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STANDING UP FOR THE SOUTH



Around the South

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A message from Amanda Rishworth

Dear Resident,

Thank you for taking the time to read my October edition of Around the South.

Australia's economy has not only been the best performing advanced economy over the past year, but also has been the only advanced economy to record positive growth over this period.

This good news is thanks to the local community sticking together and supporting local jobs as well as the Rudd Government's stimulus package, which has helped support jobs and growth during this global recession.

The road to economic recovery will be long and bumpy as the global recession plays out - that is why the Federal Government is 100 per cent determined to keep implementing its stimulus package to support Australian businesses and jobs.

Together we can build a more prosperous future.

Yours sincerely

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100% Recycled Paper

Delivering better broadband coverage for the South

Amanda Rishworth recently welcomed the Rudd Government's commitment to prioritise Southern Adelaide as the first South Australian community to receive a state-of-the-art wireless broadband network.

Broadband blackspot areas for residents living in Hallett Cove, Aldinga Beach, Seaford, Christies Beach, Lonsdale and Woodcroft, will be some of the first to receive the high speed wireless broadband network.



Amanda talks with the Minister for Broadband and Communications, the Hon Stephen Conroy about how the new National Broadband Network will benefit residents in the South

This commitment came after extensive lobbying from Amanda and the local community and will be an interim solution until the Government's superfast \$42 billion National Broadband Network is up and running.

The project will be funded by the Australian and South Australian Governments along with Adelaide-based Internet Service Provider, Adam Internet.

The Government understands the importance and urgency of this vital project and that is why we will see areas in Southern Adelaide coming online in October this year.

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Amanda Rishworth with Daniel Zappia, Chief MRI Radiographer at Benson Radiology Morphett Vale inspecting the new MRI machine.

New MRI unit for Morphett Vale

Amanda Rishworth has long advocated for better health services in the South and was therefore pleased when Benson Radiology – Morphett Vale was one of 15 Australian locations to receive a new Medicare-eligible magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) service.

Amanda enjoyed a recent tour of the Morphett Vale Benson Radiology facility and had the opportunity to inspect the new state-of-the-art MRI unit that will benefit residents living in the South.

Amanda Rishworth is especially pleased the Morphett Vale Benson Radiology branch has agreed that all Medicare-eligible patients will be bulk billed, meaning that most patients will incur no out-of-pocket costs.

The new Morphett Vale MRI service is part of the Rudd Government's comprehensive plan to deliver better health care to our community – and an important step towards building a better health system for all Australians.



Amanda Says Thank You To Our Volunteers

Amanda was recently joined by the Hon Ursula Stephens, Federal Parliamentary Secretary for Volunteers and the Hon Tom Koutsantonis, the State Minister for Volunteers, to formally recognise the vital contributions volunteers make everyday in our community.

The Southern Adelaide Volunteers Ceremony, hosted by Amanda biannually, was an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the many significant contributions volunteers make to our community.

At the ceremony volunteers were presented with an Australian Government Certificate of

Appreciation in recognition of the work they do.

Over 85 friends and family gathered to celebrate the achievements of volunteers from a variety of community, sporting and service organisations, including Scouts, Rotary, Meals on Wheels and Neighbourhood Watch.

Amanda applauds all recipients of the award for their outstanding service to the community and thanks those who took the time to nominate these invaluable members of our community.



Amanda Rishworth joins her State Government colleague the Hon John Hill, Minister for the Southern Suburbs, to launch the commencement of works on the Seaford rail line extension.

Work Starts on Seaford Rail Extension

Work is full steam ahead on the \$291 million extension of the Noarlunga rail line to Seaford, just four months after the Rudd Government approved funding for the extension.

The progress to date on this project is an example of the Rudd Government delivering on its commitment to provide a quick, quiet and reliable transport system for the southern suburbs.

The Seaford rail extension will create more than 400 jobs over the next four years in construction and generate permanent work in our local community for drivers, maintenance workers and station staff.

Boring work has commenced at around 50 locations along the rail corridor to establish the foundation for South Australia's longest elevated bridge spanning 1.2 kilometers over the Onkaparinga River.

Once completed, the extension of the dual track rail line from Noarlunga to Seaford will also include:

- Stations and a bus/train interchange at the Seaford rail terminus, as well as Park and Ride facilities at Seaford Meadows;
- Three new road bridges over the track at Goldsmith Drive, Seaford Road and Lynton Terrace;
- New access and footbridges for cyclists and pedestrians; and
- Landscaping and urban design features at selected locations.

Residents are expected to be able to enjoy an electric train service to Seaford by 2013.

A Greener Future for Woodcroft

Amanda Rishworth was pleased to join Senator Penny Wong, Minister for Climate Change and Water, to hand over \$750,000 in funding to the City of Onkaparinga to transform the Woodcroft Library and Neighbourhood Centre into a sustainable green hub for our community.

Amanda was pleased the Rudd Government has invested in this important community green project.

The popular community hub will now be able to continue to develop sustainable living - thanks to the Rudd Government's \$750,000 community investment.

The upgrade will include a stormwater harvesting system, solar power and several innovative water and energy saving technologies.

Amanda will continue to work with all levels of the government and the community to develop water saving and environmentally friendly projects.

Rudd Government Delivers over \$109 million to Southern Suburbs primary schools

The third and final round to the Rudd Government's Primary Schools for the 21st Century (P21) has delivered over \$30 million to 15 local primary schools for major new infrastructure projects.

This investment in our local primary schools is long overdue and will go a long way to supporting local jobs and building a modern education system.

The P21 program has delivered over \$109 million for the construction of state-of-the-art libraries, multipurpose halls, assembly halls, new classrooms and resource centres in the South.

Amanda welcomes this innovative program which is part of the Rudd Government's \$42 billion Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan to support jobs, stimulate the local economy and invest in important infrastructure for the long term.



More funding for trades training in the South

Amanda Rishworth welcomed the Rudd Government's commitment to increase training opportunities in the South by committing new funding to the Lonsdale Adelaide Training and Employment Centre (ATEC).

During Amanda's recent visit to the Lonsdale ATEC she was able to see first hand the many benefits that the Rudd Government's funding commitment will deliver to students seeking to expand their employment skills.

The new funding for the Lonsdale ATEC is yet another example of the Rudd Government's commitment to giving local students and job seekers access to training that will importantly provide the skills required to succeed in the workforce.

The extension to the Lonsdale ATEC facilities will inject approximately \$600,000 into the local industry and provide more opportunities for young people to receive trades training in our local community.



Amanda listens to our Future Leaders

Over 130 local students attended Amanda Rishworth's first Southern Adelaide Leadership Forum.

Earlier in the year Amanda invited local year six and seven students to participate in a forum focused on developing leadership, community service and representation skills.

Students were inspired to lead by example after hearing from a number of South Australia's key community role models:

- Katrina Webb – Successful Athlete at Atlanta, Sydney and Athens Paralympic Games
- Brenton Ragless – Weekday weather presenter for Nine News
- Gavin Wanganeen – Former Port Power Captain
- Jason Torney – South Adelaide Football Club Captain
- Daniel Harris – Cricket Batsman for Redbacks

Maddi Collins, a year 7 Reynella Primary School student, told Amanda that having guest speakers from a variety of backgrounds provided a great opportunity for students to hear how anyone can be a leader in their community and said she really valued the experience.

The Southern Adelaide Leadership Forum provided many positive learning skills for students participating on the day, from public speaking to team building.

Amanda congratulated the students, who where enthusiastic dedicated and proposed many innovative ideas on how they could be leaders both at school and in their community. Amanda looks forward to seeing our future young leaders working towards building a better community.



South's budding artists recognised

Amanda Rishworth recently invited Southern Adelaide Kindergartens to take part in her first Kindy Art Exhibition, held at the Hopgood Theatre in Noarlunga on June 10.

Over 90 family, friends and budding artists enjoyed the grand opening of the South Kindy Art Exhibition where the 190 submitted pieces of artwork were publicly displayed.

Amanda was delighted to present Certificates of Participation and an art pack to thank the many young artists who entered .



Amanda Rishworth with the Hon Prime Minister Kevin Rudd announcing funding for GP SuperClinics

- Annual change Over Dinner- McLaren Vale Rotary
- Aldinga Mens Club
- Reynella Rotary Change Over Dinner
- Willunga Circle of Friends
- Woodcroft Library and Neighbourhood Centre – Funding Announcement
- GP Super Clinic Funding announcement with Prime Minister Kevin Rudd
- SALA Festival Art Exhibitions - around the community
- Noarlunga United Soccer Club Game
- Onkaparinga Rugby Club Official Opening
- Ladies Probus 15th Birthday
- McLaren Vale & District Memorial Hospital 62nd AGM
- CPRS Debate at Christies Beach High
- Kindy Art Exhibition
- Hackham East Primary School
- Southern Vales Christian College
- Christies Beach High School
- Dedication of the pioneer cemetery - Morphett Vale

Active in our Community

Amanda has been out and about in recent months, visiting many local organisations in our community, including:

Meet and Greet

- Collins Parade - Hackham
- Oldborough Dr - Onkaparinga Hills
- Phillip Ave - Morphett Vale
- Chivers St - Hallett Cove
- Fryer St - Hallett Cove
- Dutchman Drive - Hallett Cove
- Hallett Cove Shopping Centre Visit
- Storey Ave - Aldinga Beach
- Skoda St - Port Willunga

Forums

- SRC Leadership Forum
- Volunteer Awards Ceremony

Helping build stronger Communities

- Onkaparinga Citizenship Ceremony
- Marion Citizenship Ceremony
- Grand View Court Morning Tea
- Flinders Medical Centre – Funding Announcement
- Changeover Dinner Noarlunga East Rotary
- Willunga Almond Blossom Festival DVD Launch
- Willunga Environment Centre

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COMMUNITY SURVEY - PLEASE NUMBER RESPONSES FROM 1-10 IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

- Addressing the GP Shortage
- Improving Roads & Rail
- Action on Climate Change
- Water Security
- Supporting Local Jobs
- Super Fast Broadband
- Addressing the Skills Shortage
- Affordable Housing
- Assisting Small Business
- Investment in Education

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HOW DO YOU NORMALLY VOTE?

- Labor
- Liberal
- Greens
- Family First
- Swinging
- Other

WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON:

- Pensions
- Veterans' Affairs
- Families
- School Leavers
- Small Business
- Green Heroes

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