



Seniors Collaborative  
Action Project

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**Minutes of the Consumer Engagement Working Group Meeting  
Held Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at Barossa Council**

1. **PRESENT:** Courtney, Denise, Deb, Eliza, Marilyn  
**APOLOGIES:** Annette, Lucy, Lynette, Sarah, Tracy,

2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Accepted

3. **BUSINESS ARISING:**

3.1 Gawler Ageing in Style Expo – Survey Monkey results

39 stall holders responded to the survey. Good feedback that be useful to address in future expos.

3.2 Transport Project

Follow-up key stakeholders workshop to be held Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May. 17 stakeholders have been invited to address the priority actions identified at the March 6<sup>th</sup> Consultation Forum. Everyone who attended the March 6<sup>th</sup> Forum will be advised of the outcomes.

3.3 2014 COTA SA Every Generation Festival Country Launch

- The date Oct 8<sup>th</sup> does not clash with any other community event and the Mental Health Group will have a stall at the Expo rather than having a separate event.
- Deb showed Celeste Angaston Town Hall and it was agreed it would be an ideal venue for the Launch and Expo so it has been booked.
- The Mayor of Barossa has been invited to speak.

4. **NEXT EXPO**

Kapunda Memorial Hall, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2014. Deb, Eliza and Davina visited the Hall.

- Eliza on leave (USA) 1<sup>st</sup> May – 10<sup>th</sup> June. Davina is contact person.
- Small venue that will only be able to accommodate 30 stalls. Some will have to share.
- Small area near stage and kitchen to be set up with chairs and tables for people to sit and eat.
- Limited powered sites.
- Committee members to bring their own trestles if possible.
- Kapunda Rotary will serve food and tea and coffee if we provide all the produce for a cost of \$270.
- Barossa Village and Tanunda Lutheran Home may share a bus to transport residents to the Expo.
- LRC will provide 2 x \$50 and SCAP will provide 1 x \$50 vouchers for YBR prize draw.
- Will provide transport if enough demand. Kapunda 21 seater bus should be available.
- Some entertainment already confirmed.
- **Actions:**
  - ***Eliza to contact Rotary about arriving early to prepare food ,e g cut up scones, whip cream. Also ask them is they would be willing to wash dishes so we don't have to buy disposable cups and plates.***
  - ***Deb to follow up with Poster design etc and to add contact information about transport.***
  - ***Marilyn to pass on Line Dancing contact details to Eliza***
  - ***Denise to pass on Gawler Country Music contact details to Eliza***
  - ***Stall numbers and hi-vis vests and badges available for use at all Expos***

## 5. SCAP PLANNING DAY PRIORITIES

Deb tabled new SCAP Strategic Plan which includes priorities developed on the Planning Day Under Consumer Engagement

- Seek ways to ensure the consumer voice is heard by service providers and decision makers.
- Organise a series of events that facilitates access to information by older people across the region.
- Involve consumers in identifying and addressing regional issues of concern including dementia and elder abuse

### 5.1 Dementia

- This has been identified as a SCAP priority. The recent Training Needs Survey identified training around Dementia at the top of the list.
- 1700 people per week are newly diagnosed with dementia and early onset dementia is increasing.
- Consumer engagement around this issue could involve
  - Dementia Friendly Communities audits – training people with dementia and their carers to conduct audits of places such as libraries, shopping centres, public spaces, and identifying improvements that would make it easier for people with dementia (and everyone to use)
  - Dementia Information Sessions. A number of years ago Caroline from CHS conducted breakfast meetings with local businesses to raise awareness about dementia.
  - Purple Angels– a UK initiative where shop owners display a ‘purple angel’ in their window which indicates they are ‘dementia friendly store. Staff have been trained to recognise and appropriately serve customers with dementia.
  - Dementia Link Worker. The need for a DLW was raised at the last Home Support & Home Care Packages Working Group meeting. Deb will propose the establishment of a working group to start gathering evidence of need for the 2015 HACC ACAR.
- Marilyn recommended the book “Still Julia”
- Deb will be attending a Carers’ Link Group of people with dementia on April 30<sup>th</sup>
- Deb will meet with Di Francis Alzheimers Australia on May 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss their presence in the region.

## 6. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

- WEAAD is Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup>. Elder Abuse Conference is Monday June 16<sup>th</sup>
- ARAS has produced a kit with ideas to promote awareness of Elder Abuse. This includes posters, postcards, purple balloons and purple ribbons.
- Deb would like to engage all the Centre Based Day Care providers in the week leading up to it eg purple morning tea, putting together purple ribbons to give out.
- Also get some consumers to hand out postcards and ribbons at shopping centres.
- All the libraries in the region to have a display, and include a slide on their foyer TV’s and something on their websites.
- Gawler Council portal
- Display in Tony Piccolo’s window

### **Actions:**

- ***Marilyn to ask Anne Schmidt if the Tanunda Club clients would be willing to put together purple ribbons***
- ***Deb to contact other Centre Based Day Care Coordinators***
- ***Deb to book Tony Piccolo’s window***

## 7. NEXT MEETING

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 1:00 – 2:30pm at Barossa Council

## 8. CLOSE Meeting closed at 2:30pm.