

Warm wishes for the holiday season from RDA Eyre Peninsula! We hope this time provides you with the opportunity to unwind, relax and spend quality time with your loved ones.

## **CHRISTMAS CLOSURE**

Our office will be closed from midday 22nd December 2023 and will re-open on Monday 8 January 2024.

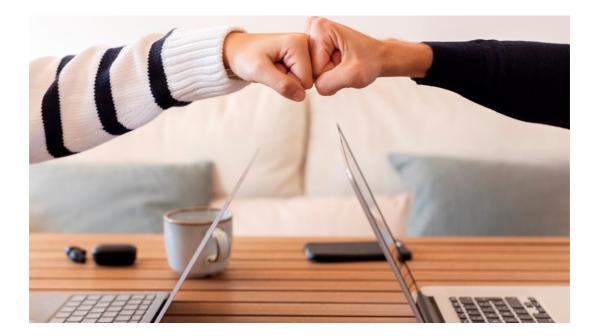
#### **RDA Eyre Peninsula News - December 2023**

# Farewell to Annabelle Hender, Tourism Development Manager



A big thank you to Annabelle for the time, effort and expertise she has dedicated to RDAEP over the past 2.5 years. She leaves the Eyre Peninsula tourism industry in a much stronger position as a result of her work and achievements. Annabelle's passion, commitment, and enthusiasm for sustainable tourism on the Eyre Peninsula has been highly valued and greatly appreciated. We wish Annabelle all the best for her next chapter.

**Small Business Fundamentals Program (SBFP)** 



#### One-on-one mentoring is NOW AVAILABLE!

Complete the survey to receive discounted advice to help your business: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FMPL55C Click HERE for more information.

The second SBFP workshop "Breaking Barriers: A Workshop on Mindset and Business Growth" was held in Ceduna on 21 November.

A great session with Justine Carey - Growth Mindset Coach, with some key takeaways being:

- The importance of a clearly defined goal
- Repetition and consistency to make lasting changes
- How visualisations can help with your goals
- Setting boundaries and ensuring work/life balance practices are in place
- Have fun with your planning and growth.

#### Further workshops are planned for the first quarter of 2024.

If you would like to learn more about the Small Business Fundamentals Program, contact Julie Wynne on 8682 6588, julie.wynne@rdaep.org.au

#### Migration information webinar for businesses



Wednesday 31 January, 10:00am Hosted by RDA Eyre Peninsula

A FREE migration information webinar will be held on January 31 for businesses in the Upper Spencer Gulf and Eyre Peninsula.

The webinar is for any business interested in learning about options for hiring workers through/on a visa, with presentations from the Department of Home Affairs, the Department for Industry, Innovations and Science and the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) scheme. There will be updates on the newly released Migration Strategy and information on skilled visas, the PALM scheme and what resources are available for businesses to find out more information.

Link to tickets: https://events.humanitix.com/migration-information-webinar-for-businesses

#### New Eyre Peninsula website





The new Eyre Peninsula tourism website is now live!

This project is possible due to a collaborative agreement between SATC and RDAEP, brand implementation funding from councils and the time and efforts of RDAEP staff (Tamsin, Casey and Annabelle) in conjunction with SATC over the past 12 months.

Website content related to tourism products and attractions on the website is pulled from the Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) listings, emphasising tourism businesses and stakeholders to create listings for their products, experiences, facilities, services and associated support infrastructure.

Visit www.eyrepeninsula.com

#### Eyre Peninsula desalination project



If you would like to be involved in the Eyre Peninsula Desalination Project construction process, you can register your interest by email to epdesal@sawater.com.au with your business name,

contact details [...]

#### EV charging stations rolling out across EP



Electric vehicle charging stations are rolling out across the Eyre Peninsula. RDAEP assisted RAA with site selection and advocated for all Eyre Peninsula towns to have a charging station. The [...]

## Have Your Say Regulations for electricity planning and forecast functions



Feedback is being sought on proposed changes to the Electricity (General) Regulations 2012, which will support the introduction of a new planning and forecasting function in the State. The proposed [...]

#### Have your say on the new Aged Care Act



Help change the aged care laws
Have your say and put older people first

Consultation on the draft new Aged Care Act is now open. The Department of Health and Aged Care invites anyone interested in aged care – including older people, their families [...]

#### **Recreational Boating Safety Strategy**



The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) is developing the first ever South Australian Recreational Boating Safety Strategy to improve safety for recreational boaters and others who share our state's [...]

#### YourSAy Creating for the Future



The South Australian Government has launched the Creating for the Future discussion paper, the first step in building a landmark cultural policy. The policy will develop a long-term vision for the [...]

#### **TRAINING and SKILLS**

#### **TAFE SA local update**



For Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula – from Robert Butt, your Manager, Education Partnerships As the new Manager, Education Partnerships in the Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula Region, I would like to [...]

### SA Skills Commissioner visits Upper Spencer Gulf



On Tuesday 12th December, Cameron Baker, the SA Skills Commissioner travelled to Port Augusta to meet with key stakeholders within the Upper Spencer Gulf to: Representatives from Local Government, Regional [...]

#### Fee FREE TAFE courses



TAFE SA will provide up to 50 qualifications and skills sets in 2024, free of tuition fees for eligible students that align and meet South Australia's industry demand to grow [...]

## **GRANT AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

## Industry Growth Program OPEN



The Industry Growth Program is now open, with startups and innovative small and medium businesses (SMEs) able to apply for expert advice on their commercialisation and growth projects. The Industry [...]

#### \$30m On Farm Connectivity Program now open



Applications are now open for Round 1 of the Albanese Government's new On Farm Connectivity Program (OFCP) to increase the uptake of agtech to boost productivity, growth and sustainability of [...]

# The final round of Rebuilding Regional Communities is now open.



The Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal's (FRRR) Strengthening Rural Communities program provides grants of up to \$10,000 supporting local organisations to uplift their communities following significant disruption from COVID-19.

From 2022 to 2024, the Australian Government has invested \$5 million in the Rebuilding Regional Communities stream of the FRRR's Strengthening Rural Communities program.

- Learn more: Strengthening Rural Communities Rebuilding Regional Communities and Supporting the regions
- Applications close: 5:00PM (AEDT) 26 February 2024.
- Help: covidsupport@frrr.org.au / 1800 170 020

For all other grant and funding opportunities, please click here - Grant Finder

## HANDY RESOURCES

Click on this link - Handy Resources or on the links below.

Primary Industries and Regions SA - stay informed and read PIRSA's latest news.

**Business Industry Information** - handy resources to help you learn about your industry's legal, operational and business requirements.

#### RDAEP

**Eyre Peninsula** 

#### **Tourism Development**



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