

A newsletter from

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This newsletter is one way of sharing my activities with the local community every two months. As your state member of parliament, I am available to advise and assist you on any matter in which I can help, especially those regarding state government responsibilities.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance to you or your family.

TOUGH ON CRIME

The **Rann Government's** major investment in **community safety** is paying dividends. According to South Australia Police statistics, Sturt Local Service Area has recorded **falls in victim reported crime** in a number of areas, including:

- Theft/illegal use of motor vehicle—**down 20.9%**;
- Illegal interference—**down 9.6%**;
- Serious criminal trespass, non residence—**down 21.7%**;
- Serious criminal trespass, residence—**down 6.3%**; and
- Other theft—**down 9.3%**.

Pro-active police activity in the Sturt Local Service Area has increased, which involves the police acting on their own initiative. There are more police on the beat in South Australia than ever, with 443 more officers since 2002.

Community safety continues to be a **top priority** for the Rann Government.

FIGHTING GRAFFITI - REPAY SA

Graffiti is a problem in our community which cannot be ignored. **Hallett Cove** is of particular concern. Some members of the community will already know that I am very active with graffiti removal across the electorate.

The State Government has provided funding of \$543,000 to fight graffiti. The program, **Repay SA**, will assist in repairing the damage caused by crime. Criminals can repay their debt to society by undertaking community projects, such as graffiti removal. The funding announced last month means that **offenders will be held accountable for the damage they cause** by doing restorative work.



Minister for Correction Services Carmel Zollo, Attorney-General Michael Atkinson and Chloë Fox inspecting graffiti in Hallett Cove

An **extra community service officer has been employed** to co-ordinate the program in the southern suburbs. The capacity of the program has been expanded so that more community work orders can be imposed that will benefit the community. **Community organisations can also become involved and benefit in this program on a cost-share basis.** Please contact my office on 8296 9833 if you would like more information about how your community organisation can participate.

Are you or a member of your family **celebrating a milestone** birthday or wedding anniversary? Contact the office to arrange for a congratulatory message to be sent for the occasion.

If you are **elderly or have a disability** and require assistance in obtaining a **watering permit**, please contact our friendly staff who will be able to assist you.

Should you require the services of a Justice of the Peace, the office is open Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm. I am a **JP** as is electorate officer Matthew, who is ready to help you with any immediate queries you may have.

GREEN BAGS

From January 2009, all plastic bags available at supermarket checkouts will be banned. To assist you with this change, I have **free green shopping bags available in my office** for constituents. Please drop in and ask my friendly staff for yours today.

OUR COMMUNITY

I have been busy working across the electorate of Bright. When I am not in Parliament or meeting with and working for constituents at my office, I visit a broad range of community groups and events. Some of my most recent activities include:

Community — Brighton Districts and Old Scholars Football Club's Junior Presentation Night; Neighbourhood Watch Area 142 Annual General Meeting; Brighton RSL Annual Dug Out Dinner; Launch of Adelaide's Living Beaches Interactive CD at Somerton Surf Life Saving Club; Cove Netball Club's 30th Birthday Celebrations and Winter 2008 Presentations; Official Opening of the Keelara Centre (home to both the Brighton RSL and the Brighton Bowling Club); Brighton Bowling Club's Women's Gala Day; Marion View Club Fashion Parade; Opening of the 2008/09 Brighton and Seaclyff Yacht Club Sailing Season; 60th Anniversary of the St Jude's Players Civic Reception; Hallett Cove and Marino Conservation Parks Management Plan Community Reference Group Meeting and 25th Anniversary of the Hallett Cove Baptist Church Dinner.

Schools — Paringa Park Primary School's Literacy Evening; Seaclyff Primary School and Hallett Cove East Primary School's performances at the Festival of Music and Brighton Secondary School's Year 12 Valedictory and Presentation Evening.

ACTIVE CLUB PROGRAM GRANTS

The **State Government's Active Club Program** was established to support community-based active recreation and sporting organisations to develop and expand the services they provide to the community.

The State Government allocated over **\$1.2 million** to organisations state-wide. I am pleased to announce that a number of **well-deserving organisations in our community were successful recipients** in the May 2008 round of funding:

- **Brighton Calisthenics Club** received \$7000 to assist with the purchasing of sports equipment;
- **Brighton Tennis Club** received \$4000 to assist with the upgrading of their clubrooms;
- **Cove Netball Club** received \$4500 to assist with preparations for their Come and Try Day, as well as coaching development;
- **SA Blind Athletics Club** received \$2200 for the purchasing of new sporting equipment; and
- **Seacliff Community Recreation Association** received \$8690 for the purchasing of sports equipment.

Congratulations to everyone involved in these clubs in our community. For further information about grants available, or for assistance with your funding application, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 8296 9833.

BRIGHTON SECONDARY SCHOOL

Massive **congratulations** to the staff and students at **Brighton Secondary School** who **won** the Rock Eisteddfod Challenge's **Secondary Schools Grand Final**. Their performance of 'All the Pretty Boxes' focused on the issues facing Generation Y, and how they are dealt with. This is a very prestigious achievement for everyone involved. Well done! The grand final was held at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre.

KEELARA CENTRE

On Sunday September 14, I attended the **Official Opening of the Keelara Centre**. The Keelara Centre is now home to both the **Brighton RSL** and **Brighton Bowling Club**, where the two clubs are now co-located. This was quite a milestone for both clubs, and I was honoured to be invited to the opening. I also had the opportunity to make a presentation to the clubs for the new centre. I am very proud of my association with these clubs, and encourage you all to visit the centre when the **summer Lawn Bowls season starts!**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Congratulations to **Mr Tom Armstrong** (left, with Chloë) of South Brighton, who recently celebrated his **100th birthday!**

BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Schools across the state recently celebrated **Book Week**. Book Week is a fantastic opportunity for children to embrace reading and learn more about Australian authors and illustrators. **Hallett Cove School R-12** invited me as a guest to their Book Week assembly where students reported on books they had read, as well as putting on performances, which made for a very entertaining assembly. **Thank you** to the staff and students for allowing me to be a part of it.

ADELAIDE'S LIVING BEACHES

I recently attended the launch of the interactive CD, **Adelaide's Living Beaches: A Strategy for 2005–2025 at the Somerton Surf Life Saving Club**. The CD was launched by the **Hon. Jay Weatherill MP, Minister for Environment and Conservation**. The CD was developed to develop understanding of the **history and future management of coastal erosion and beaches** of the metropolitan coastline. The launch included a demonstration of this innovative approach to providing information on this strategy for the future. The strategy includes construction of public infrastructure that will **improve the way beaches are managed** in the future.

FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

I recently attended the **Festival of Music** at the Adelaide Festival Centre on the night both **Hallett Cove East Primary School** and **Seacliff Primary School** performed. Both schools gave truly wonderful performances. **Well done** to everyone involved for a very entertaining evening.



Chloë Fox with Festival of Music Production Manager Anne O'Dea

COVE NETBALL CLUB

The Cove Netball Club recently celebrated its **30th birthday**, and I was invited to attend the proceedings. Guests were also celebrating the club's **Winter 08 Presentations Night**. It was a fun night for all and particularly special for club members past and present with the club still successful after all these years. The Cove Netball Club is a major part of our sporting community and I wish them every success for future seasons!

PARINGA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL'S LITERACY EVENING

On Wednesday September 3, Paringa Park Primary School held their **Literacy Evening**. This was an opportunity to visit the classrooms and see a wide range of the students' fantastic work. I also had the chance to speak with the teachers and students and was very impressed with their work. **Well done to the students and staff at Paringa Park Primary School for their hard work.**