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The Barossa Council is committed to assisting young local people who have excelled in their particular sport, cultural or recreational activity through the Youth Grants Program.

been selected for a significant development opportunity as a result of excellence in a particular chosen field.

The program offers funding of up to \$250 to individuals that have

For more information on Council's Youth Grants visit www.barossa.sa.gov.au

Youth Grants



Youth grant recipients (pictured left): Opal Mader, Abigayle Mader, Rhys Cannizzaro, Isaac Feltus, Katelyn Young and Tiffany Koek with Mayor Bob Sloane. (Pictured above) Katina Glouftsis and Deputy Mayor, Dave de Vries.

A bike friendly vision

Businesses are invited to develop and trial the 'Bike Friendly Business' initiative to increase cycling in the region.

Discussions will take place with businesses to determine activities and incentives for cyclists, which may include:

- displaying a 'Bike Friendly Business' promotional sign/sticker
- providing suitable bike parking/storage
- accommodating seating for groups of bike riders
- storing basic bike maintenance equipment
- offering water bottle refills
- taking part in promotional cycle events
- considering cyclist discounts and special offers



Any business interested in taking part is encouraged to contact Natalya Boujenko from Intermethod on 0413 570 229 or email natalya.boujenko@intermethod.com.au. This project is supported by the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure

Your elected members



Mayor Bob Sloane, Cr. Leonie Boothby, Cr. Scotty Milne, Cr. Margaret Harris, Cr. Mark Grossman, Cr. Dave de Vries, Cr. Michael Seager, Cr. Richard Miller, Cr. John Angas, Cr. Christopher Harms, Cr. Tony Hurn, Cr. Michael (Bim) Lange

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Creating a vision for the future

The Barossa Council is embarking on a new and exciting project to develop a 20 year Community Plan. This Community Plan will become a long term vision for OUR Barossa Community.

"As a Council we are extremely excited about this project and hope the community will share our enthusiasm in developing an aspirational plan to create a better Barossa," said Mayor Bob Sloane.

"We are encouraging everyone to participate and become part of the conversation. Young and old, we want to hear your views about the priorities for the Barossa, what they are now and what they might be in 20 years time.

"It's about thinking ahead, understanding and recognising what the key priorities might be for our region and how we can continue to grow and develop whilst maintaining our integrity and spirit. We are committed to valuing our identity to benefit future generations; embracing a culture of mutual respect, inclusion, safety and security; inspiring vision, courage and enterprise; encouraging and celebrating successes that enrich and strengthen our community."

Council has recognised six key areas as priorities for the region. These include **Environment and Heritage, Business and Employment, Physical and Social Infrastructure, Community and Culture, Health and Wellbeing, Communication and Technology.**

A six week community engagement strategy has been developed to provide every demographic with the opportunity to join the conversation and help us determine how the pieces are going to come together.

There are many ways for you to become part of the conversation:

- Visit www.barossa.sa.gov.au and click on the Our Better Barossa link
- Engage through Council's Facebook page
- Let your photos do the talking through our Instagram page #ourbetterbarossa
- Take part in a short online survey
- Put pen to paper and fill in a postcard, or make a written submission
- Have your say at one of our pop up community spaces
- Become part of the conversation and attend a community feedback session

Consultation ends 5pm, December 13, 2015.



Your chance to have your say!

Come and be part of the conversation and help us develop a 20 year Community Plan.

Pop Up Stalls

- Nov 7: Barossa Farmers Market (8.30am-10.30am)
- Nov 19: The Co-op (Nuri) (11.30am-1.30pm)
- Nov 21: Mt Pleasant Farmers Market (9am -11am)
- Dec 5: Barossa Visitor Centre, Tanunda (time TBC)
- Dec 9: Lyndoch, near the library) (time TBC)

World Cafe Community Sessions

- November 11 - Williamstown Clubrooms, (Queen Victoria Jubilee Park) 5.30pm-7.30pm
- December 2 - Nuriootpa Council 5.30pm - 7.30pm

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In-kind support for community

As an organisation, our aim is to constantly improve and increase the level of service we provide.

As well as providing tangible services to the community, there is a number of hidden examples where Council assists the community via in-kind support.

For example, in the 2014-15 financial year Council spent \$33,579.74 on temporary road closures for numerous events

This figure alone represents a significant investment into supporting our community and community events.

The judges were highly impressed by the range of initiatives and innovative ideas implemented.

- Judging panel

A visual snapshot of our region

BAROSSA CALENDAR 2016



This year's front cover, featuring photography by Ian Codrington.

Due to the last year's success the 12 month Barossa Calendar is back.

The calendar is a visual representation of the Barossa through the eyes of amateur photographers. Thirteen stunning images, selected from 160 entries, feature in the calendar which showcases the real gems of the Barossa.

The calendar is available for purchase from the Barossa VIC in Tanunda or the Nuriootpa Council Office for \$20.

Bushfire season

The hotter than normal start to Spring has already prompted early warnings and reminders about the danger of bushfires.

People are encouraged to start cleaning up their properties in preparation for the impending Fire Danger season, which typically starts on December 1.

Reducing the fuel load is one of the most important ways to prepare. Spring is a great time to get your property ready by:

- Reducing, removing and managing vegetation such as

long grass within 20 metres of your home; and within five metres of sheds and garages.

- Removing dead branches, leaves and undergrowth from around your home, especially under trees.
- Pruning tree limbs that are lower than two metres above the ground, or overhanging your home.
- Removing bark, heavy mulch, wood piles and any other flammable materials close to your home.

Now is also a good time to review, update and practise your Bushfire Survival Plan. Visit www.cfs.sa.gov.au.

Heart health

Council has been recognised for helping to create a healthy, liveable community with an award in the Heart Foundation's Healthy Communities Award.

The awards recognise councils that embed healthy living and active recreation opportunities into everyday life.

Council was highly commended for its Cycle Hub initiative, the new Men's Shed in Tanunda and a range of cycling events and activities designed to increase cycling rates and use of cycle infrastructure.

Trifecta for Bushgardens

Congratulations to the Barossa Bushgardens which won the Community Award in the South Australian Regional Awards in October. The Bushgardens were inducted into the Hall of Fame for being three-time Award winners.

Council was also named a finalist in the Health category of the Awards for health initiatives such as the Barossa Cycle Hub, Jack Bobridge Track and the Regional Health Plan.



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Left: Evie Kurtz of Angaston and (right) Sam Hayes with the Hayes family plaque on the Village Green for the Emirates Melbourne Cup.



Above: Riding for the Disabled volunteer Barry with William Richardson from Nuriootpa and "Dory".

1986 Melbourne-Cup winning jockey Michael Clarke with Matt Benson from McEvoy Mitchell Racing and Steve Falland from Angaston Community and Business Alliance.



(Right) The Cup makes a visit to Daphne Gower at Tanunda Lutheran Homes.



Above: Isla Helbig at the Nature Play Festival event at the Bushgardens
Below: Brandon Nankivell's unicycle demonstration.



The Bushgardens team were inducted into the South Australian Regional Awards Hall of Fame.



Kellie Brown of Keyneton with Lachie and Maddie.



A big turnout for the group ride at the Barossa by Bike cycle expo.



Jo Baker with Koby, 4.



Budding riders learn skills at the cycle expo.