



Cosi from "South Aussie with Cosi" does an impromptu interview with cyclists on the Jack Bobridge Track.

Below, left to right: Tourism Manager Cathy Wills, Cosi on location, and with Mayor Bob Sloane outside the Visitor Centre.



# Two thumbs up for tourism

It was a celebration of all things "South Aussie" when Cosi from the TV show of the same name arrived in the Barossa to sell the region's food, wine and cycle tourism to his legions of fans around the state.

humour came to the fore as he showcased the best of the Barossa in his inimitable "two thumbs up" Cosi style.

The social media juggernaut also delivered on facebook - within 48 hours his post about the VIC had reached nearly 60,000 people and attracted 485 comments, making it one of the biggest non-competition posts of the week.

The segment commissioned by Council in conjunction with Tourism Barossa and RDA Barossa will air in September.

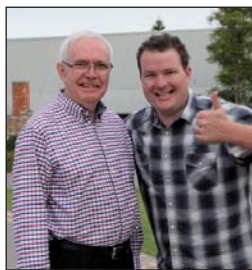
Mayor Bob Sloane and Council staff had the pleasure of hosting Cosi (Andrew Costello) for the morning as he filmed on location at the Cycle Hub, Visitor Information Centre (VIC), Jack Bobridge Track and Public Art Sculpture.

His professionalism and



A sea of poppies handmade by members of the community have been dispatched to Melbourne for the '5000 Poppies' Project.

As part of the 2015 Anzac Commemoration, a field of 225,000 poppies will be "planted" in Federation Square as a visual tribute to Australian troops. Julie Bailey from Barossa Library is pictured with some of the 500 locally-made poppies that will be part of the 800 square metre installation.



## New DVD tells Bushgardens story



NRM Communities Coordinator Andy Raymond, Friends of Barossa Bushgardens chair Kate Jenkins and Mayor Bob Sloane reflect on the history of the site at the DVD launch.

Volunteers, supporters and friends have been cast in starring roles for a new DVD that tells the unique story of the Barossa Bushgardens.

Screen and film students from Flinders University produced the short film which was launched last week to showcase the groundbreaking work being done at the Bushgardens site.

"The program is a national first and helps communities develop media products to improve their exposure and attract volunteers to the organisation," said Friends of Barossa Bushgardens chair Kate Jenkins. "We were one of 10

groups selected to work with the students with funding through the Office for Volunteers 'Community Voices' program."

The Bushgardens' "live local, plant local" theme features strongly in the film, with cameos from Barossa identities Ingrid Glastonbury and Cameron Ashmead as well as local students, staff, sponsors, volunteers, village landcare and NRM officers.

The Bushgardens was originally set up as a seed source to protect the region's biodiversity, but has diversified into a "one stop shop" for natural resources management.



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## Public help needed to stop European wasps in their tracks



Public help is needed to locate European Wasp nests as their activity escalates in the dry, warm autumn conditions.

The Barossa Council's Manager Building and Health Services, Peter Morgan, said wasps can create a nuisance whilst foraging for food and water.

"Wasps fly in straight lines so we're asking people to speak to their neighbours and identify where the wasps are coming from so we can arrange contractors to undertake eradication at the site of the nest," said Mr Morgan.

Nests are normally built

underground or in the cavities of walls or trees but have also been found in roof spaces, old hay bales, compost heaps, retaining walls and the top of creek banks.

Not to be confused with paper or mud wasps, the European wasp is about the same size

as a bee but slimmer in body and is distinguished by its bright yellow abdomen with black triangular markings.

People who find a nest can contact council on 8563 8444 with instructions on its location, but should not disturb the nest or attempt eradication.



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