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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Myself and the new CEO, Luke Moane, have recently spent time in the nation's capital Canberra, where we attended the National General Assembly. During our time there, we spent our afternoons at Parliament House, where we had very good discussions with ten (10) Ministers, Senators, Shadow Ministers, and their advisers.

The topics discussed were housing, health, childcare, and the Tumby Bay Foreshore revetment wall. Each of the people we spoke with were provided with a copy of the Tumby Bay Foreshore Business Plan. They were all very impressed with the high standard of the plan and agreed that the costings were well outside our financial capability. They were sympathetic to our situation and provided good advice on lines of enquiry, as well as possible current and pending grants that may align with our plans.

I would like to welcome Luke Moane to the District Council of Tumby Bay, Luke has come to us from District Council of Elliston where he served as Director of Essential Services and Assets, prior to that was Luke was in leadership roles in NSW.

If you see Luke around, please make him feel very welcome.

Geoff Churchett

Mayor, District Council of Tumby Bay



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The District Council of Tumby Bay acknowledges the Barngarla People as the Traditional Owners of the land and recognises their continuing connection to Country, culture and community. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

LETTER FROM THE CEO

Having recently commenced as Chief Executive Officer, I would like to thank the Mayor, Elected Members and Council staff for the warm welcome and support they have provided during my first few weeks with Council.

My initial focus has been on getting to know the organisation, meeting with staff across all areas of Council, and developing a strong understanding of our operations, services and strategic priorities. I have also welcomed the opportunity to begin engaging with the community, including attending the recent Ungarra community drop-in session alongside the Mayor and Elected Members.

Over the coming months, I look forward to attending community group meetings, local events and other engagement opportunities across the district. Taking the time to listen to our community and better understand the issues, ideas and aspirations of residents will be an important part of my role and will help shape Council's future priorities.

One of Council's key priorities this month has been progressing our application to the Australian Government's Disaster Ready Fund for the next stages of the Tumby Bay Coastal Protection Project. This represents a significant opportunity to secure significant external funding for an important project that will improve the long-term resilience of our coastline while helping to minimise the financial impact on our community. Council remains committed to pursuing external funding opportunities that help deliver important infrastructure while maintaining long-term financial sustainability.

Recent rainfall has been welcomed across the district; however, it has also resulted in increased damage to sections of our rural road network. Council's Works team has been responding by inspecting affected roads, prioritising repairs and addressing any safety concerns as quickly as possible. We appreciate the community's patience while these works are undertaken.

As I continue settling into the role, my priority is to build strong relationships across the district, understand the needs and aspirations of our communities, and work collaboratively with Elected Members, Council staff and the community to deliver positive outcomes for the District Council of Tumby Bay.

I look forward to meeting many more of you over the coming months.

Luke Moane

Chief Executive Officer



PROJECT OFFICER UPDATE

Council is continuing to progress with a number of grant funded and capital works projects across the district. These include coastal protection works, beach access improvements, environmental clean up works, open space planning and campground improvements.

With many of these projects having information on our website now for some time I thought I might be a good time to simply recap some of the projects and information that is available on Council's website about them and how we are progressing with the projects.

Tumby Bay Foreshore Sandbag Seawall Project

Council is progressing the Tumby Bay Foreshore Coastal Protection Project, which will involve construction of approximately 167 metres of geosynthetic sand container seawall, commonly referred to as a sandbag seawall.

The sandbag seawall will be constructed along a section of the Tumby Bay township foreshore between the café precinct and the playground area. This section of foreshore has been affected by ongoing erosion and deterioration of existing seawall infrastructure.

The project is intended to stabilise the coastline in this location and assist with protecting public assets and foreshore access areas. A new staircase will be installed over the sandbag seawall in the area near to the café.

This project is supported by Council committed funds of $722,000 through its 2025/2026 capital works program and a $262,500 in grant funding through the South Australian Coast Protection Board's Coast Protection Grants Program.

Contractor arrangements and timeframes for the works are being finalised, with mobilisation to site likely from mid to late August 2026. Completion of the works is targeted toward the end of 2026, subject to weather, tide conditions and site requirements. A contingency allowance for works has been included for completion in early 2027, if required.

During construction, sections of the beach and foreshore between the jetty and the northern café precinct will be temporarily inaccessible during active works. Access to the café, jetty, playground and other facilities is expected to remain available.

Tumby Bay Timber Beach Access Ramp

Council is delivering the Tumby Bay Timber Beach Access Ramp project, funded by $25,000 ex GST in funding from the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal.

The project will deliver a new timber beach access ramp between the Tumby Bay foreshore playground and jetty.

Council has engaged local contractor Butler General Building to design and construct the ramp. Subject to development approval and final scheduling, works are anticipated to commence from late August and into September 2026.The work timing may be affected by weather, tides and site access conditions.

Council acknowledges the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal for providing $25,000 ex GST in grant funding to fully fund the design and construction of this project.

Tumby Bay and Port Neill Beach Access Works

Council is also progressing beach access works across Tumby Bay and Port Neill, following a grant of $50,000 ex GST in funding through the South Australian Government's Algal Bloom Response: Local Government Grant Fund.

Subject to development approval and final site requirements, the project is expected to include new timber beach access staircases at the following locations:

- Port Neill, north-west of the jetty;
- Port Neill, Mottled Cove Road;
- Tumby Bay, Pearson Street;
- Tumby Bay jetty, including removal of the existing deteriorated timber ramp and replacement with stairs, while retaining the existing ramp landing and fish cleaning facilities; and
- removal of the end-of-life beach access ramp at the Seabreeze Hotel end of the Tumby Bay playground.
- The new ramp as part of the FRRR project will provide ramp access between the playground and jetty.

Council has engaged local contractor Butler General Building to undertake these works.

Works are anticipated to commence in early August 2026 and continue through to the end of September 2026 across the nominated beach access sites, subject to approvals, weather conditions, tidal access windows and site conditions.

Second Creek Campground Improvements

Council has completed the Second Creek Campground Improvements which saw the removal of old fencing and installation of new fencing at the site.

The project was fully funded and supported by $13,000 ex GST in funding from the Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board through the Landscape Priority Fund, as part of the Eyes on Eyre program.

The works included renewal of approximately 400 lineal metres of boundary fencing.

While no changes to campground use, booking arrangements or broader site management are currently proposed, the Council is aware that a high level of camping use at this popular site is creating pressures on the local area and impacting on day-use and beach launching users. Keep an eye out for a future opportunity to have your say on the way you would like to see this area management and improved in the future.

Further Information

Council will continue to provide project updates through its usual communication channels.

Community members can visit Council's website for further information about current projects, including project scope, funding, timing, documents and updates.

Current project information is available here: Projects | Tumby Bay District Council

For further information, please contact the Council office on 08 8688 2101 or email dctumby@tumbybay.sa.gov.au.

Mandy Shephard

Project Officer

Welcome to Council's Chief Executive Officer - Luke Moane

The District Council of Tumby Bay is pleased to welcome newly appointed Chief Executive Officer, Luke Moane.

Luke commenced with Council on Tuesday 9 June, and has already made a strong start in the role. Bringing a fresh perspective and a collaborative approach, Luke has quickly immersed himself in the organisation and made a positive impression on staff, Elected Members, and the wider community.

Since joining Council, he has attended a range of conferences, community engagement sessions, and Council meetings, taking every opportunity to connect with stakeholders and gain valuable insight into our district.

Luke's enthusiasm and commitment to building strong relationships have been evident from day one, and the team is excited to have him leading our organisation into the future.

We look forward to Luke's leadership and wish him every success as he settles into the role and continues to work alongside our community, staff, and Elected Members.

Melissa Newell-Stone

Corporate & Customer Services Coordinator



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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 33 ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1961

I, Garreth Lee Jones, Acting Senior Sergeant of Police, for, and on behalf of the Commissioner of Police, exercise the authority delegated by the Minister for Transport under Section 11 Road Traffic Act, and make the following order under Section 33 of the Act.

I declare that the **'Tumby Bay RSL – 100 Year Celebration of Cenotaph'** is an event to which this section applies and that the following roads be closed to traffic **between 9.00am and 11.45am on Sunday 26 July 2026:**

Within the District Council of Tumby Bay: -

- **Tumby Terrace, Tumby Bay** between the Croquet Club and North Terrace
- **Mortlock Street, Tumby Bay** between Tumby Terrace and Spencer Street.

I direct that persons taking part in the **'Tumby Bay RSL – 100 Year Celebration of Cenotaph'** on the above roads be exempted from all Australian Road Rules relating to pedestrian behaviour on roads.

I also hereby authorise the **Tumby Bay Sub-Branch RSL** or its agents and contractors to install and remove, or cause the installation and removal of necessary and appropriate traffic control devices for the conduct of this event.

I direct that the installation and removal of necessary and appropriate traffic control devices for the conduct of this event can only be performed by a person with work zone traffic management training.

All works to be undertaken must be done so in accordance with the **"SA Standards for Workzone Traffic Management"** (which calls up the **Austroads Guide to Temporary Traffic Management and AS1742.3**).

The permit holder must ensure that, a legible and complete copy of this Approval (as either a hard copy or electronic copy) is available at the event site at all times that workers are present and is immediately provided to an Authorised Officer upon request.

G.L. JONES
A/S/SGT 73824
For and on behalf of
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
19 June 2026.

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ROAD CONDITION UPDATE

Recent rainfall has generally been welcomed across our district, providing needed moisture to farm paddocks, gardens and local reserves. However, these downpours also leave a mark on our unsealed roads. When the ground becomes saturated, surfaces soften quickly, creating ruts, potholes and slippery or boggy patches that can catch even experienced drivers off guard. As the weather continues to shift, road conditions may change from one hour to the next, especially in low lying or shaded areas that take longer to dry out.

Drivers are encouraged to take extra care when travelling on unsealed roads over the coming weeks. Reducing your speed, avoiding sudden braking and steering gently can make a significant difference to your safety and the safety of others. If you encounter water over the road, remember that even shallow flows can hide deep washouts. Where possible, delay travel until conditions improve, especially with heavy vehicles which are likely to cause significant damage in the hours after significant rainfall.

Community members can also help by reporting any major damage to council so repairs can be prioritised. With a little patience and caution, we can all do our part to keep our roads safe.

Stay alert, drive to the conditions and look out for one another on the road.



PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT CHANGE FOR GOODES ROAD, UNGARRA

Following a request from the Ungarra and Districts Hall and Progress Association, the District Council of Tumby Bay asked the Department for Infrastructure and Transport to review the current speed zoning on Goodes Road (Lipson–Ungarra Road) within the Ungarra township boundaries.

The review has now been completed, and a reduced speed limit of 50 km/h has been proposed for the township area. This section of road is currently posted at 80 km/h. The proposed change would bring the speed limit in line with the default limit for urban areas in South Australia.

The reduced speed zone would extend from approximately 100 metres south of Lawrie Street to 100 metres north of Ashman Terrace, covering a total distance of around 850 metres.

Council is now inviting community feedback before formally considering the recommendation. Written submissions will be received until Tuesday 15 July and can be provided via:

- **Email**: dctumby@tumbybay.sa.gov.au
- **Mail**: PO Box 61, Tumby Bay SA 5605
- **In person**: Council Office, 25 West Terrace, Tumby Bay (during business hours)

Residents are encouraged to share their views on the proposed change.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

THANK A VOLUNTEER

District wide events sponsored by DCTB



Port Neill Hotel Volunteer Breakfast



Ungarra Volunteers enjoy lunch at the Community Cafe

In recognition of National Volunteer Week, the District Council of Tumby Bay wanted to acknowledge and celebrate the many volunteers across our district who generously give their time and energy for the benefit of our community.

To make these celebrations accessible to all, invitations were extended for locally hosted events across the district. We were delighted to partner with several community groups who made these occasions truly special.

We extend our sincere thanks to:

- Lipson Progress Association for hosting a wonderful lunch at Lipson Hall in May
- Tumby Bay Lions Club for cooking a fantastic breakfast by the foreshore (even with a power outage!)
- Port Neill Progress, in partnership with the Port Neill Hotel, for providing a delicious breakfast at the hotel
- Ungarra Progress Association for preparing a beautiful lunch at the Ungarra Community Café

Across these events, it was wonderful to see more than 150 volunteers come together, be recognised, and enjoy community.

Thank you to all the groups who volunteered to deliver these events and thank you to every volunteer in our district. Your contributions make a meaningful difference every day.



Volunteers at a Lipson Lunch (above)
Deputy Mayor with Wendy Taylor (below)



Lions Volunteer Members



Trevor & Dawn Kroemer



COMMUNITY BIG FREEZE

Tumby Bay Bakery & Tumby Bay Hotel







Tumby Bay Bakery and Tumby Bay Hotel teamed up to host a Community Big Freeze, bringing local businesses and community members together for a fantastic cause.

The Big Freeze event was held to raise funds and awareness for FightMND, supporting vital research and care for those living with motor neurone disease.

Thanks to fundraising tins, raffle ticket sales, and generous donations from spectators eager to tip buckets over our brave participants, an incredible total of $3,286 was raised.

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the brave participants and raise funds for this important cause.

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RECONCILIATION WEEK

Colouring In Competition





National Reconciliation Week (27 May – 3 June) was a time for all Australians to reflect, learn and come together. This year's theme, "All In," highlighted that reconciliation is a shared journey, calling on everyone to help build stronger relationships, deeper understanding, and a more inclusive future.

To mark the week, the District Council of Tumby Bay, in partnership with the Tumby Bay Bakery, hosted a Colouring-In Competition for all ages. The colouring sheets, developed by Reconciliation Australia, encouraged both creativity and meaningful reflection through guided questions. All participants received a Reconciliation cupcake and had their artwork proudly displayed in the bakery window.

Thank you to Nicole and the Tumby Bay Bakery team for their support and to Emmalene Richards for providing the beautiful Barngarla language books. We were thrilled with the high standard of entries, showcasing creativity across all age groups, and due to the quality, a fourth prize was awarded.

Congratulations to our winners, some are pictured below with their prizes of Barngarla language books by Professor Ghil'ad Zuckermann, Emmalene Richards and Barngarla community contributors, along with bakery gift vouchers.





Prize Winners Zara and Florence



A Message from Tumby Bay SAAS

My name is Michelle Parker, and I've lived in Tumby Bay since 2006. You may know me from my years working at the local supermarket or Bendigo Bank, or perhaps from my role with our town's ambulance service.

I have been a Tumby Bay Ambulance volunteer since 2012, and during that time we have been incredibly fortunate to maintain a wonderful core group of volunteers, providing our community with 24/7emergency response. We have always had a strong and diverse team made up of students, parents, full-time workers and retirees – our own little "ambulance family". I have been proud to be part of this, especially when so many country towns have not been as fortunate.

Today, I am reaching out to you, your family, neighbours, friends and fellow community members because we are looking to grow that family. Our volunteer numbers have dwindled in recent years due to retirement, people moving away, medical reasons, and changing life circumstances. As a result, maintaining local roster coverage has become increasingly difficult, and we need a few more good people alongside us.

Providing 24/7 coverage requires 14 shifts each week – one day shift and one night shift every day. With two volunteers needed per shift, that's 28 volunteer positions to fill every week. Tumby Bay currently has only five local ambulance volunteers, so every new person makes a genuine difference.

I'd like to address a few common myths about volunteering with the ambulance service.

"I don't have time to sit at the station all day." If you live or work in Tumby Bay, you can respond from home or your workplace. Simply keep your uniform with you and go about your day as normal. You'll only be called if you're needed. There is also an option for your employer to be reimbursed for your wages if you are able to respond from work.

"You're always on call." Not if we have enough volunteers. Could you commit to one shift each week? If not, perhaps you could share the commitment with a friend and each do one shift per fortnight.

"I work full-time." Most of our volunteers do. That's why we offer flexibility, including 6, 8 or 10-hour shifts, varied start and finish times, and even school-hours shifts. We can be creative.

"I can't stand the sight of blood." I've been volunteering for 14 years and don't even need all my fingers to count the number of times I've seen a significant amount of blood. More often than not, bystanders do a fantastic job of controlling bleeding before we arrive.



"What if I have to respond to a friend or family member?" This is probably the biggest concern people raise. But I'd encourage you to think about it another way: if something happened to someone you love, would you want to have the skills to help? First aid saves lives, and the training we receive is invaluable both on and off the ambulance.

Here's something that might surprise you: in the past 12 months, the Tumby Bay ambulance responded to approximately 350 call-outs — that's roughly 30 a month, or about one every 24 hours. For most volunteers, that means the majority of shifts are spent simply living your normal life. It's one of the things that surprises people most when they join — how manageable it actually is.

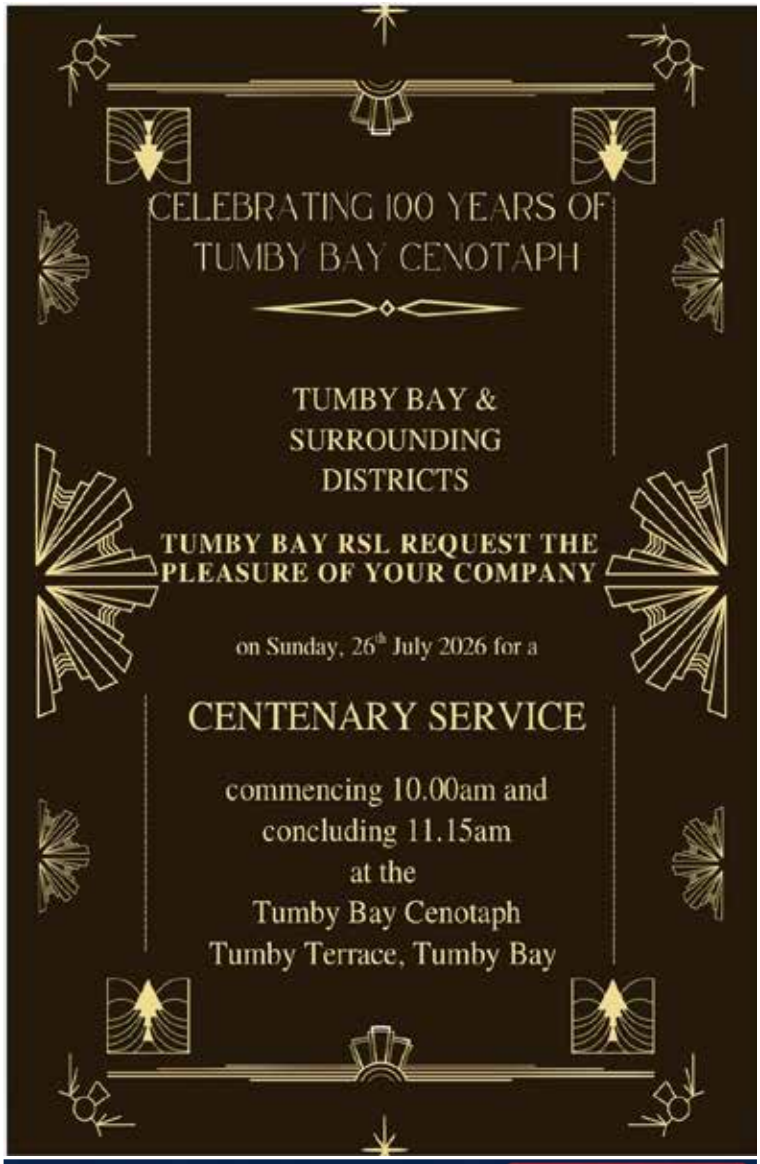
There are also real practical benefits to volunteering: annual first aid certification, a Certificate IV in Health Care, and Australia-wide ambulance cover for you and your immediate family.

So here's my ask. If you've ever thought about it — even for a moment — please take the next step. Come along to a training session. Stop me in the street and ask questions. Reach out to any member of our team. There's no commitment involved, just a conversation. You might find it's a much better fit for your life than you ever imagined.

If volunteering isn't right for you, please share this message with someone you think it might suit. A simple word of mouth could be what brings the right person forward.

This service belongs to all of us. It has been here when our community has needed it most, and with a little help, it will continue to be. I'd love for you to be part of keeping it that way.

Michelle Parker



A Message from Tumby Bay Medical Centre

This is our second update to the community as we continue to keep you informed of the challenges we face in advocating for a long term safe and sustainable health service for our region.

As discussed previously we have identified that the increasing demand on a small number of doctors represents a significant risk going forward with managing workload and fatigue. We are continuing to advocate for improved health services for our region at multiple levels and are actively trying to recruit more long term GPs to help with this. While we share this issue with communities across Australia, we are proud of the service that we do provide and thank the community for their ongoing support with this.

Over the coming months, due to factors beyond our control, the total number of doctors in Tumby Bay will reduce. This will highlight even further the significant workload and fatigue risk for our doctors as they cover both the clinic and the hospital. The availability of regular clinic appointments will reduce as our continuing doctors and new registrar will be required to do more on call, leaving less days for pre-booked appointments. We want to reassure patients that urgent on the day appointments will still be available and are an important part of our service. They should be used appropriately as early treatment can avoid hospitalisation or poor outcomes.

We will continue to keep you updated as the situation evolves.
Thank you again for your support and encouragement,

Chris Roeger & Sara Georg

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3-year-old preschool

Register now for 2027

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1. Find your local preschool

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2. Complete a preschool registration of interest form

You can apply online on the department's website or get a registration of interest form from your local preschool.

3. Wait for further details

If you meet eligibility requirements and your preschool can offer your child a place, you will receive an enrolment offer via email or letter from the preschool. If a place is not currently available, further information will be provided.

4. Starting preschool

Once you have accepted your offer, your preschool will provide advice on when your child can start after their third birthday.

To apply online or for more information visit
education.sa.gov.au/preschool-for-3-year-olds

Flying Start for kids

Government of South Australia

TUMBY BAY SACWA REPORT - May

At the latest meeting members enjoyed a sing-along with Ukulele players Lynne Habner and Greg Daimos. Music was the order of the day and members shared their favourite singer and brought along music items for the Show Bench.

Prior to our meetings (1pm-3pm), Handicraft Officer, Shirley Tucker never fails to provide and teach interesting handicrafts. Some of the items we have made recently include a decorated purse, paper flowers, Colorwork, Christmas decorations and cards, heart shaped pompoms and many more. If interested in handicraft, come along to SACWA hall at 3 Esplanade Tumby Bay (next to Caravan Park), 10am-12noon, every 3rd Wednesday of the month.

TUMBY BAY SACWA REPORT - June

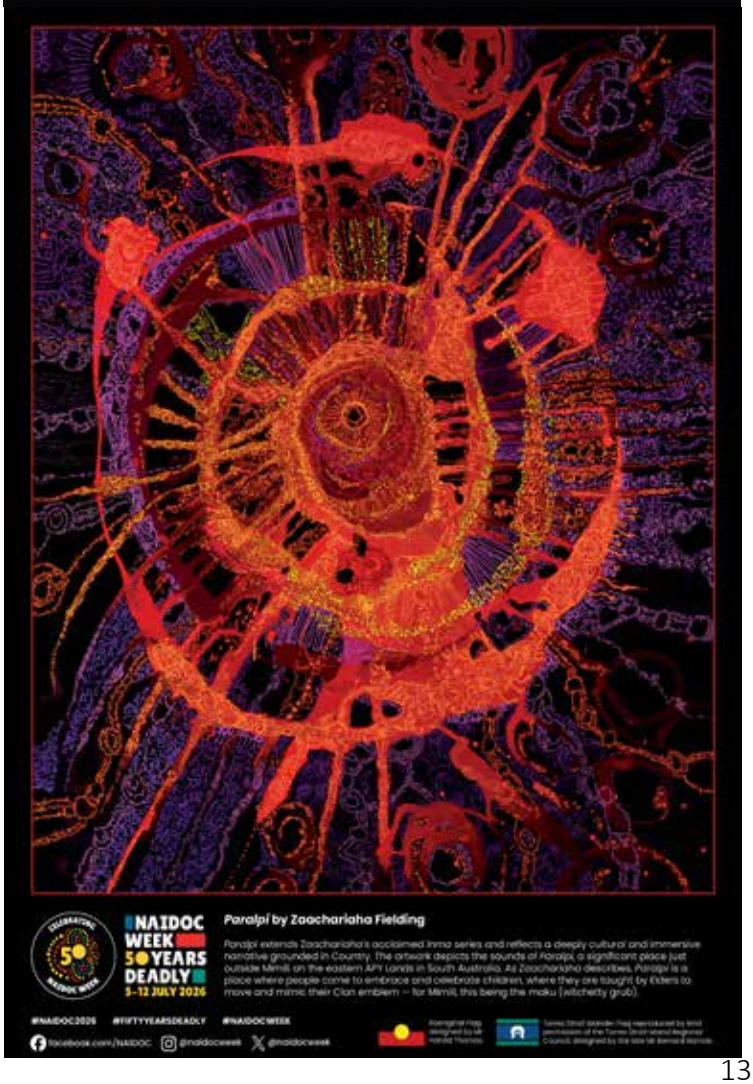
At the latest meeting members enjoyed a trip down memory lane, marching into meeting with a triangle, kindly loaned by Tumby Bay Kindergarten, and school routines were relived. School Days was the order of the day and members shared the school they attended and brought along school books for the Show Bench. Aileen Hampel shared her memorabilia she had on display.

Prior to our meetings (1pm-3pm), Handicraft Officer, Shirley Tucker never fails to provide and teach interesting handicrafts. Some of the items we have made recently include a decorated purse, paper flowers, Colourwork, Christmas decorations and cards, heart shaped pompoms and many more. This meeting was crocheting Granny Squares and some members learnt to crochet.

If interested in handicraft, come along to SACWA hall at 3 Esplanade Tumby Bay (next to Caravan Park), 10am-12noon, every 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Come and enjoy a cuppa with us.





THE CHURCHES OF TUMBY BAY

welcome you

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diowillochra.org.au/our-churches

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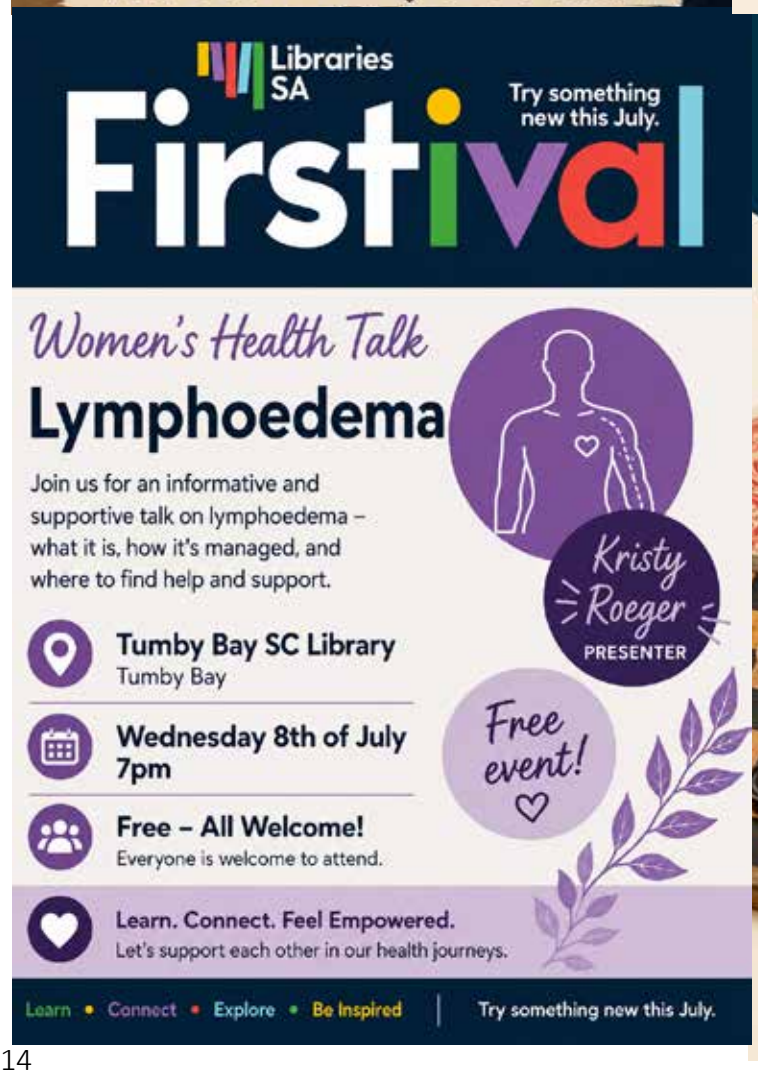
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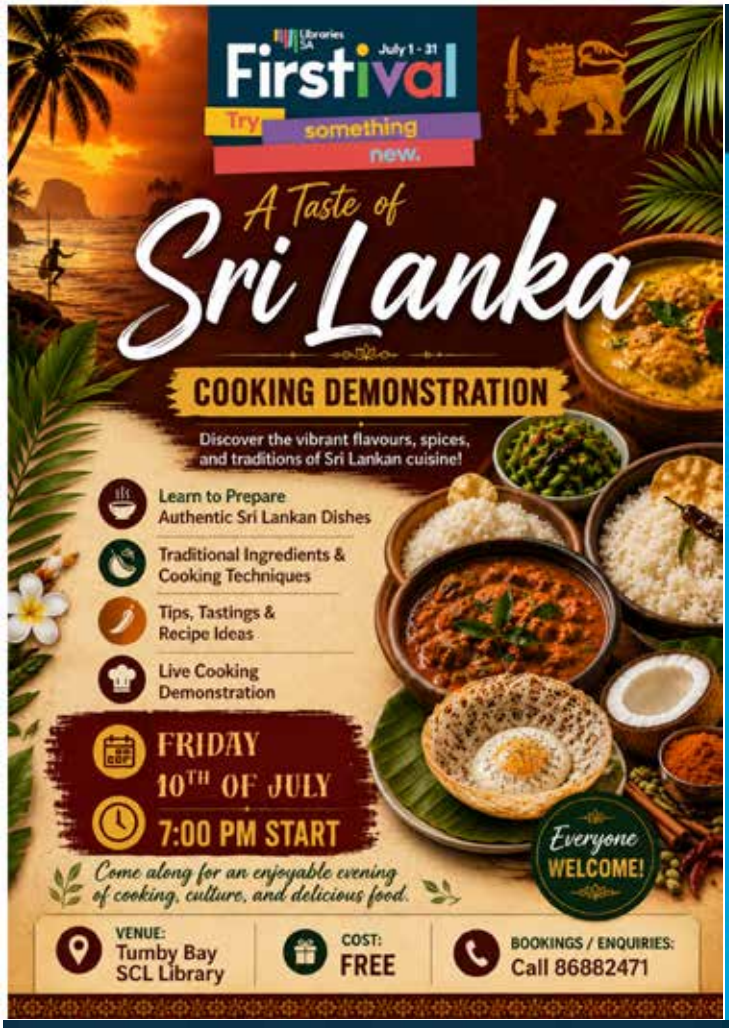
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Women's Health Talk
Lymphoedema
Join us for an informative and supportive talk on lymphoedema – what it is, how it's managed, and where to find help and support.
Kristy Roeger
PRESENTER
Tumby Bay SC Library
Tumby Bay
Wednesday 8th of July
7pm
Free – All Welcome!
Everyone is welcome to attend.
Free event!
Learn. Connect. Feel Empowered.
Let's support each other in our health journeys.
Learn • Connect • Explore • Be Inspired
Try something new this July.


Libraries SA
Firstival
July 1 - 31
Try something new.
BOARD GAMES OF THE PAST!
CLASSIC FUN. TIMELESS MEMORIES.
LOCATION:
Tumby Bay SC Library
DATE:
Friday 10th of July
TIME:
1pm - 3pm
EVERYONE WELCOME!
AN AFTERNOON FOR ALL AGES!
Bring a grandchild!
Bring a friend!
Share some laughs, make new memories!


Libraries SA
Firstival
July 1 - 31
Try something new.
A Taste of Sri Lanka
COOKING DEMONSTRATION
Discover the vibrant flavours, spices, and traditions of Sri Lankan cuisine!
Learn to Prepare Authentic Sri Lankan Dishes
Traditional Ingredients & Cooking Techniques
Tips, Tastings & Recipe Ideas
Live Cooking Demonstration
FRIDAY 10TH OF JULY
7:00 PM START
Everyone WELCOME!
Come along for an enjoyable evening of cooking, culture, and delicious food.
VENUE: Tumby Bay SCL Library
COST: FREE
BOOKINGS / ENQUIRIES: Call 86882471


Libraries SA
Firstival
July 1 - 31
Try something new.
DECORATE YOUR OWN TREASURE CHEST!
Get creative and design your very own treasure chest to keep your special treasures in!
Tuesday 14th July
TIME 11:00am – 12:00pm
VENUE Tumby Bay SCL Library
COST FREE
LIMITED SPACES!
BOOK YOUR SPOT TODAY!
Booked via calling us on
86882471


Libraries SA
Firstival
Try something new this July.
Design your own
JUNK Journal
LIKE A SCRAPBOOK!
memories
VENUE Tumby Bay SC Library
DATE Thursday 16th of July
TIME 10am
Get creative, express yourself and take home your very own one-of-a-kind journal!
All Welcome!
Learn. Connect. Be Inspired.


Libraries SA
Firstival
July 1 - 31
Try something new.
PAINT AND SIP NIGHT!
LOCATION: Tumby Bay SC Library
DATE: Friday 17th of July
TIME: 7pm - 8:30pm
$10 CASH PER PERSON!
NIBBLES AND DRINKS SUPPLIED!
ALL WELCOME!
CALL 86882471 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!
FIRST IN BEST DRESSED!

Libraries SA TUMBY BAY

WORDS GROW MINDS

TUMBY BAY SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

STORY TIME



READ, SING & CONNECT!

Our Storytime program is designed to extend your child's early literacy experience. The group setting is an opportunity to engage with other parents and children, and a great introduction to classroom learning.

FRIDAY 9:30- 10:30AM
Join us for stories, songs & craft.

FREE NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED | EVERY FRIDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM

Libraries SA TUMBY BAY

WORDS GROW MINDS

TUMBY BAY SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

BABY Bounce

Playgroup



TUESDAY 9:30am

FUN & MEANINGFUL EARLY LEARNING FOR 0-2 YEAR OLDS!

A fun interactive session for babies and toddlers with action songs, nursery rhymes and craft! Come for your baby, stay to meet other parents.

Tumby Bay School Community Library

FREE NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED
Runs during school term



New Books at the LIBRARY

MAY 2026



ADULT FICTION

The witness	Fleur McDonald
A rising of the lights	Steve Toltz
Caller unknown	Gillian McAllister
Don't fall in love with me	Paige Toon
Into the blue	Emma Brodie
One night a Silver Lake	Katherine Scholes
Rockets' red glare	James Patterson
Secrets between friends	Sheila O'Flanagan
The couples retreat	Mercedes Mercier
Winifred Peters is not sorry for her loss	Louise Jensen Duffy
A deadly episode	Anthony Horowitz
Cherry baby	Rainbow Rowell
The bookshop of buried pasts	Sarah Clutton
The model murder	Amanda Hampson
Three reasons for revenge	Dervla McTiernan
Vengeance	Wilbur Smith
When lemons give you life	Anna Johnston
Dark sanctuary	Sarah Barrie
Slash	Gavin Strawhan
The final target	Nora Roberts
The marriage trap	Victoria Purman
Twist in the river	Stig Abell
Yesteryear	Caro Claire Burke
26 beauties	James Patterson & Max Paetro
A river red with blood	John Connolly
It's not what you think	Clare Mackintosh
The calamity club	Kathryn Stocket
The things we never say	Elizabeth Strout
The wife, the maid and the mistress	Ariel Lawhon

ADULT NON-FICTION

- **Eucalyptus**
  Stephen D Hopper
- **Home: DIY Recipes for a toxin-free, low-waste life**
  Harriet Birrell
- **Mali bakes: make and decorate the retro cakes of your dreams**
  Patti Chimkire
- **The opt-out family: how to give your kids what technology can't**
  Erin Loechner
- **Somewhere, a Boy and a Bear: A biography of A.A. Milne and Winnie-the-Pooh**
  Gyles Brandreth

LARGE PRINT

- **Mad Mabel**
  Sally Hapworth
- **Back to Birdsville**
  Fiona McArthur
- **High wire**
  Candice Fox

Your library, your community, your place.





There's something here for everyone. Come in, explore and enjoy!

Open a book, OPEN A WORLD!

DISTRICT COUNCIL of TUMBY BAY

Events & What's on! July

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			• **NAIDOC Tumby Bay Community Centre 9-3** Community Shed & Garden Tumby 10am-4pm • Creative Crew Studio 10:30- 12:30 • Indoor Bowls 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay 1	• Weight watchers CWA hall 9am. • Casual Croquet Tumby Foreshore 1:15pm 2	• Port Neill Playcentre 9am • Ungarra Cafe 9:30-11:30am • Sewing Club Community Centre Tumby Bay 10am-3pm 3	• Bikes by the Bay 8:30am 4
• NAIDOC WEEK- 50 years of Deadly • Dragon Boating 7:45 Boat Ramp • Community Shed & Garden Tumby 10-4pm • Tumby Bowling Crackerjack Bowls 1pm. • Casual Croquet Tumby Foreshore 1:15pm 5	• Indoor Bowls 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay 6	• Line Dancing RSL 9:30-12 • Bingo 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay • **Special Council Meeting 5:30pm DCTB Chambers** 7	• Community Shed & Garden Tumby Bay 10am-4pm • Creative Crew Studio 10:30- 12:30 • Indoor Bowls 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay 8	• Cuppa Club Lipson Hall 10:30-12:30 • Weight watchers CWA hall 9am. • Casual Croquet Tumby Foreshore 1:15pm 9	• Sewing Club Community Centre Tumby Bay 10am-3pm • Games 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay 10	• Bikes by the Bay 8:30am 11
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• Dragon Boating 7:45 Boat Ramp • Lipson Love to Dance- Lipson Hall 1pm-3pm Bev- 0427023722 • Community Shed & Garden Tumby 10-4pm • Lipson Christmas in July Event 11:30am 19	• Ungarra Playcentre 10am-12pm • Ungarra Cafe 12pm-2pm • Indoor Bowls 1pm Senior Citz Tumby 20	• Baby Bounce 9:30am Library • Line Dancing RSL 9:30-12 • Bingo 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay 21	Community Shed & Garden Tumby 10am-4pm • Creative Crew Studio 10:30- 12:30 • Indoor Bowls 1pm Senior Citz Tumby Bay 22	• Cuppa Club Lipson Hall 10:30-12:30 • Weight watchers CWA hall 9am. • Playgroup Uniting Church Tumby 9-11 • Casual Croquet Tumby Foreshore 1:15pm 23	• Port Neill Playcentre 9am • Storytime 9:30am Tumby Bay Library • Ungarra Cafe 9:30-11:30am 24	• Bikes by the Bay 8:30am 25
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For queries or to send your events in, please contact rnowikow@tumbybay.sa.gov.au

TUMBY BAY HOSPITAL & URINGA AUXILIARY INC.

Seven members met at our latest meeting held on Wednesday 3rd June.

We heard in the report from DON of TB Hospital that there will be a delay to using upgraded rooms 7 & 8 in the TB Hospital, an unforeseen issue has developed within the new Bathroom area, causing delays, of being able to use the new facilities.

Progression of the upgrade to Palliative Care Project will not advance until after the end of June/July, only because there are other priority jobs within SA Healthcare at present, so unfortunately infrastructural jobs at Tumby Bay Hospital are taking a backseat at the present time. Members are somewhat frustrated that plans are not going forward, but the P/C room is being used for its intended purpose, when needed, and several items have been added to the room, to make a much more comfortable space, for the patients who need to use it.

Auxiliary has been asked to cater lunch for Meals on Wheels on 6th July. We truly appreciate that MOW are still supporting our "catering" efforts, as it is our main form of raising much needed funds to assist TB Hospital and Uringa Hostel.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st July, in Bayview Medical Centre, at 1.30pm. We would love to welcome more new members.

Carolyn Thompson, Secretary

Message From ZONTA

A very successful hand over dinner was held at the Tumby Bay Hotel on Wednesday May 20th where a new board and a new member, Leanne Solly, were inducted and welcomed.
Jennifer Foreman, outgoing chair Area 2 District (South Australia)- District 23 and Bridget Mather, chair Zonta Australia, as well as Jane Smith, former District 23 Governor were on hand to present badges to the people taking on the committee positions for the next two years.

Taking up new positions are Belinda Wise president, Lyn Stirling vice-president, Rosemary Shanks secretary, and Helen Ware Tumby Bay director.
Remaining in their positions are Valerie Hill Treasurer and Margaret Phelps Cummins director.

The dinner was held during National Volunteers Week, with many local community organizations and associations attending to learn of the work that Zonta does internationally and locally and have an opportunity to network with other like-minded people.

The club invite any woman in the Tumby Bay and Cummins district to email us at zontalowereyre@gmail.com for further club information or how to join this vibrant group.

RETURNED SERVICES LEAGUE (South Australia)

Tumby Bay Sub Branch - News

Historical Dates:

- **6 Jun 1944:** D- Day
- **16 Jun 1948:** Malaya Emergency Declared
- **21 Jun 1951:** US Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation awarded to 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, for "extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance" at the Battle of Kapyong
- **25 Jun 1950:** North Korea invades South Korea
- **28 Jun 1919:** The formal end of WW1 with signing of Treaty of Versailles

Friday Night Dinners
Thank you so much for your support to the Cub and thank you to our cooks for their great efforts.
The menu for meals is displayed on town noticeboards.
Come along for good company, great meals and bar service at reasonable prices.
See you at 6.00pm this Friday

Club Room Bookings
Our air conditioned Club rooms are available for booking by the community for both catered and non-catered events.
For details on booking contact our booking officer, Bev Bradford on 0456 762 149

Portraits Memorial
The Portraits Memorial is unique to our Club; there are now over 500 portraits displayed. Spend some time perusing this wonderful memorial to men and women who served from our community.

LEST WE FORGET

Geoff Stewart

Tumby Bay ZONTA



L TO R back row.
Frances Boylan, Helen Ware, Jenni Foreman, Rosemary Shanks, Margaret Phelps, Belinda Wise, Leeanne Solly, Rayleen Foster, Jane Smith, Beverley Bailie.
L TO R front Row
Lyn Stirling, Christine Charlton, Valerie Hill

A SOLDIER'S STORY

Written by Geoff Stewart



Service No.: 6791
Name: Charles Edwin BATES
Nickname: Lawire

Medals and Decorations:
British War Medal
Victory Medal



Rank: Private
Service: Army
Enlisted: 14 Jul 1917
Discharged: 10 Dec 1919

Charles was born on 30 Sep 1892 at Mandoora (near Port Broughton SA) to James Bates and Annie Maria Bates (nee Mildren). He was the third youngest of 8 children in the family, 6 boys and 2 girls, His father was a farmer at Port Broughton before moving to Butler in 1902 and purchasing a block of 3700 acres (approx. 1500 Ha), Sect 19 Hd of Butler. The family moved onto the block in late 1902.

It is not known where he went to school, but it is thought that his education was fairly rudimentary. On arrival in Butler it appears that he worked on the family farm. He also worked as a "bag sewer and stump picker" in the area. On enlistment in the Army on 14 Jul 1917 at Port Lincoln he gave his occupation as farm labourer, his address as Norwood SA and his next of kin as his father.

He was then sent to 2nd Depot Battalion (Bn) for training on 1 Aug 1917 during which he was allocated to 20th Reinforcements/27th Bn on 12 Sep 1917. At the completion of training he embarked aboard HMAT "*Aeneas*" at Melbourne on 30 Oct 1917 bound for UK, disembarking at Devonport (UK) on 27 Dec 1917; during the voyage he spent 3 weeks in the ships hospital with mumps. On arrival he marched into 6th Training Bn where he remained for 3 months before embarking for France aboard "*Forant*" on 1 Apr 1918; during this time his posting was changed from 27th Bn to 48th Bn. On arrival in France he was taken on strength by his new unit on 6 Apr 1918.

The 48th Bn was raised in Egypt on 16 Mar 19 Mar 1916 as part of the "doubling" of the AIF. Approximately half of its strength was recruited from the 16th Bn; the remainder were reinforcements, mainly from SA and WA. The Bn first entered the front line in Jul 1916 and suffered heavily. In the spring of 1918 it played a crucial role in blocking the main road into Amiens when the Germans launched their last major offensive.

It was during this action, less than a month after being taken on strength by the Bn, that Charles was wounded in action at Villers-Bretonneux on 3 May 1918 with gunshot wounds to left arm and chest. He was admitted through 12th Field Ambulance to 8th Australian General Hospital at Rouen and then evacuated by Hospital Ship to UK and admitted to Exeter War Hospital on 7 May 1918. He was transferred to 3rd Auxiliary Hospital at Dartford (UK) on 24 Jun 1918 and then released to 4th Convalescence Unit at Hurdcott (UK) on 20 Jul 1918. On 17 Oct 1918 he returned to France and re-joined his unit.

On 1 Jul 1919 he embarked aboard SS "*Frankfurt*" at Southampton (UK) for return to Australia, arriving in Adelaide on 17 Aug 1919; he was discharged at Keswick on 10 Sep 1919.

After discharge, he returned to the Eyre Peninsula, remaining in the Tumby Bay area and continued his employ as "bag sewer and stump picker" at the rate of 8/4 (84cents) per 100 . He married Freda Irene Trezise on 27 Dec 1922 at the residence of John Trezise, the bride's father; at that time Charles gave his address as Warratta Vale. They raised their family of 4 children, 3 boys and a girl, in the Tumby area before the family moved to Cummins in 1936. In later years he and his wife devoted their lives to helping the elderly in the Cummins District.

Freda died on 15 Jan 1966 at the age of 62 years and was buried in the Happy Valley Cemetery, Port Lincoln. Charles died on 23 Apr 1974 at the age of 81 years; he is buried beside his wife.

His photograph is displayed in the Tumby Bay RSL Portraits Memorial

Community Bank
Eyre Peninsula



Big on your farm.
Big on your wellbeing.

Proudly partnering with National Centre for Farmer Health

For the 2026 EP Field Days, Bendigo Bank have proudly partnered with the National Centre for Farmer Health (NCFH) to bring Health and Lifestyle Assessments—giving you a unique opportunity for a free, confidential 20-minute check-up that covers cardiovascular health, diabetes risk, and wellbeing support.

Your health is an investment. NCFH's evidence-based programs have a proven track record of making a real difference. We are bringing their expert team to our EP Field Days tent to provide these vital assessments.

When	11 - 13th August 2026
Time	8.30 – 4.30pm
Where	Site 185. Bendigo Bank tent. EP Field Days, Cleve.
Book	To book your free health check, contact Community Bank Cummins District at 08 8676 2997

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