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Message from the Mayor

Friends of the PS Oscar W Treasurer Clive Harris, left, President George Kaiser, Vice President Nigel Robinson, Councillor Bill Coomans, Mayor Keith Parkes and former Chief Executive Officer Nigel Morris at the lease signing.

Welcome to the spring edition of our Alexandrina Alive newsletter.

By the time this publication comes out we will be extremely close to completing restoration work on our historic Goolwa Wharf and Wharf Shed and the upgrades at the Signal Point Experience Centre.

This multi-million dollar project involves significant partnership funding from Federal and State Governments and has allowed us to protect an important heritage asset for South Australia for future generations.

Goolwa was declared a State Heritage Area in 1987 to recognise the town's contribution as a river port to intercolonial trade in the late 1800s.

A year later in 1988 King Charles (then the Prince of Wales) and the late Princess Diana opened

the 'Signal Point – The River Murray Interpretive Centre' now the Signal Point Experience Centre.

Four decades later we have addressed the deterioration of the Wharf, restored the Wharf Shed and made the surrounding public infrastructure safer and more accessible.

We are also activating the precinct through new business opportunities in the heritage buildings, the continued operation of the weekend Cittaslow and Rotary markets and the creation of the Riverboat Centre which is being set up in the Wharf Shed and will be operated by the Friends of the PS Oscar W.

Goolwa is one of only two places where you can travel in a steam-powered train and a boat. We are very fortunate to have the SteamRanger station at our precinct and to have our Council asset, the Oscar W, berthed at the Wharf.

We are also fortunate to have the stories of our region including those from our First Nations peoples showcased, free of charge, at Signal Point through the permanent exhibition – Yuntulun Ku:li-war.

Yuntulun Ku:li-war means 'coming together on the headland' in Ngarrindjeri and tells the stories of the First Nations and colonial history of Goolwa and the River Murray.

Preserving our Goolwa Wharf Precinct has been a huge project and we at Council are keen to celebrate its completion with our community.

Pending approval from our funding partners, we would like to do just that at our SA Wooden Boat Festival in April next year. Watch this space.

Mayor Keith Parkes

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Front cover: Kevin Hartley from the Natural Burial Ground Trust of Australia at a section of the Old Goolwa Cemetery off Kessell Road, the site of what is about to become Australia's first restoration natural burial ground.

A restoration natural burial ground is established on land that has been cleared or needs environmental restoration, and the fees charged for a natural burial are used to fund revegetation and restoration at the site and other significant locations.

Community consultation on the restoration natural burial ground was conducted in late June and early July with more than 95 per cent of submissions in favour of the proposal.

Council is now finalising the land use agreement with two not-for-profit organisations, Nature Foundation and the Natural Burial Ground Trust of Australia, which will steward the land and operate the burial ground.

Other revegetation at the cemetery has been coordinated through Second Nature Conservancy (formerly GWLAP).

For more details on the project at mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/old-goolwa-cemetery



SA Wooden Boat Festival back at Goolwa Wharf

Celebrate South Australia's rich maritime heritage with us at the biennial SA Wooden Boat Festival (SAWBF) being held at the newly upgraded Goolwa Wharf on 26 and 27 April 2025.

This will be the 18th festival and will feature a mix of exciting events both on land and water.

Soak up the atmosphere with a spectacular display of classic wooden boats, live music, sailing races, paddle steamers and maritime exhibits. There will be plenty of food, wine, and family-friendly entertainment – something for everyone.

All the favourites will be back including the Rough 'n' Ready boat building competition, paddle steamer cruises and steam train rides.

The SAWBF attracts visitors from near and far. In 2025 the festival returns to the Goolwa Wharf Precinct. Don't miss this chance to rediscover the charm of Goolwa Wharf and be part of a vibrant community celebration.

Get involved! Explore the opportunities to volunteer, exhibit, become a festival partner, or register your boat.

Become a Festival Partner

The SAWBF is made possible through the support of business partnerships and commercial sponsors.

The Government of South Australia, through the South Australian Tourism Commission, and Alexandrina Council are both major sponsors of the 2025 event.

If you're interested in becoming a partner, now is the time to contact the SAWBF team at 1300 466 592 as we ramp up for this fantastic Festival.

➤ Visit our website for more information sawoodenboatfestival.com.au and follow us on socials facebook.com/SAWoodenBoatFestival

Full steam ahead for the PS Oscar W

In a milestone event for the PS Oscar W, Alexandrina Council has signed three leases with the Friends of the PS Oscar W to formally hand over the day-to-day operations of the heritage-listed paddle steamer.

The Friends of the PS Oscar W is an incorporated body of multi-skilled volunteers who maintain, operate and crew this steam-powered, wood-fired paddle steamer that was originally built for river trade in 1908 and is now a Council-owned asset.

They have operated the paddle steamer and a portion of the historic Goolwa Wharf Shed as a riverboat tourism centre under a Joint Venture Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Council since 2010. Council has been working with the Friends since 2023 to transition management to a leasing arrangement.

In late July, the Friends and the Council formalised a 10-year lease for the Lease, Operation and Maintenance Agreement of the PS Oscar W Vessel.

They also signed a 10-year lease for the operation of the 'Wood Yard' at the Goolwa Community Precinct to manage the wood for the vessel and a five-year lease to operate the new 'Riverboat Centre' being built in a portion of the Goolwa Wharf Shed currently under restoration.

The lease arrangements provide security for all parties on the management of the PS Oscar W and greater clarity and autonomy for the Friends of the PS Oscar W.

➤ For more information visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/goolwawharf

Supporting food and farming on the Fleurieu

Alexandrina has partnered with neighbouring councils, peak bodies and community organisations to find ways to connect farmers and producers with consumers through the Hills and Fleurieu Local Food Future project.

Over the past year we've joined with The Food Embassy, Mount Barker District Council, the City of Onkaparinga, the District Council of Yankalilla, Regional Development Australia, Landscape Hills and Fleurieu, Fleurieu Food, Engage Change and Sustainable Table



➤ We're excited to be continuing our partnership and supporting our local food system to thrive. Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/foodsystem

Image: Mattea Palombo, Manuela Broeckelmann and Ailee McHughes serve up local and native food tastings at Local Food on Country.

and the community to build a more resilient food system.

Together we are looking at ways in which farmers and producers can be supported and connected to local consumers, how the region can reduce the climate and ecological footprint of food, and how food and farming can support the cultural and social fabric of the region.

In its first 12 months, the project has delivered valuable outcomes for our region including:

- Connecting over 130 community members, First Nations and local producers to celebrate and learn about local food at the Local Food on Country event
- Attracting \$40,000 in grant funding for regenerative farming and farmer mental health projects
- Established a trial of a shared logistics model with small-scale producers (commenced August 2024).

Time to get ready for the Fire Danger Season!



It's time to prepare for summer and the upcoming Fire Danger Season.

Please take steps to ensure that you, your family, and your property are prepared.

Council's bushfire management brochure has been supplied with mailed rates notices to assist in preparations. We encourage residents to visit the CFS website to access other useful tools and resources.

Council will begin its annual block inspections in October. Please ensure your property is prepared and maintained throughout the Fire Danger Season.

Generally, the CFS declares the following dates for the Fire Danger Season:

- **Mount Lofty Ranges**
1 December 2024
– 30 April 2025
- **Murraylands**
15 November 2024
– 15 April 2025.

Please note these dates are subject to change by the CFS. To determine which district you live in or the precise dates for the Fire Danger Season, please refer to the CFS website cfs.sa.gov.au

➤ For further information and to read the brochure on our website, visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/fire



Rural Living in Alexandrina

Council's newly released Rural Living Handbook provides important details about what to expect when moving to a rural area, how to be part of a resilient and thriving community, and responsibilities as a rural property owner.

The handbook was initiated by Council's Alexandrina Sustainable Agricultural Round Table (ASART), a group of leading local industry representatives and agribusinesses.

The handbook encourages readers to celebrate the *"uniqueness of rural life and embrace the occasional quirks as they are an intrinsic part of our cherished agricultural lifestyle."*

Why not recommend the handbook to your networks if they are considering the exciting transition to rural living in Alexandrina?

➤ To read the Rural Living Handbook, visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/rural-living



Green and wild Alexandrina

Thanks to community support, Council has distributed 1,000 endemic native plants through our 'Get 10 Native Plants for \$10' initiative. These plants will create habitats for butterflies, birds, and insects, contributing to a healthier local ecosystem.

Native plants are crucial to enhancing biodiversity and providing essential food and habitat. These pockets of native vegetation across our residential areas offer wildlife, such as native birds and pollinators, opportunities to move across the landscape and access shelter, water, and food.

Special thanks to the Alexandrina Community Nursery volunteers, whose dedication made this project possible.

This dedicated group of volunteers have tirelessly propagated, raised, and cared for the plants used in this project.

The Alexandrina Greening and Wildlife project is funded by Council and is a collaboration with Second Nature Conservancy (formerly GWLAP).

➤ If you need inspiring garden advice, information on water-wise local native plants, or wildlife-friendly gardens, visit the Green Adelaide website greenadelaide.sa.gov.au/resources

Image: Alexandrina Community Nursery volunteers Ilana, left, Gay, Lee, Tania, Marlene and Archie.

Sustainable living @HOME

Council has partnered with sustainable education providers 'Good for the Hood' to bring an online and in-person education series to help Alexandrina residents live more sustainably.

The @HOME program encourages residents to embrace sustainable living through simple, everyday calls to action -at home.

- Learn from experts on a variety of topics include gardening and composting, energy efficiency, repairing, recycling and more.
- Learn about topics at your own pace, find local in-person or online events.

To join the Alexandrina residents' hub, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/alexandrina-at-home



Recycle once a week over the summer peak

Weekly yellow and green* bin collections return in Alexandrina from Tuesday 17 December 2024 to Friday 24 January 2025.

Many residents and businesses have embraced the extra summer collections in previous years. Waste audits reveal most additional summer waste is recyclable food waste, bottles and packaging.

The weekly yellow and green* collections equate to an additional 720 litres of both recycling and food organics garden organics (FOGO).

The summer peak collections support the region's commitment to reducing landfill waste.



No collections will occur on Christmas Day. Collections that would have been scheduled for Wednesday 25 December, Thursday 26 December and Friday 27 December 2024 will happen one day later.

➤ Extra paid services are available for residents and businesses that create more waste. Find out more by visiting frwa.com.au or calling 8555 7405.



Fun in the sun for the young

Are you looking for activities or programs for your young person?

Council has a range of programs and opportunities available covering everything from art and theatre to games and recreation.

There's plenty to do during the school holidays. Mark your diaries for late November when the Fleurieu School Holiday Program drops!

Becoming involved in our programs is a great way for young people to make new friends, gain new skills, build confidence, and improve their mental health.

Many of these activities are free or low cost.

➤ Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/youngpeople

Image: Kayaking is one of the activities offered to young people at the Milang Youth Hub.

Driving advocacy for public transport

Alexandrina Council recently joined with the City of Victor Harbor to deliver a workshop for Council Members on public transport options on the Fleurieu Peninsula. The District Council of Yankalilla was invited and Councillors attended.

Topics discussed included:

- Current services available and status of funding for public transport (regional)
- Pros/cons of seeking to become a part of the metropolitan public transport network
- Current status of private ride-share (ie Uber) operations on the Fleurieu
- Process/pros/cons of seeking private ride-share operations on the Fleurieu.

Hypothetical options of 'next steps' were provided as examples to Council Members for consideration.

For a summary and recording of the workshop and a copy of the presentation visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/transport

Building community resilience

With support from Alexandrina Council, the communities of Ashbourne, Mount Compass and Woodchester have been working with the Australian Red Cross, to increase their disaster resilience.



In workshops, residents took an active role in identifying their community's strengths, risks and opportunities to build disaster resilience and community connection.

Preparing for emergencies such as fire and flood ahead of time and knowing what steps to take can help you and your family survive and recover after disaster.

Some of these communities - along with the Red Cross and the CFS - are hosting free training and events so everyone can learn more about preparing their household or community for an emergency.

Upcoming events include:

- **EmergencyRedi workshop**
Sunday 20 October 2024,
2pm–3.30pm, Ashbourne
- **Emergency Preparedness Day**
Sunday 27 October 2024,
10am–3pm, Mount Compass

Would you like to host an EmergencyRedi workshop with your own community or group?

These workshops are delivered free of charge, they are flexible and can be adapted and tailored to suit different audiences.

➤ Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/communityresilience

Image: Mal Yeates and David and Fay Newnham at the recent workshop held in Woodchester.

Season extended at Strathalbyn Pool

The Strathalbyn Community Swimming Pool is extending its season from **1 October 2024 to 30 April 2025**.

Dive into summer and enjoy a swim with the family and a picnic on the lawns or book the party room.

Our outdoor 50m pool is heated to 26 degrees and is ideal for an aqua class or morning lap swimming.

The pool will remain open to the public, weather guidelines permitting, until 30 April 2025.



Please note, that the facility will be closed on Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Good Friday.

Join a swim class, bring a picnic, or just enjoy a fun day out at the pool this summer season.

➤ For opening times and pricing, visit sa.ymca.org.au/strathalbyn-pool

Councils take on next phase of Fleurieu Regional Aquatic Centre

After almost 10 years, the Authority charged with overseeing the Fleurieu Aquatic Centre has handed oversight back to its constituent councils, Alexandrina Council and the City of Victor Harbor.

The Fleurieu Regional Aquatic Centre Authority was established in 2015 as a joint subsidiary of Alexandrina and Victor Harbor councils to deliver and manage the multi-million-dollar facility.



Image: City of Victor Harbor CEO Victoria MacKirdy, former Alexandrina Council CEO Nigel Morris, and Fleurieu Regional Aquatic Centre Authority Chair Steve Mathewson.

In recognition that the aquatic centre's operations had matured, last year the Authority instigated a comprehensive review of the facility's governance structure through a recommendation to the constituent councils.

The review identified an opportunity to realise significant efficiencies by handing oversight to the constituent councils without impacting the day-to-day operations.

After considering a range of options, the constituent councils resolved to continue operations of the Fleurieu Aquatic Centre under a Joint Venture Agreement.

This will see efficiencies achieved through the reduction in extensive legislative resource requirements, and thus enable the councils and management provider, YMCA SA, to focus directly on running the facility.

➤ Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/media

Nominations open for Citizen of the Year 2025

Do you know someone who deserves well-earned recognition for their contribution to Alexandrina community?

Why not nominate them – or the organisation or event they represent – for a 2025 Citizen of the Year Award?

Alexandrina will be presenting two awards in the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Active Citizenship

The awards will be presented at Australia Day ceremonies in Strathalbyn and Goolwa hosted by Council on 26 January 2025.

Contact Council or visit our website for further details alexandrina.sa.gov.au/citizenoftheyear25

Nominations close on **15 November 2024**.



Image: Mayor Keith Parkes with 2024 award recipients Graham Brook, left, and Rhys Everett.

Learn more about aged care reforms

Aged care
information
hub at Goolwa
Library

Find out about the Federal Government's latest aged care reforms at an information hub being set up at our Goolwa library.

Alexandrina Council Libraries are partnering with the Department of Health and Aged Care and the Australian Library and Information Association in a community engagement initiative to promote changes to aged care services.

These changes – known as the 'aged care reforms' – aim to improve aged care in Australia now and into the future.

Visit Goolwa Library between **9 September and 2 November** to learn more about aged care at our aged care information hub. Library staff can support you to:

- > find out about the changes to aged care
- > access information and engage in conversations about aged care
- > share your insights and provide feedback on what's important to you when considering aged care.



Image: Deputy Mayor Margaret Gardner and her dog Minnie. Cr Gardner encourages older residents to visit the library information hub.

March for change

Goolwa, Friday 29 November, 4.30pm–5.30pm.

As a part of the international campaign - 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence, Junction Australia and the Goolwa Haven will be raising awareness by holding a march and candle vigil in Goolwa.

The march will commence at Junction Australia on Cadell Street at 4.30pm and end at Jaralde Park in the Goolwa Wharf Precinct.

The march is expected to take 10 minutes to walk. There will be refreshments and a keynote speaker.

Come and be part of the change to raise awareness and pay our respects to those who help, hold, and support all who have been affected by gender-based violence.

The Haven at Goolwa

The Haven Goolwa is a free and confidential information service available to women across the Fleurieu Peninsula.

Women's Information Service Havens are provided by the State Government's Office for Women. The Haven at Goolwa is supported locally by Council.

Services include information and referrals, regular social group gatherings, financial counselling, assistance to access no-interest loans, support for Federal Circuit and Family Court in Adelaide, assistance to access the SA Ombudsman, and a volunteer program.

The Haven Goolwa requires no appointment and is open Monday to Friday, 10am–2pm at the Goolwa Library.

Volunteers welcome women who visit The Haven. Phone and email enquiries welcome.

> **For further information about The Haven, available services or the volunteer program, visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/thehaven**



You Can't Arb That!

Answering your tree management questions

Trees are vital to our community, cooling and beautifying our environment, improving air quality, and providing habitat for wildlife.

There are common questions and misconceptions about tree management.

Alexandrina Council recently joined other councils to help create the *You Can't Arb That* video series to answer questions about tree management.

The series includes 90-second interviews with council arborists,



including Ian, our own Technical Officer from Parks and Gardens.

The arborists share insights gained from over 30 years in local government.

Along with a Tree Toolkit containing 21 frequently asked questions with tailored responses, the video interviews provide clear, concise information on tree-related topics.

Whether you're a tree enthusiast or simply curious, these resources offer a fascinating glimpse into the world of arboriculture.

The *You Can't Arb That* series involved over 25 partners under the leadership of the State Government-supported sustainability and climate action groups Resilient East and Resilient South.

➤ Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/you-cant-arb-that

Image: Ian Brett, Alexandrina Council Technical Officer Parks and Gardens, in front of one of his favourite trees, the 'Canoe Tree' in Currency Creek.

Have you checked out the Community Noticeboard?

Expand your community group's reach by posting on our online community noticeboard.

Whether you're hosting a workshop, seeking volunteers, or promoting a community event, our platform is the perfect place to connect.

It's free, user-friendly, and a great way to connect with others and designed to keep everyone informed and engaged.

Don't miss out on the chance to make your group known and active in the community.

➤ Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/communitynoticeboard

Guidelines apply. Visit our website to view our eligibility criteria.

Community information sessions

Road safety sessions for older road users

Aimed at older road users. If you need a refresher on the road rules, then this session is for you.

- Tuesday 12 November, 10.30am–11.30am, Goolwa Council Chambers
- Thursday 21 November, 10.30am–11.30am, Strathalbyn Library

Planning ahead – Advanced Care Directives

Learn about Advance Care Directives, Enduring Powers of Attorney and Wills with the Legal Services Commission of South Australia.

- Thursday 7 November, 10.30am–11.30am, Goolwa Council Chambers
- Thursday 14 November, 10.30am–11.30am, Strathalbyn Library

Navigating Aged Care Support Information Sessions

Look out for the Navigating Aged Care Support Information Sessions scheduled for later this year.

Hear from independent experts and learn about what is available to help you and your family to understand subsidised aged care supports.

➤ For more information and to book into these sessions please visit alexandrina.sa.gov.au/events





Share your views on our open space

Alexandrina Council is developing a Recreation, Open space and Sport Strategy (ROSS).

When completed, this strategy will help guide the future development of recreation, open space and sport facilities across the Council area.

Through the development of this strategy, we are facilitating a community survey to determine how you currently use open space in our district and how you would like to use open space in the future.

The survey will be open from late October until mid-November with outcomes presented to the Council in early 2025.

The feedback we receive throughout this survey will help identify the current supply, our future needs and will assist with the development of levels of service regarding open space within Alexandrina.

Image: Dustin from Finniss tries out some of the equipment at a Strathalbyn playground.

➤ To take part in the survey, visit mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/draft-ross

Milang library services now at MOSHCC

Alexandrina Council's library depot in Milang has moved to the Milang Old School House Community Centre (MOSHCC).

The relocation means residents can drop off library items and pick up on-hold resources during MOSHCC opening hours, Monday to Friday.

Council's library depot had been operating part-time out of a small room attached to the Milang Institute on Coxe Street.



The move to MOSHCC in late September was prompted by concerns regarding the suitability of library facilities at the Institute.

Library team members are excited about the new opportunities presented by being in the MOSHCC and are hoping to promote all the services that can be accessed via the library service, with the aim of increasing usage and membership.

➤ Find out more at alexandrina.sa.gov.au/milang-library

Upcoming consultations

Council has several community consultations scheduled for later this year, including:

- Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park Scoping Study
- Strathalbyn Speed Limit Review (Town Centre)
- Survey for draft Recreation, Open space, Sports Strategy
- Revised A2040 Community Strategic Plan
- Long Term Financial Plan
- Asset Management Plan.

Keep up to date with the consultations as they open by visiting our My Say website at mysay.alexandrina.sa.gov.au



The holiday season is fast approaching, with community groups organising a range of events including:

Christmas Where the Angas Flows
When: Friday 13 December
Where: Soldiers Memorial Gardens, Strathalbyn

Goolwa Christmas Pageant and Goolwa Christmas Concert
When: Sunday 15 December
Where: Goolwa Oval Recreation Precinct

Carols in the Park, Port Elliot
When: Tuesday 17 December
Where: Port Elliot Town Square

New Year's Eve Fireworks
When: Tuesday 31 December
Where: Off the Hindmarsh Island Bridge, Goolwa

Council is supporting a range of community events through our Community Events Grants program (applications now closed), including \$5,000 for the major Christmas events in Strathalbyn and Goolwa. Council has also committed funding for road closure management at Christmas Where the Angas Flows, the Goolwa Christmas Pageant and the New Year's Eve Fireworks at Goolwa.

Project updates

Milang Local Heritage Code Amendment

In March 2024, the Council received approval from the Minister for Planning to initiate the Milang Local Heritage Code Amendment. This amendment seeks to list key heritage sites and establish a Historic Area Overlay in Milang.

Community feedback received during the consultation period was presented to Council in September 2024, along with the Code Amendment documentation for consideration.

The Council reviewed and approved the documentation for submission to the Minister. An outcome is not expected from the Minister with respect to approving the Code Amendment until late 2024.

Mount Compass Recreation Park Half-Court & Shade Sail

This project includes the construction of a half-court basketball facility according to FIBA basketball guidelines and the installation of a playground shade sail to cover selected equipment and play zones. Onsite works are scheduled for completion in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Mount Compass Recreation Park Public Toilet

Onsite works to install a public toilet at the Mount Compass Recreation Park are programmed to begin in the third quarter of 2024 with completion estimated for December 2024.

This project involves the installation of a single-compartment cubicle compliant with DDA standards, building codes and current trends including accessibility, gender-neutral considerations, baby change facilities and energy-efficient systems.

The facility will include a pan, grab rails, basin, soap dispenser, automatic hand dryer, baby change table, coat hook, shelf, mirror and tiles to floor and ceiling.

Energy-efficient items include the addition of a rainwater tank as the primary supply to the amenities and solar panels.

Langhorne Creek Cemetery Shelter

Council has awarded a tender for the design and construction of a heritage-style shelter for the Langhorne Creek Cemetery.

The shelter, intended to capture the historical significance of the cemetery and its surrounding landscape, will feature a timber structure with enclosed ends for wind protection, bench seating and provisions for interpretive signage.

This project is scheduled for construction in late 2024.

Nangkita Road – Mount Compass

Council has upgraded 1.27 km of Nangkita Road with Foamed Bitumen Stabilisation (FBS), a weather-resilient road pavement, designed to extend the road's lifespan and reduce surface damage. These segments currently have a temporary bituminous surface, with the final surface expected to be applied in November 2024.

This financial year, Council will upgrade an additional 2.91 km of Nangkita Road using a mix of Lightly Bound Cement (LBC) and FBS to enhance the pavements of heavily water-impacted road segments not addressed in the previous year's program.

Nangkita Road is designated as a Regionally Significant Freight and Community Access Route.

Strathalbyn Town Hall Upgrade

Works on the Strathalbyn Town Hall upgrade are now scheduled for completion in early 2025.

Completed works include an extension of the stage, fully refurbished toilets, external and internal painting, roof and floor structure repairs, a new balcony layout, installation of a platform lift to stage, roof cladding replacement and solar panels.

In-progress works include the installation of air conditioning in the main auditorium, additional AV, stage lighting and controls, a new building access system and the reconfiguration of front-of-house and foyer.

Mount Compass – Peters Terrace

Road works on Peters Terrace in Mount Compass are scheduled to be completed by early 2025.

The works, from Clyde Terrace towards Roadmans Reserve, are set to enhance road width and traffic management. The project includes road widening, redesigning the Clyde Terrace intersection, and installing new traffic controls.

Additionally, stormwater management improvements will be made between Clyde Terrace and Tay Road, including kerb and channel installation to reduce debris accumulation. Weather permitting, work was scheduled to begin late 2024.

Ratalang Buildings Bashams Beach

Repairs have been recently completed on the historic poultry and farm structures at Ratalang Conservation Reserve, Basham Beach.

These works included the replacement of structural timber framing and custom orb steel roof sheeting with various masonry repairs and repointing of the limestone walls.

Further works under general maintenance activities included woody weed removal and pruning around the old poultry shed.

Middleton Skate Park Draft Concept Design

At its September Meeting, Council considered the outcomes of community consultation on a draft concept design and proposed Mill Terrace location for a new skate park at Middleton.

Following feedback Council's Village Conversations community consultation events in late 2023 and a petition with 350 signatures, Council allocated \$20,000 in March 2024 for a draft concept design. Award-winning skate park designer Convic was engaged and focus group meetings were held in April and June 2024 to gather input.

Community consultation on the draft concept design and Mill Terrace location concluded on 9 August 2024, with over 650 survey responses received. Council Members will make recommendations on the next steps.

To keep up to date with projects in Alexandrina visit our website alexandrina.sa.gov.au/projectupdates



What's on

Keep up to date by visiting Council's website alexandrina.sa.gov.au/events



Lost in Palm Springs*

This exhibition brings together 14 creative minds who respond to, capture, or reimagine the magical qualities of the landscape and the celebrated mid-century modern architecture found in the desert city of Palm Springs.

When 26 September to 1 December

Where Signal Point Experience Centre at the Goolwa Wharf Precinct

Gallery hours Wed to Sun 10am–4pm

Enquiries 8555 7000 or aace@alexandrina.sa.gov.au



Mixtape Australia

The songs that shaped the nation! Mixtape is a celebration of Australia's hit-makers and the songs that spurred change over the past 60 years. Powerhouse vocals and an incredible FIVE-piece band will have you grooving in your seat.

When 22 November, 2pm

Where Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Duration 70 minutes

Cost^ All tickets \$20

Bookings 8555 7000 or events.alexandrina.com.au



Yuntulun Ku:li-war*

When Permanent exhibition

Where Signal Point Experience Centre at The Goolwa Wharf

Gallery hours Wed to Sun 10am–4pm

Enquiries 8555 7000 or aace@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

NAIF*

When 20 September to 27 October

Where South Coast Regional Art Centre, Goolwa

Gallery hours Wed to Fri 11am–4pm, Sat and Sun 10am–3pm

Enquiries 8555 7000 or aace@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

South Coast Jazz Festival

When 18 to 20 October

Where Various venues including Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Cost^ Various – refer to booking site

Bookings sajazzfestivalsinc.com

Florilegium - Group exhibition*

When 10 November to 26 January

Where South Coast Regional Art Centre, Goolwa

Gallery hours Wed to Fri 11am–4pm, Sat and Sun 10am–3pm

Enquiries 8555 7000 or aace@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

Spring Wellbeing Photowalk

When 2 November, 10am

Where Meet at South Coast Regional Art Centre, Goolwa

Duration 120 minutes

Cost \$30 per person

Bookings visitaalexandrina.com

ABBA GOLD - The Flaming Sambucas

When 2 November, 7.30pm

Where Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Duration 150 minutes including interval

Cost^ Adult \$45, Concession \$40, Group 6+ \$40 per person

Bookings 8555 7000 or events.alexandrina.com.au

'The Recital' - Letho Kostoglou and special guest

When 14 December, 4pm

Where Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Duration 70 minutes

Cost^ Adults \$35, Concession \$30, Youth (under 18) \$15

Bookings 8555 7000 or events.alexandrina.com.au

SAPOL Jazz Band

When 24 November, 2pm

Where St. Andrew's Church, 1 Alfred Place, Strathalbyn

Duration 70 minutes

Cost^ Adult \$30, Concession \$25

Bookings trybooking.com/CVENQ or at the door

Rainbow Dance Party*

When 29 November, 10.30am

Where Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Duration 120 minutes

Cost* FREE

Enquiries 8555 7000 or aace@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

The Masters Apprentices 60th Anniversary Tour

When 1 December, 3pm

Where Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Duration 120 minutes including interval

Cost^ Adult \$50, Concession \$45, Group 6+ \$45, Youth (under 18) \$25

Bookings 8555 7000 or events.alexandrina.com.au

The Beatles Experience - Christmas Edition

When 13 December, 2pm

Where Centenary Hall, Goolwa

Duration 70 minutes

Cost^ All tickets \$20

Bookings 8555 7000 or events.alexandrina.com.au

Saltbush Country*

When 14 December to 26 January

Where Signal Point Experience Centre at The Goolwa Wharf

Gallery hours Wed to Sun 10am–4pm

Enquiries 8555 7000 or aace@alexandrina.sa.gov.au

*Free event! ^Transaction fee applies