



# Remarkable Experience

District Council of  
**Mount Remarkable**

**September 2020**

**Newsletter 247**

## COUNCIL SNIPPETS

*Please refer to the Council Minutes & Agenda Reports available on the Council website [mtr.sa.gov.au](http://mtr.sa.gov.au) for full details.*

**At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Tuesday 18 August 2020 Councillors resolved:**

### Hard Waste Collection

Council agree to continue with the Hard Waste Collection for the 2020/2021 financial year and approves a budget allocation of a further \$25,000 (\$40,000 in total = \$20,000 kerbside collections and approx. \$18,000 dumping costs).

### SAROC Nomination

Council supports the nomination of Mayor Phillip Heaslip for the position on SAROC, representing LEGATUS.

### Organisational Review

Council endorses the relocation of the Australia Post service to the main administration area of Council and supports the changed office opening hours as follows: 9am to 4.30pm and closed for lunch 12pm – 1pm. **Please note:** Council will advise the public when the office changes will be put in place.



*A community information session was held at the Wirrabara Institute on Monday, 21 September 2020 to talk about the project, potential opportunities and hear from Jo Podoliak, Director of Tourism and Economic Development, National Parks and Wildlife Service, Craig Nixon, Manager - Yorke and Mid North, National Parks and Wildlife Service and Kelly-Anne Saffin, CEO, Regional Development Australia Yorke and Mid North.*

## REMARKABLE SOUTHERN FLINDERS PROJECT



The Remarkable Southern Flinders Project is a \$10 million investment by the Federal and State Governments to establish the Southern Flinders as a world-class nature-based tourism destination. Creating the park and all of its visitor experiences will be a partnership with the State Government and community organisations, including the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife, Northern Areas Council, District Council of Mount Remarkable, Port Pirie Regional Council and Regional Development Australia Yorke and Mid North and traditional owners The Nukunu. The construction of new facilities will occur over a number of phases, but some work is already underway to create new and improved visitor facilities in the precinct.

### **Stage 1 projects of the precinct will include:**

Gorges Walks Including Multi-day Concepts

Mambray Creek Visitor Facilities Development

Melrose Mt Remarkable Epic Trail

Willowie Trails and Day Visitor Area

Wirrabara Day Visitor Facilities upgrade

Wirrabara Range Downhill Trail

Register your interest about the project on the Community Engagement Hub website <https://engagementhub.parks.sa.gov.au/southern-flinders-precinct>



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# PORT GERMEIN MEMORIAL GARDEN UPGRADES



Community volunteers of Port Germein have been keeping busy on a grant project at the Memorial Garden as part of a Saluting their Service Commemoration Program through the Department of Veterans Affairs. Through this grant, Council received funds for two new flag poles, as well as restoring the war memorial plaques and the front fence. Council recognise the importance of maintaining local memorials to a high standard as they represent a significant part of local history and act as places to come together to commemorate those who served in war. If you would like some grant support or would like to express some ideas for a similar memorial project, contact Ebony, Manager for Community and Economic Development on 8666 2014 for more information.

## Council Informal Gatherings

Informal gatherings, where appropriate, provide a valuable opportunity to enhance the decision-making processes by providing opportunities for Council Members to become better informed on issues and seek further clarification.

Over the past few months, Council management team and Councillors have completed some beneficial out-of-office gatherings including a council tour of Mount Remarkable and the West Coast.

As a result of these gatherings, there has shown to be great value in physically attending particular sites and understanding locations/issues first hand in terms of local areas and while visiting other council regions. In particular, Council has met with businesses such with Mt View Homes in Booleroo Centre, and Bay Funktion in Streaky Bay to go through how local businesses and small communities have managed to run in conjunction with COVID-19 restrictions.



# DROUGHT PROJECTS PROGRESSING

The Drought Communities Program is coming along well in many areas across the district. The total expenditure to date is approximately \$480,000 and the projects are at about 50% completion as a result from the progress reports due early September 2020. Council are very pleased with the way in which the community groups are managing their projects and continuing to support local businesses during drought.



## Fisheries Closure



The District Council of Mount Remarkable acknowledges the recent actions taken by the State Government Department of Fisheries to place a temporary precautionary fishing closure around the Port Pirie, Weeroona Island and Port Germein area. Whilst such an announcement was unforeseen, the District Council of Mount Remarkable is seeking to manage any impacts to local communities and local industry.

“Whilst unexpected and somewhat disappointing, we can appreciate that the government has a job to do, and in this situation they have made a decision based on the information they have” said Mayor Phillip Heaslip.

The District Council of Mount Remarkable will provide updates and relevant information to communities, industry groups and stakeholders as we can, ensuring we keep everyone well informed whilst working together to achieve a safe long term solution.

## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

### BRAD PIX

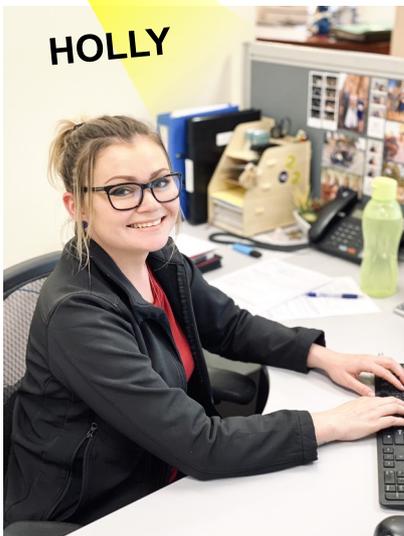


Brad was awarded the Employee of the Month last month for his hard work with projects including the new water feature and landscape works.

Congratulations Brad!

## RECENT WEEKLY STAFF SPOT LIGHT

HOLLY



MARTY



KAREN



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***drumMUSTER***

*rinse them out, round them up and run them in.*

**Council will be holding a *drumMUSTER* collection at  
the Willowie Landfill Site  
from  
Tuesday 13 October 2020 –  
Wednesday 14 October 2020**

Containers must be:

- triple or pressure rinsed
- clean – no chemical residue
- inspected by a *drumMUSTER* inspector
- lids must be left off
- metal containers must be punctured



*Farmers in South Australia have delivered over 1.9 million containers representing 1960 tonnes of material. Much of this was previously going into landfill or being burnt. Local farmers who have supported the program are to be commended. Once again South Australia leads the way in waste management.*

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL and drums can be delivered  
between 8:30am & 3:30pm**

**To book a time to deliver your farm chemical containers**

**Phone 8666 2014**