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80th Annual EPLGA Conference

OH, THE PLACES YOU'LL GO!

27 & 28 February 2017
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Welcome

The District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula welcomes you to the 80th Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association conference and looks forward to showcasing the sights of Coffin Bay, Cummins and Wangary to our delegates.

The conference itself is based upon the theme ‘Oh the Places you’ll go’, borrowed from the Dr Seuss book of the same name and aims to demonstrate to Councils the progression of our sector and the leadership and lasting impression that the actions we take today will have upon our communities into the future.

We have a wide array of speakers, events and entertainment planned to ensure everyone leaves invigorated and keen to take on the challenges ahead.

District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula

With pristine waters, idyllic beaches, unbeatable fishing and undulating farm land, the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula boasts a diverse landscape for family adventures, seafood lovers, or simply to stop and appreciate nature at its finest. Enjoy short breaks or lengthy stays from camping through to luxury living.
Key Note Speaker

Amanda Blair, Media Personality

Amanda Blair is a columnist for the iconic Australian Women’s Weekly which has a monthly readership of 2.5 million people. She’s on the Board of The Independent Gambling Authority, The South Australian Housing Trust and Nature Play SA.

Previously she was co chair of the Premiers Council for Women and was on the board of The Adelaide Festival and the suicide prevention strategy group. Her radio career saw her win a MO Award for Best Live Show in Australia and the St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Award from Archbishop Wilson.

She’s raised over 1 million dollars for charity and is an Ambassador for The Hutt Street Centre, Foundation Shine, The Bedford Group and created Australia’s only vintage charity clothing shop on wheels - Dulcie The Shop of Real Opportunity.

She’s also a competitive baker winning a blue ribbon at the Royal Adelaide show for Marble cake - round or square and for slices - three varieties, two of each baked or unbaked. The judges said they’d never seen such precision in slice cutting....... 

Amanda also has four children, a guinea pig called Jack Riewoldt and a husband she quite likes when she sees him.

Conference Hostess

Cathy Pearson has worked as a Primary Healthcare Nurse at the Cummins Medical Clinic for 18 years and recently handed over her role of Practice Manager to focus more on the clinical side of General Practice.

Cathy was awarded the Medical Observer’s Australian Practice Nurse of the Year in 2014, following a two year stint on the board of APNA (Australian Primary Healthcare Nurse Association).

She states her greatest achievements are her three adult daughters and now two precious granddaughters. Cathy is also a partner in a farming business, has been involved with numerous community events and organisations, with her current community positions including being a church elder and the bar manager at a local football club.
Coach Transfers*

Available:
Monday evening – Coffin Bay Yacht Club to delegate accommodation
Tuesday – Coffin Bay to Cummins and Return
Tuesday evening – Coffin Bay to Wangary and Return

Registrations

The event is open only to EPLGA Member Councils, event sponsors and invited guests.

Member Councils are provided with 10 complimentary registrations and will be invoiced for the partners of delegates and additional delegates (see fees below).

Sponsors are provided with a number of complimentary registrations according to their level of sponsorship, however are welcome to purchase additional registrations for employees (see fees below).

Sponsors Welcome Dinner: $75 per person
Kelledy Jones EPLGA Conference $50 per person
Cavpower Gala Dinner: $110 per person

Business Partners

The District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula would like to acknowledge and thank the following supporting businesses for providing delegates with samples of their amazing products:

- Boston Bay Winery
- Lincoln Estate Wines
- Pope’s Honey

Conference Enquiries

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MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2017

Works Managers Meeting
Venue: Coffin Bay Sporting Complex (Golf Course) - 78 Giles Road, Coffin Bay
10.00 am Works Managers Meeting
12.00 pm Light Lunch provided by Coffin Bay Ladies Bowls

Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association - Executive Meeting
Venue: Coffin Bay Sporting Complex (Golf Course) - 78 Giles Road, Coffin Bay
12.00 pm Light Lunch provided by Coffin Bay Ladies Bowls
12.30 pm EPLGA General Meeting

Sponsors Welcome Dinner
Venue: Coffin Bay Yacht Club & Foreshore, 142 Esplanade, Coffin Bay
6.30 pm Gourmet BBQ (Smart Casual Attire)
Caterer: Damian Mrdjen Catering
Oysters supplied by the Coffin Bay Oyster Company
Entertainment by live band ‘Just Us’ with ‘Kaz the Light Dancer’ entertaining delegates with her dazzling display on the foreshore lawns after dark.

9.30 pm – 11.15 pm
The shuttle bus will be departing the Yacht Club every 15 mins to return delegates to their accommodation within the Coffin Bay township.
TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2017

**Breakfast**
Venue: 1802 Oyster Bar & Bistro

7.00 am – 7.45 am - Continental Buffet Breakfast
(cost is not included in conference registration – payable directly to 1802)

**8.00 am sharp**
Bus leaves Coffin Bay Yacht Club Car Park & 1802 bound for Cummins

**Kelley Jones EPLGA Conference**

Venue: Cummins Institute Hall, Railway Terrace, Cummins

8.30am Registrations Open - To kick start your day in just the right way, the Five Loaves Bakery ‘Brewing Bar’ will be brewing Flat Whites, Hot Chocolates & Tea for delegates (at no cost) upon arrival.

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**Session 1**
**Congratulations! Today is your day. You’re off to Great Places! You’re off and away!**

9.15am **Acknowledgment of Country and Opening Address**
DCLEP Mayor, Mayor Julie Low

Welcome to EPLGA Conference
EPLGA President, Mayor Bruce Green

9.30am **Local Government Association update**
Lorraine Rosenberg, LGA President

9.45am **There is an ‘I’ in Council.**
Key Note Speaker - Amanda Blair
Session 2

With brains in your head and feet in your shoes, you can steer yourself any direction you choose.

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12.35pm Lunch – Cummins Community Hotel
Delegates will stretch their legs and head to the community hotel for a light smorgasbord lunch.

Session 3

Step with care and great tact and Remember that life’s a Great Balancing Act.

1.30pm Why and why not: there are reasons for everything!
Victoria Shute, Kelledy Jones Lawyers

2.00pm Wherever you fly, you’ll be best of the best.
Wherever you go, you will top all the rest!
Peter Arbery, The Training Guru

2.35pm The Five Basic Needs of Individuals
Jackie Hibble & Sue Berry, Mentally Fit EP

2.55pm Afternoon Tea
Refreshments provided by Leanne’s Kitchen;
Coffee & Tea available from Five Loaves Brewing Bar
Session 4

Oh, the places you’ll go! There is fun to be done! There are points to be scored and games to be won.

3.15pm  Oh the things that can happen, and frequently do!

Braden Gale, Branch Manager, Cummins District Community Bank & Rod Pearson, Chief Executive Officer, DCLEP will speak of the projects achievable with a strong community partnership

3.35pm  Update on the 16/17 Harvest and Looking to the Future
Damian Fitzgerald, General Counsel, Viterra

4.00pm  Transport and Supply Infrastructure
Wade Dabinett (Chair) & Darren Arney (CEO); Grain Producers SA

4.25pm  Conference Wrap Up.

4.45 pm sharp
Bus leaves Cummins bound for Coffin Bay Yacht Club Car Park & 1802
TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2017

Cavpower Gala Dinner

6.15 pm sharp
Bus leaves Coffin Bay Yacht Club Car Park bound for Marble Range Sporting Complex

Venue: Marble Range Community & Sport Centre, Cnr Morgan Lane & Flinders Hwy, Wangary

7.00 pm Cavpower Gala Dinner (Formal attire)
Caterer: Kris Bunder from Del Giorno’s Restaurant

Entertainment by the ‘ChrissyK Band’
Photo Booth on site to capture the moment

8.30pm Guest Speaker - Amanda Blair will provide insight into what would happen “If Amanda ruled the DCLEP Council”...

9.30 pm Shuttle Buses leaving Wangary every half hour until midnight and dropping delegates at the following locations:
- 1802 Carpark
- Coffin Bay Yacht Club
- Esplanade – Long Beach Apartments
- Beachcombers
- Coffin Bay Boat Ramp
- Coffin Bay Hotel / Motel

WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH 2017

Breakfast
Venue: 1802 Oyster Bar & Bistro

7.00 am – 8.30 am - Continental Buffet Breakfast
(cost is not included in conference registration – payable directly to 1802)

RDA Economic Development Forum

Venue: Coffin Bay Yacht Club
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Lunch: Light lunch provided at conclusion of forum

A forum focusing on energy and communication, the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and regional governance. Enquiries to RDA: 86826588.
Speakers

**Mayor Lorraine Rosenberg, Local Government Association President**
Ms Lorraine Rosenberg has been the Mayor of the City of Onkaparinga since 2006 and is the current President of the Local Government Association of SA. In addition to her 22 years in Local Government, Lorraine has worked in management, small business and research. Mayor Rosenberg currently sits on the boards of the Metropolitan Local Government Group, Ranges to River Natural Resources Management Advisory Group, and the Stormwater Management Authority and is also a deputy member of the Aquaculture Advisory Committee.

**Adam Wilson, ESCOSA**
Adam Wilson has worked at the Essential Services Commission since 2002, commencing in the role of Director, Consumer and Regulatory Affairs in 2006. His responsibilities include policy and regulatory frameworks, licensing, administration of the Residential Energy Efficiency Scheme and the provision of legal services to the Commission. Prior to his appointment to the Commission, Mr Wilson held senior positions in the regulatory development and reform area, including Principal Policy Officer with the Commission and Senior Policy Officer with the Office of Consumer and Business Affairs (Attorney General’s Department).

**Jackie Hibble & Sue Berry, Mentally Fit EP**
Mentally Fit EP aim to create communities that have the skills and resources to access help and know how to support themselves and each other, and flip the notion of Mental Illness on its head by creating a place where locals support locals via Advocacy, Education and Collaboration. Sue Berry and Jackie Hibble will discuss one of the foundational aspects of Glasser's Choice Theory - Take Charge of Your Life and other aspects of our organisations from leadership and management styles to counselling utilising the 5 basic needs of individuals.

**Matt Pinnegar, Chief Executive Officer, Local Government Association**
Matt Pinnegar was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of the LGA in September 2015. Before coming to the LGA, Matt was the External Affairs Manager and principal contact in South Australia for BP’s Great Australian Bight Exploration Program. Matt worked for the South Australian State Government for seven years, including nearly three years as Chief of Staff to the Minister for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure. He has also been a Senior Adviser in various portfolio areas including local government, energy and transport. Matt has a Bachelor of Law from the University of Adelaide and a Bachelor of Arts (Communication Studies) with an Economics Major from the University of South Australia.
Speakers

**Priti Meda, Emergency Management Program Officer, SAFECOM**

Priti has worked as a part of the Zone Emergency Management Project (ZERMS) since its inception 5 years ago, working closely with 27 councils across 4 state regions in the risk and emergency management sector. Prior to her current role, Priti worked in Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure in the Emergency Management field and the State Government sector for more than 15 years. Priti has studied in Australia and overseas and has a Masters Degree in Business, Bachelor Degrees in Science and Information Technology, an advanced diploma in computer applications; diplomas in Government and Business and is currently studying towards a diploma in leadership and management. She is fluent in 7 languages including 5 Indian languages. Born in India, she calls Adelaide home now with her husband and two children aged 13 and 9.

**Peter Scott, Regional Development Australia (WEP)**

Peter works as Economic Development Manager for RDAWEP and leads RDAWEP initiatives for energy, water and infrastructure across Eyre Peninsula. RDAWEP’s goals include affordable and quality power and water for EP. Peter previously led regional initiatives for the Environment Protection Authority and was a lecturer at Deakin University in Civil Engineering. Peter received his Bachelor degree from the University of South Australia and started his career with various local governments across metropolitan Adelaide. He currently resides in Coffin Bay with his wife and 2 children.

**Damian Fitzgerald, General Counsel, Viterra**

Damian is the General Counsel for Viterra and Glencore Grain and Company Secretary for Viterra and its various subsidiaries throughout Australia as well as a Director of its New Zealand business. Damian has strong links with the farming community having grown up and farmed for a number of years on his family’s farm at Cummins on Eyre Peninsula prior to studying law. After a period in private practice he joined Viterra as its legal counsel over a decade ago and is a long-standing member of the Viterra Executive team. Damian is a non-Executive Director of Rural Business Support, which incorporates Rural Financial Counselling Service SA. He is a Fellow of both the Australian Institute of Company Directors and the Governance Institute of Australia. He has been a member of the Corporations Committee (SA Division) of the Law Council of Australia and is a member of the Association of Corporate Counsel (Australia) and the Law Society of South Australia.
Speakers

Victoria Shute, Kelley Jones Lawyers

Victoria is well-known in local government circles for providing legal advice and representation of the highest quality. She has been recognised by her peers in the prestigious Best Lawyers List as one of Australia’s best planning and environment lawyers for several years now and has previously been awarded “Lawyer of the Year” in South Australia for planning and environmental law. Victoria is a sought-after presenter and educator; she has attended many EPLGA conferences over her time working for local government clients on the Eyre Peninsula and is honoured to have been given the opportunity to present at the 80th EPLGA conference.

Peter Arbery, The Training Guru

Peter Arbery has a long history of business ownership (from the age of 23) and management board experience in rural SA and in Adelaide. Being fully committed to helping others find their passion and enjoy success, Peter develops the skills to achieve more in many people across most industries (including local governments). Through training courses and 1 on 1 mentoring, new ideas are discussed and put into action. Peter is a highly strategic thinker and has the ability to simplify situations... this know-how is transferred to people so that they can start to shape their futures. This role is in Peter’s heart and he enjoys seeing people flourish.

Alex Douglas, Director Works & Infrastructure, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula

Alex Douglas graduated with an Associateship in Civil Engineering in 1977, and after working in the construction industry joined local government in March 1981 at the City of Melville. Since 1981 Alex has worked across Western Australia ranging from metropolitan and inner city Perth to Denmark in the south and Kununurra in the north. In 2010 he moved to Darwin to work with the West Arnhem Shire Council spending a period of 9 months as Acting CEO in 2012. Alex commenced with the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula in March 2013 as the inaugural Director Works and Infrastructure. In nearly 36 years in the industry the DCLEP is the tenth local government on his CV. Working across 3 legislative jurisdictions has provided a broad view of the nuances of local government as a ‘child’ of State or Territory Governments.
Speakers

**Rod Pearson, Chief Executive Officer, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula**

Rod joined the Local Government family in 1994 as an Accountant for the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula following a career in banking and business and added the role of Deputy CEO to his duties for a number of years prior to becoming the Chief Executive Officer in Mid 2008. Rod and his wife Cathy still own a working farm in the district and are both passionate about the local community and the Council area. In both a personal and professional capacity, Rod strives to assist the community to achieve its goals wherever possible.

**Braden Gale, Branch Manager, Cummins District Community Bank**

Braden grew up on a local farming property, and completed his schooling at Cummins Area School. He moved to Adelaide post-school to study Accounting, later working as an Accounting Clerk and then in Sales & Marketing roles whilst completing a Bachelor of Management (Marketing). Braden has been in the Financial Services industry for 15 years. Married to Emma with two children, he happily moved home to work for Cummins District Community Bank® 4 years ago. Braden loves living in the close-knit, thriving and friendly town of Cummins, and is passionate about Community Banking on Eyre Peninsula.

**Wade Dabinett, Chairman, Grain Producers SA**

Wade returned to his family farm at Parilla in 2011 to help run the growing business, including 4500 hectares of crops as well as potatoes and livestock. With experience in the grain trading, storage and handling industry, he is keen for other growers, particularly young farmers, to gain skills in grain selling and business management. Wade sees a great future in the grain industry, and would like to see more farmers engaged with GPSA and young farmers upskilled to be part of the future of the industry. Wade joined the GPSA Board in May 2014 and was elected Chairman at the 2016 AGM. He also chairs GPSA’s Transport and Supply Chain Sub-Committee.

**Darren Arney, Chief Executive Officer, Grain Producers SA**

Darren has been chief executive of Grain Producers SA since its inception in March 2012. Originally from a farm at Jabuk, he studied agriculture at Roseworthy. His experience in industry is varied, including 10 years as an agronomist at Murray Bridge, a bank manager for six years, and a grain marketing business consultant for 10 years. He joined the steering committee of GPSA in August 2011 as growers were starting to form the organisation.
Acknowledgment

The conference theme is based upon the Dr Seuss book of the same name and we would be remiss not to thank Dr Seuss for the invaluable wisdom imparted upon us as young people and for the wonderful and inspirational messages contained throughout all of his work that still rings true today.

Dr Seuss quotes to live by:

*Sometimes the questions are complicated and the answers are simple.*
— Dr. Seuss

*Today I shall behave As if this is the Day I will be Remembered.*

*You'll miss the best things if you keep your eyes shut.*

*You're in pretty good shape for the shape you are in.*
— Dr. Seuss —