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Barossa Council newsletter

July 2016

Long Tan anniversary

Two special events will be held to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan in Vietnam.

A small group of Vietnam Veterans is working behind the scenes to mark the event on August 18 with a public memorial service at the Tanunda Memorial Gardens at 4pm followed by a civic reception by invitation at Barossa Council.

Veteran Iain Seabrook said it would be bittersweet to commemorate the victory at Long Tan, which is seen as one of the defining moments of the Vietnam War.

"Nothing quite stirs the memories and emotions of Vietnam Veterans like the mention of Long Tan," Mr Seabrook said.

"It typifies the courage and sacrifice of the Australian soldier against overwhelming odds.

"The memorial service and civic reception will honour all Australians who served their country during the Vietnam War and pay tribute to their bravery, tenacity and sacrifice."

Mayor Bob Sloane said he was proud to host the

civic reception for Vietnam Veterans and their partners.

"We must never forget the price our Vietnam veterans paid for their service," Mr Sloane said.

"Some 60,000 Australians served between 1962 and 1975, and their service is especially poignant as we mark the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan on August 18."

Invited veterans attending the civic reception should RSVP to Robert Nitschke on 0428 648 141 or email triumpht140v@bigpond.com



Iain Seabrook, Robert Nitschke and Richard Young are planning the 50th anniversary commemoration of the Battle of Long Tan in the Barossa.

Have your say on Council make-up

The composition of The Barossa Council, including the number of Elected Members and how they represent the area, is under review.

Members of the public are invited to have their say as part of a staged Elector Representation Review process.

During the first stage of consultation, Council received 12 submissions on the recently released "Options Paper", which outlined a range of issues relating to the make-up of Council, such as whether it should have:

- a Mayor elected by the community or a chairperson selected by Elected Members;
- a ward or non-ward structure;



- area councillors and ward councillors;
- the number of Elected Members required in order to achieve fair representation for the electorate.

A further Review Report will go out for a second round of community consultation from 24 August to 23 September. The Review Report will be available on

Council's website (www.barossa.sa.gov.au) or at any library branch and throughout various community venues.

Submissions will again be invited on the Review Report in writing to PO Box 867, Nuriootpa 5355; on Council's website or via our online engagement platform www.ourbetterbarossa.com.au

Santos Tour returns to Lyndoch

In a coup for the Southern Barossa, Council has secured the Hostworks Stage 1 finish of the Santos Tour Down Under at Lyndoch in 2017.

Hostworks Stage 1 will begin in Unley on Tuesday, 17 January and enter the southern Barossa via Williamstown, taking in Sandy Creek for the first time with three laps passing through Barossa Valley Way.

Race Director Mike Turtur said the stage promised another spectacular day of racing.

Deputy Mayor Margaret Harris said Lyndoch would have the opportunity to defend its "Santos Best Dressed Town" title.



"We are thrilled to have the opportunity to showcase the Barossa once again to a worldwide audience, cementing the Barossa's reputation for food, wine and world-class cycling." The event runs from January 14-22. Visit www.tourdownunder.com.au for all the details.

Angaston Railway revitalisation

The historic Angaston Railway Station site is set to be revitalised into a vibrant public space following the transfer of land from the State Government to Council.

The first milestone will be development of a masterplan that provides a 10 year vision for activation of the precinct as a heritage, tourism and community hub.

The Angaston Station Working Party is working alongside Council to identify potential future uses such as markets, library and visitor information services, pop-ups, events, art gallery, heritage museum and retail or commercial tenancies such as cafes or wine tasting.

"In coming months we'll be inviting the community to have a say on what they would like to see at this site – no idea is too big or too small," said Council's



(Foreground) Cr Mark Grossman, Deputy Mayor Margaret Harris and Angaston Station Working Party chair Theo Marks with Phil Martin, John Anderson, Mark Graetz, Ian Williamson and John Richardson.

Manager Library and Heritage Services, Tania Paull.

Working Party Chair Theo Marks

said the project will recognise the historical and cultural significance of the site, restoring the precinct to its former glory.

Meet

The Lean Machine



Fred Federal

80%



Colin Council

4%



Sally State

16%

Local councils do a lot

for less than 4%* of your taxes

Aged and disability services | Bike tracks | Building assessment and compliance
 Burning permits | Caravan parks | Cemeteries | Community centres and buses
 Dam approvals | Dog and cat control | Economic development | Environmental health
 Events | Fire prevention | Flood control | Food safety | Footpaths | Heritage grants and
 protection | Libraries | Parks, reserves and playgrounds | Public toilets | Recycling Roads
 RV dump points | Sporting facilities | Stormwater management | Street lighting
 Tourism information | Vermin control | Waste collection and disposal

