



## Oysterfest's 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday



The Oysterfest committee have been working tirelessly to ensure a jam packed weekend in honour of its 21st birthday.

The music line up this year varies from rock'n'roll to country rhythm and blues. Saturday will see Eyre Peninsula talents; Sektion 45, Josh Willow and Anchord play and Nick Krieg, Popeye and Yamba. With Jodie Martin, Rebecca Willis and Bill Chambers performing on Sunday.

The sky will be abuzz with Chris Sperou's Pitts and Debonaire planes as well as a Russian Yak 18-T aerobatic aircraft.

This year we have moved away from having ambassadors feverously fundraising for charities and the Oysterfest event, this is partially due to exhausting volunteer and family groups.

While we do not want to give this up indefinitely as the project has great merit we are committing to just having one fundraising committee for 2011 and hosting a variety of events throughout the year.

Already the committee has had a cookie dough drive and are now in the planning stage for the first Annual Oysterfest Ball.

The Foreshore Hotel will be hosting this event with a 3 course meal and entertainment provided by Anchord and funny man Darcy O'Shea. Tickets are on sale at the Council Office and a discount will be given on tables of 10 being booked.



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## Trevor Smart - CEO – One Year On

Twelve months on since my appointment as Chief Executive Officer, and this provides the opportunity to reflect on my aims and objectives for the role and community.

My focus remains on advancing economic development and employment growth opportunities for the community to ensure that we continue to be a sustainable and vibrant community. Projects including the Port of Thevenard upgrade, the Thevenard Commercial Fish Unloading Facility, and the F-Cubed Solar Water project (desalination) are our priority projects with these projects delivering positive outcomes through new employment opportunities, increasing export opportunities through the Port, assisting sustainability for our primary producers through grain freight/export access, and improved water quality and water security of our western areas of the district.

These projects have continued to be progressed through:

- Port of Thevenard – ongoing communication with government and the private industry sector, all of whom need to be partners in the Port of Thevenard upgrades for it to eventuate. We are hopeful of positive outcomes over the next twelve months on this long term project;
- Thevenard Commercial Fish Unloading Facility – Council has submitted funding applications to the Federal (\$2.6 million) and State (\$1.15million) Government respectively towards this project which has an estimated development cost of \$4.6million. Subject to funding, we are essentially ready for this project to proceed.
- F-Cubed Solar Water Farm – continued dialogue with private company, government, and other potential partners

to progress development of an alternative water supply to Denial Bay, Koonibba, and primary producers west of Ceduna. Our aim continues to be delivery of a higher quality of water than that provided by SA Water, in addition to security of actual supply.

I am also committed to improving community engagement on various Council initiatives, and this has occurred through the development and adoption of Councils new Strategic Plan for the period 2011-2014 which provides for our approach, priorities, and accountability for the next four years.

This approach will also continue through the development of our long term financial plan which will assist Council and the community in planning for the future, ensuring that costs and efficiencies are assessed, and our approach to Council rates remains sustainable and affordable. I would presume that not many of us like paying taxes and Council rates, but without this imposition, we cannot deliver the services that we do. It remains a simplistic approach to call for rating reductions or reduced rate increases, or staffing cuts, but Councils costs in providing services continues to increase on a year to year basis.

If we reduce our Council rates or reduce our staffing levels, this has an immediate effect on a service. One of our challenges over the next twelve months is to seek feedback from the community on what services are important or preferred, or what services do the community want reduced or cut, if the community wants a reduced level of Council rates.

Ceduna continues to be an exciting and vibrant community to be part of, and provides for many exciting challenges and opportunities. I look forward to being a part of our achievements and successes over the next twelve months.

**Trevor Smart**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

# 2011/2012 Budget Outcomes

The annual business plan and budget for 2011/2012 was adopted by Council on Wednesday 22nd June 2011. Council made a concerted effort to gain public input and consultation on the directions to take in preparing the annual business plan and budget. A public meeting was held on Thursday 2nd June which was attended by a group of local community members who were given the opportunity to have their input into the annual business plan and budget.

Councils Annual Business Plan & Budget sets out our proposed services, programs and projects for 2011/12. It aims to maintain effective services for the community and continue progress towards the longer term objectives of the District Council of Ceduna as set out in its Strategic Plan.

Our challenge in developing the Annual Business Plan & Budget is to ensure that we continue to meet community service expectations, recognise our financial constraints, take into account economic and community issues, but still aim to provide a vibrant and progressive environment that will provide opportunity for the community to continue to prosper and develop.

Council has been successful in attracting funding from both State and Federal Governments in past years, and whilst this becomes increasingly challenging to secure such funding, it remains our challenge to source funding to provide for major capital and community projects.

Our business plan also provides for a general rate increase of 6% (on average) across our ratebase, and this will most likely draw criticism from some areas of our community. I would ask that you

objectively consider our financial position, and our future opportunities, and that any rate increase decided upon by Council is not taken lightly, but in the best interests of providing a sustainable base on which to deliver outcomes identified by Council and our community.

The District Council of Ceduna is the third lowest rating Council on Eyre Peninsula on a population basis (behind City of Port Lincoln and District Council of Franklin Harbour). All Councils are categorised across Australia, with Ceduna classified as a Rural Area Medium (RAM), and on this basis, we have a very comparable rating level.

The operating budget is the cost of maintaining existing services and to cut the proposed operating budgets in any significant way would mean reducing or removing a service(s). The strategic directions given through the Strategic Plan and survey results indicate that the public require existing services to be maintained at the current level or higher standards.

Additionally, many capital and project items listed in the budget are generated from our Strategic Plan, public requests, community demand, and from input from our representative groups and associations. While all of the capital and project items are important to our future development, Council simply cannot afford all requests.

As important partners throughout the year, I thank the Smoky Bay and Denial Bay Progress Associations, Thevenard Ratepayer Group and the Ceduna Business and Tourism Association for their input into the budget process, and other consultation and discussions throughout the year.

## Major Projects for 2011/12

Water Supply – Domestic	\$72,002
Doctors Housing **	\$750,000
Skate Park Public Area **	\$17,500
Waste Management	\$20,288
Stormwater & Drainage	\$13,48
Thevenard Unloading Facility **	\$4,425,338
Swimming Pool Enclosure **	\$1,100,100
Airport OLS Plans	\$10,587
Airport Jet A1 Facility	\$26,345

## Footpaths & Kerbing:

Denton St Smoky Bay	\$20,368
Ceduna Library Carpark	\$36,862
William St Smoky Bay	\$37,220

## Roads Sealed and Formed:

Ceduna/Thevenard Resealing	\$42,476
CBD Upgrade # 5A **	\$358,158
Davenport Creek Road	\$139,372
Decres Bay Road	\$185,489
Council Administration Centre **	\$2,200,000

\*\*Capital items marked as such will only proceed if an external grant or funding is secured

# Smoke Alarms

10 year old smoke alarms put your safety at risk. Replace them while there's still time.

South Australia's fire services are encouraging householders to check the age of their smoke alarms. No matter what type of smoke alarms are installed or how they are powered (battery or 240 volt mains powered) after 10 years they are too old to rely on. They can take longer to respond to smoke, or might not even work at all.

Don't take a chance. Check the age of your smoke alarms and replace them if necessary.

Smoke alarm technology has improved since legislation was introduced in 1995 and South Australia's fire services are encouraging the public to improve their home fire safety when they replace old smoke alarms.

The fire services recommend that when you replace old smoke alarms you upgrade from the basic minimum required by law.



Contact your electrician to upgrade your smoke alarms with:

- smoke alarms that comply with AS3786;
- photo-electric smoke alarms which are connected to the mains power supply (ie hard wired);
- smoke alarms in all sleeping areas, in passageways leading to sleeping areas and in living areas; and
- smoke alarms that are all interconnected with one another.

Phone 1300 737 637 for more information, or visit the MFS website: [www.mfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.mfs.sa.gov.au) or email [communitysafety@samfs.sa.gov.au](mailto:communitysafety@samfs.sa.gov.au)

**Better to be safe than sorry.**

## Don't take the risk – Park with Care

The District Council of Ceduna is alerting the community to substantial increases in both State and Local Government traffic and parking fines, which were included and set in the State Governments Budget.

We are committed to alerting drivers to help them avoid fines.

The increases may help prevent people from parking dangerously and overstaying limits, but some drivers have simply viewed low fines as a parking cost.

Examples include overstaying a time limit increasing from: \$22.00 to \$43.00 and obstructing a driveway from: \$43.00 to \$64.00. Un-authorized parking in a disability park will cost \$310.00 up from \$253.00.

Tips on how to avoid fines can be found at: [www.lga.sa.gov.au/goto/avoidthefine](http://www.lga.sa.gov.au/goto/avoidthefine)



## Oysterfest Merchandise

Polar Fleece Jumpers- \$40  
Polo Shirts- \$25  
Men's and Women's Tee  
(Black or Blue) - \$25  
Stubby Holders- \$8  
Cap- \$10  
Bucket Hat- \$15

See Display at District Council  
of Ceduna Admin Office

## 1st Annual Oysterfest Ball

Ceduna Foreshore Hotel  
Saturday 30th July 2011  
7pm start  
\$60 each  
Nibbles on arrival, followed  
by a 3 course meal  
Entertainment by Anchor  
and Comedian Darcy O'Shea  
*Tickets can be purchased at  
District Council of Ceduna  
Admin Office*

## Silicone Wrist Bands

\$2 each



Assorted colors available.

*To purchase, please see a  
committee member or visit  
the Council Office*

## OYSTERFEST SITE HOLDERS

Planning on selling or displaying your goods at the 2011 Oysterfest? Get in quick to book your site. Early bird 50% discount offer, ends August 1st 2011

Call or e-mail Bianca: [bmitchell@ceduna.sa.gov.au](mailto:bmitchell@ceduna.sa.gov.au) or 0408847038

Thank You to everyone who supports the Oysterfest  
Your support and efforts are recognised and appreciated.

For any information on any of the above events, please contact:

Bianca Mitchell  
District Council of Ceduna  
0408847038 or (08) 86253407  
[bmitchell@ceduna.sa.gov.au](mailto:bmitchell@ceduna.sa.gov.au)

### 2011 Oysterfest Committee Members:

Bradleigh Karam, Diny Berry, Marcus Tanke, Tiana Mullan, Michelle Jacobsen, Bianca Mitchell, Kathy Meier, Johnny Kouvaris, Elaine Kerridge, Stephanie Genrich, Rose Brownell, Nina & Rob Spaan, Jayne Holland.



## CBD Upgrade - Nearing Completion

Stage 4 of the CBD upgrade is nearing completion. To finalise the project smart poles will be installed, a cold overlay will be laid to seal the road and line marking will occur.

This will see the end of stage 4 of this very successful project to date.

Thank you to all involved and to the businesses and public for their patience.

# Ceduna School Community Library Bookclub.

You are welcome to come along to the Ceduna School Community Library Bookclub if you are interested in reading. Join in the great discussions or let us know about a great book you have read.

Monthly meetings will be held in the Ceduna School Community Library on a Thursday night from 7-9pm.

Upcoming Dates;

4 August; 1 September;  
29 September; 27 October;  
24 November.

Come along for a coffee and chat (bring \$2- for coffee or hot chocolate).

Story time is growing in numbers so come along to the library and bring yourself and your children on Monday mornings from 9.30am to 10.30am (School term time only) and join in the songs and stories with Amanda.



The crochet club are in the midst of crocheting squares together to donate some knee rugs to the local hospital.

The Ceduna School Community Library's display in the local history cupboard for the month of June is all about Crochet, it's history and the current Crochet Club displaying some of our local talented ladies works.

Elaine Klook sent in this unusual crochet hook for our members to look at. This crochet hook was carved by an aboriginal lady named Phyllis Williams in the late 1960's from a kangaroo leg bone. It belonged to Elaine's mother in law who said that Phyllis was a great crocheter and made dozens of hats.



## Council Staff Update



**Sara Copeland** has joined Council as an Administration Officer. Sara aims... *"to gain a better understanding of Local Government and Ceduna and surrounding regions"*

**Neville Gurney** has joined Council as a Construction Worker. Neville aims... *"to gain more experience in the construction area"*



**Matthew Hill** has joined Council as an Apprentice Mechanic. Matthew aims... *"to learn a lot more about vehicles and machinery"*

## Work experience

Ceduna Area School student, Dylan Watkins joined the Parks and Gardens team for work experience in June.

Dylan helped with a range of tasks including; planting the new garden beds in the main street, learning how to use a brushcutter and concreting in a compost bin.



Dylan chose the District Council of Ceduna for his work experience because he is interested in gardening.

Dylan's favourite part of the week was meeting the Parks and Gardens team and learning how to use a brushcutter.

# Calendar of Events

JULY	Wednesday 20	Saturday 30
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Council Meeting</b>                  Location: 44 O'Loughlin Terrace,                  Ceduna                  Time: 4pm                  Contact: Administration Office                  8625 3407</p>	
AUGUST	Thursday 4	Wednesday 17
		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ceduna School Community Library Book Club</b>                   Time: 7-9pm                  Bring \$2.00 for coffee or hot chocolate</p>
SEPTEMBER	Wednesday 21	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>If you have a Community Event that you would like to advertise please contact:                  Kym Dibben                  kdibben@ceduna.sa.gov.au</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Council Meeting</b>                  Location: 44 O'Loughlin Terrace,                  Ceduna                  Time: 4pm                  Contact: Administration Office                  8625 3407</p>

## Upgrade of Skate Park open space recreation area



The Youth development Officer through consultation with local youth and youth agencies, is working on a redevelopment plan for the area surrounding the skate park. This will include providing a hard court area, shade, seating, car parking, extension of the playground and a possible green area incorporating the existing fruit trees. This project will be staged and be entirely dependant on external funding.

# Council Email Updates



## Have you heard of Council's Community Consultation Email list?

This email list communicates information to the public through regular fortnightly emails advising of updates on Council projects, public meetings, public consultation periods, Mayoral messages, Council minutes, media releases, road closures, changes to rubbish collection and other public notices.

To join the list and receive these Council updates, simply fill in your details below and return to the Council administration office at;

**44 O'Loughlin Terrace  
CEDUNA SA 5690**

or send to;

**District Council of Ceduna  
PO Box 175  
CEDUNA SA 5690**

Alternatively email [council@ceduna.sa.gov.au](mailto:council@ceduna.sa.gov.au) with a request to join the email list.

Name.....

Email.....

Organisation (if applicable).....

### Areas of Interest

- Public Notices
- Council Project Updates
- Events
- Council Meeting Minutes
- Community Information
- Public Consultation/Meetings
- Other (please specify).....

# Dog Registrations

Dog registration renewal notices for 2011/12 have been sent out with payment due by 31st August 2011.

If your dog has been desexed or microchipped since you last paid your renewal please ensure you provide proof so we can update our records and process a discounted fee.

All dogs over three months of age must be registered.

If you have received a renewal notice and no longer own the dog, or your dog is deceased, then please let us know by filling out the "Amend Dog Register" form on the back of the renewal.

# Rubbish Collection

Although the collection runs are set for each day of the week, the rubbish may be collected at any time on that day therefore it is important that all bins are placed on the footpath by 7 o'clock each morning. Bins should be placed at the kerb with the handles facing away from the road and lids must be closed.

Staff who operate the truck also undertake other duties, therefore actual times of collection of bins vary throughout the year.

If a bin is not in place for collection by 7am Council cannot guarantee the bin will be emptied until the usual collection the following week.

## Upcoming Meetings

Council Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month:

- 20 July 2011**
- 17 August 2011**
- 21 September 2011**



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(PO Box 175)  
CEDUNA SA 5690