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## Reaching for the skies

Holdfast Model Aero Club is celebrating its 60th birthday by inviting would be pilots to reach for the skies at free come and try sessions.

Anyone who has ever wanted to learn how to send a fighter jet streaking through the air or hurl a bi-plane into a dog fight can find out how it's done at the club's base on the corner of Majors and Lonsdale roads from 10am to 12.30pm on Sundays.

The club's vice president, Kingsley Neumann, who is a former private pilot and air traffic controller, said he wanted more people to experience the thrill of flying.

"Flying a model plane is exciting, and not as difficult as people may think," Mr Neumann said.

"We pair people who want to try it with an instructor for three sessions, then if they join the club they can keep using one of our training planes until they're ready to fly solo. The club has about 120 members aged from 8 to 88, and a great facility."

The club will soon install paving and seating which is being funded by a \$2000 Community Grant from the City of Marion.

### READY FOR TAKE OFF

Holdfast Model Aero Club members (front) Kingsley Neumann and Graham Paterson and (back) Allan Ayles and Geoff Haynes.

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### FRONT COVER

Photography by Michael Mullan.

# WHAT'S NEW?

## Countdown to dog park opening



**By** Richard Watson  
**Photography** Simon Stanbury

**Dog owners are counting down the days until they can let their pooches run free in the City of Marion's first dedicated dog park.**

Mayor Kris Hanna will officially open the Reserve Street Reserve dog park, which is in Trott Park, at a community event on Sunday, 4 September.

The 10,000 sq m off-leash area is surrounded by a 1.8m fence with three airlock gates and includes a turfed area, two drink fountains and dog bowls, two benches and landscaping.

The park cost \$226,000 with Council providing \$126,000 and the State Government \$100,000.

Local resident Michelle Anderson is excited about the prospect of letting her two Labradors off the leash.

"I can't wait to take my dogs for a run in the park because they will get more exercise than if I take them for a long walk," Ms Anderson said.

"Backyards are getting smaller, so it's important to have a place where dogs can run around."

The initial concept plan for the park included a 4150 sq m off-leash area. Council voted to double the size to about 10,000 sq m in October last year after community consultation showed residents wanted it to be bigger.

**OFFICIAL OPENING**  
**11:30am – 2pm,**  
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Reserve Street Reserve includes a playground, barbecue and kickabout area which is separated by the fence around the dog park.

Work to build the park began in April.

### **RUNNING FREE**

Michelle Anderson takes her Labradors Ejay and Baxter for a run at the dog park at Reserve St Reserve.



## Record \$100,000 grants open

**Not-for-profit and community groups can now apply for a share of a record \$100,000 in grants to develop innovative projects that benefit the community.**

The City of Marion Community Grants for 2016/17 have been increased by \$25,000 on last year, with funding provided over two rounds.

Marion City Band was awarded a \$1000 grant in the last financial year which it is using to create a 15-metre x 3-metre mural on the exterior of its rehearsal rooms at the former Senior Citizens Club on Dunbarton Rd, Edwardstown.

Tuba player Peter Ollerenshaw is managing the refurbishment of the hall which the band moved into in October last year.

"Thanks to the grant we will be able to create a mural that is big and bright and will put the band on map," Mr Ollerenshaw said.

"We will add to the \$1000 grant by raising an additional \$1000 to cover the costs of an artist and materials."

Grants are available in the categories of community development, arts and culture, environment, and sport and recreation.

There is one grant of \$10,000, five grants of \$5000, and multiple grants of up to \$2000.

The City of Marion provided \$75,000 of Community Grants last year for 29 projects, generating more than \$210,000 worth of value when taking account in-kind support and volunteer hours.

The largest grant awarded was \$10,000 to the Hindu Society of SA towards a new cultural centre, while Morphettsville Park Sporting Club received \$5000 to extend its women's changing rooms and MarionLIFE \$1600 for a shade and shelter.

Applications for the current round of Community Grants close on Monday, 9 September.

More information is available on the City of Marion website at >



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community-grants](http://marion.sa.gov.au/community-grants)

### **HITTING THE RIGHT NOTES**

Peter and Helen Ollerenshaw of Marion City Band are looking forward to seeing the mural take shape.



# OUR OPINION



## CEO's comment

**These are exciting times in the City of Marion with work due to begin soon on a range of new sporting and community facilities.**

Council has successfully secured a pre-election commitment from the Federal Government of \$4 million of funding to redevelop the Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground – an amount that will be matched by Council. Council and members of the site's committee and sporting clubs worked as a team to prepare an excellent funding submission, and we are very proud of this significant achievement.

These types of developments will redefine the City of Marion and provide modern facilities that can be enjoyed by families for many generations.

It's hard to believe that the Cove Civic Centre has been open for one year. This state-of-the-art library, community and enterprise centre is a great example of how a new

facility can be quickly established by providing the services people want.

The Cove Civic Centre has recorded more than 126,400 visits, becoming a drawcard for local residents and the broader community - as well as hosting events and activities that are supporting businesses in the region. I would like to congratulate the Elected Members and staff who have worked hard to make it a success.

Finally, I would like to add my congratulations to the 33 individuals and groups who recently received an Unsung Heroes Award. All too often, the people who do great work go unrecognised, but the awards place them and their achievements in the spotlight. You can read more about our Unsung Heroes on page 14.

Regards,

**Adrian Skull**  
CEO, City of Marion



## Mayor's comment

**When Council was deciding whether to lower the rate rise to 2.75 or 2.5 per cent recently I was pleased to use my casting vote for the lower option - giving us Marion's lowest rise in more than 15 years.**

Ideally, I would like to see rate rises down to the level of inflation but there are two challenges. Every year the State Government imposes higher costs and more obligations on local government.

A large expenditure for any council is its wages bill which, for Marion, represents 40 per cent of the total budget. Council continues to look at reducing its overall costs while improving services to the community.

Despite the cost pressures, we continue to build. The new dog park in Trott Park, and Jervois Street playspace in South Plympton, are ready for you. In the recent budget, the Councillors and I insisted on more than doubling the increase in funds for maintenance of Council buildings, an extra half a million

dollars for beautifying our local streets and half a million to apply solar panels and energy efficiency measures to Council buildings. Meanwhile a new building at Edwardstown Oval, and a BMX track for Majors Road, are fully funded to build in the next couple of years.

Leading up to the Federal election I lobbied many politicians as part of Council's campaign to fix Oaklands Crossing. The \$40 million "new" money promised by the Federal Government, plus the State Government's offer of \$150 million Federal/State funds left over from the Northern Connector, makes it look like the Crossing really will be fixed!

Regards,

**Kris Hanna**  
Mayor, City of Marion

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# \$190m plan unveiled to end traffic chaos

By Craig Clarke

**A \$190 million plan to fix 40 years of traffic chaos at Oaklands crossing has been applauded by motorists and the community.**

However, the plan hinges on the Federal Government agreeing to redirect about \$150 million in savings from the Northern Connector project into Oaklands.

The Federal Government has already promised \$40 million during the election campaign towards fixing the road and rail bottleneck, at the corner of Morphett and Diagonal roads.

Premier Jay Weatherill and State Transport Minister Stephen Mullighan announced the plan, which followed a community campaign led by Marion Council.

It is the first major commitment since plans were unveiled and then later dropped to solve the traffic congestion in the 1970s.

Mayor Kris Hanna has welcomed the latest plan while the community immediately took to social media to voice their support.

"I salute the 2850 people who signed up to Council's campaign to fix Oaklands crossing," Mr Hanna said.

"Your support, with some helpful political candidates, reinforced my lobbying efforts which resulted in a Federal Government commitment of \$40 million.



## CAMPAIGN LAUNCH

Mayor Kris Hanna addresses media at Oaklands crossing

"We are not there yet but this is a huge boost from the State Government which is responsible for fixing the crossing."

More than 41,000 vehicles a day use the intersection, with delays adding up to 20 minutes to a typical journey during peak hour.

The State Government has estimated the cost of fixing Oaklands crossing at \$190 million, depending on the engineering solution that is found.

The Northern Connector project was anticipated to cost \$985 million – comprising \$788 million from the Federal Government and \$197 million from the State Government.

However, competitive conditions in the construction industry have meant the project saved \$150 million, which the State Government wants to reinvest into Oaklands crossing.

Mr Mullighan said the injection of funds would enable an upgrade of Oaklands crossing to be delivered sooner.

"Level crossings cannot only cause congestion and delays to motorists, they also pose potentially dangerous junctions where vehicles, trains and pedestrians can come to grief," Mr Mullighan said.

"We are already partnering with the Commonwealth on our top priority rail junction – the \$238 million Torrens Junction project near Bowden – and now we want to extend that joint approach to the Oaklands crossing."

A decision on whether the traffic snarls could be solved by putting the rail line under or over the road is yet to be decided.

In 2012, the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure released a planning study which assessed four grade separation options.

DPTI's preferred option at the time was to take the Seaford rail line over the roads by building a 1.1km rail overpass.

The construction cost was estimated at \$100-\$110 million in 2012.

At the time of going to press, the Federal Government was yet to formally respond to the State Government's plan.

"Traffic jams at Oaklands crossing are a huge issue for people and I'm proud to support Council's campaign - it's been amazing and I hope we get the result we need." Nicole Clark

## IT'S AMAZING

Nicole Clark is one of many locals who has backed the campaign from the start and is pictured at Oakland crossing with her partner Mark Galliford along with children Grace, Tahlia, Jasmin, Hannah and Madison.



# LET'S GET OAKLANDS CROSSING MOVING

## THE CAMPAIGN

Mayor Kris Hanna launched Council's campaign to fix Oaklands crossing by revealing a giant billboard at the intersection of Diagonal and Morphett roads on 18 April.

The launch coincided with the release of a survey in which more than 96 per cent of the nearly 2200 respondents were demanding action.

The campaign, titled *Let's Get Oaklands Crossing Moving*, included a video for social media, advertising on radio, in newspapers and online and the distribution of a total of 14,000 flyers, bookmarks, stickers and brochures to local residents, Council venues and businesses.

More than 100 people braved wind and rain to attend a public rally calling on the State and Federal Governments to fix the crossing on 22 May. Mayor Kris Hanna was joined at the crossing by Federal candidates for Boothby Nicolle Flint, Mark Ward, Jane Bange and Karen Hockley, Member for Mitchell Corey Wingard, and Member for Elder Annabel Digance.

The campaign has been covered by Channels 7, 9, 10 and ABC and The Advertiser, AdelaideNow, the Guardian Messenger and 5aa.

## Campaign facts >

**690,000** people reached with radio ads  
**172,100** Facebook users reached  
**3934** views of online video  
**3086** web page views  
**2853** people joined the campaign

## Your reaction to the State Government's \$190 million to fix the crossing >

Sandra Salvatore: *"It's about time!"*

Cecile Parr: *"At last..."*

Kathy Klei: *"That is good news, I hope it eventuates."*

## Join the campaign:



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## CAMPAIGN COLLATERAL

A giant billboard, banners, flyers and posters were used in the campaign to fix Oaklands crossing.



## RALLYING CRY

More than 100 people attended a rally at Oaklands crossing in May.





# Sports clubs gear up for \$8 million oval rebuild



**Photography** Pia Vogrin

Sports clubs are gearing up for an \$8 million redevelopment of Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground following the Coalition's election promise of funding.

The Federal Government announced in May it would commit \$4 million to the project if it was returned to office.

The funding matches Marion Council's commitment of \$4 million.

Mayor Kris Hanna said the \$8 million upgrade would transform the ageing site for footballers, cricketers, lawn bowlers and cyclists.

"Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground will be completely renewed with improved sporting and community facilities that will create new opportunities for residents," Mr Hanna said.

"The velodrome is the only one of its kind in Southern Adelaide and upgrading it will make it a drawcard for serious cyclists.

"Council has been in discussion with training providers to have skills training based at the new facility, to help support employment in the area."

The project, which will take about two years to complete, includes:

- › New sports and community clubrooms with function rooms and a café
- › Extensive viewing areas over the bowling greens and oval
- › Upgrade of the cycling track around the oval
- › Makeover of Memorial Park where Dawn Services are held

The recently discovered Edwardstown Honour Board, which names more than 200 local residents who served in World War One, will take pride of place in the new clubrooms.

Chair of Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground committee, Keith Harrison, said sports clubs were looking forward to the redevelopment.

"Sports clubs are excited at the prospect of training, playing and socialising in a modern and welcoming facility," Mr Harrison said.

"The redevelopment will expand the versatility of the site, enable us to run community events, and bring new members to sports clubs."

Council has sought confirmation of the Federal Government's promise of \$4 million towards the project and has been reassured it is a commitment of the Turnbull Government.

The next stage of the development will see detailed designs created and a call for tenders.

## READY FOR ACTION

Cyclist Heather May, footballer Grace Hurley, chair Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground committee Keith Harrison, footballers Hugh and Samuel Mahney and lawn bowler Russell Wight are looking forward to the redevelopment.

## MODERN DESIGN

A visual of the proposed clubrooms at Edwardstown.



## Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre update

Marion Council is preparing an application for Federal Government funding for a \$19.75 million redevelopment of Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre.

Plans include an indoor recreation facility with multi-purpose courts for sports including basketball and netball, a two-storey community centre, gym, function area and café.

There will be facilities for football, cricket, rugby, tennis and the Dover Gardens Dog Club.

Council has committed to cover 50 per cent of the costs, subject to receiving a matching grant from the Federal Government.

An application for funding is expected to be lodged later this year.

## EXCITING CONCEPT

A visual showing an external view of how the redeveloped Mitchell Park Sports and Community Centre could look.



# World class BMX on track

By Richard Watson

**A new \$3.5 million BMX track is set to be built in O'Halloran Hill, boosting facilities for local riders and attracting world class events.**

Marion and Onkaparinga Councils have each agreed to contribute \$750,000, while the State Government has committed \$2 million to build the Union Cycliste International (UCI) facility.

The land at Majors Road is currently owned by the State Government and was chosen because it provides a suitable noise buffer from the surrounding residential area. It also links to mountain bike networks being planned by the State Government.

Mayor Kris Hanna said the much-needed facility would benefit the region.

"BMX is a popular and growing sport across the southern suburbs and the new BMX track will add to the world-class sporting facilities we have in Marion," Mr Hanna said.

"The existing track at Cove Sports and Community Club doesn't meet national and international standards and, unfortunately, cannot expand due to being hemmed in by housing.

"Council has been advocating for a new BMX track that will allow the sport to flourish and we look forward to working with the State Government to deliver this exciting project."

BMX participation in South Australia has doubled in the last five years with about half the riders from the southern suburbs.

The Cove BMX Club has 168 members and Happy Valley BMX Club has about 150 members.

A project scope is currently being developed.

Work to build the track is expected to begin mid-2017.

## READY TO RIDE

Mayor Kris Hanna with BMX riders Declan, 11, Shae, 9, Rayna 13, Joel 12, and Marcus, 12, who are looking forward to using the new track.

## Getting to grips with tablet tech

Photography Pia Vogrin

**A 63-year-old woman from Sheidow Park is among a growing number of people heading to Marion's libraries to get to grips with the latest technology.**

When Margaret Cole bought her first tablet computer in July this year she soon realised she needed to brush up on her skills.

Having not used the internet for years, or ever owned a computer other than a desktop, Margaret was suddenly faced with a touchscreen and apps.

"I wasn't confident using the tablet and had heard the library at Cove Civic Centre was running Digital Literacy classes to help people use iPads, laptops and smartphones, so decided to give them a go," Margaret said.

"The sessions are free, one-on-one, and really informative.

"Surfing the net, sending emails, reading books and watching television shows on my tablet is now easy."

Digital Literacy classes are available at the libraries at Cove Civic on Tuesdays and Fridays, Marion Cultural Centre on Mondays and Saturdays, and Park Holme on Wednesdays.

The sessions run for 45 minutes and are delivered by volunteers. Bookings are essential.

For times, more information and bookings, call 8375 6785.



## TECH MADE EASY

Digital Literacy volunteer John Bowling shows Margaret Cole some tips on using a tablet.

# New \$940,000 park built

By Richard Watson

Photography Michael Mullan

**An unused block of vacant land in South Plympton has been transformed into a new \$940,000 park complete with two playgrounds, a central oval, bike track, fitness equipment, a barbecue and picnic facilities.**

Jervois Street Reserve includes a space for three-on-three netball and basketball, tunnels for kids to climb through, artworks, tables for outdoor chess and ping pong, landscaping and a shelter.

The 6000 sq m park will be officially opened by Mayor Kris Hanna at a free community event and barbecue at 11.30am on Sunday, 28 August

Activities will include a demonstration of the fitness circuit, tips on using the bike 'pump track' by junior BMX champion and City of Marion Sports Person of the Year, Rayna Anesbury, and face painting.

Mayor Kris Hanna said the new reserve was the first of its kind in the City of Marion.

"Jervois Street Reserve will be a drawcard for local families and encourage them to be active, have fun and relax together," Mr Hanna said.

"The community helped design the park during extensive consultation and there are options for the adventurous, as well as those who like to unwind at a slower pace.

"There is no other park like it in the City of Marion."

The park is surrounded by a 280-metre walking path and there is a 'pump track' with mounds and jumps for cyclists to race around.

The junior playground features an 'apple tunnel', a slide, swings, paths, and a 1-metre long wooden caterpillar for children to climb on, water and sand play area, and butterfly shade.

The senior playground includes a flying fox and climbing frame.

The central oval measures 44-metres x 32-metres.

More than 90 trees and 3130 shrubs have been planted.



## BEFORE

Jervois St Reserve before work began.

Council bought the land from Housing SA in 2013 to create more open space in the city's north. The land cost \$2.94 million with Council providing \$1.56 million and the Department of Planning Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) the balance.

Work has been funded by \$590,000 from the City of Marion, \$300,000 from DPTI and a \$50,000 donation from Edwardstown Rotary Club.

Mayor Kris Hanna thanked the club for its generosity.

On behalf of Council and local residents I would like to thank Edwardstown Rotary Club for its generous donation of \$50,000, which has been used to help build facilities that will be enjoyed by many local families," Mr Hanna said.

"I also thank DPTI for contributing \$1.68 million to the project."

## YOUR INVITATION

### Party in the Park

11:30am, Sunday 28 August

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# in South Plympton

## Swings, slides, climbing frames, a bike track and a caterpillar – the verdict.

To celebrate the opening of Jervois St Reserve we invited families to participate in a Facebook competition and randomly selected the lucky winners who would be the first to test and rate the new play equipment and facilities.

[View more photos on Facebook >](#)



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*This is what they said...*

**“Make a splash.”**

Ellie and Lucy try the water pump.

**“Pump don’t pedal.”**

Junior cycling champion Rayna Anesbury on the bike track.

**“No hands.”**

Milla, Lucy and Ellie have fun on the wooden caterpillar.

**“This is so much fun”**

Lucy with her sister Ellie on the basket swing.

**“10 out of 10.”**

The kids give their verdict on the play equipment.

**“Can you hear me?”**

Lochlan makes some noise on the acoustic drums.

**“Let’s race.”**

Milla and Ellie try out the slides.

**“It’s awesome.”**

Lochlan and brother Mitchell go climbing.

**“Higher dad.”**

Jacob with dad Jason.

# MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE



## Tonsley awarded for architectural excellence

The Tonsley innovation district has scooped seven awards for architecture at a prestigious state event.

The Australian Institute of Architects' 2016 South Australian Architecture Awards saw four Tonsley projects recognised across education, heritage, commercial, sustainability and urban design categories.

Tonsley, which is Australia's first innovation district, was described by the jury as "a unique place with a strong identity for South Australia to celebrate its manufacturing history".

The State Government is transforming the site into a collaborative and high-value industry, education and residential precinct, where business people, researchers, tertiary students, industries and companies can interact and innovate.

SA Architecture Awards won by projects in the Tonsley innovation district include:

### Educational Architecture

- › Dr John Mayfield Award – Flinders at Tonsley by HASSELL

### Commercial Architecture

- › Award – South Australian Drill Core Reference Library by Thomson Rossi

### Heritage

- › Award – Tonsley Main Assembly Building and Pods by Woods Bagot and Tridente Architects

### Urban Design

- › Commendation – Tonsley by Oxygen

### Sustainable Architecture

- › Award – Tonsley Main Assembly Building and Pods by Woods Bagot and Tridente Architects
- › Award – Tonsley by Oxygen

### Colorbond® Award for Steel Architecture

- › Award – South Australian Drill Core Reference Library by Thomson Rossi

The judging panel for the Award for Sustainable Architecture stated that although still a work in progress, the Tonsley Main Assembly Building and pods are already internationally recognised as a model for environmentally sustainable design and building practices.

The Australian Institute of Architects' 2016 SA Architecture Awards were held on Saturday, 2 July at Adelaide Oval.

### EXCELLENT DESIGNS

Main photograph: South Australian Drill Core Reference Library. Bottom: Flinders at Tonsley exterior and interior and Main Assembly Building.



## Andrea outstanding at TAFE

TAFE SA's 2016 Building and Construction Most Outstanding Student of the Year, Andrea Higgs, is applying what she learned in her interior design studies to create cosy spaces based on winter trends.

Andrea is currently working on a personal project to create a warm, inviting kitchen and an entrepreneur's home office that encourages inspiration and boosts concentration.

"Winter interiors are about warmth, texture and layering, so using textiles like rugs, cushions and throws in the living room, and plush towels in the bathroom achieves this," Andrea said.

"There are great environmentally sustainable products for interiors.

"I particularly love cork flooring as it's a natural and non-toxic floor surface, a great insulator and good for anyone with allergies."

Many interior design students from TAFE SA forge a career as decorators and designers in residential, commercial or institutional spaces.

### OUTSTANDING PRIZE

Andrea Higgs collects TAFE SA's 2016 Building and Construction Most Outstanding Student of the Year award.

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# Hunt begins for descendants of 'lost' WW1 honour board

By Richard Watson  
Photography Pia Vogrin

Marion Council is hunting for the descendants of more than 200 local servicemen listed on a World War One honour board that had been missing for more than 30 years.

The Edwardstown honour board had laid hidden in a storage room at Warradale Barracks until it was discovered by a local historian late last year.

The Council now wants to track down the servicemen's descendants and bring them together for a commemorative event at Warradale Barracks in October.

One of the servicemen named on the board is former Edwardstown resident, Reginald De Laine. His 82-year-old daughter Margaret Creer played a part in the discovery of the board when she donated a photograph of it to the Marion Heritage Research Centre.

"I've had a photograph of the honour board with me all my life and seeing my father's name on the real thing is very moving," Ms Creer said.

"My father was shot in the arm while in a trench in Armentieres in France the day after his 25th birthday on February 19, 1917 and returned wounded to Australia – his mate next to him was killed.

"Bringing the descendants of Edwardstown servicemen together will keep alive the legacy and stories of our local heroes."

Marion Councillor Raelene Telfer's great uncle, Raymond Swift, who served as a Corporal in the 50th Battalion, and was killed in fighting near Albert, France, on 5 April, 1918, is also named on the Honour Board, along with his five brothers who returned.

A full list of the 207 servicemen named on the board can be viewed on the City of Marion website [marion.sa.gov.au](http://marion.sa.gov.au)

Descendants are invited to contact the Marion Heritage Research Centre on 7420 6455 or [heritage@marion.sa.gov.au](mailto:heritage@marion.sa.gov.au) to register for the event, which will be held at Warradale Barracks at 10.15am on Saturday, 22 October.

Mayor Kris Hanna said the event, kicking off a 'Day on the Khaki Green', would be a fitting tribute to those who served in World War One.

"The event will include a ceremony where the names of people on the honour board will be read out and their stories told," Mr Hanna said.

"I urge anyone who thinks they could have a former family member listed on the honour board to come forward."

The 2.4m blackwood board was discovered by local historian Jennifer Vincent late last year after being placed in storage at Warradale Barracks following the demolition of the Edwardstown Institute in the mid-1980s where it was previously displayed.

## HONOURED

Margaret Creer points to the name of her father, Reginald De Laine, on the Edwardstown Honour Board and (right) her father pictured in 1916 aged 24.

## Events and facilities survey results

A survey in March and April this year has found that the majority of residents are satisfied with the quality of City of Marion's sporting, recreation and cultural facilities and events.

The survey was distributed to 1000 randomly selected households and was available online.

The details of the survey results are being used to inform Council on how to improve services further and better plan for the future.

### This is what you told us:

- › 92.6% of respondents were very satisfied or satisfied overall with sport and recreation facilities
- › 97.5% of respondents were very satisfied or satisfied overall with community and cultural facilities
- › 97.8% of respondents were very satisfied or satisfied overall with community events

Five people who completed the survey won a pair of movie tickets in a random draw.

Council would like to thank everyone who took the time to complete the survey.

The survey results are available on the Making Marion website at ›



[makingmarion.com.au/facilitiesandevents](http://makingmarion.com.au/facilitiesandevents)

# Marion says 'thank you' to its community heroes

A 20-year-old who is preparing to compete in the Rio de Janeiro Paralympics, a group of residents who are bringing neighbours together by running outdoor concerts, and a couple who are dedicated to keeping local history alive are among 33 recipients of this year's Unsung Heroes Awards.

The awards pay tribute to individuals and groups for their community spirit, bravery, contribution to sports and the environment.

The awards were presented by Mayor Kris Hanna during a ceremony at the Marion Cultural Centre on Thursday, 28 July.

Mayor Hanna said this year's event was an opportunity to say 'thank you' to the people who are making Marion a better place.

"It was a privilege to present 33 awards to people who give so much to their community and inspire others," Mr Hanna said.

"To hear about Samuel von Einem who is training round the clock to represent Australia in table tennis at the Paralympics, and is ranked seventh in the world for athletes with an intellectual disability, is inspiring.

"Park Holme and Plympton Park Residents' Group are making their community stronger by running events ranging from outdoor concerts and art exhibitions to Christmas parties."

Other awardees included Arthur and Elaine Beales, a couple in their mid-80s who volunteer at the Marion Heritage Research Centre transcribing documents and sharing their knowledge of local history.

Awards were also presented to 81-year-old Michael Mildren, a life member of Holdfast Model Aero Club who has built a battery operated weed sprayer he uses to keep the club's site tidy, Nadja Osterstock who is sharing her knowledge of sustainability at community events, and Mary Lynch, a Meals on Wheels volunteer of 19 years.

## COMMUNITY HEROES

**Top:** Mayor Hanna presents an Unsung Heroes Award to Nadja Osterstock who is congratulated by her mother, Sally.

**Bottom left:** Award winners Scott Boocock of Hogs Pegs, Lucy Sayers of Cove Netball Club, and Keith Harrison, chair of Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground.

**Bottom right:** Award winner Samuel von Einem is congratulated by his parents Karen and Philip.



## The full list of Unsung Heroes and the categories they were awarded in are:

### BUSINESS

Scott Boocock	Hogs Pegs
Thomas French	Warradale Hotel
Greg Garrihy & Philip Ransome	Edwardstown Region Business Association
Rebecca White & Paige Rowett	Tourism eSchool
Mark Fusco	Advanced Focus

### COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Lexi Schwarz	Cosgrove Hall volunteer
Richard and Pat Trott	Good neighbours who also tidy a median strip
Maxwell Bowden	Marion Historic Village Display Group
Tricia Clement	Marion Historic Village Display Group
Arthur and Elaine Beales	Marion Heritage Research Centre
Keith Harrison	Edwardstown Dawn Service organiser
David Hearn	COAST FM broadcaster
Raelene Welsh	Edwardstown Lions
Vicky Veliskou	Community advocate
Park Holme Plympton Park Residents' Group	Running community events
Migrant Women's Group	Welcoming new arrivals

### ARTS AND CULTURE

Kym Clayton	Galleon Theatre
Park Holme / Plympton Park Arts Group	Running community events

### SPORT

Scott Young	Wildcats Netball Club
Samuel von Einem	Paralympics athlete
Lucy Sayers	Cove Netball Club

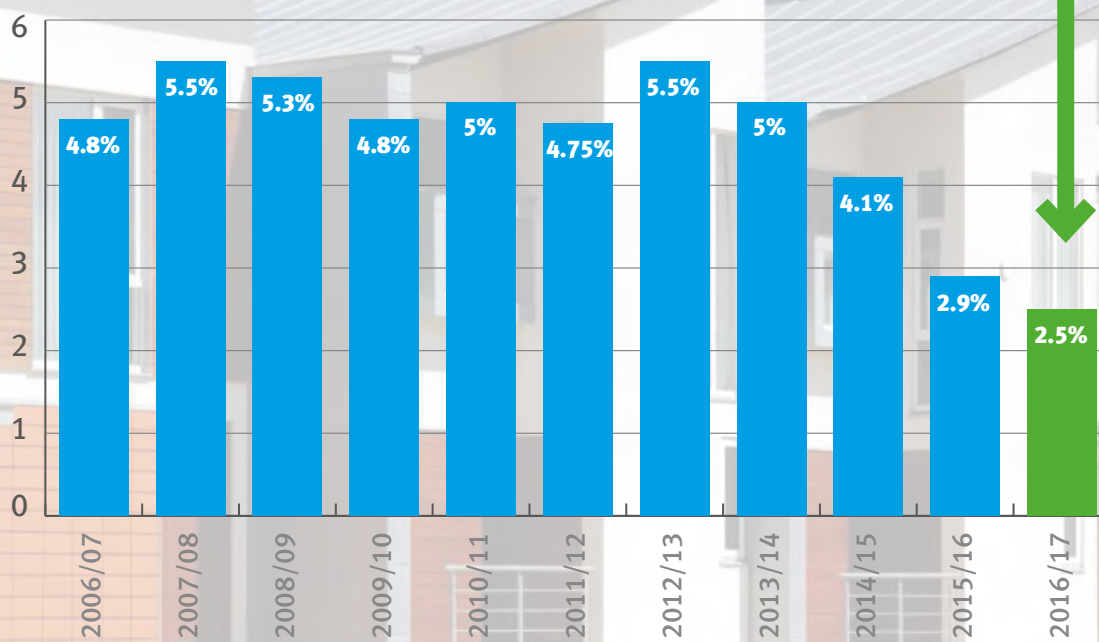
### ENVIRONMENT

Rosalyn Shute	Friends of Warriparinga
Steven Hoepfner & Silvia Volonta	Presents at community sustainability events
Nadja Osterstock	Presents at community sustainability events

### ROLE MODEL

Kimberley McPherson	Supporting teenagers
Michael Mildren	Holdfast Model Aero Club
Paul Johnson	Royal Geographical Society medal recipient
Mary Lynch	Meals on Wheels

Average Rate Increases over the past 10 years in the City of Marion



# Marion delivers lowest rates in 15 years, new projects

By Craig Clarke

The lowest rate rise in more than 15 years, major investments in sporting facilities and improving local streetscapes headline Marion Council's plans for 2016/17.

Handing down its budget, Council has reaffirmed its commitment to low rates by increasing average household rates by 2.5 per cent.

It follows a 2.9 per cent average rate increase last year.

This year's rates will be used to fund the delivery of high quality services and maintain more than \$1.1 billion of community assets.

Mayor Kris Hanna said Council is continuing its commitment to providing value for money for ratepayers.

"Council is working hard to ensure we provide quality services and develop our area without placing an undue burden on ratepayers," Mr Hanna said.

"We have some exciting projects planned for major sporting and community infrastructure, improved streetscapes and walking and cycling paths."

## Key projects for 2016/17 include:

- › Starting the \$8 million redevelopment of Edwardstown Soldiers' Memorial Recreation Ground.
- › Partnering with BMX clubs, the State Government and Onkaparinga Council to build a \$3.5 million international standard track at O'Halloran Hill.
- › Investing \$550,000 on improving streetscapes
- › Seeking partnership funds to upgrade Mitchell Park Sports and Community Club.
- › Identifying a potential site for a new regional soccer facility.
- › Investing \$200,000 on high priority walking and cycling projects

Marion is the sixth largest Council in South Australia but its rate increases are among the lowest.

The average residential rate will be about \$1381.

Of that, about \$273 is spent on maintaining roads, bridges and footpaths, \$183 is spent on parks and gardens, \$114 on libraries and \$139 on community facilities.

Council's total budget is \$76.9 million.

More information about Council's plans for the coming year are contained in the summary of the Annual Business Plan 2016/17 which is available at [marion.sa.gov.au/annual-business-plan](http://marion.sa.gov.au/annual-business-plan)



## Marion Celebrates registrations open

Performers, community groups, artists and food business are invited to register to take part in the City of Marion's biggest community event.

Marion Celebrates will be held on Saturday, 25 March 2017 at the Marion Cultural Centre and includes music and dance performances, stalls, food trucks, workshops and art installations.

The biennial festival, which is themed Many Cultures – One Earth, was held at Warriparinga in 2014 and attracted more than 5000 people.

To register interest, contact City of Marion cultural heritage officer, Anita McDonald, on 8375 6600 or email [anita.mcdonald@marion.sa.gov.au](mailto:anita.mcdonald@marion.sa.gov.au)

# FOCUS ON BUSINESS • FOCUS ON BUSINESS

## \$3 billion local economy set to grow

By Richard Watson

Photography Rob Geh and Pia Vogrin

The local economy is worth more than \$3 billion per annum and has never been better placed to grow.

Tonsley, Australia's first innovation district, is bringing together business and education and is expected to attract \$1 billion of private investment, creating more than 6000 jobs.

Investment in infrastructure, including the \$620 million Darlington upgrade, is making it easier for companies to access customers, resources and suppliers.

This feature highlights a local business success story and explains two innovative ways Marion Council is supporting economic growth. There has never been a better time to do business in the City of Marion.

## Back to the future for former Mitsubishi engineer

When Mark Fusco walked into his new offices at the Tonsley innovation precinct in February this year it was a case of back to the future for the former Mitsubishi employee.

Returning to the site where he spent 17 years as a tradesman, production engineer and manager for the car manufacturer as the head of Advanced

Focus - a business that has a multimillion dollar turnover and employs 12 people - did not seem likely when Mr Fusco left Mitsubishi in 2005.

But, that same year, Mr Fusco set up a company that is boosting the efficiency of manufacturers and service companies by helping them work smarter.

"We work with business to increase the value of what they do through improving their processes. This can include introducing them to new technology, planning new facilities, teaching skills and managing change," Mr Fusco, 45, said.

"We've helped companies across more than 40 sectors and have been involved in everything from changing the way health clinics operate to how chicken meat is processed."

Key projects have included slashing the time it takes Tonsley-based Siemens Energy to service gas turbines and redesigning the Australian Submarine Corporation's fleet maintenance system.

"Improving Siemens Energy's processes in their train gear box maintenance improved productivity by 30 per cent," Mr Fusco said.

"We also helped save the Australian Submarine Corporation hundreds of millions of dollars by reducing its service times for major maintenance by more than 40 per cent."

With clients throughout Australia in sectors including advanced manufacturing, resources and energy, government and services, defence and food and beverage, Mr Fusco said the business had progressed a long way in 11 years.

"At first I worked from the kitchen table at home, then I took on staff and one day my wife saw us crowded together and suggested we find a proper office, so we then operated from a few different premises" he said.

"Being based at Tonsley is making it easier to collaborate and innovate... it's a great place to do business."

Find out more about Advanced Focus at [advancedfocus.com.au](http://advancedfocus.com.au)

### WORKING SMART

Mark Fusco of Advanced Focus at Siemens Energy.



# FOCUS ON BUSINESS • FOCUS ON BUSINESS



## Buy local campaign launches in south

Residents in Marion's southern suburbs are being urged to 'buy local' as part of a new drive to spark economic growth and promote community pride.

A recently launched campaign titled *Local is the new Black* targets Hallett Cove, Trott Park and Sheidow Park, where more than 4700 businesses are registered.

The first company to sign up to the scheme was Muffin Break at Hallett Cove Shopping Centre, which is run by Sharon Bond.

"I employ 14 local young people, use nearby suppliers whenever possible, and encourage regular customers with discounts," Ms Bond said.

"The campaign is a terrific idea as local patronage is essential to the success of my business."

*Local is the new Black* is an initiative of Hallett Cove Business Association, which is chaired by Marie Soliman.

"Shopping locally for goods and services keeps dollars in the community, shops and services open, promotes employment, and helps people feel connected," Ms Soliman said.

"Businesses that join Hallett Cove Business Association automatically benefit from the campaign and receive promotional materials, including posters, and a listing on our website and Facebook page to draw customers."

The buy local campaign is supported by a \$2000 Community Grant from the City of Marion.

Find out more at [hallettcovebusinessassociation.com.au](http://hallettcovebusinessassociation.com.au)

### KEEPING IT LOCAL

Muffin Break's Ryan Smith, Sharon Bond, Lauren Daly and Shannon Webber.



## Free advice for small business

Aspiring entrepreneurs and established business operators can maximise their chances of success through a free advisory service.

The Tonsley Small Business Advisory Service is working to grow companies in southern Adelaide by providing guidance on everything from writing a business plan to marketing and developing new products.

When Trevor Strother set up a business aimed at improving the safety performances of companies in March he was confronted by a myriad of red tape.

"Although I'm experienced in my field of work I needed guidance on starting a company," said Mr Strother, who is the director of Safety Culture Development.

"Bob Sloan at Tonsley Small Business Advisory Service took me through the process so I could get to work quickly."

Tonsley Small Business Advisory Service is a partnership between the City of Marion and the Department of State Development and is based at the site's Co-Hab building.

Contact manager Bob Sloan for details on 8374 2844 or [bob@sa-bic.com.au](mailto:bob@sa-bic.com.au)

### GOOD ADVICE

Manager Tonsley Small Business Advisory Service, Bob Sloan, with director Safety Culture Development, Trevor Strother.

## Business needs survey

The City of Marion is working with a range of partners to deliver services to help businesses grow in the region.

Feedback is important to us to ensure these services meet the needs of business. We would appreciate 10 minutes of your time to answer a few questions via an online survey.

Business names and contact details are not required, and individual responses will remain confidential.

The survey is open until 30 September and is available at [makingmarion.com.au/business-survey](http://makingmarion.com.au/business-survey)



### Supporting Economic Development

The City of Marion has an Economic Development Unit dedicated to supporting local businesses.

To find out more about services that could benefit your business, contact the manager economic development, Neil McNish, on 8375 6600 or go to >



[marion.sa.gov.au/business-news-and-events](http://marion.sa.gov.au/business-news-and-events)



# Discover wildlife at Warriparinga

**Photography** Pia Vogrin

Families are invited to team up with scientists and local experts to discover the wildlife of Warriparinga during a 12-hour BioBlitz event in October.

The BioBlitz aims to build a picture of life at the reserve by involving the community in researching the natural environment.

The free event will run from 9am to 9pm on Saturday, 29 October and include searches for birds, mammals, fish, frogs and wild flowers.

Night time activities will include spotlighting for possums and an Aboriginal astronomy night skies talk.

There will also be arts and cultural activities, nature play for kids, animal displays, a tour of the wetlands, and a chance to learn about restoration projects run by the Friends of Warriparinga.

Event organiser, Dr Philip Roetman from the University of South Australia, said the BioBlitz was an opportunity for people of all ages to have fun and learn.

“Warriparinga BioBlitz will be ‘hands on’, educational and exciting,” Dr Roetman said.

“It’s a chance for families to learn together in a beautiful outdoor setting and play a part in recording a huge diversity of species.

“I invite people to join us in becoming scientists for a day.”

The results of the BioBlitz will be added to the Atlas of Living Australia – [ala.org.au](http://ala.org.au) – an online database of plants and animals.

Participants can pack a picnic, or purchase food, light refreshments and tea and coffee at the event. Free car parking is available.

Warriparinga is a 3.5 hectare site and home to at least 21 species of birds, including wattlebirds, rosellas, kookaburras, lorikeets and water birds.

BioBlitz is a partnership between Discovery Circle, an initiative of the University of South Australia, and the City of Marion.

## EXPLORING

Friends of Warriparinga members Bruce Wilson, Rosalyn Shute, Ian Huckel and Jo Miels with Alrika Goldsmith-Lloyd, Tashara Wilson and UniSA’s Dr Philip Roetman.



## Yoga strikes a chord

Yoga classes at Marion’s neighbourhood centres have struck a chord with local residents resulting in new sessions being added at Cooinda and Glandore to cope with demand.

More than 70 people a week now participate in classes at the centres.

Val Oldfield, who runs classes at Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre, has been teaching yoga since 1977.

“Yoga can improve flexibility, breathing, relaxation, concentration and emotional wellbeing,” Val, who is 76, said.

“It’s popular because it can be enjoyed by all ages and gets results.”

Val was awarded an OAM this year for her contribution to yoga and for setting up and running a charity to support children.

You can find contact details and more information about your local neighbourhood centre online at [marion.sa.gov.au/neighbourhood-centres](http://marion.sa.gov.au/neighbourhood-centres)

## RELAXING POSE

Val Oldfield prepares to teach a yoga class at Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre.

## WARRIPARINGA BIOBLITZ

**Where:** Warriparinga, Warriparinga Way (off Sturt Rd), Bedford Park

**Date:** Saturday, 29 October

**Time:** 9am – 9pm



**Register at:** [marion.sa.gov.au/bioblitz](http://marion.sa.gov.au/bioblitz)



**Stay in touch** Discovery Circle  
City of Marion





# The Cove Report

One year on from its official opening the Cove Civic Centre has been embraced by the community as a place to learn, relax and do business.

In its first 12 months, the \$13.4 million library, community and enterprise centre has clocked up more than 126,400 visits, loaned over 200,000 items, and hosted 56 business events and activities.

Activities for adults have ranged from Scrabble to fencing, while internationally renowned author, Fiona McIntosh, has shared tips on how to write a best-seller.

Kids have flocked to cartooning, storytelling and even enjoyed a game of indoor laser skirmish.

Local resident Fae Heaselgrave was one of the first people through the centre's doors when it opened.

"I walk here with my kids to choose books or play chess, and sometimes meet up with friends and have a tea or coffee while the kids play on the games consoles," Ms Heaselgrave said.

"My son attends monthly Book Buster sessions which involves creative writing and the opportunity to bring their stories to life through illustration and craft activities.

"The staff are always friendly and on hand to help with book reservations or check-outs. What I like best about the Cove Civic Centre though is how much my kids like it."

## Serving business

The Cove Enterprise Hub is based within the centre and includes meeting rooms, a training suite and business library.

The hub has hosted 12 business events, including networking functions, been used 44 times by local businesses for training and workshops, and seen the launch of Hallett Cove Business Association.

It is now the home of Cove Small Business Advisory Service which is dedicated to helping new and established businesses grow through free development sessions.

## Rooms for hire

Community groups and businesses can hire a range of rooms, including a flexible meeting space which can be used as a main hall for 200 people or divided into four smaller sections, each one accommodating 50 people.

View details of upcoming activities, business events, and room hire at >  
[marion.sa.gov.au/cove-civic-centre](http://marion.sa.gov.au/cove-civic-centre)



Cove Civic Centre is located at  
1 Ragamuffin Drive, Hallett Cove  
T 8375 6755

### HAVING FUN AT THE COVE

Fae Heaselgrave with her daughter Bronwyn, 8, and son Oscar, 10, are regulars at the Cove Civic Centre.

## Cove Civic Centre – the numbers

**201,831** items borrowed

**126,401** visits

**9293** computer bookings

**3966** books, dvds, cds, audio books added

**2296** children attended activities

**1626** new library members

**1178** adults attended activities

**1066** magazines added

# COUNCILLORS' VIEWS



## COASTAL WARD

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### 2.5% Rate Increase

I am pleased to report that I was instrumental in securing the lowest rate increase in over 15 years. Delivering better value and lower rates will continue to be a priority. Government cost shifting will be an ongoing challenge. The government is introducing a 50% increase to waste levies over four years as well as delegated responsibility for the enforcement of the Environmental Protection Act. In addition, Housing SA are continuing to transition homes to community agencies who, by state legislation, pay reduced council rates or no rates at all. This is grossly unfair to our residents who have no choice but to pay for these additional charges.

### Coastal Ward

- › Good news! The Reserve Street dog park at Trott Park dog park has been completed. The official opening will be held at 11.30am on Sunday, 4 September.
- › The construction of the Glade Crescent wetland is underway. It is estimated stage 1 of the wetland will be completed in October.
- › Replacement of stormwater infrastructure will soon commence at Hallett Cove foreshore paving the way for future work along the foreshore.
- › We continue to motivate all parties connected with the development of the Cement Hill site. Progress should be announced soon.
- › The Marino Community Garden at Newland Reserve is up and running. Thank you to residents and staff who worked tirelessly to get this project completed. If you would like to become a member please email [marinocommunitygarden@hotmail.com](mailto:marinocommunitygarden@hotmail.com) or call Chris Teale on 0404 896 844



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This wet winter can be regarded as a 'pain in the neck' or as good water into the soil and a welcome change from our 'dry gulch' year just gone. In a sense, that's where we are on Council, doing the hard and testing yards in order that residents might harvest the benefits now and into the future.

We're at last on the way with a streetscaping approach for which I've been pitching since before my election. As things develop in future years, all residents will start to reap the benefits. Council seeks to improve things on the broader scale and not merely skim the edges.

Our decision to throw the gauntlet down to the Local Government Association is another example, as mediocre service and communication at 'top of the poll' prices does not bode well for the future. I'm pleased to convey that my motion recently to ask for a review of the currently inefficient processes of the Valuer General was also successful.

It's time for contemplating restructures and for greater teamwork between Councils, so that you, the resident, receives better service and government at the best price. If we are to suffer an 'absurd' three levels of government, as described by a former PM of note, then it's mandatory that all three levels are running at peak efficiency.

As an active member of the Strategy Committee, I look forward in coming months to donning the thinking cap and invite your comments, if you have any thoughts to air. If so, please contact me.

Best wishes... and stay warm.



## MULLAWIRRA WARD

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GLENGOWRIE, PLYMPTON PARK,  
PARK HOLME, MORPHETTVILLE

The State Government has handed down its budget and announced that it will raise an additional \$64 million from the solid waste levy over the next four years.

The Advertiser reported that: "Taxes on rubbish disposal will increase by more than 50 per cent over the next four years and households have been warned it will create further increases in council rates."

The State Government has increased the levy by \$19/tonne. Staff advised that the "previous guidance... received indicated a \$5/tonne increase (which was consistent with recent annual EPA Levy increases)".

The impact of this change on the City of Marion is estimated at \$210,000 for the 2016/17 financial year and \$5.26 million over the long term financial plan (a 10- year period). Clearly this is a significant sum of money which, as always, ratepayers will be forced to pay.

And worse still, the change comes on top of increases in the NRM levy for some local governments.

Councils have good reason for feeling that they are being turned into State Government tax collection agencies.



### MULLAWIRRA WARD

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GLENGOWRIE, PLYMPTON PARK,  
PARK HOLME, MORPHETTVILLE

#### Building community through local sport.

We are at our best when we are part of a community. Council can help build a sense of community by improving how it supports local sports clubs.

In 2010, Council set up the Community Facilities Partnerships Program (CFPP). It was designed to encourage sports clubs in Council facilities to raise money from their own and/or alternate sources. Council would add to funds through CFPP to help them improve facilities.

This program was designed to spread costs between the clubs, grants and Council. However few clubs have accessed this money; which says to me Council needs to do something different.

One option is for Council to be more proactive in promoting CFPP.

The second is to provide support and knowledge to clubs to ensure they are best positioned to apply for external grants, and we can also help with long term planning. Many clubs struggle to get enough volunteers for their regular activities, let alone have the time to plan and apply for grants.

The third is to look at what know-how and support is available to ensure clubs stay viable.

This case management approach is currently being trialed and is having positive results.

Promoting team sport and physical activity to our young people has never been more important. I am proud of the clubs and the role they play in this and the physical, social and community benefits this brings.

I will continue working within Council to support our sports clubs in their role of building community.



### SOUTHERN HILLS WARD

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SEAVIEW DOWNS, O'HALLORAN HILL  
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SEACLIFF PARK (PART), HALLETT COVE (PART)

#### Well 2016 has been a very busy year with many things accomplished but many more still to do.

- › Our first official dog park in City of Marion will open on Sunday, 4 September
- › The BMX Club feasibility study has finished and I am pleased with this historic joint venture between the State Government, and Onkaparinga and Marion councils. This \$3.5Million project will see a world class BMX facility built on Majors Road and will bring millions of dollars into the local communities for both councils. This will be commenced this financial year.
- › Facilities for parks within Southern Hills has been a high priority for me since becoming a councillor. Our Ward had the least facilities of all the wards within Marion but now we are making headway on improving this situation.
  - Over the next three years, a further three public toilets will be installed at Reserve St Reserve, Trott Park, Cadell Reserve, Seaview Downs and Hugh Johnson Reserve, Sheidow Park.
  - Playground facilities and the irrigation of reserves are projects we are looking into
- › I am pleased that as a team the councillors from Coastal Ward and Southern Hills are working together on facilities in the south. The revamp of the Hallett Cove Beach area is underway and will be staged over several years.

I encourage residents to check out all the activities available at Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre, Cove Civic Centre and Cove Sports and Community Centre.



### SOUTHERN HILLS WARD

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SEAVIEW DOWNS, O'HALLORAN HILL  
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SEACLIFF PARK (PART), HALLETT COVE (PART)

As usual, I have attended a number of gatherings, including the "Blokies Breckies" at the Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre (with around 30 others), Marion Band Committee Meeting(s), activities of the Trott Park Community Garden (TPCG) (I am an active member) and the Tonsley Climate Change Event, hosted by City of Marion and featuring Prof Garnaut and Zen Energy, at which our Deputy Mayor, Jason Veliskou, spoke eloquently and meaningfully and represented our Council well.

I am disappointed with the state of various sporting facilities, particularly in the southern wards of the City of Marion. The clubs using these facilities make an admirable effort to manage their clubs, including fundraising and contributing towards the maintenance and renovation of their facilities, often including playing surfaces.

My general position is that there is too much expected of many of the sporting and community organisations. We, as a Council, are officially promoting an active lifestyle for all, so we should be keeping the costs down for those who choose to use the sporting and other activity facilities, as part of lowering any barriers that keep people from experiencing that active lifestyle. That's not to say that users shouldn't pay something towards the upkeep of these facilities, but I hope we can keep it to a minimum.

Steadily, our current Council, with staff, is reshaping the methods and tools with which we can have better knowledge of all our facilities and services, and so optimise the development of them.

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WARRADALE, OAKLANDS PARK,  
DOVER GARDENS, SEACOMBE GARDENS,  
MARION (PART)

The reformist agenda of the current Council continues and seems to be determined not to leave many stones unturned or many sacred cows retained. Scrutiny applies to all of our subscriptions with regards to value for money, including that of the LGA. I do not believe that our Council is receiving good value for money for the \$94,000 per year LGA membership fee.

Seeking to achieve a fairer and equitable LGA membership fee for Marion remains a work in progress. Adverse legacy issues resulting from the previous administration continues to haunt this Council, in particularly property/facility leasing. Many of such leases were simply incredulous and are being changed as they expire as many clubs have paid through the nose as others paid literally nothing?

Rate increases continue to fall, this year 2.5 %. At the same time, Council is about to begin a number of major projects across the city. All assessed and costed as being affordable and sustainable by our Finance Committee.

Did I mention the Oaklands Crossing? Well! They (Government) seem to be really talking about it now? With a substantial financial pledge from a Federal Member subject to a State commitment to the project and now would you believe a substantial financial pledge by the State Government subject to Federal funding, what could possibly go wrong? Are we getting core promises or non-core promises? In any event let me assure you that your Council's campaign, on your behalf for the Oaklands Crossing continues with vigour right up until the contracts for construction are signed.



## WARRACOWIE WARD

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WARRADALE, OAKLANDS PARK,  
DOVER GARDENS, SEACOMBE GARDENS,  
MARION (PART)

Exciting times once again for Marion with the conclusion of the Federal Election. Even if you are not happy with the result, there is plenty for us to smile about.

The two big ticket items are contributions toward the Edwardstown Oval redevelopment (\$4 million) and the Oaklands crossing project (\$40 million). We also managed some smaller promises which will help some of our local areas (tennis improvements for Warradale and CCTV cameras for the recreation plaza).

Perhaps the biggest highlight on a personal level is the progress with the Oaklands crossing. Firstly, this project receiving a pre-election promise of Federal funding was a big nod to Council's *Let's Get Oaklands Crossing Moving* campaign. This represents a great return on investment on the campaign, which included a billboard at the crossing, social media, radio and newspaper advertising.

The State Government's recently announced plan to spend \$190 million to fix the crossing is another boost to the campaign. The plan involves redirecting \$150 million saved from building the Northern Connector road and spending it on Oaklands. This will require Federal Government approval.

On to the second biggest problem in the ward and in Urban Planning Committee news we have submitted a Statement of Intent to the Minister of how we believe our city should look going forward. This includes ways to meet the State Government's growth targets without compromising normal life for the bulk of our residents.



## WARRIPARINGA WARD

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MARION (PART), MITCHELL PARK (PART), STURT,  
BEDFORD PARK (PART), CLOVELLY PARK (PART),  
SEACOMBE HEIGHTS, DARLINGTON (PART)

The suburbs of Seacombe Heights and Darlington have so much to offer residents. When I went to look at their reserves and O'Halloran Hill Recreation Park they were green, restful, and open, with appropriate trees. How lucky are these residents to have walking areas so close to their homes!

When I stopped near the top of Morphet Road, what views! Views from many homes in Seacombe Heights and Darlington are truly amazing! The basic Council infrastructure of roads with drains, footpaths, trees, rubbish collections and lighting are provided by Marion Council.

Householders in Alpine Road, Braeside Avenue, Vista Street and Mostyn Road enjoy a quiet lifestyle, but are close enough to have activity centres within their reach. Marion Council provides resources for Seacombe Heights and Darlington a little further down the hill. Community places, like the Marion Cultural Centre with the library, Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre; the SA Aquatic and Leisure Centre, Marion Bowling Club and Marion RSL are nearby.

My hope is that the Dover Gardens Tennis Club and Seaview High School will be able to play on upgraded, well-lit tennis courts that are available to all in this area. Seaview High School is a tennis school. With four modern, safe, well-lit courts on Tarnham Road, more car parks, a better club room and some landscaping could be offered.

What are your concerns in Seacombe Heights and Darlington? Phone me to discuss where Marion Council must commit its resources.



## WARRIPARINGA WARD

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MARION (PART), MITCHELL PARK (PART), STURT,  
BEDFORD PARK (PART), CLOVELLY PARK (PART),  
SEACOMBE HEIGHTS, DARLINGTON (PART)

2016 has delivered another fantastic budget result for residents of Marion. A 2.5% increase is far more palatable whilst still providing the funding required to move forward on our priority community projects. This low increase is a tremendous achievement given many years of rate increases well above CPI and I think you will agree it's long overdue.

Another great achievement has been the campaign to get the Oaklands Park Railway Crossing moving! The resources expensed on this campaign has been well worth it and is evident by the Federal Government's \$40 million commitment. Our ongoing campaign means that we will continue to encourage the State and Federal Governments to provide the balance of funding for the solution. The economic and social opportunities the project presents will only further bolster the inner south as a modern and connected community to live, work and play.

Our LGA membership debate has sparked significant interest in our Council's future direction. The intention of Council in attempting to protect public value was certainly admirable. Red tape is something we want to reduce and all indications suggest that the LGA are considering public value in the direction they are heading. The opportunity cost of membership was lost in the debate; both in direct opportunities for funding (which Marion has been a recipient of) as well as indirectly through having a seat at the table. With the recent confirmation of our membership we must now take the opportunity to actively reform from within.

Warm Regards, Luke



## WOODLANDS WARD

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SOUTH PLYMPTON, GLANDORE (PART),  
ASCOT PARK, EDWARDSTOWN,  
MITCHELL PARK (PART), CLOVELLY PARK (PART)

Dear residents of Woodlands,

I am once again happy that Marion Council has lowered the increase in rates to 2.5%. This is compared to an average of 4-5% in the old Council 2010-2014.

Even though the rate is lower than the last term, I will continue to fight for even lower rates as part of my election promise.

I voted against the rate rise as I believe it should be lower. I will continue to lobby to keep rates low. The City of Adelaide has frozen rates for 2016/17. There is a lot of merit in this example.

I will continue to fight to cut the waste and irrelevant programmes that Council funds.

I will also continue the fight to get the Federal Government to give the \$4 million grant to upgrade Edwardstown sports oval. It is important that those promises are honoured.

This grant has become the number one priority to Council in terms of seeking funding.

Warm regards.



## WOODLANDS WARD

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SOUTH PLYMPTON, GLANDORE (PART),  
ASCOT PARK, EDWARDSTOWN, MITCHELL PARK  
(PART), CLOVELLY PARK (PART)

The Woodlands Ward is a hive of activity at the moment. Here's an overview of some of the bigger things going on:

#### Edwardstown Oval:

We have built the new playground and in the coming months, new light towers and a small fitness node will be installed. Council has committed \$4 million to a full redevelopment of the site, contingent on matching funds from the Federal Government. In May, a \$4 million matching promise was made, contingent on the Turnbull Government returning to power. I look forward to working with the Federal Government to polish this rough diamond in Marion's crown.

#### Jervois Street Reserve:

It isn't often that you get to create a stunning park from scratch, but that is exactly what we've done. It has taken five years to get to this point, and it's exciting to see this amazing new park completed. I've been spending time there with my family and our community.

#### Glandore Laneways:

The Glandore Laneways had been under control of the Public Trustee for 76 years. Residents had the legal right to use these lanes to access their properties, however the lanes had not been maintained by the Public Trustee. In March, after five years of work, Council formally declared these lanes 'public roads' and realignment and surfacing work will soon commence.

#### Railway Terrace upgrade:

The Railway Terrace walking/cycling path and streetscape upgrade is complete. This creates the next section of Adelaide-Marino bikeway and improves an area that needed attention.

**PROJECT TEAM**

City of Marion's senior project officer - capital works Brenton Mitsos, senior surveyor Juan Rodriguez, community engagement coordinator, Patrice Pearson, unit manager engineering services, Mark Griffin and technical design officer, Cain Jeffrey.

# ON THE GROUND

## Streetscape transforms Railway Terrace

**Photography** Pia Vogrin

A 900m stretch of road in Ascot Park has been transformed with a new shared walking and cycling path, street trees, paving and solar-powered lighting.

The new \$1.5 million Railway Terrace streetscape runs from Daws Road to Sixth Avenue and includes indented parking bays and landscaping.

Parking for 36 cars, including two disability parks, have also been installed along Hazel Terrace.

Unit manager engineering services, Mark Griffin, said the upgrade now made it easier for people to exercise.

"Having a path that can be shared by pedestrians and cyclists encourages people to leave the car at home and get out and about," Mr Griffin said.

"The street is now more people-friendly and promotes healthier lifestyles while encouraging the use of public transport."

As well as the walking and cycling path, which runs alongside the rail line, there is now a continuous footpath on the residential side of the street.

Water Sensitive Urban Design has been used to capture stormwater from the path to irrigate trees and landscaped areas.

The next stage of work will see artist Johnnie Dady create two metal sculptures reflecting the themes of connectivity and sense of place which will be installed on Charles St and at Ascot Park Railway Station.

The project is part of the State Government's Greenways initiative to improve the cycling and walking route from Adelaide to Marino.

The City of Marion has provided \$800,000 of funding and the State Government \$700,000 through an open space grant.

**TRANSFORMED**

Inset - the new look streetscape.

## Plaza awarded



Oaklands Recreation Plaza has won a prestigious state award less than 12 months after it was opened.

The \$1 million skate park, that includes a mini basketball court, lawns and parkour exercise circuit, has been recognised at the Australian Institute of Landscape Architecture (SA) awards.

The project was acknowledged in the category of Parks and Open Space.

The jury commended the plaza for "been decisively transformed, not just by inclusion of a particular element, but with a rich mix of youth-based activities including BMX, skating, parkour, and basketball..."

The plaza will now be entered into the national awards which will be announced in October.

Oaklands Recreation Plaza is on Oaklands Road, Oaklands Park. More information is available at [marion.sa.gov.au/oaklands-reserve](http://marion.sa.gov.au/oaklands-reserve)

# Plan to diversify housing

Marion Council is seeking to broaden the diversity of housing across the city and create opportunities for mixed use developments, which could incorporate apartments, shops and offices, by amending its Development Plan.

The Development Plan is a State Government endorsed document which guides the type of properties that can be developed.

Amending the plan could see:

- › Older commercial properties adapted for mixed use
- › Higher density residential developments in appropriate areas, including close to transport corridors
- › Mixed use developments in activity centres
- › Inner-suburbs character housing protected from ad-hoc development by a low density policy

The process of changing the plan requires a Development Plan Amendment (DPA) to be approved by the Minister for Planning.

This involves a number of stages, including lodging a Statement of Intent (SOI) with the Minister of Planning, which Council did in June this year. The SOI is essentially a 'project brief' that details what is being proposed.

If the SOI is approved, a DPA will be prepared for public consultation, the outcomes of which will be included in a report to the Minister for Planning who will then make a decision.

The DPA aims to support directions outlined in the State Government's 30 Year Plan for Greater Adelaide.



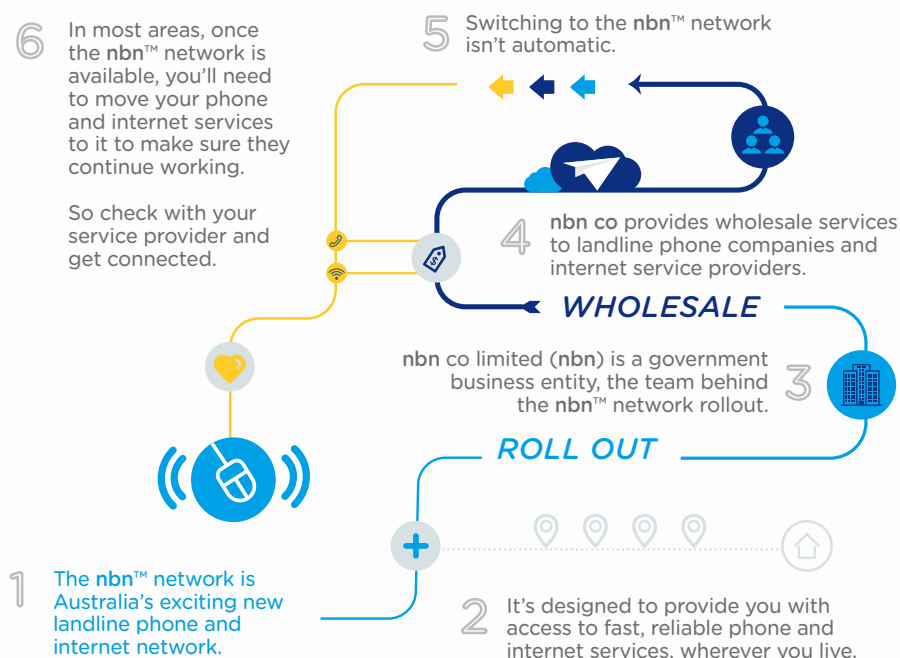
## DIVERSIFYING HOUSING

The Development Plan Amendment seeks to broaden the diversity of housing in the City of Marion.

## nbn™ rollout update



### What is nbn?



The City of Marion now has nbn™ services available to approximately 19,000 homes and business.

This follows completion of network construction works for suburbs, or parts of suburbs, connected to the St Marys and Reynella exchanges.

St Marys		Reynella
Ascot Park	Melrose Park	Hallett Cove
Clovelly Park	Mitchell Park	Lonsdale
Edwardstown	Park Holme	Sheidow Park
Marion	Plympton Park	Trott Park
Live: connect now		Live: connect now*

\* Accurate at time of printing. Actual go-live date dependant on completion of construction works

Homes and businesses with telecommunication services provided from the exchanges of Brighton, Edwardstown and Glenelg are forecast to see network upgrade works commence progressively from the first half of 2017 through to the first half of 2018.

For more information on nbn's 3-year program of work or to register with nbn:



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email [info@nbnco.com.au](mailto:info@nbnco.com.au)



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### Community information session

Cove Civic Centre  
Thursday, 8 Sept, 4-5pm  
<http://nbn-community-ccc.eventbrite.com.au>

Mitchell Park Sports and Community Club  
Thursday, 15 Sept, 4-5pm  
<http://nbn-community-mitchell-park.eventbrite.com.au>

### Business information sessions

Cove Civic Centre  
Tuesday, 13 Sept, 6-7pm  
<http://nbn-business-ccc.eventbrite.com.au>

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## MATINEE SERIES

### The BorderersS

OOTS\*



**Tuesday 13 September 11am**

We welcome a performance guaranteed to get you dancing. Scottish / Irish / Australian band The BorderersS are the most successful and entertaining Celtic / Rock / Roots band in Australia bringing you songs from their brand new double album Caledonia Man as well as their extensive back catalogue.

**Tickets \$17**

### The Desirables

OOTS\*



**Tuesday 15 November 11am**

A theme based music entertainment show featuring Adelaide's most talented and creative performers. The female stars deliver mind-blowing renditions of classic songs from artists such as Shirley Bassey, Tina Turner, Dusty Springfield and ABBA. They will touch and move you with the emotion and story within each song..

**Tickets \$17**

### Frank Ferrante in An Evening with Groucho

OOTS\*



**Tuesday 11 October 11am**

We are excited to present Frank Ferrante (Groucho) who is described by The New York Times as "the greatest living interpreter of Groucho Marx's material." Join with us in celebrating the life of America's most gifted funny man.

**Tickets \$17**

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## EVENING SHOWS

### Honestly Dishonest & Entranced



**Friday 2 September 8pm**

Matt Tarrant one of Australia's most popular magicians. Don't expect rabbits, hats or capes – this is the new era of magic.

Isaac Lomman is a comedy stage hypnotist, a unique entertainer who fuses the power of hypnosis with hilarious routines to create stars out of members of the audience. Isaac creates hilarity from volunteers only that join him on stage to experience this powerful mental state of focus and imagination.

**\$33/\$28 concession**

### Lucky Seven



**Friday 30 September 8pm**

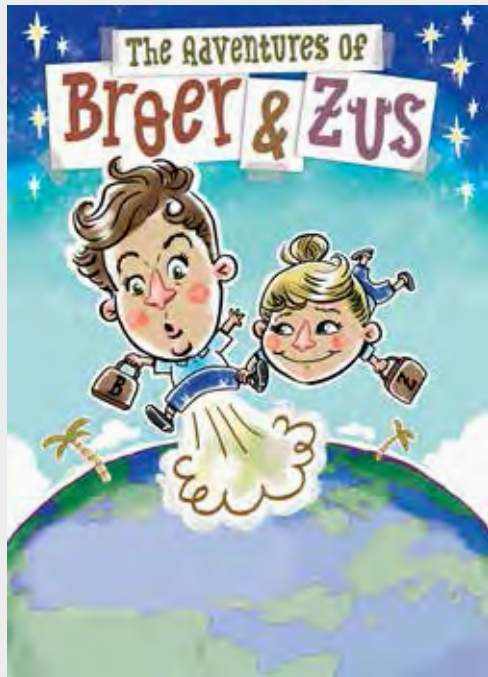
Adelaide's hottest swing band... When a like-minded attachment of musical aficionados grace the stage the result speaks for itself. To encapsulate a genre of music that appeals to all generations is a winning formula effortlessly perfected by the band Lucky Seven.

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### The Adventures of Broer & Zus OOTS\*

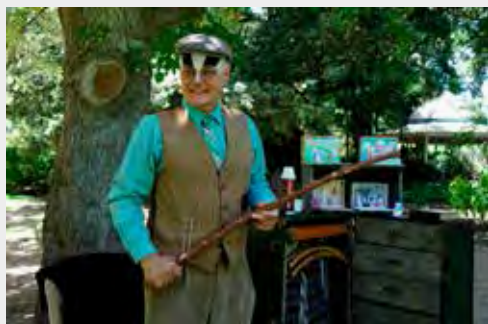


**Wednesday 5 October at 11am**

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### Mr Badger tells the story of The Wind in the Willows



**Monday 10 October at 11am & 1pm**

Mr Badger, in the guise of storyteller, presents a delightful performance of Kenneth Grahame's classic story The Wind in the Willows for five and over. Book early, limited places available.

**Tickets \$10**

### Disco Dance Show



**Friday 7 October at 11am**

Join DJ Cool and Miss Groove in fun and interactive dances including the Limbo Rock, YMCA and Musical Statues. Dress to party and make some moves!

**Tickets \$10**

## FREE EVENTS

### MINGLE



**Friday 2 & 30 September,  
28 October 5.30pm**

Support local artists playing live in the café and visit the exhibition opening in Gallery M.

**FREE EVENT**

### OPEN MIC CABARET



**Thursday 15 September, 20 October,  
17 November 7pm**

Share your talent with the world at the Open Mic Cabaret Café! Come along and enjoy local talent taking the mic... or maybe even sing a tune or tell a joke yourself.

**FREE EVENT**

## GALLERY M

### THREE EXHIBITIONS 2 – 25 September

- › **Largely Miniature**  
Artworks by members of the Marion Art Group
- › **Fractured Dawn**  
paintings by Janette Humble
- › **OUT 'n' ABOUT ....in South Australia**  
mixed media artworks by Dean Ormond



### TWO EXHIBITIONS 30 September – 23 October

- › **Far - Far**  
An international exhibition of contemporary artwork by German based artist Fabian Freese
- › **A Light in the Dark**  
Artwork in various media by artists associated with GROW (SA)



### WHOLE GALLERY EXHIBITION 28 October - 18 November

- › **Continental Drift**  
Artwork in various media by Ian Willding, Hare Krishna Bag, Loka Nithi Bag, Alan Ramachandran, Eileen Lubiana, Alison Main and visiting Indian artist Vijay Kowshik.

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## NEW STEM FACILITIES FOR SEAVIEW HIGH SCHOOL – Enrol Now!



A \$2.6m state-of-the-art, Advanced Technology and STEM development will be completed at Seaview High School by the end of the year. The first significant building development has just started and the design and planning process has been a highly consultative one, with Kirkbride Architects inviting students, staff and parents to contribute to the final design specifications. The building project will be completed by Tonkin Schutz Design Build.

Students will have access to a range of contemporary learning spaces to explore STEM and advanced technologies; including computer-aided design analysis; digital animation; advanced manufacturing, 3D printing and laser cutting technologies; robotics, coding and control systems; environmental science; data logging; and the study of composite materials. Ongoing collaborations with university and industry partners will provide learning opportunities beyond the school, with a particular focus on the Tonsley Innovation Precinct, which brings together Flinders University, TafeSA and numerous technology industries.

The school community is particularly excited that the latest state government's STEM works program announced in the 2016-17 budget will provide an additional \$2.5m to further develop STEM facilities at the school. Students will be able to utilise exciting new facilities and flexible learning spaces where collaboration, problem solving and critical thinking across the whole school curriculum is encouraged - all essential skills and capabilities for the designers and creators of our future and to provide pathways to 21st century careers.



For more information on the STEM upgrade or for enrolment enquiries, please contact the school on [dl.0893.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0893.info@schools.sa.edu.au) or 8377 8000.

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## Making Marion website

Making Marion is council's dedicated community engagement website where you, your friends, neighbours, family and colleagues can contribute ideas and comment on some of the issues being considered by council.

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### English conversation group

T 8293 6680.

For people with English as a second language who want to improve their skills. Ascot Community Uniting Church.

### Glandore Community Centre

T 8371 1139

Computing, playgroups, adult literacy and numeracy, community garden, hall hire, exercise, community lunches, woodwork, art, walking, disabled adults social group.

### Hallett Cove Youth Choices Program

T 8177 3478

An education and training program for young people (16+) who have left school without SACE and have no immediate employment, training or education options.

### Marion Art Group

T Jan 8277 5896 or Glenys 8298 8264

Members work on projects in their medium of choice and regular workshops are held with local artists. Monthly portraiture and still life groups. Meets Mondays at Marino Community Hall, 44 Newland Avenue, Marino, 10am – 2pm.

### Mitchell Park Neighbourhood Centre

T 8375 6804

Adult literacy and numeracy, senior social groups, disabled adults social groups, sewing, walking, playgroup, weight watchers, line dancing, yoga.

### Picket Fence Community Centre

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An outreach of St Mary's Anglican Church, open to people of all ages. Monday, Thursday and Friday 11am-3pm.

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### Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre

T 8387 2074

Playgroup, woodwork shed, French, cooking, zumba, seniors fitness, pilates, yoga, light weights, karate, tai chi and art classes.

### University of the Third Age (U3A)

T 82013068 or [www.u3aflinders.org.au](http://www.u3aflinders.org.au)

For retired people interested in informative talks by guest speakers in addition to book, film, travel and walking groups. No qualifications required.

## INTEREST GROUPS

### Annie Doolan's Cottage

T 7127 5346

This historical cottage is open to the public on the fourth Sunday of the month, 2pm – 4pm. George Street, Marion, behind St Ann's Chapel, Finnis Street. Free entry.

### Arthritis Foundation SA

T Margaret 8272 3840 or email [alfred.osborne@y7mail.com](mailto:alfred.osborne@y7mail.com)

Marion Branch meetings held monthly AT 1pm, 4th Friday of each month at Marion Church of Christ, cnr Marion Rd and Alawoona Ave, Mitchell Park. Guest speakers and information about arthritis. All welcome.

### Community Club @ the Corner

T 8350 5400

[www.thecorner.org.au](http://www.thecorner.org.au)

Second Tuesday each month at 7.30pm. 93 Oaklands Road, Warradale

### Community Philatelic Society

T 0421 367 665 or 8296 9697 or [Lindaw3456@gmail.com](mailto:Lindaw3456@gmail.com)

Meetings held on the first and third Friday of each month, Fridays 7.30pm, Marion Croquet Club – in the former ladies facility. Displays and stamp sales at every meeting.

### 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

T 8381 8029

Help preserve the geological and botanical aspects of the park. Guided walks, re-vegetation, education, plant identification and geological tours for school and community groups. Working bees Thursdays, 9am – 12pm.

### Friends of Lower Field River

T 8387 5227 or [www.fieldriver.org](http://www.fieldriver.org)

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.

### Friends of Marino Conservation Park

Regular working bees for revegetation, weed control, seed collection, propagation and planting. Working bees 2nd Thursday of the month and last Sunday of the month at 9am. Meet at Nimboya Rd car park.

### Friends of Sturt River Landcare Group

To find out more email [friendsofsturtriver@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofsturtriver@gmail.com)

A volunteer group working to protect and nurture the environment along Sturt River, including Oaklands wetland.

### Marion Historical Society

T 8298 5585 or 8277 9511

Interested in local history? Want to preserve Marion's heritage? Meet 7.30pm, third Wednesday each month at Cooinda (behind Council Chambers).

### Marion Historic Village Display Centre

T 8296 5736 or 8298 476

Learn about the history of the village, the people and their stories through changing exhibits. Township Road, behind the Wesleyan Chapel. Open every Sunday 2pm - 4pm and by appointment. Free entry.

### Marion Historic Village Heritage Walking Tours

T 7127 5346 or 0417 801 562

Take an easy one-hour walk around the historic heart of Marion. Group guided tours by appointment.

### Marion Table Tennis Club

T 8296 2233

Every Thursday 7pm till late. Everyone welcome regardless of skill level. Coaching and automatic practice machine, bats and snacks available. A great way to have fun and exercise. Cost \$4 per night - \$2

with annual subscription. Contact Eddy.

### Marion VIEW Club

T 8377 2095 or [www.view.org.au](http://www.view.org.au)

Voice, Interests and Education of Women. A valued part of The Smith Family, unlocking opportunities for disadvantaged Australian children through education. For fun and friendship we meet for lunch at Marion Hotel, 11am, third Friday each month.

### Novar Gardens Combined Probus Club

T 8297 7329

Mature men and women are invited to enjoy guest speakers, outings and fellowship. New members welcome. Meetings held last Friday of month, 10am, Plympton Community Centre, 34 Long Street, Plympton.

### Probus Club of Marion

T 8322 0306

For retired and semi-retired men looking to keep their minds active, expand interests and enjoy the fellowship of new friends. Meets 10am on the first Monday of most months.

### Retirees and Friendship Club

T 8293 8626

Make new friends and have fun with games and entertainment every Thursday at Park Holme Community Hall 1.15pm – 3.30pm.

## SERVICES

### Alzheimer's Australia SA

T 8372 2100 or [www.alzheimers.org.au](http://www.alzheimers.org.au)

Provides services for people living with many forms of dementia and memory loss as well as support for their family carers.

### Finding Workable Solutions – Clovelly Park

T 8374 2356 or [www.fws.org.au](http://www.fws.org.au)

Disability employment service provider with access to career development services, training and support to gain and maintain meaningful employment in the open market.

### Hallett Cove Baptist Community Centre

T 8322 6469

Games, coffee, quizzes, darts, carpet bowls, table tennis, pool, pre-school activities, computer courses, Cove Crowd Youth Group (meet new high school age friends), activities alternate Tuesdays. Gold coin donation.

### MarionLIFE Community Services

T 8277 0304 or [www.marionlife.org.au](http://www.marionlife.org.au)

Emergency relief services, Adult Community Education: money management courses and cafe mentoring program. Community building groups and programs Monday - Thursday 9am-12pm

### Moving through suicide grief

T 8322 6469

Individual and group support for anyone experiencing loss of a loved one through suicide. Confidentiality and sensitivity assured with trained and experienced counsellors.

### New Neighbours Settlement Support

T 8269 9300

A free service for people who with a refugee or family visa and have been citizens of Australia for less than five years. Assistance with documents, case work, referrals, life skills sessions and support for isolated women is provided.

### Southern Mental Health Services for Older People

T 8374 5800

Advice, consultation and treatment for people aged 65+ (45+ for indigenous people) with mental health problems who are living in the south. A multidisciplinary team provides a flexible and holistic service to clients and carers in their own environment.

## SPORT AND ACTIVITY GROUPS

### Active Elders

T 8276 9294 or 8277 6096

People over 50 welcome to join us for fun and fellowship. Lots of activities so no need to be lonely. 12-4pm Wednesdays.

### Atlantis AUSSI Masters Swimming Club

T 0438 802 594 or [www.atlantis.aussisa.org.au](http://www.atlantis.aussisa.org.au)

For adult swimmers of all levels – training, competitions, awards and social activities.

### Bicycle Institute of South Australia

T 8411 0233 or [www.bisa.asn.au](http://www.bisa.asn.au)

A voluntary, not-for-profit, community organisation representing all cyclists in South Australia.

### Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre

T 0452 194 252 [www.hclac.org.au](http://www.hclac.org.au)

Whole family fun and fitness – new members welcome. new members welcome.

### Indoor bowls

T 8276 6430

Relax and enjoy this all-weather sport for all ages and make new friends. 7.30pm Wednesdays at Clovelly Park Memorial Community Centre. (NEW PHONE)

### Keep walking

T 8298 1321

Walks for a range of fitness levels with accredited leaders. Bushwalking and near-city walks, Scott Creek, Mount Crawford, Belair, Kuitpo Forest and others. Starting times: Sundays 10am, weekdays 9.30am. Cost \$10 for three to four hour walks. \$8 for 2 to 2 ½ hour walks. \$2 off for concession holders.

### Marion Arthritis Branch

T 8357 6273 or 0411 448620

Meets at 1pm fourth Friday each month except December. Talks and questions answered.

### Marion Croquet

T 8296 2353

Play either croquet or golf croquet. Coaching and introductory help provided.

### Marion Mall Walkers Daphne

T 0414 611 038 or Jan 8387 1661

Meet Monday, Thursday and Friday at 7.15am for warm up exercises. Start at information counter adjacent to Charlesworth Nuts. All welcome, all weathers. Walk at your own pace. Great exercise followed by a social chat over coffee.

### Out and About

T 8277 8435

A social and recreational group for people with a disability aged 18+. Activities include ten-pin bowling, crafts, barbecues, cinema, lunches.

### Hallett Cove Over 50s Travel, Social Club

T Jim on 8376 1315 or Christine on 7007 1770

Meet first Friday of each month at 1pm at the Lutheran Church, Ragamuffin Drive, Hallett Cove. Meet new friends, enjoy entertainment and afternoon tea. Membership \$10 and entry fee \$5.

# TALL POPPIES



## From the circus to Cooinda – Fran’s remarkable journey

By Richard Watson  
Photography Ben Searcy

Born in Tarascon in the South of France in 1933, Françoise Fowler always wanted to be an entertainer. After surviving the horrors of World War Two, and despite her mother’s ambition for her to be a ballerina, Françoise became an acrobat, joined the circus, travelled throughout Europe, married an Australian, and eventually settled in Plympton Park.

Now 83, ‘Fran’ teaches tai chi at Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre.

I was six when World War Two broke out but I still remember the terror.

German soldiers searched our house after the Resistance planted a bomb and I was rounded up with my parents but a policeman persuaded them to let us go. Another time, I hid under the covers of my bed and a soldier came in the room and must have known I was there but left.

Our family name was Rios and I was the youngest of four sisters.

There was almost nothing to eat, although one Easter a German officer gave me a present which I didn’t want to take but my sisters said I must. When we opened it we found a cardboard egg filled with chocolates and biscuits.

### A LIFE ON THE ROAD

Main photograph: Fran practices tai chi. Bottom: A publicity photo of Fran as The Golden Spider c1966, an article from a French newspaper in 1969, and on tour with a circus in Sweden in the early 1960s.

The Gestapo were chasing the husband of one of my sister’s, so one night we fled in a truck to Vendée in the west of France. I was 11 and weighed about 8 kilos, but there was food there.

After the war, my mother put me in ballet school, but I wanted to be an entertainer, so I went to Paris to train as an acrobat.

I joined a group called Najas, swinging through the air on ropes, performing stunts, and was also a contortionist. We mainly travelled through France and Scandinavian countries.

Najas came to Australia in the 1950s and I met my future husband, Trevor, when we were performing in the same show at the Tivoli Theatre in Melbourne... he was an acrobat and comic.

I went back to France. Eventually he followed and we married in Copenhagen in 1963 and had two children.

I went on to tour with troupes across Europe and performed in Japan for a year in 1966, using flame rings, rolling fire along my arms, and juggling burning sticks. Accidents happen, and I was burnt a few times and later broke my back in a fall.

Trevor wanted to start a serious double act involving magic, but people laughed at the first show so we turned it into comedy and magic.

We met many people... Marlene Deitrich and Fred Astaire when we were in the same shows. I once said ‘hello’ to Frank Sinatra, who simply gave me a photo of himself.

In 1983, Trevor simply had to come back to Australia. I followed, and at 51 got my first proper job working in an import and export business... and it was boring.

Trevor was a great fencer and taught wheelchair athletes for the Paralympics and I taught acrobatics, ballet and mime. We lived in Plympton Park, and sadly Trevor died in 2011.

I like teaching tai chi at Cooinda Neighbourhood Centre... but I do miss the travel.

