



Media Release

COFFIN BAY BATONBEARERS PREPARE TO SHARE THE DREAM OF THE GOLD COAST 2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

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The Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Corporation (GOLDOC) has announced the local batonbearers from our region who will carry the Queen's Baton during the 100-day countdown to the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018).

Across the community, hundreds of people will get the opportunity to engage with the Baton as it spends quality time in the region including when it arrives in Coffin Bay on 19 February 2018.

The Coffin Bay event has a number of Batonbearers from within our region and from throughout South Australia including:

Heather Norton:

Heather's contribution to netball around the community for the last 35 years has been to the highest of orders. Still playing A Reserves Grade, she represented the South Australian State Country Team for 13 years, 11 of those years as Captain. She is always the first to put her hand up to be involved in committees being president, umpire or coach each year and her contributions to the game have earned her accolades around the state. Heather's love and dedication to the sport brings out the best in everyone she plays with or against, especially the juniors. Alongside netball, Heather is also involved in basketball and swimming in various roles.

Robert (John) Treloar:

John has given 20 years service as a volunteer Ambulance Officer, 10 years of which he has been Team Leader. He is a member and Deputy Chairman of the Country Ambulance Services Advisory committee, and is on the South Australian Ambulance Service Board. John is a Country Volunteer Advisor to the Director of South Australia Ambulance, and for 10 years he has been Deputy Chair and Chair of the Northern Region Zone Committee. John has been a sports trainer for his local football club for more than 20 years and has been awarded Best Club Person three times, as well as life membership. John has also been President and Secretary at the Great Flinders Tennis Association.

The Mayor, Julie Low states:

"I am immensely proud of our batonbearers, not just those participating in the Coffin Bay leg of the relay, but also of our many residents which are being recognised in other celebration communities. Those that have been selected to participate in the Coffin Bay event include Tom Hull, Yvonne Ackland, Renee Colburg, Dr Michael Curely, Meryl Davidson, Craig Dorward, Peter Hurrell, Louise Mudge, Heather Norton, Emma O'Dea, Margaret Palmer, Guiseppe Perone, Rebecca Sanders, Errol Thomas, John Treloar and Rob Watson and are all wonderful people that have not only achieved great feats, but have also worked tirelessly to improve the communities in which we live and the lives of others. I encourage you to support these great people in our community, and to share a memorable moment with the Queen's Baton by attending the community event at Coffin Bay on 19 February 2018."

Street level and community celebration details will be announced on 17 November.

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