2pm - 3.30pm Date:

Venue: Marion Cultural Centre, Domain Theatre

Cost: Free / Bookings essential

- 8375 6855

YWCA Body Image

For girls or boys aged 11-18 and their parents / guardians, the YWCA is offering a 2 hour Body Image Workshop that addresses body image from a holistic approach and is led by professional YWCA staff members. Topics addressed includes strategies to improve self-esteem, respecting our bodies and ourselves, positive self-talk, examining gender stereotypes, and exploring and challenging media messages.

Date: Monday 27 August, 4pm - 7pm Venue: Glandore Community Centre, Clark

Hall

Free / Bookings essential Cost:

- 8371 1139

Using Cargo Biker to Go Car-Free

Andrew Dickson

Use a cargo bike to carry your shopping, your kids and other belongings. Cut your car use, save money and get fit.

Date: Sunday 26 August, 2,30pm - 3,30pm Marion Cultural Centre, Venue: Green Room

Free / Bookings essential

- 8375 6855

Spiritual Connection

An introduction to spiritual studies including chakras, metaphysical laws, crystals and angels. A 20-minute meditation will be included. The aim is to help people heal their own lives.

Date: Saturday 25 August 10am – 1pm Venue: Glandore Community Centre, Clark

Hall

Cost: Free / Bookings essential - 8371 1139

Sing Song Swing

Learn To Swing Dance

Come and learn swing dancing, the fun-filled partner dance of the 1930s and 1940s. No partner is necessary, no experience required.

Saturday 25 August, 2pm - 3pm Date: Marion Cultural Centre, Venue: Domain Theatre

Free / Bookings essential

- *8375 685*5

Run Your Own Training Workshops

Bridget Hogg

Use your skills to run a workshop. What to prepare (topic, venue, costs, bookings). Designing your content. Keeping the audience $\,$ interested - what works, the do's and don'ts and pitfalls to avoid.

Saturday 25 August, 10am - 1pm Marion Cultural Centre, Domain Theatre Free / Bookings essential Cost:

– *8375 6855*

Winning a Job

Rostrum

This workshop will provide practical ideas on successful employment interviews, resumes and confidence building. Ideal for those who want to improve their employment prospects.

Sunday 26 August, 10am - 11.30am Date:

Marion Cultural Centre,

Sturt Room

Cost: Free / Bookings - 8375 6855

Self Publishing... Pitfalls to **Pleasure**

Dave Bell

Join international award winning author / self-publisher Dave Bell and discover how to successfully write, produce and promote your book in a highly competitive market place.

Monday 27 August, 10am - 1pm Glandore Community Centre, Slade

Room \$4 / Bookings essential Cost:

- 8371 1139

Honours for band that hit right note

By Richard Watson **Photography** Simon Stanbury

Marion City Band has been honoured with a civic reception after notching up a record seven awards at the National Band Championships in Melbourne.

The band won the C grade championship while junior band, Warriparinga Youth, won the junior B grade and 15-year-old soloist Emily Legg was voted Junior High Tuba National Champion.

Mayor and band patron Felicityann Lewis said the whole community should be proud of their achievements.

"I congratulate Marion City Band on their wonderful achievements at the National Band Championships and in performing an important role in our community," Mayor Lewis said.

"The band provides learning and development opportunities for 80 people of all ages and has been supported by council since 1970, with \$120,000 of funding provided over the past 10 years."

The band regularly performs at community and council events.



Musical director Veronica Boulton said the band's successes were down to enthusiasm and hard work.

"Members are passionate about the band and there has been a lot of hard work over the past eight years," Veronica said.

"We are always recruiting and there are opportunities for everyone from young children and adults taking up an instrument for the first time to experienced musicians."

The seven awards, presented at the National Band Championships over the Easter long weekend, are the most the band has been awarded at the National Championships.

Marion City Band's results were:

- Marion City Band Open C Grade National Champions, 3rd place Open C Grade Marching.
- Warriparinga Brass 3rd place
 Open D Grade, Open D Grade
 Marching Champions.
- Warriparinga Youth Junior B Grade National Champions.
- Soloists Emily Legg, Junior High Tuba National Champion. Ed Koltun, 2nd place Open Tenor Trombone.

For more information, go to the band's website marioncityband.org

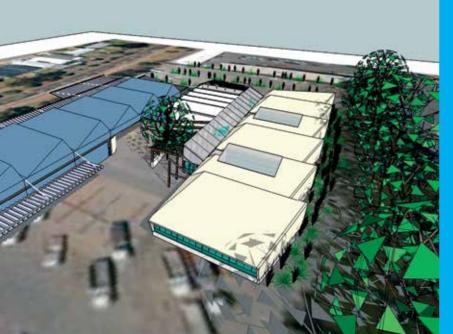
IN TUNE

Musical director Veronica Boulton conducts a rehearsal of Marion City Band.

"We are always recruiting and there are opportunities for everyone from young children and adults taking up an instrument for the first time to experienced musicians."

UPGRADING

Concept visual showing offices and workshops for council's City Services site at Marion Road.



City Services taking shape

The upgrade of council's City Services site on Marion Road is taking shape with final designs expected to be completed by the end of August.

The \$9 million project will improve the delivery of core services including infrastructure, open space and waste management

The current transportable buildings will be replaced with permanent office accommodation incorporating green technology to improve energy-efficiency, save water and reduce operational costs.

The site is set to become a more modern and accessible facility to deliver a better quality of service to the community. It will also serve as an operational base in the event of a regional emergency.

This is the first major upgrade to the site since it opened in 1962.

Work is scheduled to begin early next year and be completed by mid 2014.

Annual Business Plan and Budget 2012/13

The Annual Business Plan and Budget 2012/13 outlines how council will continue to develop the city with exciting new projects while maintaining \$961 million of community assets.

Key initiatives contained in the plan include the start of building work on the \$8.4 million Oaklands Wetland and the development of a \$13.4 million library, community centre and enterprise hub in Hallett Cove as well as the creation of concept designs for the facelift of Marion Cultural Centre plaza.

Roads and kerbs are set for a \$4.4 million upgrade while \$1.8 million will be spent on improving footpaths.

The plan is based on a rate rise of 5.5 per cent which aims to balance the cost of living pressures for families while ensuring enough funds to improve services to the community.

The average household will pay about \$1211 per year in rates, an increase of around \$62 per year.

Marion is the sixth largest of Adelaide's 18 metropolitan council's, but is currently the sixth lowest rating council.

The Annual Business Plan and Budget 2012/13 builds on the successes of the previous year which included beginning work on the first phase of a \$5.5 million redevelopment of Glade Crescent Reserve, unveiling the Southern Adelaide Business Plan which targets the creation of 14,000 new jobs over 10 years and increased street tree planting.

A summary of the Annual Business Plan and Budget 2012/13 was included in the last rates notice and the full document can be viewed on the council website marion.sa.gov.au



New fund to green Marion

An Urban Trees Fund is being set up to help green the City of Marion.

Effective from August 1, residents and developers who receive approval to remove certain trees will be required to make a payment to council.

Payments are set at \$150 for the removal of a regulated tree and \$225 for a significant tree.

Money raised will be placed into a fund, which will be used to plant and maintain large trees in council reserves.

"The fund represents an opportunity to offset the environmental loss from the removal of large trees which are potentially hazardous, damaging a property or which have served their useful lifespan," a planning spokesman said.

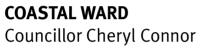
"Council can now replace these trees with appropriate species in more suitable locations using money raised by the Urban Trees Fund."

The City of Marion is believed to be the first council to receive approval from the State Government to establish an Urban Trees Fund, following changes to the State's planning laws.



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Hallett Cove Library, community, centre and enterprise hub to become a reality. The southern communities of Marion will enjoy the "sense of place" that the precinct plan and purpose-built facility will provide. I would like to thank Amanda Rishworth, Federal Member for Kingston, for her persistence in achieving the \$3.4 million Federal Government grant for this project. This grant coupled with the \$10 million from the City of Marion will enable this long-awaited project to proceed.

This project had its impetus many years ago. The existing library was set up temporarily in the early 90s. However, the community has grown and changed. We are a modern community needing local services which befit the present day. I would like to mention the Hallett Cove Progress Association, Hallett Cove Community Association, Kararra Residents' Association, Sheidow Park Residents Association, Woodend Residents Association and the Hallett Cove Youth Project for their contribution to the original concept. Many of these groups no longer exist but without their initial drive and determination the project would not have been achieved.

The City of Marion has worked tirelessly to ensure the community centre and library project became a reality. I would like to acknowledge the support and commitment from the Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis and councillors past and present for the roles they played in making this happen.

Community engagement surrounding this project will be exciting. I invite you to embrace the opportunity to play a role in making sure we achieve the best for our community.

When I'm out and about in Hallett Cove and Marino I'm struck by the number of people who tell me that they live here for the same reason as me: our coastal location.

Our coast is treasured. It provides our homes with a stunning backdrop and has special environmental and recreational potential. It's also under our stewardship and we have a responsibility to make the coast the best it can be, for now and future generations.

Last year I sought council's agreement to establish an ongoing series of coastal workshops to bring the community's voice into shaping a plan for the coast. The first workshop was held in April and was a great success. Sixty people attended and together cast their vision for the coast.

The second workshop was held on Saturday 4 August and gave locals an opportunity to have their say on the future of Hallett Cove's Heron Way Reserve. This area has huge potential to become Hallett Cove's "village green", a unique meeting place where Hallett Cove people can come together. I look forward to working with you to shape this place.

As Councillor Connor has discussed in her column, our big news is the announcement that the community centre and library will be built next year. I want to pay tribute to Councillor Connor and Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis for their perseverance over 15 years to make this happen. It's going to be great for our community.

For regular updates on what I'm doing, visit www.davidspeirs.com.au

Readers of *City Limits* will recall that I wrote in this column last year about a prostitution Bill that had been introduced by member for Ashford, Steph Key.

That Bill lapsed when Parliament was prorogued, and Steph Key never sought to reintroduce it due to opposition from the community.

A victory you might think? In a sense, yes. But sadly this is not the end of the matter as Steph Key has introduced yet another bill to legalise prostitution. An identical version has been introduced into the Legislative Council by Minister Gail Gago. This has raised some eyebrows as it is not customary for ministers to introduce private member's bills.

Steph Key's latest Bill, the Statutes Amendment (Sex Work Reform) Bill, seeks to legalise brothels and prostitution. It also waters down existing laws against streetwalking.

This should be of concern to all as the laws will inevitably have an adverse impact on our state.

Not least because the only restriction the Bill places on brothels is that they cannot be within 200 metres of schools or other prescribed premises. Perhaps of most concern is that the Bill permits brothels to be located next door to residential premises. Does anyone want a brothel located next door?

The watering down of laws against streetwalking is also troubling.

If you are as concerned as I am about this proposed law change, I encourage you to speak with friends and family and help ensure it does not become a reality.

The time to stop this radical proposal is now.





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Street Trees

It is once again tree planting season for Marion Council and I encourage residents that wish to have a street tree planted this year to get in contact with the council on 8376 6600 and make an enquiry. Don't forget about the Adopt-a-Tree program where residents can help council maintain street trees in their area, more information is available on our website or when you call council.

Drainage

Drainage is a big issue in many suburbs in the City of Marion. The council has a schedule of drainage works to address the more severe drainage problems over the next few years. Due to the \$3.4 million grant for the Hallett Cove Library, community centre and enterprise hub, some essential drainage works in Hallett Cove need to be brought forward and this could delay some planned drainage improvements in other parts of Marion Council, especially in the Woodlands and Mullawirra wards. I am advocating strongly that council acts so that the current schedule of drainage works is not disrupted and we find solutions (without extra rate rises) that ensure all other planned drainage upgrades are not delayed.

Development

I have begun the process of finding out exactly what council can do to change development rules so they can take into account the impact of more and more subdivisions in the same area. This way, if council is able to and so chooses, we can begin to change the rules to reflect the many concerns that residents have as a result of concentrated subdivision.

Many of the organisations providing activities on these cold winter days and nights are in your local community and sports centres.

One of the recent successful nights took place at the Cove Sports and Community Club, where a social evening was held for the parents, with guest speaker Sam Newman. This was a "tickets sold out" event, and funds raised went back into groups using the club facilities.

Another event in the planning stages is a mini-Olympics at Cove Sports Centre in conjunction with the Australian Sports Commission. The focus being on primary school children. This will give them the opportunity to try various sports including BMX, cricket, soccer, football, fencing and bowls to name only a few. Manager Keith Noble invites any groups, to give him a call on 0408 792 096.

At the ever busy Trott Park Community Centre, I attended the inaugural meeting of a new Community Garden Group. It was great to see the attendance, and the enthusiasm and passion to have a community garden, where participants can grow their own vegetables, and also meet other keen gardeners.

On behalf of our Mayor, I recently attended the opening of a new Minda Community Home in Hallett Cove. This was the 58th home to be opened. How inspirational it is to see the residents of Minda achieve their independent living in the community after many years. It is refreshing to see the social inclusion that is taking place throughout the City of Marion.

I have recently attended residential seminars with the LGA and the ALGA. My views on the following topics may be of interest to ratepayers and businesses.

The Commonwealth owned NBN Co (www.nbnco. com.au) has purchased all of the required assets from the current service providers. The new national network will see 90 per cent of customers using optical fibre connections. The remainder will be using 200 additional fixed wireless towers, and two additional satellite connections. The old fibre cables on electricity poles and all the copper wires will eventually be removed as they are incompatible with the new system. Connections between the houses and the network will be through the private service providers. Privatisation of all assets and services is planned to be complete by late 2015.

The State has a "Solid Waste" levy/tax of \$42 on each tonne of rubbish destined to landfill. The new Commonwealth carbon price (starting at \$23 per tonne) may add to waste disposal costs. The levy encourages us to reduce the weight of material going to landfill. The carbon price encourages us to dispose of the material in a way that reduces the greenhouse gasses produced during its decomposition. If a landfill cell is enclosed and the methane is drawn off and flared the carbon permit costs may be reduced by over 60 per cent. Further, if the gas is not flared but used to produce electricity a credit may become available.

Congratulations on your support of our three bin system. Our council leads the country in recycling and processing commercial and industrial waste.

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Hello neighbours and fellow ratepayers, I hope you are keeping warm!

For many of us, this is the time when we start thinking about household budgets and preparing to lodge our tax return. Similarly, at council we too have turned our attention to Marion's budget, long-term financial plan and rates. It has been an intense couple of months where all of us, as your elected members, have debated rigorously about expenditure and rates.

With everyday living expenses rising all around us, I have taken a position that we should keep rates as low as possible. At one stage, I thought this battle may have been lost with a majority vote for a 6 per cent rate rise. However, fortunately there was agreement for a 5.5 per cent rate rise (closer to the 5.1 per cent I had originally wanted).

So, what will Marion do with the hard-earned rates it collects in the new financial year? Of course, we will ensure the basics (roads, rates, and rubbish) are tended to. This includes:

- > Waste management, including your weekly kerbside rubbish collection.
- General renewal of council assets, like the ongoing maintenance and improvements of community buildings, footpaths, etc.
- > Continual upgrade of playgrounds.

We will also invest in key projects that will benefit all of us and ensure our city is the best to live in. This includes starting concept designs for a Marion Cultural Centre plaza, progressing the Hallett Cove library, community centre and business hub, and developing the City Services site.

You may recall that the State Government commissioned a \$2 million study into a grade separation of the Oaklands rail crossing. Well, by now we should have the findings of that study. But we hear nothing and, what is worse, we hear that several crossings within the Federal seat of Adelaide will be upgraded with State and Federal monies. I really have to question why the Leader St crossing near the Adelaide Showgrounds can be a priority ahead of the Oaklands Crossing.

As we know, once the Seaford line is opened there will be many more trains on this line, which means many more closures of the gates resulting in escalated delays in negotiating Morphett and Diagonal Roads. This scenario will bring about a traffic management crisis in the middle of the Warracowie Ward. In order to up the ante, I now call for your assistance to participate in an Action Group. Please consider giving a bit of your time to lobby our politicians.

So give me a call, write or send an email to express your desire to help influence a muchneeded upgrade of this crossing. I intend to make this matter a mission and with your help the squeaky wheel should get lots of grease.

I'm delighted to tell you that work is now proceeding on the adaptation of the Red House to become the new Marion History/Visitor Centre. This exciting project is long overdue, and tenders have gone out for a qualified officer to oversee the management of the centre. Once the officer is installed, the call will go out for interested community members to help in the facility on a voluntary basis. I am sure there are many budding historians amongst our community members who would love to be part of this project; details of when and how to apply will be published in due course. At this stage it is anticipated that the official opening will be mid-October 2012.

The Marion Historical Society meets at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of the month at Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre and if you would like to attend these free meetings you can be assured of a warm welcome.

Continuing the historical theme, the Marion Village Display Centre, a community initiative, is open every Sunday afternoon from 2pm to 4pm and Tuesdays 10am to 12pm as a workshop day. The volunteers manning the centre will be delighted to see you and receive your comments, assistance and/or any relevant memorabilia you wish to donate.

If you are keen on the history of Marion, and the Village in particular, there are self-guided walks through the Village and a free explanatory brochure can be obtained from the council Administration Centre or any of our libraries.



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Well the footy season (AFL) is certainly proving to be interesting. Whether you are a Crows or Port fan it seems there is far more excitement this year than last. Council too has seen an exciting year with the first three meetings of the Strategic Directions Committee. The externally selected members have some fantastic ideas in which Marion could head in. The examples include a vision for how Tonsley Park could be integrated into our community to WiFi hot spots across the city.

Also, I attended the Mitchell Park Neighbourhood Centre 25th birthday celebration. It was fantastic to see how many different groups were represented as well as the reach the centre has in the community.

Community centres, sporting clubs and related infrastructure continue to be a positive way to enjoy use of your rates while building social networks and friendships.

Today's society is somewhat different from days gone by, community interaction is one way we can break down the barriers between neighbours. Don't forget to keep in touch on where you believe council can improve its service to you. Until next time - keep warm!

Well the 2012/13 financial year has begun, with a brand new budget for the City of Marion. Our finance staff worked tirelessly to finalise the budget while the councillors thoughtfully debated the merits and intricacies of our vision for 2012/13. In the end I believe we have approved a budget that provides substantial benefit to the entire community.

I am certainly looking forward to the implementation of a number of projects that are provided in this budget. This includes funding for the laneways in Glandore, in our north east corner of the city. The laneways have been an issue for residents in this area for a number of years and it is great to see that a resolution will be implemented. I am excited that the budget includes the establishment of a history centre, which will help preserve the heritage of our community. I am also glad that our southern areas will finally be provided with a community centre and new library. The budget also provides extra funding to our most excellent, award winning, Marion City Band.

I believe the budget will also provide significant service improvements, with the addition of staff to the maintenance team, street tree auditing and strategic stormwater planning.

I welcome your thoughts about the 2012/13 budget and any other projects or service improvements that you believe should be implemented in the City of Marion. Please contact me on phone or email.

Life is busy.

Most of us have a lot of things to prioritise in life. With a young family, two jobs, a partly renovated house and my council responsibilities, I know I certainly do.

In this day and age, we tend to work longer hours than ever before, while trying to juggle time with families and friends. We are busy being busy, but what are we actually achieving?

I recently had the honour of being the guest of Edwardstown Lions Club at their annual dinner. I was amazed and touched by the scope of work that this passionate group achieves. Their recent achievements included sponsoring a craniofacial surgeon to work in Indonesia and collecting over 2000 pairs of second-hand glasses for distribution in third world countries. These acts positively affect the lives of thousands of people.

The Edwardstown Lions Club is just one example, there are many groups that do amazing things. However, the eternal struggle for these groups is maintaining a critical mass of volunteers to do the work. Often the individual time commitments are relatively small, but it is just a matter of having people who are willing to pitch in and give a few hours a week to improve our world.

So while life is busy, are you able to find a couple of hours a week to have fun, meet great people and become a local super hero? If the answer is yes, I encourage you to do some research and find a community-based group that matches your interests. You won't regret it.

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New building requirements

Changes in legislation mean that owner builders and builders can now be fined \$500 for failing to inform council before they begin construction work.

These changes also mean that additional documentation is required by council. This article explains the new obligations for owner builders and builders.

Development (Truss) Variation Regulations implemented on July 1 change the requirements for council to be notified prior to the commencement of various stages of construction and empower council to issue fines for breaches of notification requirements.

As a building owner, you have new responsibilities under Section 59 of the Development Act 1993 and Regulation 74 of the Development Regulations 2008.

If you engage a licensed building work contractor, you are responsible for ensuring that:

- Council is notified of the details of the licensed building work contractor responsible for the work, before commencing construction; and
- Council is provided with a copy of the certificate of builder's indemnity insurance for the work, prior to commencing the work.

Signing the owners section of the "Statement of Compliance" in accordance with Regulation 83AB of the Development Regulations 2008.

The licenced builder will be responsible for ensuring council is notified prior to the completion of various stages of work, and for providing council with any required documentation.

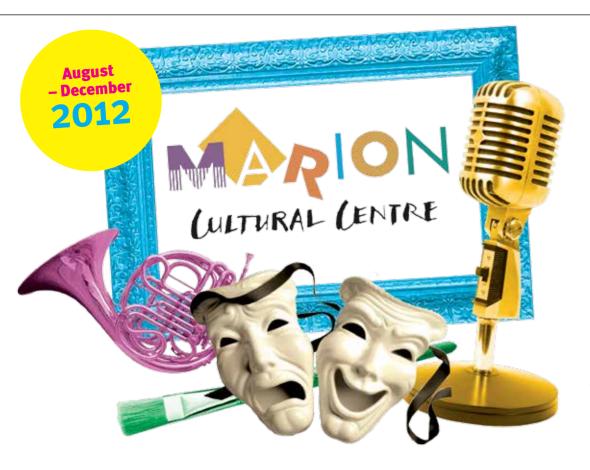
If you are an owner builder, you will be required to engage a registered building work supervisor to oversee the work. It is important that you engage a registered supervisor as they will assist you in ensuring that your legislative obligations as an owner builder are met. You are also responsible for:

- Notifying council of the details of the registered building work supervisor before commencing construction.
- Providing council with a copy of the certificate of builder's indemnity insurance where the value of any building work contract between you and a licensed building work contractor exceeds \$12,000.
- Notifying council prior to the completion of various stages of construction (a notice specifying the mandatory notification stages is attached to this Development Approval).

- Providing council with the duly completed "supervisor's roof framing checklist" (signed by a registered building work supervisor who has completed the training required by the South Australian Government) no later than one business day after notifying council of the intended completion of the roof framing.
- Providing council with the duly completed "Statement of Compliance" under Regulation 83AB of the Development Regulations 2008, signed by both the registered building work supervisor and the building owner (this form will be attached to the Development Approval).
- Ensuring that any conditions of approval are satisfied, and notifying council of compliance with such conditions.

Please make sure you read and understand all the documentation contained within your Development Approval.

Should you have further questions, contact the City of Marion's Development Services on 8375 6685.



EVENTS DIARY

Visit the Box Office for bookings and tickets or call **8375 6855**Monday to Friday, 10am – 5pm.

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Ladies Night

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By Anthony McCarten and Stephen Sinclair. By arrangement with David Spicer Productions www.davidspicer.com.au representing Play Market.

Ladies Night is the original Full Monty. The story of four unemployed blokes motivated by 'The Chippendales' to form a male stripping act, in order to make a few fast bucks.

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Chasing the Lollyman

Tuesday 18 September - 8pm



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Chasing the Lollyman is a one man show devised and performed by one of Queensland's most dynamic and funny Indigenous performers, Mark Sheppard. It is a joyous sharing of stories, a celebration of urban Indigenous identity and takes a satirical look at the media and popular culture.

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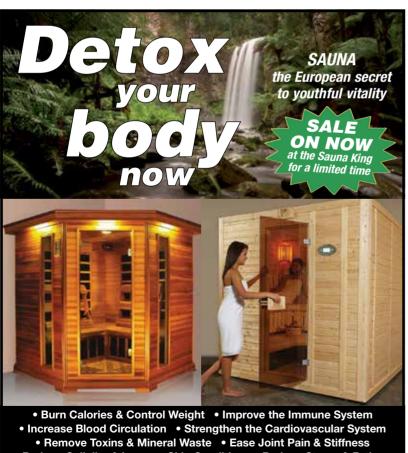


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Mike Turtur Bikeway

DESIGN COMPLETED

City of Marion's technical officer - traffic and design, Nathan Saxty, with plans for the next phase of the bikeway.

Work is due to start in September on the next phase of the Mike Turtur Bikeway.

When complete, the bikeway will be a 9.8km shared pedestrian and cycle path from the centre of Adelaide to Glenelg.

Design and community consultation has been completed for stages 4 and 5 which will have a combined cost of more than \$1.1 million to build.

Stage 4 will connect Marion Road to Winifred Avenue and stage 5 will extend to South Road.

Stage 4 is expected to be completed by January 2013 and stage 5 by June the same year.

When complete, the bikeway will be a 9.8km shared pedestrian and cycle path from the centre of Adelaide to Glenelg.

Marion will host 5.4km of the pathway which aims to provide a safe walking and cycling route, improve connections to tram stops and local destinations, and be a recreational resource.

The pathway will connect the Adelaide, Unley, Holdfast Bay and Marion council areas.

Final designs followed an extensive period of community consultation and were undertaken by council's engineering section.

Construction will be supervised by City Services staff.

Funding is being provided by City of Marion and the State Government's Open Spaces Grant Program.

New drain nears completion

Work on a new 522m drain running along Meredith and Kipling avenues in Glengowrie is about to be completed.

The \$550,000 drain was built to alleviate stormwater flooding, particularly in Kipling Avenue.

The new drain has been designed and built by council staff and includes an additional 52m of branch drains and 12 new and reconstructed side entry pits.



The new drain nears completion







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14,000 new jobs targeted in economic blueprint

By Craig Clarke **Photography** Simon Stanbury

An economic blueprint for Adelaide's southern suburbs has set a target of creating 14,000 jobs over the next 10 years.

The Southern Adelaide Development Plan 2011-21 aims to transform the region into an economic powerhouse by boosting employment in the key growth areas of clean technology, advanced manufacturing and tourism, including food and wine.

It proposes that by 2021:

- > 14,000 additional jobs will be created in the region.
- > Unemployment rate will be equal or lower than the Australian average
- > 40 per cent of 25-34 year olds will have a bachelor degree or above.
- Proportion of labor force with a post-school qualification will be equal or better than the Australian average.

The plan is the result of six months' work by the Southern Adelaide Development Board and the councils of Marion and Onkaparinga.

Board chairman Tom Phillips said the plan would help Adelaide's southern region reach its full potential.

"I passionately believe that the opportunities for growth and further prosperity in the region are huge and that the south can become an economic powerhouse," Mr Phillips said. "I have had a long and close association with southern Adelaide and can only admire the resilience of the region, its businesses, its workforce and the way in which they have met the big challenges."

The southern Adelaide economy is worth more than \$6.4 billion and has been growing steadily in recent years.

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The region has benefited from work on the \$125 Mar million Sustainable Industries Education Centre sou

at Tonsley Park, the \$407 million duplication of the Southern Expressway and the \$291 million Seaford rail extension. About 6000 jobs are expected to be created by the Tonsley expansion while the redevelopment

of the former Hills Industries site is likely to create a further 3000 jobs. One of the many companies that will benefit from the new economic direction is Edwardstown

the new economic direction is Edwardstown business Oilpath Hydraulics, which manufactures valves for the agricultural, mining and transport sectors.

Chief executive officer Ron Agnew applauded the report, saying boosting the economic health of the region was vital for the future of his business.

"We use large numbers of local sub-contractors in our work and so ensuring they are supported is vital for the success of our business," Mr Agnew said.

The board has launched three key strategies covering the areas of digital economy, investor attraction and regional marketing in a bid to meet its targets.

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Manufacturing would remain vitally important to southern Adelaide, with 43 per cent of economic output and 19 per cent of employment from that

Mr Phillips said the sector would change in the future with high-tech industry, such as medical or water, more likely to succeed.

Marion Council mayor Felicity-ann Lewis said southern Adelaide contributed hugely to the state's economy.

"Growing prosperity in the region is vital to achieving a better quality of life for the whole community in southern Adelaide," Ms Lewis said.

"We cannot build a strong future for Marion and Onkaparinga without collaboration from all stakeholders, whether they are business, community, or local, state and federal government."



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Ascot Park Scout Opp Shop and garage sales

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Australian Retired Persons Association

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Community Philatelic Society

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Friends of Glenthorne

T Alan 8340 5509 or 8381 2708

Help the environment through working bees and monthly meetings.

Friends of Hallett Cove Conservation Park

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Friends of Lower Field River

T 8387 5227 or www fieldriver o A land care group established by Hallett Cove residents to protect and care for the lower portion of the Field River and its environs, Includes Cormorant Reserve, the river's estuary at Hallett Cove Beach and nearby sand dunes.

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Greenfield Community Club

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Marion Historical Society

T 8296 5769 or 8277 197

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Marion Table Tennis Club

T 8296 223

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Probus Club of Marion

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SERVICES

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Community Visitor Scheme

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SPORT AND ACTIVITY GROUPS

Active Elders

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Marion Arthritis Branch

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Marion Croquet

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Marion Mall Walkers

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CHANGING LIVES

photographs of fellow members of the State Aboriginal Young Women's Committee.

"I want to be part of the change, which starts with the next generation, and make that one difference for the betterment of aboriginal people."

Young achiever changing lives

By Lizzi Wyly **Photography** Catherine Gasmier

Raquel Kerdel is the first person to finish year 12 in her family and at the age of 22 is already doing what she loves – improving the lives of young aboriginal women.

Raquel, of Seaview Downs, was this year presented with the Office for Youth Aboriginal Achievement Award for her work to promote aboriginal history to the wider community at the Channel 9 Young Achiever Awards.

With a passion for helping aboriginal youth, Raquel is also driven by a determination to change lives.

"I want to be part of the change, which starts with the next generation, and make that one difference for the betterment of aboriginal people," Raquel said.

"I think it's important to address young women's issues within their communities and help them create a better future for themselves." Now established as a positive role model for young aboriginal women, it took a tragic accident to help Raquel decide what she wanted to do with her life.

Her best friend, a victim of domestic violence and drug issues, died in a car accident when they were in their late teens.

In dealing with the consequences of the accident, Raquel determined to move forward by helping others.

"I was very lucky to have such a supportive circle, with my friends and family helping me pull through," Raquel said.

"It pushed me to move forward by helping other young aboriginal women in similar situations. I guess it was part of my healing process, wanting to educate others to help them find solutions to better their lives."

Now working as a project coordinator at the YWCA, Raquel runs workshops and networking events for young aboriginal women.

"I'm also part of the State Aboriginal Young Women's Committee which my mother started when I was in high school. I'm blessed that my job crosses over to my passion for helping young aboriginal women, as I can do what I love all the time," she said.

"I love working with young people to tackle common issues such as domestic violence, drugs, drinking and health. I go out to schools and meet kids, and love hearing what people have to say. It's fun having a laugh with them."

In addition to working full-time, Raquel is a representative for young aboriginal women on state and local government committees and is a peer educator at Marion Youth, which provides health related services, recreation, support and training for young people aged 12 to 25.

Other City of Marion residents honoured at the *Channel 9 Young Achiever Awards* were Marion Councillor David Speirs, who was presented with the Adelaide Airport Community Leadership Award, and Keyvan Abak, who won the Proteus Leadership Excellence Award.