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Mayor's Message



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Dear Robe Community,

Warm greetings to Robe residents and visitors. I hope you are able to take in the beautiful blooming wild spring flowers along our scenic walking tracks. Robe really is an enchanting bustling place in the warmer months.

Remembrance Day 11th November

The upcoming Remembrance service on Wednesday 11th November in lieu of a wreath I will again lay a parcel of books in remembrance of all service women and men. These books will then be given to Robe Primary School. Giving all students the gift of knowledge and love of books.

Southern Ocean Art Prize Opening Night Gala

I was so pleased to attend the annual Southern Ocean Art Prize Opening Night Gala last Friday. A wonderful event celebrating Australian artists and inspires and delights audiences.

It was an honour to introduce Sarah Andrews, Member for Gibson, Assistant Minister for Arts, who officiated the Opening Night Gala. Thank you to Ms Andrews for your support of the Robe community. The art show will continue to be displayed at the Robe Institute until November 9th, and a selection of pieces exhibited from November 9th till 29th at the Karatta Wine Room and Gallery. Make sure you come and see the finalist art pieces made by local and interstate artists.



Mayor Lisa Ruffell with the winner Kate Keast and Sarah Andrews MP, Assistant Minster for Arts

Robe Community Clean Up

Thank you to the students, teachers and staff of Robe Primary School, the Robe Lions Club and National Parks and Wildlife Service for supporting the Robe community clean up, on Friday 23rd October.

It was marvellous to see the entire Robe Primary School getting involved and taking pride in keeping our town clean and beautiful. Our young people are leading the charge and setting a wonderful example for future generations. A special thank you to Principal Anne Greyson, the Robe Lions Club, and Connor from National Parks and Wildlife Service, Robe.

Robe is fortunate to have such beautiful natural surroundings, and we all have a role to play in looking after them. Today's efforts demonstrate what can be achieved when our school, community organisations and Council work together. Congratulations to every student involved. You should all be very proud of the difference you've made today.

Remember, keeping Robe clean isn't just a one-day event. It's something we can all contribute to every day!



Many hands make light work!

National Police Remembrance Day

On Tuesday, 29 September, Cr Marcia Dening represented the District Council of Robe at the National Police Remembrance Day Service in Mount Gambier, where she laid a wreath on Council's behalf.

The service recognises the dangers faced by police officers and honours those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the community. First held in 1989, National Police Remembrance Day remains an important date on the policing calendar.

Police officers protect our communities every day, and we are incredibly grateful for their service. We especially thank our local police officers and those who travel to Robe to assist during the summer period. Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated.

I also thank Cr Dening for attending and representing Council at this important event.



National Police Remembrance Day Service in Mount Gambier

Robe History Highlights

17 October 1846 – Robe's First Land Sales

A significant milestone in the beginnings of our town, when the first allotments were offered for sale. Robe was on its way to becoming an important port and the administrative and commercial centre of the South East. £15 was the first land sale; which at the time was worth approximately 75 days of wages for a skilled labourer, or the price of two cows. In today's conversion, would be closer to $4000, or two cows… Some things change; some things stay the same! (Calculations from measuringworth.com)

17 October 2010 – Australia's First Saint

On the very same date, 164 years later, Mary MacKillop was canonised in Rome as Australia's first saint. She has a lovely connection to Robe, Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church is famous for its connection with Saint Mary MacKillop. Located in Hagen Street, Between 1867 and 1888 the Sisters of St Joseph, a teaching order founded by MacKillop, ran a school for parish children in two rooms attached to the church. Mary MacKillop visited the school regularly. Some observers have noted that the simplicity of the church reflects the poverty of local Catholic worshippers at the time it was built, many of whom were Irish servants and labourers.

3 November 1869 – The First Robe Council Meeting.

The first Council meeting was held on 3 November 1869, when James Trego Williams was elected Chairman. The first Clerk of the Council was William Warren. Exactly one week after the District Council of Robe was proclaimed on 28 October 1869. The first major work to be undertaken by the Robe Council was the construction of roads in Robe Town.

Leadership Reflections

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, each month leading up to the special local Government Elections in April 2027, I am sharing some of my personal insights on leadership.

Inspired by the history highlight I shared above, St Mary MacKillop famously said, "Never see a need without doing something about it"

To me, this quote encapsulates the motivating spirit behind all great leaders. What is the purpose of any leader, any government body, if not at the service of the community. Its not enough to voice complaints, concerns, needs, etc, but leadership requires real action and thoughtful service.

Contact Me

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, share ideas, or need further information, I am available by appointment. Just give me a call on my Mayoral contact number 0474 581 595.

Warm regards



Mayor Lisa Ruffell

A Word From The CEO



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Earlier this month, I attended a presentation by the South Eastern Water Conservation and Drainage Board at a Limestone Coast Local Government Association meeting, which provided some fascinating insights into the scale and importance of our region's drainage infrastructure.

Here are a few interesting statistics that caught my attention!

Did you know?

- The South East has an extraordinary 2,547 kilometres of Board-managed drains, comprising 389 channels, 2,521 bridges, crossings and other water management structures, and 13 ocean outlets.
- There are also approximately 3,500 kilometres of private drains across the region.
- Within the District Council of Robe area alone, the Board's network includes 15 bridges and nine culvert structures.
- The drainage network supports approximately 80,000 hectares of significant connected wetlands, alongside agricultural production, flood mitigation and essential transport routes.
- Much of the region's drainage infrastructure was constructed during the 1950s and 1960s and is now approaching, or has already reached, the end of its useful life.

While we might think of drains simply as a way of moving excess water off agricultural land, their role is far more complex. They support agricultural productivity, protect roads and infrastructure from flooding, contribute to the health of our wetlands and natural environments, and help maintain important transport and emergency access routes.

Interestingly, the role of drainage infrastructure has also evolved over time. What was historically developed largely to drain land for agricultural purposes is now also being managed to conserve water, support important ecosystems and respond to changing environmental conditions.

From Drainage Corridors to Walking Trails

And speaking of drains, there's an exciting recreational opportunity we're continuing to explore!

On 13 October, I joined local trails enthusiast and member of our Trails Project Team, Holly Prest, Natasha Dawson from Walk the Limestone Coast, and Rod Quintrell, Director of Walking SA, for an on-ground exploration of two of the priority trails identified in Council's recently endorsed Robe Trails Strategy.

We drove the proposed Woakwine Trail route, discussing ideas for its development, opportunities to enhance the trail experience and some of the practical considerations involved in bringing it to life.

We also visited the proposed West Beach Loop, another priority identified in the Strategy, to explore its potential and consider how this beautiful part of our coastline could be better enjoyed by walkers.

The proposed Woakwine Trail would create a 7.2-kilometre loop, commencing from Boomeroo Park Road, following the drain corridor towards Kangaroo Hill Road before looping back. The trail is intended to

accommodate both walkers and cyclists, creating another opportunity for residents and visitors to explore our beautiful natural environment.

Council is currently awaiting the outcome of a grant application through the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing to support the development of this multi-use trail.

Building on this work, this week I am meeting with representatives of the South Eastern Water Conservation and Drainage Board to commence further discussions and negotiations around the potential for a shared-use trail along Drain L, connecting Robe to the proposed Woakwine Trail.

This longer-term connection is particularly exciting, with the potential to create an extended recreational network linking our township with the surrounding landscape.

There is still work to be done, including discussions around land access, approvals and the practicalities of developing a trail within an operational drainage corridor, but it is an opportunity well worth pursuing.



Rod Quintrell, Director of Walking SA, Holly Prest & Natasha Dawson on the West Beach Trail.

It was wonderful to spend time with people who share such enthusiasm for walking trails and to hear their ideas and experiences. Having that local knowledge, combined with the expertise of organisations such as Walking SA, is incredibly valuable as we move from planning into implementation.

It's also a great example of how existing infrastructure corridors might provide new opportunities for recreation, tourism and community wellbeing, while continuing to serve their important water management functions.

I'll keep you posted as discussions progress!

Nat Traeger

Chief Executive Officer

Infrastructure Update



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Lake Butler Channel Dredging Completed

We are pleased to advise that the 2026 Lake Butler Marina entrance channel maintenance dredging program has been successfully completed. The works were undertaken by Victorian Marine Services during September and October to improve navigational access for commercial fishing vessels, recreational boat users and visiting vessels.

The dredging program targeted a channel depth of 3 metres below Australian Height Datum (AHD), equivalent to approximately 2.4 metres below Chart Datum.

The original dredging design identified the minimum area requiring maintenance. During the campaign, Council instructed the contractor to extend the dredging further seaward to improve water depths along the approach to the marina. This additional work has provided a greater extent of improved navigational depths than originally planned.

More Than 10,800 Cubic Metres of Sand Removed

Hydrographic surveys undertaken before and after the dredging identified a net reduction of approximately 10,809 cubic metres of seabed material across the dredged areas. This was significantly more than the original estimate of 3,000 to 5,000 cubic metres and reflects Council's decision to extend the dredging further out from the marina entrance.

To put this into perspective, the volume is equivalent to approximately 1,080 loads in Council's 10-cubic-metre tandem tipper trucks.

The dredged material, consisting predominantly of sand and shell grit, was pumped to the approved placement area on Town Beach, adjacent to the southern breakwater. The material was allowed to dewater before being progressively spread and incorporated into the beach, providing a beneficial reuse of the sand within the local coastal environment.



Town Beach replenished with the dredged sand

Works Completed Under Budget

The project had an approved budget of $277,883 excluding GST, with the final Victorian Marine Services invoice totalling $271,091.64 excluding GST. This represents approximately $6,791 remaining against the approved budget, despite the significantly greater volume of material removed.

Council acknowledges that the dredging works caused temporary disruption to sections of Town Beach and thanks residents, visitors, marina users and nearby businesses for their patience and understanding.

Inner Marina Dredging Trial – Commencing November 2026

With the entrance channel dredging now completed, Council is progressing a separate dredging trial within Lake Butler Marina, scheduled to commence in November. The trial will be undertaken by Maritime Constructions Pty Ltd and is expected to take approximately 4–7 days, subject to weather and operational conditions.

Unlike the predominantly sandy material removed from the entrance channel, sediment within the marina consists of finer material, including accumulated silts, which cannot be managed using the same beach disposal methodology. The trial will involve removing approximately 80 cubic metres of sediment from within the marina and pumping it into two specially designed geobags positioned on the marina hardstand.

The geobags allow water to drain from the sediment while retaining the finer material. The trial will also assess the effectiveness of water treatment, including the use of flocculants to assist with separating fine sediment from water. An important part of the trial will be determining how much the sediment reduces in volume as it dewaters and consolidates. This information will assist Council in estimating the quantity of material requiring disposal following future dredging campaigns.

Temporary access restrictions will be required within sections of the marina during the trial, including areas around the dredging equipment, pipelines and geobag dewatering operations. Marina users are asked to observe temporary signage and follow directions from the contractor and Council staff. We will work with the contractor to minimise disruption to marina operations.

Subject to meeting the necessary environmental requirements, the dewatered material is proposed to be beneficially reused as capping material at Council's former landfill site. The trial will provide valuable information on the effectiveness of the proposed dredging and dewatering methodology, operational requirements and likely costs of undertaking a larger dredging program within the marina.

This will allow Council to make more informed decisions about future dredging priorities, the extent of works that can be undertaken and the funding required to progressively improve water depths within Lake Butler Marina. We will provide further updates following completion of the trial and assessment of the results.

Main Road – Road Maintenance Update

Council has been following up with the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) regarding outstanding road patching works along Main Road, particularly near Lake Fellmongery, Lake Charra and the caravan park. These works were originally postponed during last year's peak tourist period to avoid disruption, with the expectation that they would be completed once visitor numbers reduced.

DIT has advised that, due to the transition between road maintenance contractors and ongoing recruitment of Downer's local maintenance crew, the works have not yet been rescheduled. Unfortunately, DIT has indicated that the works are unlikely to be completed before Christmas, as higher-priority highway maintenance must be undertaken first.

We will continue to work with DIT to have these outstanding repairs completed as soon as possible, with a further update expected following a scheduled meeting in November.

Rural Roads Maintenance Update

Council has continued its rural road maintenance program in recent months, with patrol grading works completed across a number of roads, mostly in the Greenways and Bray areas.

The works aim to maintain road surfaces, improve driving conditions and help manage the wear and tear associated with regular traffic and changing weather conditions.

Roads included in the recent patrol grading program were: Loxtons Road, West Avenue Road, Ballantynes Road, Woodleigh Lane, Jorgensons Road, Cortina Road, Ackson Park Road, Legoes Road, Powells Road, Nora Creina Road, Bog Lane, Evans Cave Road, Douglas Dawson Track, Lake Hawdon Road, Dawsons Lane and Lous Lane.

Council appreciates the patience of motorists while maintenance works are carried out and reminds road users to take care when travelling on rural roads, particularly where loose gravel or recently graded surfaces may be present.

First Ramp Reopened At Long Beach

Good news for beachgoers! Access at First Ramp on Long Beach has now reopened following sand replenishment works at the base of the ramp.

Council has also reinstalled the barriers near Second Ramp, preventing vehicle access to this section of the beach.

As a timely reminder, vehicles are prohibited from accessing the First Ramp area, and dogs must be kept on leads at all times within this section of Long Beach.

Town Beach Pontoon Ready For Summer

Good news for locals and visitors, with the Town Beach pontoon now installed and ready for the upcoming summer season!

Following last month's update, Council is pleased to confirm the pontoon has been reinstated, providing another opportunity for beachgoers to enjoy the water and make the most of Robe's beautiful coastline.

With warmer weather just around the corner, it's great to see another of our popular beach facilities ready for the busy months ahead.

Kind regards

Dave Worthley



Town Beach pontoon being enjoyed by some seasoned 'locals'

October Council Meeting Highlights

Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 14 October 2026

At its Ordinary Meeting on 14 October 2026, Council considered the outcomes of three recent community consultation processes relating to Long Beach Reserve, the Out of the Frame public art project and the proposed Robe Surf Life Saving Club facility.

Community feedback is an important part of Council's decision-making process, helping Council understand different perspectives, identify concerns and consider opportunities before reaching a decision.

We sincerely thank everyone who took the time to participate in these consultations and share their views.

Long Beach Reserve – Recognising Our Lions Club

Council recently sought community feedback on a proposal to rename Long Beach Reserve to Robe Lions Reserve, in recognition of the Robe Lions Club's longstanding contribution to the area.

Following consideration of the feedback received, Council resolved not to proceed with the proposed name change, instead retaining the familiar Long Beach Reserve name while finding another way to acknowledge the Club's contribution.

Council approved the installation of recognition signage acknowledging that Long Beach Reserve is proudly supported by the Robe Lions Club.

This approach retains the reserve's established identity while recognising the many years of volunteer effort and investment by the Lions Club, including improvements to playground facilities, shade structures, seating, boardwalk benches, fencing and other amenities.

Robe Lions Club representatives Trevor Wagner and Mark Muir have been nominated by the Club to work with Council staff to develop the wording, design, and funding arrangements for the signage.

We thank everyone who contributed to the consultation process and particularly acknowledge the Robe Lions Club for its ongoing generosity and commitment to our community.

Robe Surf Life Saving Club – Preferred Location Endorsed

Council considered community feedback on the proposed location of a future Robe Surf Life Saving Club facility at Long Beach Reserve.

Following the consultation process, Council resolved to approve Long Beach Reserve in principle as the preferred location for the proposed facility.

This is an important step towards supporting the Club's aspirations for a permanent home and strengthening beach safety services for our community and visitors.

Further work will be required to address land tenure arrangements and relevant approvals before the proposal can progress.

Council acknowledges the efforts of the Robe Surf Life Saving Club in progressing the proposal and thanks everyone who contributed feedback on the proposed location.

Out of the Frame – Public Art Project

Council also considered the final community engagement outcomes for the Out of the Frame public art project at the Robe Cemetery.

Following community feedback and further consideration of the design and installation requirements, Council endorsed a revised arrangement featuring two silhouettes positioned together on the existing stone walls at the cemetery entrance.

One silhouette will celebrate the late Shirley Snook, while the other will depict the mysterious historic Robe Old Gaol image.

The project will also incorporate interpretive signage and landscaping developed with local community input, using the existing stone walls to create a unique public artwork that celebrates Robe's history and community connections.

The revised arrangement provides a practical installation solution while retaining the original intent of the artwork and its tribute to Shirley Snook.

We thank everyone who contributed their thoughts and ideas throughout the consultation process and look forward to seeing the artwork come to life.



Out Of The Frame concept images - actual design of silhouettes and interpretive sign may be different to what is shown

Thank You for Your Contribution

Council appreciates the time and effort community members put into participating in consultation processes. While community feedback is an important consideration, Council must also consider a range of other factors, including legislative requirements, financial implications, technical advice and the broader interests of the community.

Consultation is not necessarily about reaching a decision based on the number of submissions supporting or opposing a proposal. Rather, it is about ensuring different views are heard and considered as part of an informed and balanced decision-making process.

Thank you to everyone who continues to take an interest in Council's activities and contributes to shaping the future of Robe.

Council News

Community Information Session – Shark Bite Kits

A proposal to install Bite Aid Shark Bite Kits at key locations along the coastline between Robe and Beachport will be the focus of an upcoming Community Information Session. The initiative is being explored through a collaboration between the Robe Community Paramedic and the Robe and Beachport Lions Clubs, with the project funded by the Lions Club.



The kits are designed to provide essential equipment for responding to serious waterside trauma emergencies. Each kit contains items including a tourniquet, compression materials, dressings, thermal blankets, gloves and instructions for use.

Community Paramedic Daniel Norris will host an information session to explain the proposal, discuss the intended locations and provide an opportunity for interested community members to learn more about the project and ask questions.

The session will be held on Wednesday 25 November 2026, from 4.00pm to 5.00pm in the Council Chambers, 3 Royal Circus, Robe. Everyone is welcome to attend, find out more and learn how these kits could help improve emergency preparedness along our coastline.

Important Robe Marina Boat Ramp Ticket Update



The South Australian Government's free boat ramp ticket scheme, which was introduced because of the harmful algal bloom, ends on 30 November 2026. Boat ramp fees will apply from 1 December 2026.

Tickets can be purchased **from 1 December** through the EasyPark app using parking area code 25557 and your boat trailer registration number.

Unfortunately, for legislative reasons, tickets **cannot be purchased before this date.**

For boat ramp fees & further information, please visit the District Council of Robe website: www.robe.sa.gov.au/lakebutler-marina/boat-ramp

Planning To Use A Shipping Container For Storage?

Shipping Containers are considered a quick and affordable solution for storage, or as an outbuilding (shed). Historically the most common use is for a temporary storage option, especially in association with providing secure storage for materials being used in the construction of houses etc these containers are now more frequently being used for permanent storage/use of place of actual constructed sheds.



A shipping container is considered to be a building as defined in the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 1993 as it is "a building or structure, or a portion of a building or structure, whether temporary or permanent, moveable or immovable".

As such, they may be required to gain Development Approval to remain on the property or prior to transporting onto the property.

The use of Shipping Containers is dependent on the zoning, its usage, and the siting of the proposed container on the property. The building must be compliant with the Building Code and Australian Standards for its usage. In addition, the fixing of the container to the ground is important.

Can I use a shipping container to store materials if constructing an approved building?

Yes. A shipping container can be used as a temporary store (but not for the purposes of overnight accommodation) directly in association with the performance of approved building work on the site. The container must be removed from the property at the completion of the relevant building work (unless you have gained Development Approval for it to remain).

Illegal/Unlawful Development

Council is made aware of unlawful developments in various ways, including reports from the public and routine property compliance inspections. Under the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 it is an offence to undertake development without consent and the maximum penalty for an unlawful development is $120,000.

How to Enquire or Apply via PlanSA

We strongly encourage you to check the rules before purchasing or delivering a container to your property. To make an enquiry or lodge an application, residents can access the PlanSA website which assists you directly with the planning rules for the District Council of Robe. By using the portal's online too, you can enter your specific property address to instantly check what planning policies apply to your land, explore SA's Planning and Design Code https://code.plan.sa.gov.au/

If you need to submit a development application for a shipping container, you can complete the entire process digitally by creating an account, uploading your plans and specifications/reports (ie site, floor and elevation plans), and tracking the assessment progress from your computer or smartphone. For further information, please contact Council on 87682003 or make an enquiry on PlanSA https://plan.sa.gov.au/

COUNCIL UNPACKED

THE FACTS BEHIND THE THINGS THAT AFFECT YOU



DREDGING

LAKE BUTLER MARINA - UNDERSTANDING THE TWO DIFFERENT DREDGING CHALLENGES

Dredging at Lake Butler Marina regularly attracts community interest, particularly when works are taking place in the entrance channel or sand is being pumped onto Front Beach.

Residents often ask why dredging is necessary, why it takes place at certain times of the year and why Council can't simply dredge the entire marina at once.

There are two quite different challenges involved. The first is maintaining the entrance channel, where sand regularly accumulates through natural coastal processes. The second is managing the sediment that has built up within the marina over many decades.

Although both involve dredging, the materials, environmental requirements and costs are very different.

PART 1 - ENTRANCE CHANNEL DREDGING

WHY DOES THE ENTRANCE CHANNEL NEED DREDGING?

Waves, currents and storms continually move sand along Robe's coastline, with some of this sand accumulating in the marina entrance channel.

Over time, this reduces water depth and can make navigation difficult, particularly for larger vessels and during low tides.

Council undertakes regular maintenance dredging to maintain safe access for commercial fishing vessels, recreational boat owners and visiting vessels.

The marina is an important part of Robe's infrastructure, supporting the fishing industry, marine services, local employment and tourism. Maintaining access is therefore important to the wider community and local economy.



HOW MUCH SAND WAS REMOVED?

The amount of sand accumulating in the entrance channel can vary significantly between dredging programs.

During the 2024 dredging works, approximately 4,400 cubic metres of sand was removed.

The recent 2026 program is estimated to have removed approximately 11,000 cubic metres, more than twice the 2024 volume.

To put this into perspective, Council's tandem tipper trucks have a capacity of approximately 10 cubic metres. The recent dredging works therefore removed the equivalent volume of approximately 1,100 loads in one of Council's tandem tipper trucks.

This demonstrates the scale of the works and how significantly sand movement can vary between maintenance programs.

HOW DOES DREDGING BENEFIT FRONT BEACH?

One of the benefits of entrance channel dredging is that the sand removed can also be used to replenish Front Beach as part of Council's ongoing coastal protection strategy.

Rather than transporting the sand by truck, it is pumped through a pipeline to an approved placement area on Front Beach, where it drains before being reshaped as required.

This provides two benefits: maintaining safe access to the marina while returning suitable sand to Front Beach to help replenish the beach and provide a buffer against coastal erosion.

Council understands that the works can cause temporary inconvenience through pipelines, fencing, machinery and restricted beach access. However, the longer-term benefits extend beyond the marina to the ongoing protection of Robe's coastline.

WHAT DOES ENTRANCE CHANNEL DREDGING COST?



Council has a biennial budget allocation of approximately $277,000 for entrance channel maintenance dredging, with future allowances included in its Long Term Financial Plan.

This is a significant investment for a small council, particularly when considering the many other infrastructure and service demands across the district. Dredging is specialised work, and the equipment, mobilisation, environmental management and placement of sand all contribute to the overall cost.

Careful planning is therefore important to ensure the marina remains accessible while managing the cost to Council.



WHY IS DREDGING UNDERTAKEN AT THIS TIME OF YEAR?

Council is often asked why dredging takes place around the September and October school holidays.

The timing involves balancing several factors.

Winter and early spring storms can move significant quantities of sand into the entrance channel. Dredging too early may mean further storms deposit more sand before the busy summer boating season, potentially requiring the dredge to return at additional cost.

Council also considers opportunities to coordinate dredging with neighbouring councils, including works at Beachport. Specialist dredging equipment is expensive to transport and establish, so coordinating works where possible can help reduce mobilisation costs.

Weather, contractor availability and environmental approvals also influence the timing.

Another consideration is the introduced marine seaweed wakame (Undaria pinnatifida), which presents a biosecurity risk.

PIRSA has advised Council that September through December is a higher-risk period for wakame spore release. While this does not prohibit dredging, appropriate measures are required to minimise the risk of spreading the seaweed through dredging activities and equipment.

Council therefore needs to balance the risk of further winter sand accumulation, maintaining access before summer, minimising disruption to beach users and meeting environmental and biosecurity requirements.

Unfortunately, there is no single time of year that avoids all these challenges.



HAVE A QUESTION OR A TOPIC YOU WOULD LIKE UNPACKED?

We welcome suggestions for future Council Unpacked editions. Send your ideas to council@robe.sa.gov.au

PART 2 - INTERNAL MARINA DREDGING AND THE PROPOSED TRIAL

WHY DOES THE INSIDE OF THE MARINA NEED DREDGING?

Lake Butler Marina opened in 1964, and only minimal dredging has been undertaken within the marina basin over the past 60 years.

Unlike the predominantly sandy entrance channel, much of the material within the marina is dark, fine-grained organic silt, which is more difficult to remove and manage.

Council has undertaken hydrographic surveys to better understand the existing seabed levels throughout the marina.

These surveys show considerable variation in depth between areas such as Butler Arm North, Butler Arm South, Commercial Arm, Karatta Moorings and Waterhouse Landings.

Some of these levels may reflect the natural or original seabed, while others may be the result of sediment gradually accumulating over many years.

This is an important distinction because not every shallow area is necessarily the result of sediment build-up, and not every part of the marina needs to be dredged to the same depth.

The marina precinct map identifies different nominated seabed levels. For example, Butler Arm South has a nominated level of –1.0 metres Australian Height Datum (AHD), while Butler Arm North is –1.5 metres AHD.

These are seabed levels, not the actual water depths available at any given time. Water depth also depends on the tide, with less water available during particularly low tides.

The surveys, together with an understanding of vessel requirements, will help Council identify where dredging may be needed and which areas should be prioritised.

WHY IS INTERNAL MARINA DREDGING MORE COMPLICATED?

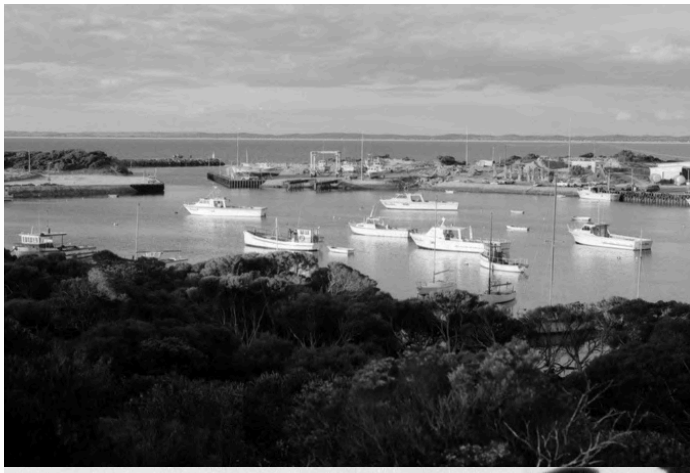
The main difference is the type of material being removed.

Sand from the entrance channel can be pumped to Front Beach for nourishment. However, the EPA does not permit the fine organic silt from within the marina to be discharged directly onto Front Beach.

This means Council needs a different approach to removing, containing and dewatering the material before it can be appropriately managed.

Council is therefore preparing to undertake a small-scale internal marina dredging trial using geotextile dewatering bags, commonly known as geobags.

The trial will help determine whether this method is practical for larger-scale dredging works.







HOW WILL THE TRIAL WORK?

The proposed trial involves removing approximately 80 cubic metres of dark organic sediment from within the marina.

The material will be pumped into large geobags positioned on the marina hardstand. These bags retain the sediment while allowing water to progressively drain through the geotextile fabric under controlled conditions.

Council will also assess the use of a flocculant, which helps fine sediment particles bind together and separate from the water more efficiently.

One of the most important things Council wants to understand is how much solid material remains in the bags once the water has been removed.

The sediment being dredged contains a considerable amount of water, so the volume initially pumped from the marina may be very different from the volume of material remaining after dewatering.

The trial will also establish how long the process takes, how effectively the geobags work and what space and equipment would be needed for a larger operation.

Sediment sampling and assessment have been undertaken, and the trial is subject to an EPA-approved Dredge Management Plan, including environmental controls for managing the return water.

Council is also investigating the beneficial reuse of the dewatered sediment as capping material at the old landfill site.

Subject to the necessary environmental testing and approvals, this would provide a practical use for the material rather than simply disposing of it as waste, potentially reducing the overall cost of future dredging works.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE TRIAL?

A full dredging campaign within Lake Butler Marina would be a significant undertaking, both financially and operationally.

Before considering works on that scale, Council needs a better understanding of the actual costs involved.

The trial will provide practical information about the amount of sediment remaining after dewatering, the number of geobags required, the working area needed, transport requirements and potential disposal or beneficial reuse costs.

With this information, Council will be in a much better position to develop a realistic cost estimate for future internal marina dredging.

Once we understand the costs, Council can determine how much dredging it can realistically afford to undertake and which areas should be prioritised.

Given the scale of the potential works, a staged approach may be necessary, focusing initially on areas where sediment accumulation is having the greatest impact on vessel access.

The purpose of the trial is to gather the information needed to make these decisions before committing significant Council funds to a larger dredging program.



LOOKING AFTER LAKE BUTLER MARINA

Lake Butler Marina has supported Robe's fishing industry, recreational boating and local economy for more than 60 years.

Maintaining this important community asset requires balancing safe vessel access, environmental responsibilities and the cost of the works.

The recent entrance channel dredging has helped maintain access to the marina while providing valuable sand for Front Beach.

The proposed internal marina trial is the next step in understanding how Council can manage sediment within the marina in a practical, environmentally responsible and financially sustainable way.



Community News

Little Hands Making A Big Difference

Robe Primary School students have been doing their bit for the environment, rolling up their sleeves for a Great Spring Clean Up Day that helped keep our town looking its best.

The entire school got involved, with students collecting litter around the school grounds and along Robe's main street, demonstrating that even the smallest actions can make a big difference to our community.

The day also provided a valuable opportunity for students to learn more about the importance of protecting our environment. Connor from the National Parks and Wildlife Service shared his knowledge about the harmful impacts of litter on local wildlife and our precious coastal environment.

A big thank you goes to Principal Anne Grayson, the teachers and school staff for embracing the initiative and encouraging students to take pride in their town. The Robe Lions Club also generously provided a sausage sizzle for the hardworking volunteers.

In recognition of their efforts, the Robe Primary School Captains were presented with a certificate of appreciation, acknowledging the wonderful contribution made by students throughout the day.

Congratulations to everyone involved!



Good work, kids!!

High Tea, Fashion And Community Spirit

The Robe and Districts Lions Club brought a touch of elegance and plenty of community spirit to the Robe Football Club on Sunday 18 October, hosting a delightful High Tea and Fashion Parade fundraiser.



Guests enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of fashion, friendship and raffles, with the event providing a lovely opportunity for the community to come together in support of the Lions Club's fundraising efforts.

A special thank you goes to The Shak of Robe for presenting the fashion parade, while Sonia Legoe from Woodsoak Wines captured the occasion with her wonderful photography.



The Lions Club also extended its appreciation to the generous local businesses who donated food and prizes, helping make the afternoon such a success.

Of course, an event like this would not be possible without the many volunteers who work behind the scenes. Lions members and members of the wider community generously gave their time and energy to bring everything together.

The Robe and Districts Lions Club would like to thank everyone who attended, contributed or volunteered. Your generosity and support helped make it a memorable afternoon and demonstrated, once again, the wonderful community spirit we enjoy here in Robe.





High Tea Shenanigans - photos courtesy Sonia Legoe. More photos can be found at www.facebook.com/robeanddistrictslionsclubs

Southern Ocean Art Prize Celebrates Creativity In Robe

The Robe Institute was alive with creativity and excitement on Friday 30 October as artists, art lovers and visitors gathered for the opening night of the 2026 Southern Ocean Art Prize (SOAP), celebrating an impressive collection of contemporary artworks from across Australia and the Limestone Coast.



Southern Ocean Art Prize winner Kate Keast with her piece Ne(m)o Reliquarium

A highlight of the evening was the announcement of the $10,000 Major Art Prize, awarded to Kate Keast for her mixed-media sculpture, Ne(m)o Reliquarium. The work draws on the visual language of natural history specimens and mourning objects, earning the top award in this year's exhibition.

The local artist awards also recognised some wonderful talent from our region, with Stella Scanlon taking home the Belinda Morgan Limestone Coast Artist Award, sponsored by Criterion Cottage, for her pastel work Sunday Morning, Dergholm Road. Kirsty-Ann Thompson was awarded the James Leake Limestone Coast Photographer Award, sponsored by the Leake Family, for her photograph Sand Drift.



Belinda Morgan Limestone Coast Artist Award winner Stella Scanlon

Southern Ocean Art Prize Celebrates Creativity In Robe (continued)

There was also plenty to celebrate in the student categories, with 30 entries received across three age groups. Congratulations to this year's young award recipients:

- Junior Student Award (Years 1–6): Matilda Coxon, Untitled (Collage).
- Middle Student Award (Years 7–10): Callum Oschar, Floating (Oil paint on pressed wood board).
- Senior Student Award (Years 11–12): Thomas Atkinson, Giant Mulloway (Metal sculpture).

The student awards were generously sponsored by Community Bank Robe & Districts, helping recognise and encourage the next generation of creative talent.

For those who haven't yet had the chance to visit, there's still time to experience the exhibition, with the 2026 collection on display at the Robe Institute, 18 Mundy Terrace, until Sunday 8 November. All exhibited artworks are available for purchase, offering visitors the opportunity to support local and visiting artists while taking home an original piece of art.









All the fun of the Opening Night of the SOAP. Photos courtesy of SOAP and Annabel Fisher

Give Our Hoodies A Helping Hand

As the warmer weather brings more people to our beaches, Council is reminding the community and visitors to be mindful of the roped-off nesting area near First Ramp at Long Beach, which provides important protection for the endangered Hooded Plover.

Sadly, there have been some losses at this location, as well as at West Beach, highlighting just how vulnerable these little beach-nesting birds are.

Hooded Plovers, affectionately known as 'Hoodies', spend their entire lives feeding and nesting along the beach. With fewer than 100 estimated to remain along the Limestone Coast, every successful nest and surviving chick is incredibly important to the future of the local population.

Breeding between August and March, Hoodies often nest during Robe's busiest beach season. Their eggs and tiny chicks are remarkably well camouflaged against the sand, making them extremely difficult to spot. Even a well-meaning beach visit can unintentionally put them at risk.

You can help protect our Hoodies by:

- Respecting all roped-off nesting areas and signage.
- Keeping dogs on leads at all times near the nesting areas.
- Staying well clear of nesting areas and avoiding disturbing the birds.
- Being mindful of where you walk, particularly near beach vegetation and seaweed.

Local volunteers are working hard to protect these precious birds and give their chicks the best possible chance of survival.

Let's all do our bit to protect Robe's Hoodies so future generations can enjoy seeing these special little locals on our beaches!

To follow the Hooded Plover's progress and learn more about local conservation efforts, visit the Robe Neighbourhoodie Facebook page.



Nesting area roped off on Long Beach



Hoodie chick snuggling with their parent recently spotted in Little Dip Conservation Park. Photos courtesy Robe Neighbourhoodie Facebook page

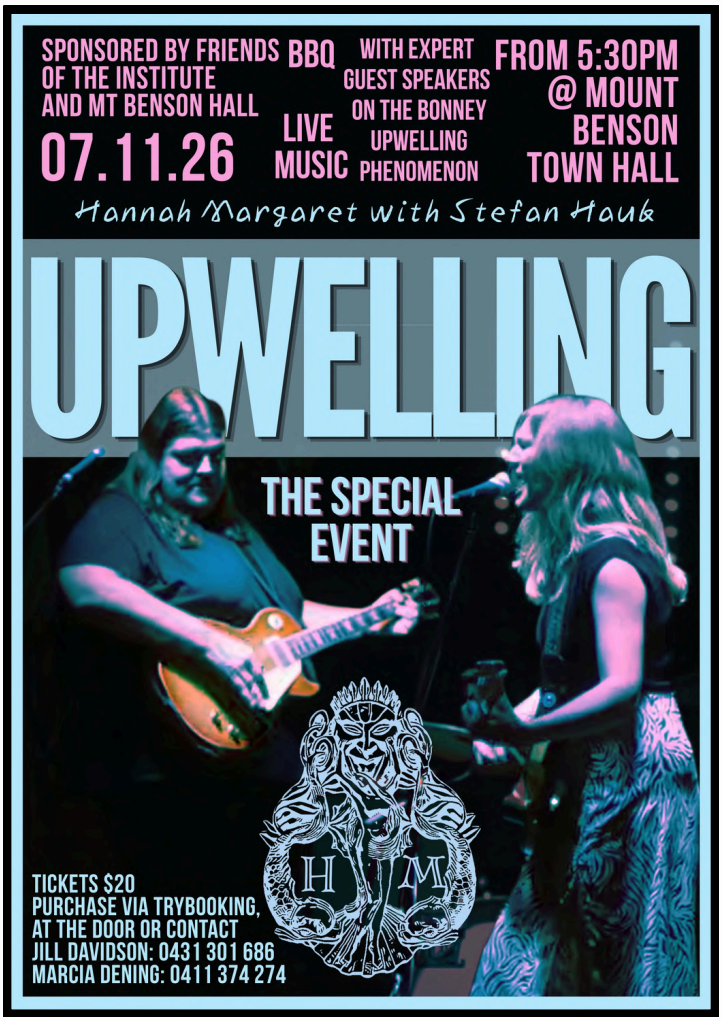
Upwelling: The Special Event

Join the Friends of the Robe Institute and Mount Benson Hall for Upwelling: The Special Event, an evening celebrating the fascinating phenomenon of ocean upwelling in our region.

Taking place on Saturday 7 November 2026 at Mount Benson Town Hall, the event will feature expert guest speakers exploring the Bonney Upwelling, Australia's largest regular seasonal ocean upwelling. This natural phenomenon brings cold, nutrient-rich water to the sea surface around November, stretching roughly 800 km from Robe to Portland, Victoria.

Festivities kick off at 5.30 pm, with a barbecue and live music from Hannah Margaret with Stefan Hauk. It's a great opportunity to enjoy some food, learn something new and connect with fellow community members.

Tickets are $20 and can be purchased through TryBooking, at the door or by contacting Jill Davidson on 0431 301 686 or Marcia Dening on 0411 374 274. Come along for an engaging evening of local science, music and community connection!



Local Tennis Juniors Make Their Mark At State Tournament

A massive congratulations to local tennis juniors Harry, Henna and Jack, who recently represented the South East at the SA State Foundation Cup Tournament in Berri.

The trio joined around 180 participants from across the state for the tournament, representing SPTA and showcasing their skills alongside other young sporting talents.

It's fantastic to see our local juniors taking up these opportunities, representing their region and gaining valuable experience along the way.

Well done, Harry, Henna and Jack; we look forward to seeing what you achieve next!



Harry, Jack and Henna at the SA State Foundation Cup Tournament in Berri

A Little Gift, A Lot Of Cheer

Christmas should be a special time for every family, but it can also be a difficult time for some members of our community. The Elders Christmas Wish Tree is once again spreading a little festive kindness by helping make Christmas morning brighter for local children.

Elders Real Estate Robe and Kingston are inviting the community to support the initiative by donating a new, unwrapped gift suitable for boys and girls aged 5 to 12 years.

Donations will be distributed to local families in need, giving children the opportunity to unwrap a special surprise on Christmas morning.

Those wishing to contribute can drop off gifts at the Elders Robe or Kingston SE office by Monday 7 December 2026. Cash donations and gift-wrapping supplies are also gratefully accepted.



Start Your Christmas Engines...



It's not too early to start thinking about Christmas, and preparations are beginning for the return of the Robe Christmas Parade on Sunday, 20 December 2026.

Local community groups, sporting clubs, organisations and businesses are encouraged to start thinking about their parade entries and come up with some creative ideas to help make this year's event another great community celebration.

Whether you're planning a float, decorating a vehicle or getting a group together, it's a great opportunity to get involved, have some fun and add a little festive cheer to the streets of Robe.

Entry forms will once again be available from the Robe Bendigo Bank branch, so keep an eye out and start getting your ideas together.

The parade will commence at 4.30pm, and the District Council of Robe is proud to continue its long-standing support of this much-loved community tradition.

We look forward to seeing what everyone comes up with!

CFS Declares Fire Danger Season For South East

SA Country Fire Service (CFS) has declared start dates for the 2026-27 Fire Danger Season for the Lower South East district. The Fire Danger Season will begin on **1 November 2026** and run until **30 April 2027**.

CFS Director Community Risk and Resilience Alison May said with increased fuel loads observed across the state, now is the time for South Australians to be preparing for the season ahead. "We are urging all South Australians to do their part and prepare for the Fire Danger Season by preparing their properties and making or reviewing their Bushfire Survival Plans," Ms May said. "Even as we approach the start of the Fire Danger Season, it's important to remember that fires can happen at any time and people need to be bushfire ready.

"This is the time to be looking around your property and clearing gutters, removing fallen branches and debris, and moving other flammable materials away from your home. Include the whole family in your bushfire preparations and ensure the whole family understands what to do in an emergency. Something as simple as creating a 5-minute bushfire plan on the CFS website can be a great first step in your preparations."

A permit is required for most burning activities during the Fire Danger Season or on days where a Total Fire Ban is declared. Permits may be issued under the Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005 by an authorised officer at Council.

For more information on restrictions during the Fire Danger Season, how to prepare your home and property for the bushfire season, and how to develop a Bushfire Survival Plan, visit the CFS website at cfs.sa.gov.au, or call the Bushfire Information Hotline on 1800 362 361.

Get Your Property Fire Ready

With the Fire Danger Season here, Council is reminding property owners to take the time to prepare their properties and help reduce the risk of bushfire across our community. Everyone has a role to play in protecting lives, property and the environment. A few simple preventative measures can make a significant difference, including:

- Maintaining an Asset Protection Zone around your home.
- Slashing or mowing grass before it dries out.
- Pruning overgrown vegetation and removing excess garden debris and fuel loads.
- Clearing combustible materials away from buildings.
- Regularly cleaning gutters.
- Preparing a Bushfire Survival Plan and ensuring your insurance is up to date.

Council also undertakes annual property inspections and may issue Fire Prevention Notices where properties are found to present an unacceptable bushfire hazard.

Free Green Waste Disposal
Getting your property fire ready doesn't have to mean filling up your own bin! Residents can dispose of eligible green waste, including lawn clippings and leaves, free of charge at the Council Waste Transfer Station during normal opening hours. Please note that normal Transfer Station fees apply to green waste products requiring mulching.

Robe Produce Swap – November Venue Change

A reminder that the monthly Robe Produce Swap is coming up on Saturday, 7 November, with a temporary change of venue this month. The November swap will be held at Karatta Wine Room, 5 Victoria Street, Robe, with everyone gathering from 10.00am for a 10.30am swap.

The Produce Swap is held on the first Saturday of each month (except January) and is a great opportunity to share a little of what you have and see what others have to offer.



Swap til you drop!

And it's certainly not just about fruit and vegetables! Along with homegrown produce, participants are welcome to bring flowers, plants, seeds, baked goods, homemade preserves, pickles, seedlings, eggs and all sorts of other homegrown, homemade or home-produced goodies.

The idea is simple: bring along anything you have in excess and swap it for something you need. No money changes hands and there's no bartering involved. It's all based on the spirit of sharing, taking only what you need and leaving plenty for others.

Everyone is welcome, provided they have something to swap, so why not bring along your homegrown, homemade or home-produced treasures and join in?

Stand Like Stone Educational Scholarships Now Open

Are you planning to study in 2027? The Stand Like Stone Foundation's Annual Scholarship Program is now open for applications, offering support to students with a connection to the Limestone Coast region who are undertaking further education or training at any level.

A range of scholarships are available, including general education scholarships and specific opportunities for students pursuing studies in areas such as arts, trades, music, nursing and viticulture.

Stand Like Stone

Inspiring kindness and courage

Whether you're heading to university, undertaking a trade qualification or pursuing a particular passion, these scholarships could help make your educational goals a little easier to achieve.

Applications must be completed online. Before applying, students are encouraged to read the scholarship guidelines and eligibility requirements. Applications are open until 5.00pm on Sunday, 15 November 2026.

For further information, guidelines and application details, visit www.standlikestone.com.au. For enquiries or assistance, contact the Stand Like Stone office on 08 7701 9259 or email info@standlikestone.com.au.

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Nominations Close on 27 November 2026

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

Who makes a difference in your community?

Nominations are now open:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year

Australia Day
Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

South Australia

Visit Council's website or call into the Council Office for a nomination form

www. robe.sa.gov.au/community/australiaday

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Library News

New Books!

Adult Fiction:

The Last Letter by Rebecca Yarros
Yesteryear by Caro Claire Burke
The Calamity Club by Kathryn Stockett
Theo of Golden by Allen Levi
The Paradise Resort by Tricia Stringer
The Paris Prize by Tania Blanchard
The German Ward by Pip Williams
The Dying Light by Ann Cleeves
Ruthless by Danielle Steel
The Heights by Ian Rankin
No Song for the Dead by Adler Olsen
Whispers of Sweetwater by Mandy Magro
Full Circle by Chris Hammer
King's Ransom by Matthew Reilly
Double Tap by Vince Flynn
Tell Me Something True by Michael Robotham
The One Who Walked Away by Karen Rose
Other Worlds Than These by Stephen King
Group Chat by Zoe Foster Blake
Partita by Barbara Kingsolver
When Sullivan Me Lola by Monica McInerney
The Weight of Angels by John Boyne
The Treasure House by Amy Matthews
The French Illusion by John Grisham
Murder at the Grand Alpine Hotel by Lucy Foley
The French Resistance Hotel by Ava Miller
Cul-de-sac by Eleanor Limprecht
The Cruise by Naima Brown
The Strangers by Naomi Alderman
They say a Girl Died Here by Sarah Pinborough

Adult Non-Fiction:

All Heart by Mick Fanning
I Can't Tell You But I Will: A Memoir by Magda Szubanksi
Australia's Bush Legends by Graham Seal

Children's Fiction:

Lottie, Pog & the Runaway Ghost by Sally Rippin
A Treasury of Creatures by Julia Donaldson
Yeah Bear by John Corrie
The Scarecrow's Wedding by Julia Donaldson
Dolphin Twins 3: Shipwreck Bay by Anh Do
Babysitter's Little Sister: Karen's New Year by Ann Martin
Emmie & Friends: Seriously, Celia? By Terri Libenson
Game of Pets: The Boy Who Knew Too Much by Aaron Blabey
It's a Fire Station Celebration by Davina Bell
The Plane Over by Backyard by Tom Jellett
Do Not Open This Book It's Scary by Andy Lee
On a Bushwalk by Andrew Rowe
A Very Cranky Christmas by Nick Bland
Bluey Jingle Bells
Friday Barnes: Nothing to Lose by RA Spratt
Dragon Girls: Charlotte the Rose Dragon by Maddy Mara
Featherwand by Bluey

Children's DVDs:

The Super Mario Galaxy Movie

Friends of the Robe Library General Meeting
Monday 9 November 10.30am

Now accepting quality second hand books, jigsaws, dvds & newer magazines for the BIG Annual Book Sale.
Just drop into the Robe Library when we are open....thankyou!



MEETING DATES

Please note:
All meetings are open to the public unless otherwise advertised. To view Council Agendas and Minutes visit the Council website.

Ordinary Council Meeting

Wednesday 11 November 2026
6:30pm at the Council Chambers
3 Royal Circus Robe SA

Information Briefing Sessions

Typically held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, usually at 5:00pm at the Council Chambers



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- Robe Library & Visitor Information Centre
- Post Office
- Chemist
- Newsagency

FACEBOOK

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@District Council of Robe
@Robe Visitor Information Centre & Public Library

MYLOCAL SERVICES APP

My Local Services is a mobile phone app that allows you to report a problem within the Council area, receive notifications about waste collection days and check Waste Transfer Station opening times. The app is designed to make it more convenient to find Council information 24/7.

You'll never forget bin day again!

You can also find places 'Near Me' such as parks and playgrounds.

We encourage all residents and ratepayers to download the App. It is very easy to use, and the details are specific to your house location. MyLocal Services App can be downloaded from the Apple App Store and Google Play.

ENOTICES

Please note that the current rates notices contain a new feature, 'Enotice' which will make it easier for our ratepayers to manage their rates. Ratepayers will need to use the reference number, top right of your rates notice, to login and create a new account:

The benefits of Enotice are;

- It is possible to see both current and previous rates notices using this feature.
- You can choose to have your rates notice emailed directly to you rather than posted.
- To allow ratepayers to update their email addresses and add email recipients. (e.g. if more than one person has an interest in the property)
- For ratepayers who own multiple properties this feature will be of great use, as you are able to add multiple assessments to the one account, creating a more efficient way to manage all properties.

Please note that this function does not allow you to update your residential or postal address, this still needs to be sent directly to Council. This can either be emailed to council@robe.sa.gov.au or posted to PO Box 1, Robe SA 5276.

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District Council of Robe
PH: 08 8768 2003
PO Box 1, Robe SA 5276
3 Royal Circus Robe SA 5276
council@robe.sa.gov.au

Robe Library & Visitor Information Centre
PH: 08 8768 2465
Mundy Terrace, Robe SA 5276
visitrobe@robe.sa.gov.au

Valuer-General
Valuation queries and objections process
PH: 1300 653 346

KERBSIDE COLLECTION CALENDAR 2026

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COLLECTION ENQUIRIES, MISSED BINS & BIN REPAIRS
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OTHER WASTE ENQUIRIES
Council 08 8768 2003
www.robe.sa.gov.au

District Council of ROBE

- Red Waste Bin Collected weekly
- Yellow Recycling Bin Collected fortnightly
  - Collected weekly from 17 December 2026 to 29 January 2027
- Greenways Rural Waste Collected fortnightly
- Christmas collection 25 December moved to Thursday 24 December

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COLLECTION DAYS

WEEKLY WASTE COLLECTION

Domestic waste bins are collected **weekly** on the following days in the specified areas, unless advertised in the media.

Monday	Boatswains Point township, Highway to Boatswains Point and Mount Benson
Tuesday	Robe township (to Drain L bridge)
Wednesday	Long Beach Area (east of Drain L bridge) and Wildfield Estate, Nora Creina Rd and Main Rd to Wildfield Estate Wednesday 23 December 2026 to Wednesday 3 February 2027 and Wednesday 8 April 2026 (after Easter) Nora Creina township

WEEKLY RECYCLING COLLECTION

Recycling bins will be collected weekly from 17 December 2026 to 29 January 2027.

Recycling bins are collected fortnightly on the following days in the specified areas, unless otherwise advertised in the media.

Thursday	Robe township (to Drain L bridge)
Friday	Long Beach Area (east of Drain L bridge) and Wildfield Estate, Nora Creina Road and Main Road to Wildfield Estate

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ATTENTION:

Robe rentals and Airbnb owners

Available to purchase - lockable recycling bins for your property. Help keep our environment clean and collect refunds at the same time.



Please phone Matt on 0477 376 967 for details

(available to borrow for community groups)

Waste Transfer Station - White Street Robe

OPEN: Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday 10am - 12pm

Bottle & can refunds available at the Robe Transfer Station on Tuesdays & Sundays

Boot Load*	$48.00
Single Cab - Below Water Line*	$63.00
Single Cab - Above Water Line*	$102.50
Dual Cab - Below Water Line*	$42.00
Dual Cab - Above Water Line*	$73.00
Trailer (6x4) - Below Water Line*	$42.00
Trailer (6x4) - Above Water Line	$82.00
Trailer (6x4) - With Cage	$93.00
Trailer (8x5) - Below Water Line*	$102.00
Trailer (8x5) - Above Water Line	$197.00
Trailer (8x5) - With Cage	$235.00
Trailer (10x5) - Below Water Line	$133.00
Trailer (10x5) - Above Water Line	$255.00
Trailer (10x5) - With Cage	$309.00
Cardboard - Boot load	$15.50
Cardboard - Car/Van/ Ute Load	$30.50
Cardboard - 6x4 Trailer	$30.00
Cardboard - 8x5 Trailer	$40.00
Cardboard - 10x5 Trailer	$100.00
Single Items - Mattress	$56.00
Single Items - Sofas/Lounge Chairs	$34.00
Single Items - Car Bodies	$110.00
Single Items - White Goods (eg Washing Machine/Fridge)	$43.00
Small Trucks (Single Axle - Max 4 Tonne)	$446.00
Putrescible Waste (Bag)	$7.00
E-waste:	$3.50/kg
Opening Waste Transfer Station (Outside Operating Hours)	$356.00

**= Half price for pensioners - Pension card must be presented*

Green Waste Fee

Normal Fees will apply to any Green Waste Products that require mulching, however, Green Waste products that are segregated and do not require mulching (lawn clippings and leaves only) can be dumped free of charge.

Home Delivered Meals Roster

NOVEMBER	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY **** NO DELIVERIES UFN	FRIDAY	HOME DELIVERED MEALS - ROBE
**** Please check emails for changes.	2	3	4	5	6	PLEASE ARRANGE A SWAP FROM THE ROSTER OR ASK A STANDBY CONTACT BELOW IF YOU ARE UNAVAILABLE. IF UNABLE TO FIND ANY REPLACEMENT FROM THIS LIST PLEASE PHONE
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	Pam Robinson					Trish Stephenson (Av:5th-12th)
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						Maureen Heinrich
						0439 903 314
Please sign on pick up & return		MEALS AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AFTER 11:30AM at ROBE COUNCIL OFFICE				

Coffee - Cake - Chat - Connect

COMMUNITY MORNING TEA



NEXT EVENT

Monday
16th November
Robe Institute
10am

HOSTED BY
FRIENDS OF THE INSTITUTE

CONTACT JILL 0431301686

THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH
10 - 11.30AM
IN THE INSTITUTE

Robe Tennis Club

SOCIAL TENNIS

THURSDAY NIGHT

STARTING 5.30PM

DRINKS AVAILABLE

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

$10 PER HEAD

or

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Everyone welcome!

GOOD HITS, GOOD COMPANY, GREAT NIGHTS!

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SA Ambulance Service Robe

What's been happening this month...











Our Robe crew have been busy this month! Here are some snapshots of what they've been up to:

1. **Recruits Dean and Karen Dalpa working on skills.**
2. **AA Ella Cullen , AA Jo Edwards, and AO Sandy Moore at training.**
3. **Recruit Annie Howard with paramedic Dean Wilson at Kingston Airport doing an RFDS transfer job.**
4. **Sandy Moore and Annie Howard at the SAAS volunteer stand at the Kingston Show.**
5. **Recruits Helen and Markus Pohl checking out the safety PPE gear.**

Interested in finding out more about volunteering with the Robe SAAS team? I'm always happy to have a chat!
Or visit: https://saambulance.sa.gov.au/volunteer-with-us/
Volunteer Team Leader Ned Wright



ROBE HISTORY GROUP

Robetown Races

The very first Melbourne Cup was held on 7 November 1861 at Flemington Racecourse. At that time horse racing was a popular colonial pastime.

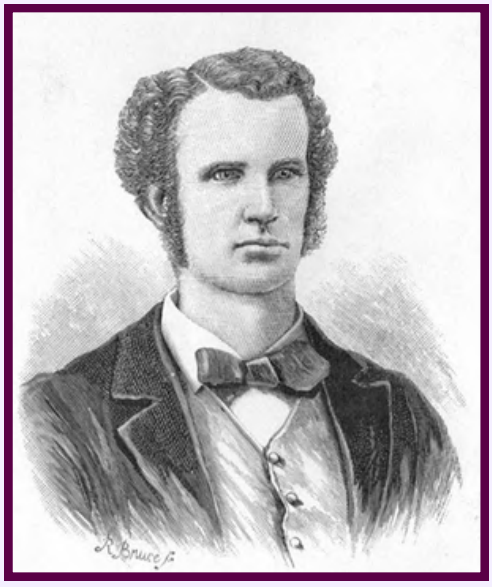
During the 1800s and early 1900s horse racing and other equine sports were the beating heart of the social and economic life of Robe. As one of the colony's premier deep-water ports, Robe was used by wealthy local landowners to import world-class thoroughbred stallions to improve their bloodlines, establishing a racing culture that led to the formation of the Guichen Bay Racing Club. Regular race meetings were held at Guichen Bay during the 1860s as part of the regional race circuit in the Southeast of South Australia

The annual events organised by the Guichen Bay Racing Club in the mid-to-late 1900s were immense colonial spectacles. The expansive flat coastal terrain just southeast of Robe township (now used as Robe Aerodrome) was originally utilized as the local racing course.The Robe course boasted a grandstand, refreshment booths and a redesigned straight track optimized for high-speed finishes. In the mid-1800s the Robe Town Races attracted enthusiastic crowds and some of the best horses and riders in the colony.

In the late 1870's the the Robe Turf Club was established. They set up more facilities such as an an area for weighing and saddling horses, and fenced the course to keep spectators off the course. The Club's success was inconsistent, and some years the course was used more for picnics. During the second World War the race course was not used and fell into disrepair, making further racing unsafe and races were moved out of Robe.

Robe's 19th century racing scene launched the careers of historical icons who went on to define Australian horse racing culture. Adam Lindsay Gordon, poet and horseman was born in 1833 in Gloucestershire, England. He was educated at the Royal Military. He was taught riding as an adolescent and by 1852 was starting his racing career. Gordon arrived in Adelaide and joined the South Australian Mounted Police as a trooper in 1853. He was stationed at Penola for two years but resigned 1855 to supposedly become a drover. Instead Gordon, the revered "dare-devil horseman" and poet, lived and worked in the district breaking horses and was a heavy competitor in the races around Robe, famously winning multiple steeplechase and hurdle hurdle events.

Gordon's real love was steeplechasing, yet he had sufficient poetic talent to develop into a more substantial writer than he ever became. Long after he died, enthusiasts and admirers made pilgrimages to his grave, to Dingley Dell and to other places associated with him. In 1862 he married Maggie Park. Local lore suggests that they met whilst he was recovering from a racing injury sustained in Robe.



Adam Lindsay Gordon

While stationed in Penola, a chance meeting between Adam Lindsay Gordon and Thomas Hales may have led to the career of the widely regarded greatest jockey of the 19th Century. Born in Penola, in 1847, the young Thomas was throwing stones at bullocks in the stockyards, when police trooper Gordon gave him a stern reprimand and made a strong impression on him. His family moved to Robe where the young Tommy Hales won his first race at 13 years old. Tom Hales went on to win every major race, including the Melbourne Cup in 1880.



Thomas Hales



Pride of the Hills with jockey Tom Hales c. 1877 by Frederick Woodhouse Jr.

The Robe Turf Club bell is part of the Robe History Collection and is housed in the Kathleene Browne Room. For the next month it will be displayed in the Visitor information Centre. We invite you to have a look at our piece of a largely unknown part of Robe's cultural history. If you have any artefacts or stories the race course or races please let the History Group know through the Visitor Information Centre.

STORY TIME

have fun listening, singing, reading and playing together... while enjoying your favourite children's books

EVERY TUESDAY

during the school term

10.30 - 11.30am

Suitable for ages 0-4



@ Robe Library and Visitor Information Centre

ROBE MUMS WHO...

CATCH UP



A RELAXED SPACE FOR MUMS TO CONNECT, CHAT AND SHARE.

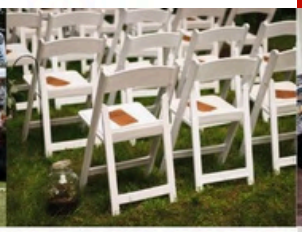
come along, drop in, have a coffee...
bring your babes too

COUNTRY HEALTH CONNECT

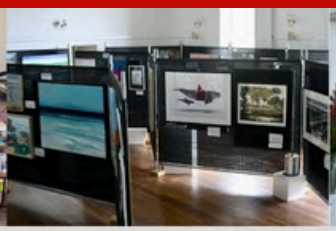
THE LAST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 10AM AT THE ROBE STORE













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District Council of ROBE

ROBE GOLF CLUB

Sip & Swing

Ladies – The Basics of Golf



Thursdays
19th, 26th November
3rd & 10th December

4.30pm

$60 for 4 sessions

Max 10 persons
Reg cut off
Mon 16th November

Run by community instructors

Champagne & nibbles provided after each session

Golf Australia

Call 0419039248 for more information

ROBE GOLF CLUB

Village Classic

5 - 8 November 2026

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Registration Forms available in the upcoming events section www.robegolfclub.com

Thursday 5 November 2026

LOAVES & FISHES ROBE LADIES OPEN DAY

loaves & fishes
robe, south australia

- Entry Fee: $30 includes light morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea
- 18-hole Pinehurst, 9:30am for 10am shotgun start
- Major Prizes for Best Gross & Nett
- NTPs & Long Drives

Friday 6 November 2026

LOOPHOLE DIGIORGIO AMBROSE DAY

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LOOPHOLE BREWING

- Entry Fee: $60 per player/$240 team of 4
- 10am shotgun start
- Great prizes, food provided, sponsored beverages
- Field limited to 38 teams (Handicap limits will apply)
- Booking is essential

Saturday 7 November 2026

ROBE MITRE 10, LOOPHOLE BREWING Co. & HARBOUR VIEW MOTEL MEN'S OPEN DAY

LOOPHOLE BREWING

hv motel

ROBE MITRE 10

- Entry Fee: $60 includes lunch and afternoon tea
- 18-hole Stroke A, B, & C Grades (subject to handicaps)
- Tee times from 9:30am.
- Check club Facebook page for draw Friday 6 November.
- Field limited to 124 players
- Gross & Nett Winners
- Runners up in each grade
- NTPs & Long Drives

Sunday 8 November 2026

HARBOUR VIEW MOTEL & CAPE JAFFA WINES VILLAGE CLASSIC

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CAPE JAFFA WINES

- Entry Fee: $45
- First Vardon Event of the 2027 Series
- 18-hole Stroke Championship for Men & Ladies
- Men GA max 12, Ladies GA max 18
- Tee times from 8:30am
- Followed by lunch & presentations

BEACH WHEELCHAIR



Enquire at Information Centre

Proudly Sponsored By Robe Lions Club

Robe Cares

Welcome to Robe Cares!

Robe Cares is proud to offer **fully coordinated support at home** for clients in the Robe, SA community.

We also assist clients in **accessing and setting up new supports**, ensuring every step is caring, simple, and stress-free.

In partnership with **Trilogy Care**, Robe Cares provides local, personalised coordination – meaning you'll have a dedicated **Community Coordinator** right here in Robe to support you at home.

*Your lovely coordinators, **Cathy** and **Sula**, are here to help you every step of the way. Whether you're looking to begin your care journey or simply explore your options, we'd love to hear from you!*

Sula Harland
Cathy Brewin
0499 401 298
info@robecares.com.au
robecares.com.au

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ROBE RUN 2027

42KM | 21KM | 14KM | 10KM | 5KM | 1KM

SAT 6 FEB · ROBE, LIMESTONE COAST SA



All distances start and finish at Foreshore Reserve, Mundy Terrace, Robe!

LEARN MORE & REGISTER NOW →

ROBE ROOSTERS

ROBE NETBALL AGM

Monday 23rd November at 6pm

HELD AT THE Robe Football Club

ALL WELCOME

Committee meeting to follow afterwards

ROBE BOWLING CLUB PROUDLY BRINGS YOU

Corporate Bowls



WEDNESDAYS DURING NOVEMBER, COMMENCING NOVEMBER 4th-25th 6PM START,
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NOTICE OF

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST, 2026

AT 4.00 PM

IN THE INSTITUTE

PLEASE COME AND HEAR ABOUT

AND

CONSIDER JOINING OUR COMMITTEE

AS WE

PROGRESS THE RESTORATION, PRESERVATION

AND ENHANCEMENT OF THE ROBE INSTITUTE

AND

BUILD THE COMMUNITY USE OF OUR ASSET

ENQUIRIES WELCOME

JILL DAVIDSON

CHAIR, FRIENDS OF THE ROBE INSTITUTE

0431301686

ROBE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Interested?

DM us on socials
@robeslsclub
Or email
alexanderannekrissy@gmail.com

JOIN THE CLUB!!

Some roles include...

- Bronze or SRC patrolling members
- Nippers Age Managers
- Commitee Members
- General help (you won't have to get qualified!)

community pantry

Community Pantry is a new local buying group.

Think pantry staples, wholefoods, organic options, household essentials and more — with group pricing, shared freight and bulk buying options.

Next order open: 6-20 November

Curious?
Get in touch to find out more.

Kate Napper
communitypantryrobe@gmail.com

Lifeline CONNECT



Free mental health support

Outreach Drop-in service offering early support

Sometimes things feel heavy before you can explain why. Lifeline Connect is a free, face-to-face community service where trained local staff & volunteers listen first, without judgement, and help you work out what comes next.

No appointment. No referral. No wrong reason to walk in.
Whether you're feeling overwhelmed, isolated, or just not quite yourself, a Connect team member is there to listen and validate your experience.
When you're ready, they'll walk alongside you to find the right local support, so you don't have to navigate it alone.

Robe Institute 10am - 2pm
32 Smillie Street, Robe, SA

Wednesday 19th August 2026
Wednesday 23rd December
Wednesday 17th March 2027
Tuesday 29th September 2026
Wednesday 3rd February 2027
Wednesday 28th April 2027
Wednesday 9th June 2027

You don't need to be in crisis to come in

For more information or to make an appointment contact us 08 8723 2299 www.lifeline.org.au/southeast-sa reception@lifelinese.com.au

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RB&S Charity Ball

Friday 20 November, 2026
Ridley Centre, Adelaide Showground

Celebrating 20 years of Rural Business Support and building the Future Relief Fund.

Our Farmers, Our Future

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Event details, tickets or book a table of 10.

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NATIONAL AG DAY 2026 OUR FARMERS OUR FUTURE 20th NOVEMBER
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It takes strength to reach out for help.

If your behaviour is causing a problem for those you love, call the **Men's Referral Service** for free, confidential, 24/7 advice and support.

1300 766 491
Interpreter services available

Men's Referral Service
Operated by No to Violence

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TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SERVICES WE OFFER.

ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH



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STURT STREET
ROBE

NOVEMBER 2026

1st and 3rd Sundays 9 am
NOVEMBER 1st & 15th *
Individual prayer/reflection and Visits.
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2ND & 4th Sundays 9 am
****NOVEMBER 8th & 22th ****
Holy Communion Service - Rev'd Wayne Landford
Services followed by morning tea in the Kirk

(0491 482 580 for further information)

Meeting Space Available

The Kirk is now available for small meetings or events (from $25 per booking) For bookings or inquiries, feel free to contact us at 0411374274 or 0491482580.

Friends of St Peter's Anglican Church

Are you interested in supporting the space and place which has been used continuously for 165 years as a place of gathering, sharing and worship in our community? Join the Friends and find out how – 0411374274

The Kirk

Built in 1853 and restored in the 1980s, this former Free Presbyterian Chapel is now available for hire. Best suited for small meetings or events, the Kirk offers old world charm in a tranquil setting alongside St Peter's Anglican Church, Sturt St, Robe.



Enquiries or bookings 0411374274 or 0491 482 580

Robe Uniting Church

Church services every Sunday at 11am
(except 5th Sunday of each month)

All are welcome!

Tarooki - 55 Main Road, Robe

Second Chance Op Shop

JOIN THE TEAM!

- **Be part of our volunteer family & meet new people**
- **Learn customer service and retail skills**
- **Gain valuable work experience**

Call Ann on 0458 548 674 to find out more

We are an approved voluntary work place

ROBE KNITTING CLUB

Meets every Wednesday
1:00pm onwards at Robe Store
2 Flint Street Robe

Social Knitting for charities
or knit your own project

Beginners and experienced knitters all welcome!

Donations of wool always kindly appreciated



ROBE BOWLING CLUB

SOCIAL BOWLS

Thursday Afternoons
Names in by 12:30pm for 1:00pm start
Members Draw every
Thursday after bowls

COME & TRY

Every Tuesday
4:00pm – 5:00pm
Bar Open

ROBE HISTORY GROUP

New members are welcome!

Mondays in the Kathleen Browne Room
at the Robe Institute

Working in partnership with District Council of Robe

More information is available from:
Marg 0408 799 424
Sheila 0428 868 958

ROBE HISTORY COLLECTION

MANAGED BY THE ROBE HISTORY GROUP ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ROBE



Help build the collection and our historic records

Do you have photos, diaries, letters, documents, newspaper clippings relevant to the history of our town?
Would you be willing to have them added to the Local History Collection?
You can donate, or have your originals copied and scanned into the collection.
Please contact one of the History Group Members to discuss further. 0431301686(Jill) 0408799424 (Marg)

LAPWING
Art Gallery

Local Art. Unique Finds. Thoughtful Gifts.

Discover a collection of paintings, ceramics, cards, and more, created by local artists

Open Thursday – Sunday

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Contact

Anne: 0477 011 956
Kate: 0412 963 606

Please follow us on Facebook

Robe Lapwing Gallery
Lapwing.gallery

ROBE COMBINED PROBUS

Box 571, Robe SA 5276

Robe Combined Probus Club meets monthly every 3rd Tuesday, 10am at the Robe Bowling Club Rooms
Visitors and New members are welcomed.
Probus is an association for those no longer working full time, to join together to enjoy life

It is a way of keeping your mind active, interested and healthy. We do not fundraise or have working bees,but just enjoy friendship and fun, having various guest Speakers and occasional

17th November Lunch

NORFOLK RISE WINERY

All membership enquiries to
Jan 0427682139
Maria 0407800389

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LOCAL HEART

- Fundraising for Robe's community projects
- Supporting local families in need
- Helping schools, community groups & events thrive





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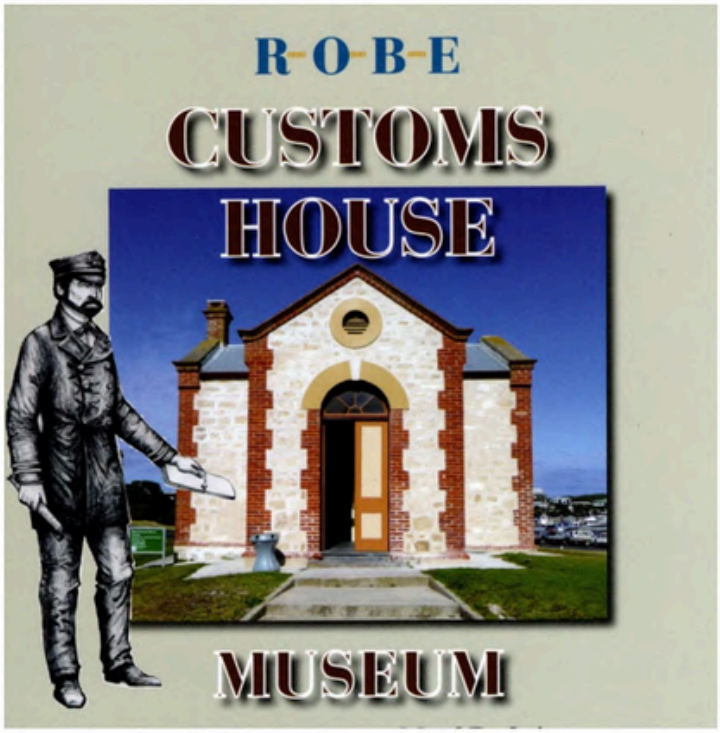
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- Health programs saving lives every day
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Robe SA

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Sundays 10am
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Suitable for all ages

- Approx 45 mins
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Tour starts & ends at Visitor Information Centre
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Robe Community Garden

Est 2018

All Welcome

Wednesdays and Sundays from 10am

You will find us at the rear of the Jenny Mathews Playground

Contact: Robyn 0429358797, or 0411374274
Facebook: Robe Community Garden

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1 Smillie St, Robe

For dates and To Book:

communityeyecare.com.au

Phone 0403 760 021

Contact:
email:admin@communityeyecare.com.au

Robe Produce Swap



CHANGE OF VENUE THIS MONTH: 7TH NOVEMBER - KARATTA WINE ROOM

Where & When?

Robe Golf Club Verandah on the first Saturday of the month (except January) we gather from 10am for a 10:30 swap

We swap what we produce

Excess fruit, vegetables, flowers or plants from our gardens, baked goods, anything we have made such as needlecraft, preserves, pickles or perhaps plants, even your chicken's eggs! Everything* & everyone welcome, providing you have something to swap. *with the exception of meat & seafood

No money changes hands, no bartering goes on, the Swap is based on the spirit of giving what you have in excess and taking only what you need, leaving plenty for others.

If you have grown it, sewn it, baked it, picked, potted, preserved or pickled it .... bring it along and let the swapping begin!

you can find and follow us on



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Learn more about the kangaroos, possums, birds, wombats and wallabies and the work being done to help them. Hold the animals, help feed them and interact with them up close.

BOG LANE, BEACHPORT - 0417 304 743
CALL NARELLE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Cost: Your $50 donation per family will help us feed and care for these injured or orphaned native animals.



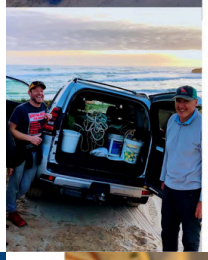












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in caring for Robe's wild spaces and pristine coastline

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- park and trail maintenance and upgrades
- beach cleanups
- collecting seeds of native trees
- growing and caring for seedlings
- propagating native plants from cuttings
- revegetation of dunes and conservation areas
- protecting shorebirds
- learning about local native flora & fauna
- recognizing and removing invasive plants
- nursery upkeep activities

How to participate:

Join us for our regular work sessions:
For dates and times, email friends@robefold.org
or check the website http://robefold.org

To receive our updates on activities and to be placed on our email list, write to **friends@robefold.org**

Call Roland 0466 072 076 or Hilary 0407 189 406

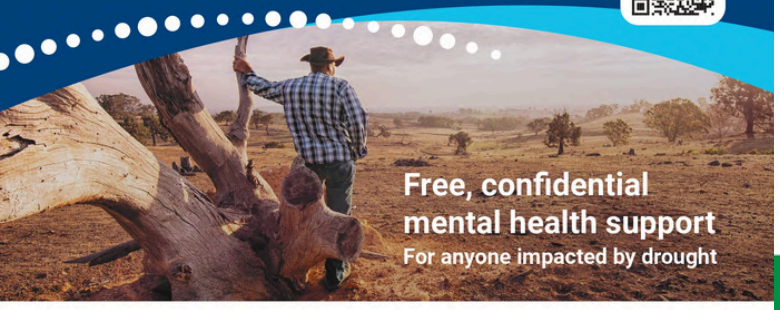
Our wild coastal spaces are an important part of our community. They provide a natural buffer for our homes and businesses from the powerful forces of the southern ocean, they allow us to immerse ourselves in a beautiful, dynamic and exciting environment, and they are special ecosystems supporting a wide range of native plants and wildlife.

We are community volunteers, working for the preservation and conservation of these unique wild spaces.

www.robefold.org

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What we offer

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Ways we can support you

Improve your wellbeing
Navigate life's challenges and talk through concerns. We can help you develop healthy coping strategies.

Access to resources
Navigate complex systems such as healthcare, link with financial counselling, and connect to other essential services.

Build connections
Strengthen relationships with loved ones and stay connected with your community.

Pursue your goals
Explore opportunities for education, training, employment, and recreational activities.

We're here to help you find the support you need, so you can focus on what matters most.

Kangaroo Island, SA
Call Sally on:
0455 037 673

Limestone Coast, SA
Call Abbi on:
0407 711 362
Call Andrew on:
0417 872 292

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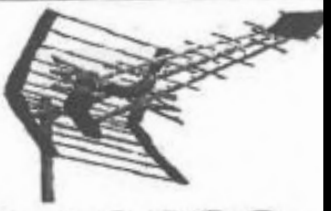
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