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## OCTOBER 2019



### WHYALLA HAS THE POWER

It's official ... Port Adelaide is coming to Whyalla to play a Marsh Community Series AFL match next year.

The Marsh Community Series program (formerly the JLT Series) was released in October by the AFL with Whyalla's soon-to-be redeveloped Bennett Oval confirmed as the venue for a pre-season match between the POWER and the Western Bulldogs on Saturday, March 7, 2020.

The match, scheduled to start at 3.40pm, fulfils the wishes of Sanjeev Gupta, the Executive Chairman of GFG Alliance, and his private Gupta family sponsorship of the Port Adelaide Football Club.

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## MAYOR CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS

The search for Whyalla's most dedicated and deserving community members continues with Whyalla Mayor Clare McLaughlin encouraging nominations for the 2020 Australia Day Awards.

The annual citizen awards celebrate the city's many generous residents and achievers, who tirelessly give up their time to give back to the community. The 2020 Australia Day Awards will feature 11 categories with the citizen, young citizen, senior citizen, sports achievement, event of the year, and six community achievement awards to be presented.

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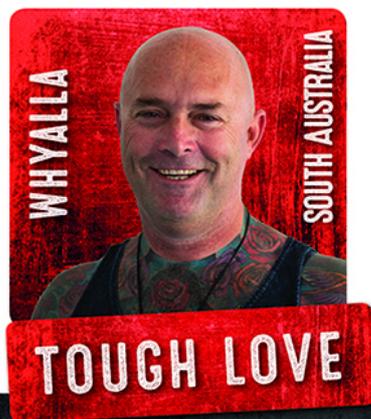
## CARING DONATION FROM LIBRARY

The Rotary Club of Whyalla Norrie, our library and a retiring staff member have come together to create a great story of community care and involvement.

Whyalla's Centacare Catholic Country SA operation recently approached the Rotary Club of Whyalla Norrie for assistance in raising money to purchase some books to put in their waiting area and for the children in foster care that just don't have the funds to buy books to have at home.

As president of the Rotary club, library staff member Sue Clements took up the cause in a heartbeat. She approached the management team of the Council-run facility about the situation and it was just as quick to lend a hand.

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**PETER LYNDON-JAMES**

## SEMINAR

**Do you know someone  
caught up in addiction,  
but have no idea how to help?**

**Peter Lyndon-James  
helps people BREAK FREE!**

## COUNCIL GRANT HELPS DRUG ISSUE SEMINAR

The City of Whyalla's Community Grant Program funding will be put to good use next month when the Whyalla Ripples Support Group once again hosts the Tough Love Seminar.

A Community Grant of \$2000 was approved by the elected members for the Whyalla Ripples important community event at this month's ordinary Council meeting.

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## NEW STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Whyalla is embarking on a strategic new economic development initiative that will continue the city's exciting transformation.

City of Whyalla elected members have voted to not renew Council's Regional Development Australia Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula (RDAWEP) membership and divert those funds into a Whyalla-focused economic development strategy.

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## FLYING START FOR BENNETT OVAL REDEVELOPMENT

The company behind the winning tender for construction work at Bennett Oval has wasted no time getting stuck into the job.

South Australia company Mossop Constructions + Interiors has started stripping back the interior of the grandstand, has already had asbestos removed and demolished the toilet and shower facilities in preparation for a complete new fit-out.

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## BENNETT OVAL WORK ON TRACK

Stage One of the Bennett Oval redevelopment project is well on track.

South Australian company Mossop Constructions + Interiors, working with local contractors, is making good progress as the crews prepare the old grandstand structure for a complete refit.

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## **PAGEANT DATE ANNOUNCED**

Mark down Saturday, November 30 in your diary for the GFG Alliance Whyalla Christmas Pageant and After Pageant Party.

Presented by the Whyalla Apex Club, with support from the City of Whyalla, this year's event has already attracted a dozen float entries and several stall holder applications for the After Pageant Party.

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## **COUNCIL LEADER MOVING ON**

Mayor Clare McLaughlin has received notification from Whyalla Chief Executive Officer Chris Cowley that he has accepted the role of CEO with the City of Burnside in Adelaide.

Mayor McLaughlin expressed her disappointment over the news but said she accepted Mr Cowley's explanation for the move and wished him all the best.

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## FULL CIRCLE FOR JETTY STEEL

Steel from the old Whyalla jetty has come full circle, heading back to its origins at GFG Alliance's Whyalla steelworks for recycling more than 40 years after it was first produced there.

Maritime Constructions has been busy taking down the main frame of the old jetty and transporting it to the small beach in the marina. These heavy metal beams were lifted off the old piles with a crane on the barge Elwood and then towed into the marina by Chappy (Chapman) the tug boat.

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## CONSTRUCTION STARTS ON NEW JETTY

Whyalla residents may notice a slight thumping noise in the morning for the next month or so as the Maritime Construction crews start to drive in the piles for the new jetty.

The construction company building our new jetty has assured Council it will only be doing this work from 8am onwards to alleviate any possible sleep disruption for nearby residents.

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## CHECK OUT THE LATEST VIDEOS ON THE WHYALLA JETTY PROJECT





## MAYOR CONGRATULATES MEN'S SHED

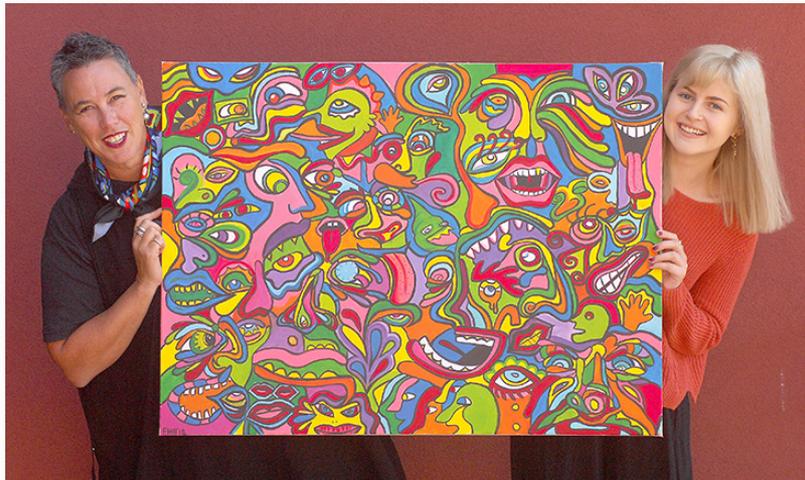
Whyalla Mayor Clare McLaughlin was honoured to speak at the Whyalla Men's Shed in October as it

hosted the Eyre Peninsula Men's Shed Muster at the Mount Laura Homestead.

Men's Shed members from around the region were welcomed by the Whyalla Men's Shed with the muster providing an opportunity for the members to network. The muster also showcased the best of Whyalla including a tour of the homestead museum, the Whyalla Men's Shed and a display by the Whyalla Vintage Car Club.

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## **ENTRIES STILL OPEN FOR UNEARTH POSTER COMPETITION**

The 2020 uneARTh Festival Poster Competition is still open for entries until 5pm on Monday, November 11.

The UneARTh Festival is inviting creatives, artists and graphic designers of all ages and experience from Whyalla to submit their ideas for the 2020 UneARTh Festival poster. There is \$500 to be won.

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## SHOWCASING WHYALLA'S OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Whyalla teamed up with the Whyalla Tourism Focus Group (WTFG) and the Regional Development Australia Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula (RDAWEP) and Education and Innovation Precinct to present Living and Working in Whyalla, a showcase of the city's skilled-job opportunities, liveability, services and community spirit.

To help spread the word about the job opportunities, housing availability, health services, education facilities and lifestyle options, Council, WTFG and the RDAWEP worked with the Australian Migrant Resource Centre (AMRC) in Adelaide to bring 42 skilled migrants to Whyalla in October for a presentation on the city.

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE GETS THROUGH

Whyalla Mayor Clare McLaughlin has praised the State Government and Education Minister John

Gardner following reassuring comments on the future of Whyalla's three high school sites.

Mayor McLaughlin last month met with South Australian Premier Steven Marshall and five of his senior ministers where she sought clarification on the State Government's intentions for the high school sites that will become vacant once the new \$100m high school is operational.

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## **NEW SCHOOL DESIGN REVEALED**

The design for the new \$100 million secondary school in Whyalla, which will combine the three existing government schools in the region, has been revealed.

The new school build is part of the Marshall Liberal Government's massive statewide investment in schools – the biggest by any State Government in South Australia's history – which includes \$1.3 billion in capital works funding.

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## SURPRISE VISIT FOR OLLIE

Whyalla's Ollie Welgraven now has even more reason to rush out and wave to the kerbside waste truck driver every week.

Three-year-old Ollie lives with autism and also lives for trucks, cars and motorbikes. Every week, on bin day, he hears the Cleanaway waste truck coming from miles away and rushes out with mum Nissa to see the truck and driver in action.

Imagine his joy recently when driver Josh Kennedy stopped his truck, gave Ollie a wave and tooted his horn. Nissa was so moved she posted a thank you on the Whyalla Positivity Facebook page.

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## COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR PINK CAUSE

The City of Whyalla pinked up the Council chamber as part of October's Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Co-ordinated by Gail Rostig and her Council colleagues, an afternoon tea was held in the chamber to raise money for the McGrath Foundations "Pink Up Your Town" Campaign.

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## **UNIQUE ART TAKES PRIDE OF PLACE**

Whyalla's Neta Kranz Kindergarten now has an award-winning painting on its wall thanks to local dad Kane Selin.

Hobby artist Kane was encouraged by the kindergarten to enter his unique cuttlefish artwork in the 2019 CuttleFest Art Prize earlier this year. Kane had put his work together after gaining inspiration from a Natural Resources Eyre Peninsula kindergarten day-trip to the beach with his four-year-old son Harley.

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## CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY CELEBRATION

The City of Whyalla's new citizenship ceremony brought together a wonderful mix of families and friends at the start of October.

The group gathering and reading of the citizenship pledge in front of an audience was an idea from Mayor Clare McLaughlin. It proved an outstanding success as nearly 100 people enjoyed supper and mingled after the ceremony after witnessing 20 Whyalla residents become official Aussies.

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