



MACKILLOP ON THE MOVE

The MacKillop Electorate Office is moving!

From August we hope to be in our new office located at: 146 Smith Street Naracoorte SA 5271

OFFICE HOURS:

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9:00 - 5.00pm

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KEITH HOSPITAL



The Keith District Hospital and its Emergency Service is a vital service to the Keith community and highway users. I have been working with the Keith community, representatives of the Hospital Board, the Tatiara and Coorong District

Councils and the Hon Steven Wade MLC, Minister for Health and Well Being to seek to secure the Hospital's future.

The efforts of the Tatiara District Council in committing \$70,000 in funding, and the State Government bringing funds forward from next year, to keep the hospital operational has been well appreciated. The local government investment and the significant funding raised by the community reflects the value of this facility.

A review of the hospital's business model coordinated by the Limestone Coast Local Health Network (LCLHN) was undertaken during April and May. I look forward to the outcome of the review and am optimistic that a sustainable plan for the hospital's future will be found.

A MESSAGE FROM NICK



Upgrades to our regional road network remain a key matter to be addressed in the electorate. The need for passing lanes on the Riddoch Highway, upgrades on numerous roads and reinstating 110km/hr speed limits are just some of the areas on which I have been advocating for action.

In May, Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, Stephan Knoll MP visited the region

to get a first-hand account of the condition of our roads. We visited the Frances Road, which has recently been awarded Commonwealth Black Spot Funding, viewed and discussed the condition of the Naracoorte to Bordertown Road and the need for passing lanes on the Riddoch Highway.

I am maintaining pressure to deliver the re-instatement of the 110 km/hr speed limits on our roads, including along sections of the Princes Highway, the Clay Wells Road, and the Ngarkat Highway. The Marshall Liberal Government is committed to this, and is working to ensure the roads are in the right condition.

Should you have a concern about a road or highway within the MacKillop electorate I urge you to contact my office 87621211 and contact the DPTI traffic management centre 1800 018 313. Contacting your Local Council can also assist in raising the profile of your concerns. I am here to advocate to the Minister on your behalf. It is my aim to have a road network that is safe and reliable for all users.

MINISTERIAL VISITS

Ministerial visits are a great opportunity for me to help Liberal Government Ministers understand the value of the Electorate and provide an insight to what matters to its people and businesses.

I have been fortunate to welcome a consistent stream of Ministers to the region.

January & May - Hon David Ridgway MLC - Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment

January - Hon David Speirs - Minister for Environment and Water

February & April - Hon Tim Whetstone - Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development

March - Hon Corey Wingard - Minister for Police, Sport and Recreation

May - Hon Stephan Knoll - Minister for Transport, Infrastructure, Local Government, Planning

Hon David Ridgway MLC - Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment

These visits provided the opportunity for Ministers to meet key stakeholders, to visit local businesses and to discuss innovative practices being developed in this region.



Hon Stephan Knoll - condition of our country roads



Hon Corey Wingard - Naracoorte Hockey Turf Opening



Hon Tim Whetstone - Holla Fresh, Tantanoola



Hon Tim Whetstone - launch of the Phylloxera sign



Hon David Speirs - Launch of 'Our Coorong Our Coast' project



Hon David Ridgway and Hon David Speirs - Naracoorte Caves Rooftop walk

ANZAC DAY 2019

The 25th April is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the first World War. Now, it serves to commemorate the lives of all Australians who have lost their lives in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Sixteen Anzac Day services were held across the MacKillop Electorate. I was fortunate enough to attend three of the services, at Bordertown, Wolseley and Mundulla.

We Will Remember Them. Lest we Forget.



Nick with Clem Obst and John O'Brien, Mundulla



Nick with Clem and Joan Obst, Anzac Day at Wolseley Mundulla



ECONOMIC AND FINANCE COMMITTEE: MIGRANT CONTRIBUTION

The Economic and Finance Committee of Parliament inquiry into the economic contribution of Migrants to the state held public meetings in Penola and Mount Gambier in late March. I was pleased to be able to provide a submission at the Penola hearing.

The Councils of Wattle Range, Naracoorte Lucindale, and Tatiara, the Australian Migrant Resource Centre and meat processors JBS and Teys took the opportunity to provide a submission to the hearing.

Key messages from the hearing included that:

- Regional businesses need migrant workers to fulfil workforce shortages,
- Migrants are valuable members of the work force for the viticultural, meat processing and horticultural sectors - sectors which make a huge contribution to the economic success of our region and state.
- Coordination is needed to continue to attract families and individuals to come to the region and be supported to stay on to become valuable and included members of the community.



OUT & ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY



RECREATION & SPORTING GRANTS

The Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing has continued to offer grants to sporting clubs and organisations through the Active Club Program.

Successful applicants from Round 46 include the Beachport Surf Lifesaving Club (\$5,000), the Millicent Baseball Club (\$5,000) and the Millicent Gymnastics Club (\$2,351). Congratulations to all!

The Limestone Coast LGA has received \$50,000 and the Tatiara District Council \$6,000 through the Sport and Recreation Development and Inclusion Program, while the Naracoorte Lucindale Council received \$20,000 for its Sports Centre Long term Masterplan.

For more information on available grants go to: www.ors.sa.gov.au/funding



Penola Coonawarra Arts Festival



CFS Memorial Service



Economic and Finance Committee with representatives from SE Councils



Parliamentary Friends of Forestry

HERITAGE GRANTS PROGRAM

The Point McLeay Settlement at Raukkaan and Campbell Park Station at Narrung are two of 27 projects across the state to benefit from the first round of funding through the SA Heritage Grants Program.

Point McLeay will receive \$14,000 for stonework, while Campbell Park Station will receive \$5,000 to help preserve documentation associated with their 'lookout' tower.

The grants are aimed at helping to rejuvenate our built heritage to ensure it is protected and preserved for future generations.

Round Two of the SA Heritage Grants Program, with a total of \$250,000 available for grants, will open in late April 2019 and close in late July 2019.

Further information is available here: <https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/heritage/heritage-grants>



Laos New Year



Mundulla Show



Visit to Naracoorte by His Excellency, the Hon Hieu Van Le AC



Opening the STEM Building, Naracoorte High School



WHAT'S ON IN MACKILLOP

FROM HIGH TEA TO CELEBRATING SENIORS

HIGH TEA AT THE BLOK

15535 Riddoch Highway Coonawarra
6/7 Jul - 13/14 Jul 2019 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Price from \$35
Ph: 08 8737 2734 or enquiries@blok.com.au

The Blok Estate's ever popular High Tea is a traditional High Tea where you will enjoy homemade savouries, sweet treats and scones with Ann's famous Cabernet Jam, all while sipping tea from vintage china. Cost includes a glass of current release wine.

High Tea is on each Sat and Sun until the 14th July.

MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY

Mary MacKillop Interpretive Centre, Cnr Petticoat Lane & Portland Street Penola

08 Aug 2019 10 - 4pm - Free Entry
Come and celebrate the life of Australia's First Saint, Mary of the Cross MacKillop

CELEBRATE SENIOR'S MONTH, North Tce, Millicent

01 Oct 2019 - 31 Oct 2019
A range of events are running through the whole of October including an Open Day at Radio Station 5THEFM, Movie Day, Come and Try Painting, and a bus trip to Beachport.
Contact the Wattle Range Council for information on individual events.
PH; (08) 8733 0900 or council@wattlerange.sa.gov.au

VOLUNTEER SCREENING



From July 1 - a simpler, and free 'working with children' check will become available for all volunteers through the Department of Human Services.

This new check will be valid for 5 years and is necessary for anyone works or volunteers with children.

Those who already have a valid screening can continue to use it as

the transition to the new 'working with children' check occurs.

Volunteers, especially in regional areas, make an important contribution to the community. I thank them for their commitment and dedication. I hope this new simpler system will encourage more to volunteer.

For more information on the free screening checks go to: www.screening.sa.gov.au

SPORTS VOUCHERS

Just a reminder that all South Australian primary school aged children are eligible for a \$100 voucher (up from \$50 last year) for sports or dance membership/registration fees.

The voucher is valid for the calendar year. The purpose of the program is to increase the number of children playing organised sport or dance activities by reducing cost as a barrier.

If you haven't yet used your voucher go to: www.sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES

Do you know somebody who has a 100th, 105th or 110th Birthday—or a 50th, 60th, 65th or 70th Wedding Anniversary coming up?

Congratulatory messages can be organised through my office, from their State and Federal Members of Parliament.

Forms are available from my office—call in to collect a form—or phone 8762 1211 and we can send one to you.

QUESTION TIME ON FACEBOOK



Did you know you can now livestream Question Time in the Lower House on Facebook?

This is a great initiative that will allow you to be kept updated about what is happening in the House and also show you how you can engage with your parliament. Question time is between 2 - 3pm during sitting weeks. The Parliament House Facebook page also posts interesting information about Parliament House, its history and its daily operation.



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HOUSING FORUM

Housing availability was the topic of a discussion I convened in March in response to challenges in accessing housing by workers in the electorate. The Tatiara and Naracoorte Lucindale Councils are being proactive to support business such as JBS at Bordertown and Teys in Naracoorte to examine ways to ensure migrant workers can access suitable accommodation options.

The discussion included representatives from the 2 Councils, Housing SA, Limestone Coast Regional Development Australia, the Australian Migrant Resource Centre, PIRSA and Member for Barker, Tony Pasin MP.

Short term housing options to be explored include more cabins at caravan parks and activating empty housing for rentals. Long term solutions include engaging with the building industry and investors for new housing.

I look forward to this group coming together in June to check in on progress on this important matter.

CAR REGISTRATION REMINDERS

We now have free stickers that are available from my office to remind you about when your vehicle registration is due. This sticker can be legally displayed on your windscreen and includes other useful emergency numbers. Please call in to collect, or contact our office and we would be happy to post you one.

REGO REMINDER

REGISTRATION DUE

USEFUL CONTACTS

Emergency.....	000
Police Assistance.....	131 444
Crime Stoppers.....	1800 333 000
SES.....	132 500
SA Water (Faults).....	1300 883 121
SA Power Networks.....	13 13 66