



Brinkworth Primary School Tour Parliament House

Geoff hosted a tour for the children from Upper Primary of Brinkworth Primary School at Parliament House during August 2018. The tour provided an opportunity for students to better understand the role of parliament.

If you would like your class or school to take part in a visit to Parliament House please contact the Frome Electorate Office.

School Bus Access for Regional Students

A review in 2015 by the previous government made changes to the School Bus Policy, but we need to go further and review this policy. Geoff is pleased the new government has committed \$250,000 to further review this policy. Geoff will continue to lobby strongly.

Out and About in Our Community



Raylene Benton, Melva Martin, Geoff & Deb Betts on piano.

Joyce Gray Day Centre Port Pirie

The Joyce Gray Program provides social support for those over 65 years old.

This group operates Tuesday to Friday and has a bus service which can pick people up from home.

The group does a variety of activities including physical exercise, cooking, games, concerts and day trips. There are also groups for people with dementia. For more information contact Sue at the centre on 8638 4530 or visit GP Plus for more information.



Geoff attended the 2018 SA Junior Regional Hockey Championships in Port Pirie. Geoff is pictured with Bill Watt and Kim Mavromatis.

Working Hard for our Region

BROCK'S BULLETIN

Hon Geoff Brock Independent Member of Parliament for FROME ELECTORATE

Office Christmas Hours - Closed from 24th December 2018 to the 1st January 2019

Frome's Regional News November 2018



100 Year Playground Centenary - Port Pirie

Mayor John Rohde and Geoff attended the celebration for this historic event which was on 17th August 2018. On this day 100 years ago 2,500 volunteers came together to build a playground in one day.

(Inset) A plaque arranged by the Port Pirie Regional Council recognised the effort and hard work for this enormous community project.



During the past year I have been very privileged to meet so many kind and generous people and my Staff and I would like to say Thank You for your support. Please, over the Festive Season and beyond, keep in mind those less fortunate and help others experience the joy of Christmas.

I ask everyone to take care over the Festive Season and look forward to seeing you in the New Year - Geoff.

Upcoming Listening Posts

- Monday - 17 December 2018
- Monday - 21 January 2019
- Monday - 4 March 2019
- Clare** - Stan Scott Meeting Room - 10am to 2pm
- Monday 4 February 2019
- Hamley Bridge** - Gallery 14, Light St - 10.30am to 12.30pm
- Owen** - Town Hall Meeting Room, Railway Tce - 1pm to 2.30pm
- Monday 11 February 2019
- Stockport** - Community Hall Supper Room - 10am to 11am
- Tarlee** - Meeting Room, Tarlee Community Hall - 11.15am to 12.45pm
- Rhynie** - CFS Meeting Room, Salter Spring Road - 1pm to 2pm
- Monday 18 March 2019
- Georgetown** - Memorial Hall Supper Room, Pitt St - 10am to 11.30 am
- Brinkworth** - Bowling Club - 12pm to 2pm

2019 - Listening Posts

If you would like to nominate your town for a Listening Post or request Geoff to visit your Community Group or Organisation in 2019 we would love to hear from you - contact this office.

Women's Information Service & Legal Services

Working' Women's Centre SA Inc

Opened in 1979, it provides a service which supports women employees whatever their age, cultural background or work status, by providing a free and confidential service on work related issues. Their Industrial Officers are very skilled in assisting women to untangle workplace issues and where possible will provide assistance to women who wish to pursue remedies.

They also deliver awareness sessions, seminars, training and presentation on a range of workplace issues. Contact the Centre on (08) 8410 6499 or 1800 652 697 on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, (Tuesday's answering service only) for more information about what they do. Web: <http://www.wcsa.org.au>

Women's Legal Services

A free confidential service to women in South Australia, includes legal information, advice and referral. Free call - 1800 816 349 or 8221 5553 • Email: wls@wlssa.org.au Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm Web: www.wlssa.org.au/



Crystal Brook Show, Geoff pictured with Megan O'Loughlin and son on the right. Megan is the founder of 'Herd of Hope' a charity raising funds to support families and recipients of donor organs.



140th Balaklava Show, Callum March (President) Rodney Reid, Mayor of WRC, and front Mr Es Hoepner OAM, (Past President) and wife Dorothy.



Clare Show, Cheryl Koglin, Mayor Allan Aughey, Governor Hieu Van Le AC & Mrs Le with Geoff.

Need help or have questions?

Who to contact when you need help.

If you would like any information on the organisations below, please use their contact details or you can call or visit my office in Port Pirie or phone 8633 1210. Brochures are available with more information.

ARAS

Aged Rights Advocacy
1800 700 600
www.sa.agedrights.asn.au
Email: aras@agedrights.asn.au

Energy & Water Ombudsman SA

1800 665 565
www.ewosa.com.au
Email: contact@ewosa.com.au

Energy - Easy ways to save Energy tips

8204 1888 or 1800 671 907
www.sa.gov.au/topics/energy-and-environment
Email: energyadvice@sa.gov.au

Fairwork Ombudsman

13 13 94
www.fairwork.gov.au

Grant Assist

<https://www.grantassist.sa.gov.au>

HCSCC

Health & Community Services
Complaints Commissioner
1800 232 007 or 8226 8666
www.hcsc.sa.gov.au
Email: info@hcsc.sa.gov.au

Financial Counselling Services in SA

Free Helpline 1800 007 007
www.safca.org.au

Legal Services Commission

1300 366 424
<https://lsc.sa.gov.au/>

My Health Record

Help Line 1800 723 471
www.myhealthrecord.gov.au

Ombudsman SA

1800 182 150
www.ombudsman.sa.gov.au
Email: ombudsman@ombudsman.sa.gov.au

PATS - (Country Health)

1300 341 684
www.sahealth.sa.gov.au (Health Services)
Email: CHSAPATS@sa.gov.au

Rural Business Support

Financial Counsellors
1800 836 211
www.ruralbusinesssupport.org.au

SA Consumer and Business Affairs

131 882
www.cbs.sa.gov.au

SCAMS - The Little Black Book of Scams - SCAMwatch
www.scamwatch.gov.au

TIAS

Tenants Information & Advisory Service
1800 060 462
www.tias.org.au
Email: tias@syc.net.au

Victim Support Service

1800 842 846
www.victimsa.org/

Your Say

View various topics that matter to you - 'Have Your Say'
www.yoursay.sa.gov.au



Port Pirie Gymnastics Invitational
Desiree Jones, WA Gymnastics (Gymnastics Australia) Garry Nayda, Geoff and Lee-Ann Nayda.



Doug Ahola Green Naming Port Pirie BHAS Bowling Club
Doug Ahola was honoured for years of hard work with the BHAS Club. Geoff with Doug and Maxine Northcott, Club President.



Geoff was honoured to open the Balaklava Eisteddfod, a fantastic show and effort by all involved. Mayor Rodney Reid, Geoff and Di Spence with Geoff.

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Port Pirie – Blessing of the Fleet

Dino Gadaleta President of the Blessing of the Fleet Committee received a plaque for 50 Years of Service.

Geoff, Governor Hieu Van Le AC, Dino Gadaleta and Bishop Greg O'Kelly.



Opening of the Broughton Plains Heritage Shed



Jack Keain (Society Chairman), Governor Hieu Van Le AC and Geoff.

The opening of a \$100,000 Broughton Plains Heritage Shed, that will display a collection of farm machinery. This was a joint project of the Broughton Plains Heritage Society and the Nurom Whim Historical Group, assisted with a grant of \$52,000. Geoff grew up in the area of Wandearah and commented on a fantastic effort to raise in excess of \$40,000 by the community over the last few years for this project



Clare Valley Flying Group – Aerodrome Visit

Successful with their Building Better Regions Grant for \$469,191 with State Government grant of \$395,628. Geoff has always been a strong supporter since its inception and was pleased to congratulate them for the effort put in by members, volunteers and the local community.

Tony Smith (Treasurer), Gary Sims (Secretary), Geoff and Russel Schmidt (Chairman)



Yacka Golf Club

Geoff with Martin Videon (Secretary) & Adam Scott (President), Yacka Golf Club receiving \$5,000 equipment funding and \$6,000 towards Solar panels from the Active Club Program Grants.



The Regional Disability and Wellbeing Forum presented by the Disability Workforce Hub in Port Pirie was attended by 65 policy-makers, service providers, carers, families, advocates and people with disability coming together for an engaging and thought-provoking day. The event was an excellent opportunity to discuss what is happening in the disability and community care services including Recruiting for Values - Training for Skills, Inclusive Healthy Communities and Building Capacity through the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

Peter Graves & Deb Whetstone from the City of Charles Sturt Council with Jared Kent, Alan Zubrinich and Geoff.



30th Birthday Celebration

Geoff with Director, Kate Kassapis, and son Riley Wilks Celebrating 30 years operation of the Port Pirie Child Care Centre.



Mintaro Progress Association

Geoff recently attended the Mintaro Progress Association AGM and the Mintaro Business Lunch.

(Above): Mintaro Progress Association, AGM Mintaro

(Right) Business Lunch – Geoff with Peter Murdoch and Ross Mallet



Business Port Pirie (BPP)

Business Port Pirie (BPP) is a modern, progressive organisation dedicated to supporting local business activities and working with the community to develop the economic growth of the region.

Be your business voice – boost your business and affiliate with BPP, membership form can be downloaded from: www.businessportportpire.com/au/membership

(Above): Rosa-Lee Pisani, Steve Richter and Jodie Bouilly with Geoff.

Drug Action Forum – Balaklava

Balaklava based charity ENTHOS held a forum in August this year to engage with the community seeking their view on illicit drugs and appropriate actions to target prevention in local use and addiction. ENTHOS is the lead organisation of the Wakefield Regional Local Drug Action Team (LDAT) and funding is secured to begin introducing programs to prevent localised illicit drug use. For more information contact: Michael Greenshields on 0447 536 692.

Photo L-R: Michael Greenshields (LDAT member), Geoff, Rodney Reid (WRC Mayor), Brad Jones (LDAT member), Ray Bennet (LDAT member)



Special Olympics World Games - 2019

A morning tea hosted by Nat Cook MP at Parliament House honoured athletes, families and friends together with volunteers and staff of the Special Olympics World Games.

Kelli Martlew of Port Pirie, attended and received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Geoff extends best wishes to everyone participating in the national team for the 2019 Abu Dhabi.



Port Pirie Virtus Soccer Club Opening

Opening of the new Clubrooms assisted with a grant of \$300,000 from the State Government. Geoff with Steve Gadaleta (President).



Watervale Cricket Club \$25,000 Active Club Program Grant

Greg Brysky (Treasurer), receives Certificate and congratulations from Geoff.



Auburn Bowling Club

They were successful in receiving \$9,000 grant from the "Active Club Program" towards resurfacing outdoor shade area. *Geoff, Helen Williams (President), and John Williams (Secretary).*



Savoy Soccer Club Port Pirie – Farewell to Savoy Park

Geoff attended the farewell at the Savoy Soccer Club. After 62 years the Club farewelled their home ground to move to the new Port Pirie Sports Precinct.



What speed should I pass a stationary School Bus?

If a school bus is pulled over and the lights are flashing, drivers are required by the South Australian Road Rules to reduce their speed to 25 km per hour/ when a bus is stopped for the purpose of setting down or picking up children.

This applies to vehicles travelling in both directions past the stationary bus.

All drivers are urged to take care, and be mindful of children alighting from the bus. REMEMBER these rules are in place for the safety of OUR CHILDREN.