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## 1. Overview

### 1.1 Strategy Format

In preparing the Murray Bridge Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy (MBSROSS) four separate volumes have been compiled. They are:

1. *Volume I: Introduction & Project Overview*
2. *Volume II: Sport & Recreation Strategy*
3. *Volume III: Open Space Strategy*
4. *Volume IV: Literature Review, Consultation Findings & Evidence Base*

It is recommended that all four volumes are read in conjunction with each other. *Volume IV* provides background information relating to the Literature Review and compiles the key findings from the extensive consultation process and evidence base.

### 1.2 Volume IV Literature Review & Consultation Findings

This volume contains supporting and background information relating to the review of existing literature and a comprehensive record of the consultation process undertaken as part of the development of the Strategy. The findings of these studies are used to inform the development of the Strategy and are referenced within Volumes I-III of the Strategy.

### 1.3 Literature Review

An extensive review of all plans, reports and strategies relevant to the study has been conducted including a review of mapping, aerials and sport and recreation listings.

The following Appendix relates to the Literature Review:

- Appendix 1 Strategic Planning Documents, Key Policy Themes & Table

### 1.4 Consultation Process

The planning process includes consultation with stakeholders including the broader community, Council, clubs, relevant state/federal government agencies and industry bodies. A Consultation and Communication Plan was developed to guide this process. The key objectives of the Consultation and Communication Plan were to:

- Provide the opportunity for involvement of the stakeholders including Council/s, project committee, user groups, government agencies and other key stakeholders in the planning process.
- Ensure that all consultation occurs at the appropriate points in the study process and that timely and important information is gathered from and disseminated to all key stakeholders.
- Build an understanding and ownership of the study amongst key stakeholders within the study area.
- Facilitate the adoption and endorsement of the study by the key stakeholders.



During this consultation process feedback was gained from the following key stakeholders:

#### *Club Survey*

- Southern Carriage Driving Society
- Galaxy Basketball Club
- Murray Bridge Community Centre
- Mypolonga Scout Group
- Jervois Football Club
- Jervois Bowling Club
- Imperial Cricket Club
- Murray Bridge Riding Club
- Murray Bridge United Soccer Club
- Monarto Black Powder & Shooting Club
- Murray Bridge Golf Club
- Imperial Netball Club
- Adelaide Hills Soaring Group Inc
- Murray Bridge Hunt Club
- Rambler Football Club
- Monarto Cricket Club
- Murray Bridge Gliding Club
- Murray Bridge Amateur Swimming Club
- PCASA Southern Zone
- Murray Bridge Obedience Dog Club
- Murray Bridge Racing Club
- Imperial Netball Club
- Brinkley Tennis Club
- Rambler Netball Club
- Murray Bridge & District Table Tennis Assoc.

#### *Online Community Survey*

Members of the local community were invited to complete an online survey, accessed at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MurrayBridgeSROS>. The survey was advertised through local media, at local government offices and on social media. The survey was conducted over a period of four weeks in January and February 2013.

#### *Focus Groups*

- Executive Leadership Team MBSROSS
- Elected Members Workshop
- Murray Bridge Council - Council Staff Meeting
- Neighbouring Councils Workshop
- Aboriginal Focus Group
- Murray Bridge Focus Group
- Jervois Focus Group
- Mypolonga Focus Group
- Positive Ageing Taskforce
- Council staff and OPAL/Healthy Murraylands
- School students from Murray Bridge North Primary School and Murray Bridge High School
- Trails/Environment Focus Group



- Murray Bridge Farmers Market
- Service Club Workshop/Online Survey

The following Appendices relate to the Consultation Findings:

- Appendix 2 Communication & Consultation Plan
- Appendix 3 Club Survey – Summary of Findings
- Appendix 4 Online Community Survey – Summary of Findings
- Appendix 5 Focus Groups – Summary of Findings

## 1.5 Evidence Base

Appendix 6 includes copies of the open space analysis forms.



**Community consultation advertising flyer & the Tredwell Management consultation stand at the Murray Bridge Farmers Market**



## Appendix 1 Literature Review



The key planning documents that have relevance to the Murray Bridge Sport, Rec & Open Space Strategy are:

- South Australia Strategic Plan 2011
- Strategic Infrastructure Plan for South Australia 2005/6 – 2014/15 & Discussion Paper
- The Murray and Mallee Region Plan, A volume of the South Australian Planning Strategy January 2011
- Murray Darling Basin NRM 2009-2019
- Rural City of Murray Bridge Strategic Plan 2011-2015
- The Murray Bridge Master Plan
- Murray Bridge Public Realm and Style Manual 2012

A review of each of the above policy documents has identified several broad themes that have direct relevance to the Strategy. The primary thrust of policy seeks to:

**1. Create vibrant, liveable, safe places**

Policy promotes the creation of high quality public open space, urban design and architecture through excellent design. Encouraging and delivering appropriate facilities for an active and engaged community, the protection, conservation and promotion of heritage assets and developing public art policies are also high priorities. Sound environmental principles are advocated to promote a safe environment that facilitates community surveillance.

**2. Encourage healthy and active lifestyles**

Active and healthy lifestyles are encouraged through the promotion of high quality open space, recreation facilities and walking/cycling trail networks, catering for people of all ages and abilities. It is recognised that physical activity contributes to the quality and duration of life, has the capacity to improve mood and stress levels, and plays a key role in the prevention and treatment of a range of chronic disease conditions.

**3. Improve accessibility, connectivity and legibility**

Strategic policy promotes the provision of key economic and social infrastructure, primarily as a response to population growth, whilst protecting the natural, built and heritage environment. This includes the improvement of public transport and the movement of people, at local and more strategic levels, through fully integrated pedestrian and cycling networks. Creating distinctive and attractive entrances/ gateways to towns reinforces a unique sense of place and improves overall legibility of the urban environment, combined with links connecting town centres, key facilities and tourist attractions.

**4. Protect, restore and enhance the natural environment**

Policy focuses on the retention, protection and restoration of the natural environment and resources, advocating ecologically sustainable practices and habitat management/revegetation programmes. Water management and the protection of water ecosystems are fundamentally important, as are policies addressing the impacts of climate change. There is a drive to promote community appreciation and understanding of native ecosystems and species, nature conservation and the natural environment more broadly. Other policies seek to preserve the landscape and amenity value of the natural environment by controlling new development, particularly in high value areas that attract tourists.





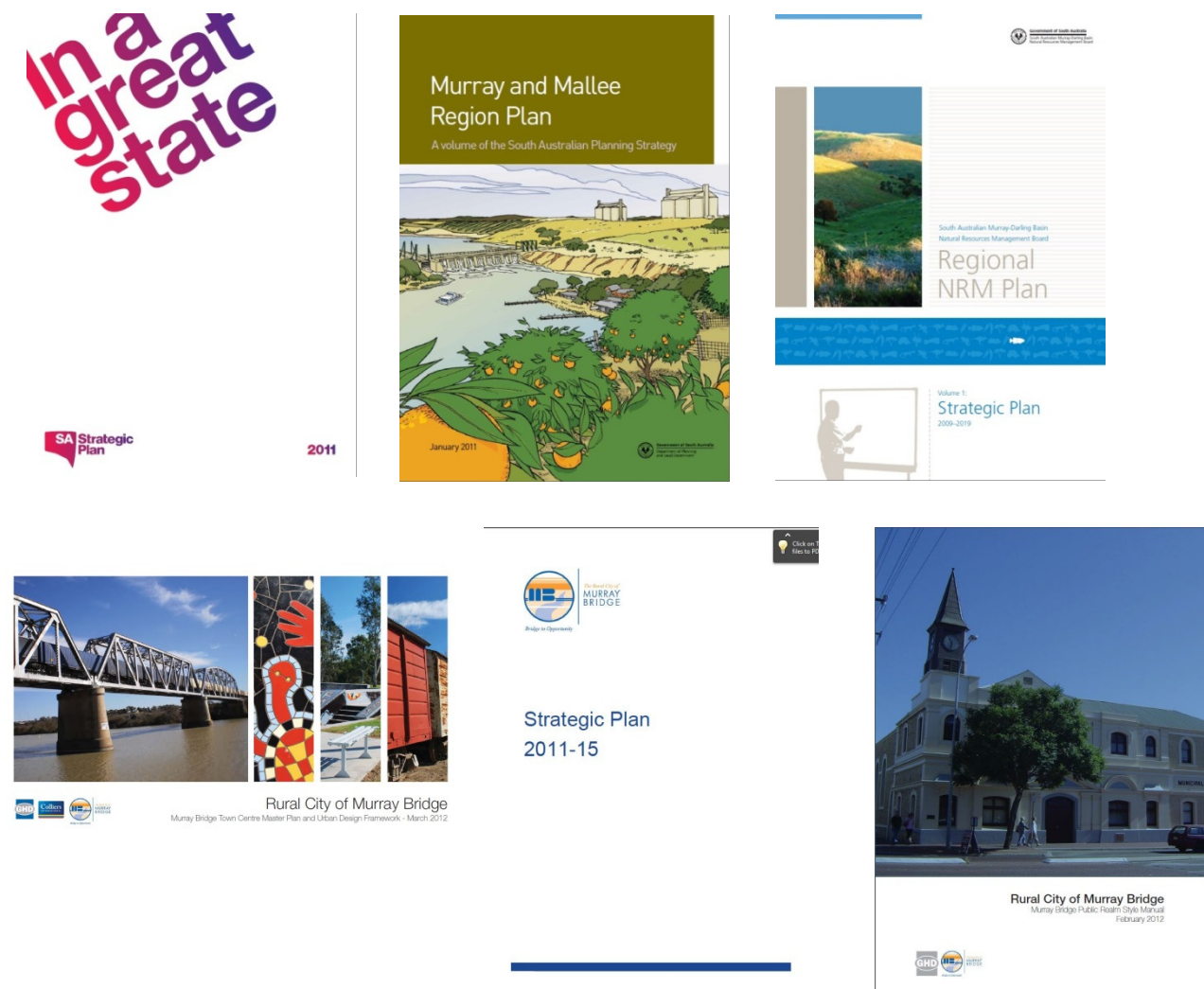
## 5. Protect, restore and enhance cultural/heritage assets

Policies seek to protect and conserve places of heritage and cultural value, whilst maximising economic and social benefits and identifying commercial opportunities. Towns that are strongly valued for their unique design and character buildings should be preserved and enhanced, with new buildings and the public realm designed to complement and reinforce the desired character.

## 6. Promote tourism

A vibrant and growing tourism industry is advocated through the protection, enhancement and promotion of assets that attract tourists such as open space, walking/ cycling trails, scenic tourist drives, heritage and cultural attractions. Tourism development is to be encouraged where it will assist in the conservation, interpretation and public appreciation of natural and cultural features, whilst sustaining/ enhancing local character, visual amenity and appeal of an area.

The table on the following pages relates these six broad themes to specific strategies/policies contained within the strategic planning documents identified.



STRATEGIC POLICY DOCUMENTS:	South Australia Strategic Plan 2011	Strategic Infrastructure Plan for South Australia 2005/6 – 2014/15 & Discussion Paper	The Murray and Mallee Region Plan January 2011	Murray Darling Basin NRM 2009-2019	Rural City of Murray Bridge Strategic Plan 2011-2015	The Murray Bridge Master Plan 2012	Murray Bridge Public Realm and Style Manual 2012
KEY POLICY THEMES:							
<p><b>CREATE VIBRANT, LIVEABLE, SAFE PLACES</b></p>	<p><b>Target 1: Urban Spaces</b> Increase the use of public spaces by the local community</p> <p><b>Target 3: Cultural vibrancy – arts activities</b> Increase the vibrancy of the South Australian arts industry</p> <p><b>Target 23: Social participation</b> Increase the proportion of South Australians participating in social, community and economic activities</p>	<p><b>Strategic Priority: Urban Land</b> Promote development of quality public spaces Require excellent design in the public realm Encourage world-class urban design and architecture</p> <p><b>Strategic Priority: Arts, Culture &amp; Heritage</b> Revitalise the special places and spaces of SA to create vibrant, surprising and inspiring experience Encourage exemplary urban design with more collaborative and integrated decisions Develop a public art policy to ensure that public art is a feature of new public realm Maximise economic and social benefits through improved conservation and management strategies for state's heritage assets Target potential high profile heritage experiences for revitalisation</p>	<p><b>Principle 11: Design towns to provide safe, healthy, accessible and appealing environments</b></p> <p><b>Policy 11.1</b> Reinforce natural and built elements that contribute to the unique character and identity of towns</p> <p><b>Policy 11.2</b> Establish and retain distinct and attractive entrances to towns</p> <p><b>Policy 11.5</b> Provide strong linkages between town centres and key sites of tourism interest, such as the river</p> <p><b>Policy 11.7</b> Encourage active lifestyles by providing : a range of open space, sport and recreation facilities in towns and throughout the region : walking and cycling facilities in towns</p> <p><b>Policy 11.8</b> Develop safer towns by incorporating crime prevention through environmental design</p>	<p><b>Asset: People</b></p> <p><b>Long-term Outcome P3:</b> Landscapes are planned, developed and managed sustainably with neutral or beneficial impact on natural resources by 2030</p>	<p><b>Objective 3.3</b> Improve community health, safety and well-being</p> <p><b>Strategies</b></p> <p>3.3.1 Develop a community emergency response plan in partnership with key stakeholders</p> <p>3.3.2 Develop, implement and continue community safety, health and wellbeing programs in partnership with key stakeholders</p> <p>3.3.3 Implement, maintain and review the Public and Environmental Health Management Plan and programs</p> <p>3.3.4 Partner with others to promote healthy lifestyles for the community</p> <p><b>Objective 3.5</b> Enhance regional identity through culture and the arts</p> <p><b>Strategies</b></p> <p>3.5.1 Provide innovative library and information services that support learning and community well being</p> <p>3.5.2 Promote a sense of place and identity through cultural</p>	<p><b>8.6 Revitalising the Riverfront</b> Ways the riverfront could be revitalised include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adaptive reuse and reinvestment of important heritage places (eg. lighting of bridges)</li> <li>• Establish public promenade to activate the river edge</li> <li>• Potential to rationalise existing landscaping and regrade banks to enhance visual linkages to the river from town centre</li> <li>• Potential large event spaces</li> <li>• Potential tourism accommodation</li> <li>• Potential for sensitive low-scale cafe/restaurant/ commercial development</li> <li>• Reading room in conjunction with new public library</li> <li>• Water Sensitive Urban Design (eg. swales)</li> </ul> <p><b>7.5 The Arc of Vitality</b> It is recommended that an integrated area is</p>	<p><b>1.3.1. Material selection and design language</b> Visual cohesion should be expressed through the use of materials, pavement pattern, form and placement of street furniture and plant material. Choice of materials should contribute to a sense of integration and continuity whilst some details contributing to distinguishing key areas.</p> <p><b>1.3.2. Materials and fixtures that are robust and durable</b> Materials must have longevity and proven performance. Materials and fixtures must be easily maintained, replicated and replaced.</p> <p><b>1.3.3. Material and fixtures that are low maintenance</b> Installation, maintenance and replacement must be easily achieved.</p> <p><b>1.3.4. Materials and fixtures that are sustainable</b> Reuse of existing materials where appropriate and use of local materials, furniture and fixtures are preferred as parts and</p>

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			<p>principles</p> <p><b>Policy 11.9</b> Design all developments to minimise their visual and physical intrusiveness and ensure they are sympathetic to cultural and landscape features and contribute to the desired character of the area</p> <p><b>Policy 11.10</b> Apply Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) principles to all new development and public open spaces and encourage their application to existing development</p>		<p>activities including visual and performing arts</p> <p>3.5.3 Identify opportunities to create public art spaces</p>	<p>defined within the town centre to consolidate and cluster a range of social and cultural activities and attractions. In this sense, the concept of an “Arc of Vitality” is proposed, which should comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The eastern end of Bridge Street;</li> <li>• The railway station and adjoining historic railway reserve area;</li> <li>• Sixth Street Arts Corridor, including the existing heritage buildings, the Murray Bridge Hotel, the new Regional Art Gallery, the refurbished Municipal Theatre/Town Hall and the soon to be vacated Police Station (and courthouse);</li> <li>• Bridgeport Hotel; and</li> <li>• The Pomeruk Cultural Centre building between the two bridges.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.3 The “Heart” of Murray Bridge</b> The “Heart” of Murray Bridge is located at the intersection of Bridge Street and Sixth Street. The area</p>	<p>replacement units are generally more readily available</p> <p><b>1.3.8. Achieve Accessibility Standards</b> Achieve accessibility in accordance with Federal Disability Discrimination Act (DDA). And the technical requirements in Australian Standard AS1428.</p> <p><b>1.4.2. Sense of place</b> Streetscape design concepts and public art should strengthen the unique character and feel of Murray Bridge. Detail at the pedestrian scale can enrich public space.</p> <p><b>1.4.5. A thriving public realm</b> People are drawn to places which offer activity, social space, stimulation of scenes and public art</p>



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KEY POLICY THEMES:							
						represents the cultural activity hub of the town and the centre point of the walkable town centre area. It is proposed that Council focus on consolidating activities within a 400 metre radius of the “Heart” to promote a walkable Town Centre. The heart should become an important meeting place for the community and strengthened by the ‘arts corridor’, hospitality and culture.	
<b>ENCOURAGE HEALTHY &amp; ACTIVE LIFESTYLES</b>	<b>Target 2: Cycling</b> Double the number of people cycling in South Australia by 2020 <b>Target 6: Aboriginal wellbeing</b> Improve the overall wellbeing of Aboriginal South Australians <b>Target 13: Work-life balance</b> Improve the quality of all South Australians through maintenance of a healthy work-life balance <b>Target 24: Volunteering</b>	<b>Strategic Priority: Recreation &amp; Sport Asset Management &amp; Maintenance</b> Refocus the design, provision and distribution of appropriate recreation and sporting facilities throughout the state to improve access to them at the community level Develop integrated recreation and sports hubs that link with other community infrastructure and transport  <b>Strategic Priority: Community Level</b>	<b>Principle 11: Design towns to provide safe, healthy, accessible and appealing environments</b> <b>Policy 11.7</b> Encourage active lifestyles by providing : a range of open space, sport and recreation facilities in towns and throughout the region : walking and cycling facilities in towns, giving consideration to the needs of people of different ages and		<b>Objective 3.1</b> Provide appropriate open space for the community and visitors <b>Strategies</b> 3.1.1 Develop and implement a regional and local open space strategy 3.1.2 Continue to develop and maintain parks, gardens, reserves and other open spaces in an economic and environmentally sustainable manner  <b>Objective 3.2</b> Ensure leisure, recreation and sporting activities and	<b>7.3 A Walkable Town Centre</b> A walkable Town Centre could be achieved through the encouragement of: • Upgrade of street environment; • Infill of medium density residential development; • Clustering and consolidation of activities/retailing/ services/civic facilities; • Creation of pedestrian friendly streets and places; • Revitalisation of Bridge Street and Sixth Street;	<b>1.2.1. Connecting the town centre to the river</b> Murray Bridge’s reason for being is its physical and cultural connections to the Murray River. Despite the proximity of the town centre and river edge, the growth of the town has generally been away from the river. A new sense of engagement of river and town centre is a core design objective.





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KEY POLICY THEMES:	<p>Maintain a high level of formal and informal volunteering in South Australia at 70% participation rate or higher</p> <p><b>Target 78: Healthy South Australians</b> Increase the healthy life expectancy of South Australians to 73.4 years (6%) for males and 77.9 years (5%) for females by 2020</p> <p><b>Target 79: Aboriginal healthy life expectancy</b> Increase the average healthy life expectancy of Aboriginal males to 67.5 years (22%) and Aboriginal females to 72.3% (19%) by 2020</p> <p><b>Target 82: Healthy weight</b> Increase by 5 percentage points the proportion of South Australian adults and children at a healthy body weight by 2017</p> <p><b>Target 83: Sport &amp; Recreation</b> Increase the</p>	<p><b>Recreation and Sport</b> Develop cross-government policy and design guidelines to ensure local school sport facilities maximise school and community use Support the development of local and regional recreation and sport and open space strategies Focus community level funding towards areas with demonstrated needs and identified infrastructure priorities</p>	<p>physical and intellectual abilities</p>		<p>facilities are available for the community and visitors</p> <p><b>Strategies</b> 3.2.1 Develop and implement a regional and local leisure recreation and sport strategy 3.2.2 Continue to support and promote recreational and sporting facilities and events 3.2.3 Develop and maintain recreational trails</p> <p><b>Objective 3.3</b> Improve community health, safety and well-being <b>Strategies</b> 3.3.1 Develop a community emergency response plan in partnership with key stakeholders 3.3.2 Develop, implement and continue community safety, health and wellbeing programs in partnership with key stakeholders 3.3.3 Implement, maintain and review the Public and Environmental Health Management Plan and programs 3.3.4 Partner with others to promote healthy</p>	<p>and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council initiatives and incentives.</li> </ul>	



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KEY POLICY THEMES:	proportion of South Australians participating in sport or physical recreation at least once per week to 50% by 2020 <b>Target 85: Chronic disease</b> Increase, by 5 percentage points, the proportion of people living with a chronic disease whose self- assessed health status is good or better				lifestyles for the community		
IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY, CONNECTIVITY & LEGIBILITY	<b>Target 2: Cycling</b> Double the number of people cycling in South Australia by 2020 <b>Target 56: Strategic Infrastructure</b> Ensure the provision of key economic and social infrastructure accommodates population growth	<b>Strategic Priority: Transport</b> Improve people movement Provide connected networks for pedestrian use	<b>Principle 11: Design towns to provide safe, healthy, accessible and appealing environments</b> <b>Policy 11.2</b> Establish and retain distinct and attractive entrances to towns <b>Policy 11.5</b> Provide strong linkages between town centres and key sites of tourism interest, such as the river <b>Policy 11.7</b> Encourage active lifestyles by providing : a range of open space, sport and recreation facilities in			<b>7.7 Gateways</b> Key gateways to the Regional Town Centre have been identified on the Master Plan, including: • The major intersection of the township - Swanport, Mannum and Adelaide Roads and Bridge Street; • Bridge Street - Retail Core Precinct; • Adelaide and Mannum Roads - Commercial Road Precinct; and • Swanport Road - Education Precinct. These gateway areas should have an	<b>1.2.1. Connecting the town centre to the river</b> Murray Bridge's reason for being is its physical and cultural connections to the Murray River. Despite the proximity of the town centre and river edge, the growth of the town has generally been away from the river. A new sense of engagement of river and town centre is a core design objective. <b>1.2.2. Defining a Walkable Core to the Town Centre</b> The town centre combines a series of retail, cultural, tourism and civic attractors



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KEY POLICY THEMES:			towns and throughout the region : walking and cycling facilities in towns			attractive public realm with urban design treatments that announce the arrival into the Regional Town Centre. Gateway design statements should be consistent either through form, material, graphics, colour or a combination of all.	along with the parklands and river. A new sense of the accessibility and connection is required – particularly via encouraging pedestrian movement is a core design objective. <b>1.4.4. Improving connectivity</b> Reducing road widths and adding median shelters and protrusions on street corners where possible, not only enables better pedestrian connections, but provides space for potential seating, additional planting and enhancement opportunities.
PROTECT, RESTORE & ENHANCE THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT	<b>Target 69: Lose no species</b> Lose no native species as a result of human impacts <b>Target 72: Nature conservation</b> Increase participation in nature conservation activities <b>Target 73: Recycled stormwater</b> South Australia has the system capacity to harvest up to 35GL of stormwater per annum	<b>Strategic Priority: Water Rivers and reservoirs</b> Ensure water storage capacity is able to cope with demand and wider seasonal variations associated with climate change <b>Using and saving water</b> Ensure that South Australians are better informed about water issues and promote water-wise behaviours Establish water sensitive urban and building design standards	<b>Principle 1: Recognise, protect and restore the region's environmental assets</b> <b>Water</b> <b>Policy 1.1</b> Protect the quality and function of water ecosystems by preventing the adverse impacts of land use and development, including WSUD measures <b>Policy 1.2</b> Design developments and open spaces to retain natural drainage	<b>Asset: People Long-term Outcome P1:</b> Community managing natural resources sustainably  <b>Asset: People Long-term Outcome P3:</b> Landscapes are planned, developed and managed sustainably  <b>Asset: People Intermediate Outcome P3.6:</b> Manage the risks to natural resources from recreational	<b>Objective 2.1</b> Improve conservation and enhancement of the natural environment <b>Strategies</b> 2.1.1 Enhance and protect the Murray River environment 2.1.2 Partner with key stakeholders for the redevelopment and implementation of regional and local natural resource management plans and initiatives 2.1.3 Partner with key stakeholders to monitor, mitigate and adapt for		



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KEY POLICY THEMES:	by 2025 <b>Target 75: Sustainable water use</b> South Australia's water resources are managed within sustainable limits by 2018	<b>Strategic Priority: Natural Assets</b> Land Habitat Management undertake revegetation programmes at a landscape scale for biodiversity outcomes around the state...so as to increase resilience of our threatened natural systems to climate change Develop innovative and environmentally friendly infrastructure solutions and visitor experiences in parks, reserves and at iconic tourism destinations	patterns and hydrological regimes by applying WSUD principles at the earliest stages. <b>Riverine and coastal environments</b> <b>Policy 1.6</b> Protect areas of high environmental significance or landscape value by limiting development in these areas and preventing disturbance and promoting restoration of natural riverine and native vegetation <b>Land biodiversity</b> <b>Policy 1.10</b> Introduce a clear hierarchy of environmental areas to be protected... <b>Policy 1.11</b> Avoid any adverse impact on biodiversity where possible. <b>Policy 1.12</b> Locate and design development to prevent the loss, degradation and/or fragmentation of native vegetation and the loss of species and/or ecological communities <b>Policy 1.13</b> Provide for	activities  <b>Asset: Biodiversity Intermediate Outcome B1.1:</b> Protect and manage priority remnant native ecosystems  <b>Asset: Biodiversity Intermediate Outcome B1.4:</b> Improve community appreciation of native ecosystems and species	the impacts of climate change  <b>Objective 2.2</b> Improve the quality and diversity of the built environment and public realm <b>Strategies</b> 2.2.1 Develop strategies, policies and plans to encourage appropriate forms of development 2.2.2 Support sustainable urban development through best practice urban design 2.2.3 Plan for, manage and facilitate transport and traffic management initiatives within urban and rural areas 2.2.4 Facilitate opportunities for the sustainable development of the Murray River environment 2.2.5 Preserve integrity and character of significant heritage places  <b>Objective 2.3</b> Facilitate sustainable opportunities for waste water and water use and reuse <b>Strategies</b> 2.3.1 Facilitate water independence through		





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			<p>the creation of landscape connections to link areas of biological significance and create buffers as a means of managing the interface at the boundaries of conservation areas</p> <p><b>Policy 1.14</b> Identify new areas of conservation significance and ensure their protection</p> <p><b>Policy 1.15</b> Identify and maximise opportunities to increase biodiversity into the urban form, either at the streetscape level or through open space</p> <p><b>Scenic landscapes</b></p> <p><b>Policy 1.16</b> Preserve areas of high landscape and amenity value and areas forming a background or entrance to towns and tourist developments, and along the river, lakes and coast</p> <p><b>Policy 1.17</b> Design development to retain high quality landscapes that can be viewed from tourist routes, walking trails, river and</p>		<p>development of Integrated Water Management plans including identifying, addressing and implementing water harvesting/balancing re-use and recycling opportunities</p> <p>2.3.2 Promote opportunities for innovative water sensitive design principles in all developments</p> <p>2.3.3 Investigate and implement innovative water sensitive management practices through key partnerships</p> <p>10</p> <p><b>Objective 2.4</b> Facilitate sustainable opportunities for energy use and reuse</p> <p><b>Strategies</b></p> <p>2.4.1 Promote opportunities for the development of renewable energy within our community</p> <p>2.4.2 Investigate and implement renewable energy management practices through key partnerships</p> <p><b>Objective 2.5</b> Minimise the environmental impact of waste</p> <p><b>Strategies</b></p>		



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			<p>the sea, and discourage development that may adversely affect these landscapes by addressing the location, height, materials and colour of buildings</p> <p><b>Principle 2: Create the conditions for the region to become resilient to the impacts of climate change</b></p> <p><b>Policy 2.1</b> Promote carbon sequestration and greenhouse gas mitigation activities through sustainable land use management practices</p> <p><b>Policy 2.4</b> Enhance and protect existing native and remnant vegetation through revegetation and biodiversity programs</p> <p><b>Principle 3: Protect people, property and the environment from exposure to hazards</b></p> <p><b>Policy 3.1</b> Design and plan for development to prevent the creation of hazards and minimise the impacts of naturally occurring hazards, including flooding and</p>		<p>2.5.1 Promote opportunities for the minimisation of waste within our community</p> <p>2.5.2 Investigate and implement sustainable waste management practices through key partnerships</p>		



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			<p>sea level rise</p> <p><b>Principle 10:</b> <b>Strategically plan and manage the growth of towns</b></p> <p>The Plan supports the consolidation of population growth in existing settlements to protect important scenic and natural landscapes and areas of environmental and primary production significance</p>				
PROTECT CULTURAL/ HERITAGE ASSETS		<p><b>Strategic Priority:</b> <b>Arts, Culture &amp; Heritage Public Realm</b></p> <p>Revitalise the special places and spaces of South Australia to create a vibrant, surprising and inspiring experience</p> <p>Encourage exemplary urban design that creates places and experiences for people</p> <p>Achieve more collaborative and integrated urban design decision-making</p> <p>Develop a public art policy to ensure that public art is a feature of new public realm improvements</p> <p><b>Managing and making</b></p>	<p><b>Principle 4: Identify and protect places of heritage and cultural significance and desired town character</b></p> <p><b>Policy 4.1</b> Protect and conserve places of heritage and cultural value</p> <p><b>Policy 4.2</b> Identify the desired character of towns and parts of towns and ensure the design of buildings and public places such as streetscapes and entrances supports the desired character</p> <p><b>Policy 4.4</b> Preserve and</p>	<p><b>Asset: People</b></p> <p><b>Long-term Outcome P2:</b> Increased involvement of Aboriginal people and recognition and protection of their cultural heritage</p>	<p><b>Objective 3.4</b> Recognise and celebrate our cultural diversity and heritage</p> <p><b>Strategies</b></p> <p>3.4.1 Support and promote cultural awareness within the region</p> <p>3.4.2 Recognise, protect and promote our heritage</p>		<p><b>1.4.3. Enhancement of existing</b></p> <p>Where possible, existing quality paving, planting and street furnishings that are in good condition should be enhanced, not replaced. Richness and detail should be added to ordinary space and local identity strengthened through use of materials. Existing civic buildings and bridges would benefit with feature lighting and add to the perceived safety of the Street.</p>

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KEY POLICY THEMES:							
		<b>the best use of Heritage Assets</b> Maximise economic and social benefits through improved conservation and management strategies for the state's heritage assets Target potential high profile heritage experiences for revitalisation through commercial opportunities	enhance the character of towns that are strongly valued for their unique design and character buildings				
PROMOTE TOURISM	<b>Target 4: Tourism industry</b> Increase visitor expenditure in South Australia's total tourism industry to \$8 billion	<b>Strategic Priority: Natural Assets</b> Develop innovative and environmentally friendly infrastructure solutions and visitor experiences in parks, reserves and at iconic tourism destinations	<b>Principle 7: Reinforce the region as a preferred tourism destination</b> <b>Policy 7.1</b> Protect, enhance and promote the assets that attract tourists, and are of value to the community including: Open space and walking and cycling trail networks, including potential trails along the River Murray and former railway corridors and scenic tourist drives Heritage, cultural and/or built character of towns, including town entrances or gateways <b>Policy 7.2</b> Reinforce the desired roles of various	<b>Asset: People</b> <b>Intermediate Outcome P3.6:</b> Manage the risks to natural resources from recreational activities	<b>Objective 1.1</b> Attract new and increase support for existing enterprises through leadership and development of key partnerships <b>Strategies</b> 1.1.1 Promote the Rural City of Murray Bridge as an exciting business destination through innovative marketing 1.1.2 Create strategic linkages between precincts within the Central Business District (CBD) that integrates with the broader urban and regional context 1.1.3 Promote and support local and regional tourism and events 1.1.4 Facilitate development of existing and new industrial	<b>7.7 Gateways</b> Key gateways to the Regional Town Centre have been identified on the Master Plan, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The major intersection of the township - Swanport, Mannum and Adelaide Roads and Bridge Street;</li> <li>• Bridge Street - Retail Core Precinct;</li> <li>• Adelaide and Mannum Roads - Commercial Road Precinct; and</li> <li>• Swanport Road - Education Precinct.</li> </ul> These gateway areas should have an attractive public realm with urban design treatments that announce the arrival into the Regional	<b>1.2.1. Connecting the town centre to the river</b> Murray Bridge's reason for being is its physical and cultural connections to the Murray River. Despite the proximity of the town centre and river edge, the growth of the town has generally been away from the river. A new sense of engagement of river and town centre is a core design objective.





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KEY POLICY THEMES:			towns and areas...including Renmark as the launching point for eco- and water-based tourism in the Chowilla Regional Reserve, as well as a gateway to South Australia for interstate visitors. These towns and areas should be protected by...promoting high quality design to protect scenic landscapes... <b>Policy 7.3</b> ..provision of high quality, low impact, eco-friendly, walk in/walk-out tourism in suitable environments <b>Policy 7.4</b> Increase visual access to the riverine environments by establishing lookouts, walking trails, picnic areas and interpretive signage in appropriate locations <b>Policy 7.5</b> Support the houseboat holiday experience along the River Murray by providing mooring sites linked to towns, conservation reserves and natural		estates	Town Centre. Gateway design statements should be consistent either through form, material, graphics, colour or a combination of all.	



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			environments while protecting environmentally sensitive areas <b>Policy 7.7</b> Develop the foreshore areas in towns for community/public recreation to attract tourists and create an inviting link between towns and waterbodies				



## Appendix 2 Communication and Consultation Plan



# **Rural City of Murray Bridge**

## **Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy**

### **Communication and Consultation Plan**





## Introduction

Tredwell Management Services have been engaged by the Rural City of Murray Bridge to complete the Murray Bridge Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy (MBSROSS). The aim of the MBSROSS is to guide the provision, development and maintenance of sport, recreation and open space facilities and services throughout the Rural City. The planning process will include consultation with stakeholders including the broader community, Council, clubs, relevant state/federal government agencies and industry bodies.

## Objectives

The key objectives of the Consultation and Communication Plan are to:

- Provide the opportunity for involvement of the stakeholders including Council/s, project committee, user groups, government agencies and other key stakeholders in the planning process.
- Ensure that all consultation occurs at the appropriate points in the study process and that timely and important information is gathered from and disseminated to all key stakeholders.
- Build an understanding and ownership of the study amongst key stakeholders within the study area.
- Facilitate the adoption and endorsement of the study by the key stakeholders.



## Action Plan

The following actions need to be implemented over the duration of the project to achieve the Consultation and Communication Plan objectives and meet the methodology timeframes.

### Stage 1 – Project Start up and Literature Review

Action	Start	Complete	Responsibility	Status
Start-up meeting and agreed methodology and project plan	19/10/2012	19/10/2012	Consulting Team	Complete
Develop Consultation and Communication Plan	22/10/2012	14/11/2012	Consulting Team	Complete

### Stage 2 – Audit, Site Assessment and Gap Analysis

Action	Start	Complete	Responsibility	Status
Submit Findings to Project Manager	W/C 17/12/2012	W/C 17/12/2012	Consulting Team	

### Stage 3: Stakeholder Consultation

Action	Start	Complete	Responsibility	Status
Online Survey Development	14/11/2012	20/11/2012	Tredwell	Pending
Online Survey Promotion and Circulation	21/11/2012	17/12/2012	Council/ Stakeholders	
Survey Findings Report	18/12/2012	21/12/2012	Tredwell	
Conduct Focus Groups and Interviews	13/11/2012	3/12/2012	Tredwell/URPS	Partial Completion
Workshop with Steering Committee	W/C 13/1/2013	W/C 13/1/2013	Consulting Team	
Presentation to Council	29/1/2013	29/1/2013	Consulting Team	
Community Workshops	W/C 4/2/2013	W/C 4/2/2013	Tredwell/URPS	



#### Stage 4: Needs Analysis/Open Space Planning

Action	Start	Complete	Responsibility	Comment
Submit Findings of Needs Analysis	15/2/2013	15/2/2013	Tredwell/URPS	
Present Findings of Draft Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy	W/C 18/3/2013	W/C 18/3/2013	Consulting Team	



## Appendix 3 Consultation: Club Survey Summary of Findings





Specific issues raised by individual clubs that responded to the survey are detailed below, followed by a full copy of the 'Club Survey Summary of Findings' report.

#### **SOUTHERN CARRIAGE DRIVING SOCIETY**

- Initially, require improvement to fencing.
- In longer term, clubroom facilities. Currently exploring potential for new facilities at Monarto Pioneer oval (Schenscher Rd) and seeking to secure long term lease.
- Ensure facilities are accessible to all (ramped access etc)

#### **GALAXY BASKETBALL CLUB**

- Membership levels falling due to sub-standard facilities and lack of funds for advertising/promotion
- Courts require upgrading (ideally brand new facilities), canteen, lighting and air conditioning

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

- Building expansion needed to accommodate more training opportunities and crèche/childcare facilities
- Increase access to outdoor fitness circuit programs desired – equipment/fitness stations in local reserves
- Improve footpaths (pram/wheelchair access) around the township

#### **MYPOLONGA SCOUT GROUP**

- Moved to Wall Flat Hall (Mid Murray Council area) as the Mypolonga Institute regulations were considered too restrictive.

#### **JERVOIS FOOTBALL CLUB**

- Membership increasing, likely due to increased population in township.
- Own their facilities – repair/maintenance required.

#### **JERVOIS BOWLING CLUB**

- Own their facilities – repair/maintenance required. Green roof desired.

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE RIDING CLUB**

- Our membership fluctuates, but would increase with improved facilities

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE UNITED SOCCER CLUB**

- Communication regarding upkeep/maintenance of oval/clubrooms could be improved



#### **MONARTO BLACK POWDER & SHOOTING CLUB**

- Issues with ongoing landscape maintenance
- Improve special needs access to facilities

#### **ADELAIDE HILLS SOARING GROUP**

- Preservation of site viability – threatened by RCMB/RDA proposal

#### **RAMBLER FOOTBALL CLUB**

- Facilities require improvement/maintenance
- Improved irrigation
- Security is an issue

#### **MONARTO CRICKET CLUB**

- Less people interested in playing cricket, generally
- New clubrooms

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE GLIDING CLUB**

- Membership declining associated with other opportunities within aviation, time demands, increased rules/regulations
- Additional land required for extended facilities/more hangars

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB**

- It is important that a 50m – Olympic sized pool is maintained within the region
- Outdated changerooms/showers
- Enclosed pool with outdoor seating desired

#### **PCASA Southern Zone**

- Membership decreased
- Clubrooms and fencing in need of repair
- 100m dressage arena, new fencing, update kitchen & common room *Spend about \$1mill on upgrading*

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE OBEDIENCE DOG CLUB**

- Membership decreased – potentially due to pet ownership costs/lack of time to train pet.
- Lighting could be improved
- More trees/shade required



- Clubroom improvements

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE RACING CLUB**

- Access road needs improving
- Aspirations for state of the art racing facility
- Improve accessibility – wheelchair access

#### **IMPERIAL NETBALL CLUB**

- Court resurfacing
- Covered areas/shelter for players and spectators
- Parking for disabled
- Address drainage issues

#### **BRINKLEY TENNIS CLUB**

- Maintenance of Hall
- Improve setting of club
- New lights and additional shelter

#### **RAMBLER NETBALL CLUB**

- Provide suitable, safe warm up area
- Toilet block/facilities need improvement
- Landscape maintenance
- Conflict with adjacent cricket nets
- Improved spectator experience

#### **MURRAY BRIDGE & DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION**

- Membership falling slightly possibly due to lack of advertising/reliance on volunteers



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## Introduction

The Rural City of Murray Bridge appointed Tredwell Management Services (Specialist Sport, Recreation and Open Space consultants) to conduct a sport, recreation and open space planning study and strategy.

As part of the extensive consultation process we are providing all community based organisations such as sport clubs, recreation and community groups an opportunity to provide their views and ideas for the study and so we can gain a more detailed understanding of their current usage of the site, future needs and desires.

The survey was voluntary and was emailed to the club President/Secretary, followed by a phone call to encourage clubs to participate. The survey was conducted over a period of 4 weeks in January 2013.



## Clubs

### Southern Carriage Driving Society

#### Club Summary

The Carriage Driving Society supports education in driving, practise for competition, showing as well as historical/pleasure driving. They are a member of Horse SA/Sports and have SA National Affiliation with Australian Carriage Driving Society. Their main facilities are the Murray Bridge Oval in Murray Bridge and the Monarto Pioneer oval on Schenscher Rd in Monarto. The season is all year round and facilities are used all day Sunday (Source: Secretary).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	9	9	9
Adult Females	24	23	24
Junior Males (U18)	2		
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership	4	4	2
<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>
Volunteers		36	
Paid Staff	0	0	0

#### Membership Change:

*Please note: do not have access to 2009 membership at this time so this is the 2011 data. Our society is mainly mature members (50-80 yrs) so membership is relatively stable but can change due to health reasons (most commonly).*



Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?	X			
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?	X			
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?	X			
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?	X			
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?	X			

*Comment: need to negotiate fencing and gates with council (in progress).*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Proximity to members, suitability of purpose (good for our sport) dealing with Council*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Initially just fencing and gates pending a more long-term lease agreement. In the future, toilets and a clubroom would be nice.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

Yes

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

Yes

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*Increasing membership across all age groups ensuring the health and welfare of our members and their horses (safe facilities) increasing the profile of carriage driving*



22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Monarto Pioneer oval on Schenscher Rd. Talks in progress with Council re gazetting to recreational space from cemetery space (21 acres). hope to make it a horse friendly place with water, toilets and a clubroom as horse sports are frequently denied access to soccer/football/cricket ovals in the local area.*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*In progress.*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*We would like to consider those that are elderly or injured and make sure there are ramps instead of steps, etc.*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Secure long term lease of Monarto Pioneer oval*

*Priority Two - Contribute to facility (better infrastructure)*

*Priority Three - encourage new membership*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Would like to see a sustainable and enthusiastic club with the experience of years of carriage driving being passed onto the next generation and without all that knowledge not being lost. Carriage driving is encompassing of all ages and abilities in the community, which is what makes it a great sport to be a part of.*



## Galaxy Basketball Club

### Club Summary

The Galaxy basketball club supports basketball for a number of both males and females at both junior and senior levels. They are affiliated at state level with SA Country Basketball and at a regional level with the Murray Bridge Basketball Association. The main facility utilized is the MBBA Murray Bridge Indoor sports/basketball stadium and they have secondary facility usage at Unity College. They use these facilities on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday pm and currently play all year round (Source: Galaxy Secretary).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	10	10	
Adult Females	10	10	
Junior Males (U18)	150	100	80
Junior Females (U18)	150	100	80
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>			
Volunteers		40	
Paid Staff			

Membership Change: Sub-standard facilities lack of advertisement lack of funds expense

**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?				X
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?				X
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?			X	
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?				X
How would you rate the level of security?				X
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?				X

*Comment:* Murray Bridge council do not contribute as much as required





17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*parking, 3 courts (need to be upgraded), bathroom facilities, clubrooms*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Courts, canteen, lighting, air conditioning*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes.*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*Same.*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Would like to use other venues for training etc as the courts at the stadium are old, dangerous and old lines but very expensive at Unity*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*None.*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - players both senior and junior*

*Priority Two - upgrade of courts*

*Priority Three - affordability*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Brand New Facilities.*



## Murray Bridge Community Centre

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Community Centre provides non accredited training in computer skills, English Language and literacy, Language, Literacy and Numeracy for native speakers as well as painting, gardening and volunteering opportunities. They are currently affiliated at a state level with Community Centres SA, Department of Communities and Social Inclusion and have various unofficial/informal affiliations with local stakeholder networks. The main facilities utilized include local parks/reserves (Sturt Reserve), local trails, the community hall and the community garden. These facilities are used Monday to Friday and also Sunday pm all year round (Source: Centre Co-ordinator).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	18	22	28
Adult Females	5	15	12
Junior Males (U18)	1	0	2
Junior Females (U18)	3	0	2
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>	27	37	44
Volunteers		37	
Paid staff		1	

Membership Change.

*We have volunteers, members and participants and have only recorded the volunteers/ members*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment:* We maintain the facility including security and our lease is currently under negotiation.

**17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?**

*It is central to the shopping and business area of Murray Bridge. Close to educational Facilities and to local reserves.*

**18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?**

*Building expansion, solar (energy efficient power) panels*

**19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?**

Yes.

**20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?**

No.

**21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.**

*We would like to increase access to outdoor fitness circuit programs, local exercise equipment set up around local reserves and fitness plans would help increase the ability of people from low incomes to work on their fitness at their own pace in their own time. Other Councils have these fitness stations set up and local feedback is that they work well.*



22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Our Centre needs to expand our buildings to offer more training opportunities, we need access to crèche or childcare for young parents to be free to participate in training and we need better footpaths for prams and wheelchairs to move freely around the township*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*We are aware of the education precinct planning but have not undertaken any feasibility studies, concept plans of our own.*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Better footpaths for prams and wheelchairs to move freely around the township, secure push-bike parking, more community bus services, include equipment on the fitness circuits which could be used by people with a disability as well as able bodied people*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - expand our buildings to offer more training opportunities through our Community Centre*

*Priority Two - Improved paving of footpaths for ease of access for prams and wheelchair*

*Priority Three - increase access to outdoor fitness circuit programs, local exercise equipment set up around local reserves and fitness plans would help increase the ability of people from low incomes to work on their fitness at their own pace in their own time*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Our Centre needs to expand our buildings to offer more training opportunities, we need access to crèche or childcare for young parents to be free to participate in training and we need better footpaths for prams and wheelchairs to move freely around the township. Increase Bike paths to increase bike usage.*



## Mypolonga Scout Group

### Club Summary

The Mypolonga scout group is involved in all manner of outdoor recreation from adventurous activities like hiking, swimming, canoeing, rock climbing, flying light aircraft, land yachting, camping, out-door cooking to the more normally accepted sport and recreation activities like football, cricket, netball, tennis and bowling. They are affiliated at a state level with Scouts SA. And at a regional level with Heysen District Scout SA. The major facilities they use include the Mypolonga Sports oval and a private property situated at Kallina Drive in Mypolonga. They use these facilities all year round on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday pm (Source: Scouts Group Leader).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	9	11	15
Adult Females	12	14	17
Junior Males (U18)	17	19	25
Junior Females (U18)	14	11	25
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>		55	82
Volunteers		25	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Change.

*I believe our membership has increased due to the training of our leaders. I believe our membership will increase further as we are refurbishing our venue and getting out in the public eye a lot more. We intend to work very hard on our Adult leader growth and build a Joey section aged 6 to 8 years. We currently only run Cubs and scouts ages 8 to 15. We are looking to fund a bus to transport children to us from the surrounding areas.*





**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?		X		

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*That we can do whatever we want to from there.*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Nil.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*Yes, through Scouts SA*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes.*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*We want to provide a Joey Mob. Youth group for 6 to 8 year olds We want to provide a Venturer Unit. Youth aged 15 to 18 years.*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these



*We are upgrading the Wall Flat Hall where we meet. This is actually in the Mid Murray Council Area. We moved to here as the Mypolonga Institute's regulations were too restrictive and we could not function properly as a scout group from there.*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Plans to Mid Murray Council*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Disabled Toilet access*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Build Membership*

*Priority Two - Build viable facility*

*Priority Three - BUILD LEADERSHIP TEAM.*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*A thriving group with all 5 sections functioning. We currently have two and will launch a 3rd and hopefully a fourth next year. Ideally we would like to form a Rover crew before 2020 for 18 to 25 year olds.*



## Jervois Football Club

### Club Summary

The Jervois football club provides a club and community place where men and boys from all ages can participate in a game of football (AFL). They are affiliated at a state level with the SANFL and at a regional level with the River Murray Football League. Their main facility is the Jervois Football/Sporting Clubrooms which they utilize Tuesday and Thursday pm as well as all day Saturday each week of the winter RMFL season (Source: Jervois Club President).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	90	100	100
Adult Females	20	20	50
Junior Males (U18)	90	100	120
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership	20	50	50
<b>Total Membership</b>	220	270	320
Volunteers		50	
Paid Staff		1	

### Membership Changes.

Membership has risen slightly because there are people moving to Jervois, who are families and this should continue to improve



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?	X			
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?	X			

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*We own our own facilities, so we can basically make decisions on improvements etc ourselves before getting council approval (if building)*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*The main facility needs maintenance and extensions made as they are not big enough to accommodate our needs. They also need repair and maintenance*

19 - 26: Not completed.



## Jervois Bowling Club

### Club Summary

The Jervois bowling club provides lawn bowls. They are affiliated at a state level with Bowls SA and at a regional level with the Lower Murray Bowling Association. Their main facility is the Jervois Bowling Club, Jervois which they utilize Tuesday & Thursday am as well as Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday pm. Their main season is during the summer but there are also some minor winter activities (Source: Administration Secretary)

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	48	44	45
Adult Females	20	13	12
Junior Males (U18)			
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership	12	10	10
<b>Total Membership</b>	80	67	67
Volunteers		20	
Paid Staff			

Membership Changes  
Age of members.

### 16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?	X			





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*Comment: Jervois Bowling Club owns its own facilities including the land.*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Owned by club.*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Upgrade Building.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*No.*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*Continuing to provide Lawn Bowls facilities*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Upgrade building including kitchen and bar at current location.*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Concept plans under consideration*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Disabled access*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Redevelop club premises*

*Priority Two - Upgrade shelters*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Green roofed*



27. Please provide any additional relevant information or comments below.

*Council involvement, financial support and rates remissions for any upgrading would be appreciated.*



## Imperial Cricket Club

### Club Summary

The Imperial Cricket Club provides cricket. They are affiliated at a state level with SACA and at a regional level with the MTCA. (Source: Club Treasurer)

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	30	20	30
Adult Females			
Junior Males (U18)	20	20	15
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>	50	40	45
Volunteers		10	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*A lot of juniors will have come through the club and become senior members. Very young sides at the moment so not a lot of retirements*



## Murray Bridge Riding Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Riding Club caters for all ages and abilities from joeys to adult riders and experienced riders alike. They provide a wide range of horse-riding activities, quality instruction and social activities. This includes monthly rallies, dressage days, show jumping, gymkhanas and cross country training. Their main facility is the Murray Bridge showgrounds where they lease the "small end". They use this all day on Saturday and Sunday all year round. (Source: Club Secretary)

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males			
Adult Females			
Junior Males (U18)			
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>	70		70
Volunteers		13	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes.

*Our membership fluctuates, but would increase with improved facilities.*



## Murray Bridge United Soccer Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge United Soccer Club provides soccer. Their juniors are affiliated at a state level with the FFSA and their seniors at a regional level with SAASL. Their main facility is the Soccer Club at Jaensch Oval which they utilize Monday to Saturday pm. Their main season is during the winter (Source: Club Treasurer).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	100	80	80
Adult Females	50	30	30
Junior Males (U18)	105	65	70
Junior Females (U18)	25	10	15
Social Membership	15	15	15
<b>Total Membership</b>	295	198	220
Volunteers		20	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes.

*People playing soccer has varied with the international competitions, eg. World Cup. People playing interests vary.*





**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?	X			
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment:* Oval condition is usually very good, sometimes communication from Council when actioning upkeep would be good. eg top dressing oval, etc.

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Accessibility, open park area, anyone can use anytime.*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Communication on oval upkeep timing. Up keep of Clubrooms and surrounds.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes.*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*Improving running of club operations. Have joined StarClub, time frames of Management Committee is being acted on to utilize benefits. Increase the playing membership.*



22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Upgrade / Upkeep of clubrooms and surroundings. Ongoing.*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Upgrade / Upkeep of clubrooms and surroundings. Ongoing.*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Unknown.*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Increase playing members*

*Priority Two - Improved facilities*

*Priority Three - Increase support worker base, (volunteers, etc.)*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*To be operational, successful, have to ability to expand and have a larger Management base, to ease load on volunteers who have restricted time access as is the case now.*

27. Please provide any additional relevant information or comments below.

*Soccer is a secondary sport to AFL in our area, our, playing numbers have been affected by the social environment, where other sports number have been declining over the years. Have trouble competing for local support from business at times. We are running a very lean budget to be able to support local community access to our sport.*



## Monarto Black Powder & Shooting Club

### Club Summary

The Monarto and Black Powder Shooting Club provides a dedicated black powder shooting club shooting original and replica Flintlock, percussion and breechloader black powder firearms (mostly era pre 1900). They also provide regular competition where events range from 25m to 200m. They are affiliated at a state level with the Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (South Australia) Inc. Their main facility is the Monarto shooting Complex and they utilize these facilities all day Saturday and Sunday. (Source: Club Secretary).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males		10	16
Adult Females		4	4
Junior Males (U18)			
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>		14	
Volunteers		14	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes.

*We are gradually growing; we only started in 2009 so we cannot really answer this question properly.*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?	X			
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?	X			
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?	X			
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment: we maintain the ranges thru our association. the lease is with ORS via Monarto Complex committee*

**17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?**

*Our ranges suit our competition standards and are available to our club. The training /function rooms are suitable for our training and as a club room.*

**18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?**

*We are trying to upgrade the trees/shrubs and are finding it difficult to maintain them after we plant them. We lose the majority of them which is disappointing - after we put in a lot of work planting and watering etc.*

**19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?**

*New executives from Dec 2012 are putting in place a strategic plan*

**20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?**

*Yes*

**21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.**

*Our main objective is to promote our sport as a positive active sport to the general public. We aim to provide a safe and well trained group of people with a club who manages a*



world recognised discipline of target shooting with black powder firearms original or replica. We would like to have a larger membership but are careful in our acceptance of applications as approved by SAPOL. Good growth therefore is slow and steady.

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Our main concern is the maintenance of the range butts and the environment of our ranges. Therefore there is an ongoing expenditure on both these projects. The areas we are trying to grow trees and shrubs on are adjacent to the ranges and would provide shelter for birds and small animals as well as creating a more attractive wind break within the complex. The range butts are the earthworks at the base of all ranges into which the projectiles lodge. Expensive earthwork and seeding of these butts are a project for all the users of the ranges.*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Our association has a new executive who are implementing documentation for the future of our state ranges and the use and maintenance of same.*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Our sport does actually have participants with special needs competing at high levels; however the ranges as they are within the Monarto Complex are limited for the use for these people.*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Further accreditation of Safety and Handling Training within our sport.*

*Priority Two - Membership drive.*

*Priority Three - Promotion of our Parent organisation.*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*It would be great to see the ranges more fully utilized with more competitions at a high level. Further International competitions are being applied for this year for the next few years. This should bring many international competitors and their families to our region. Our Australian shooters will also have the opportunity again to compete at International level as they have done in 2000 and 2008 at Monarto Shooting complex. We would hope to encourage more local accommodation than what was utilized in those competitions if it is available. More than 14 other countries competed in 2008.*

27. Please provide any additional relevant information or comments below.

*Our small club hosted a National competition and used Murray Bridge businesses for our catering and also all of our preparation (hardware and plumbing, electrical fittings) prior to the event. We did not utilize the media as well as we could have, and will endeavour to do so when we next host an event. The sport of shooting is our chosen sport and we will try to promote it in a positive way by come'n'try events and through the Department of Recreation and Sport.*



## Murray Bridge Golf Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Golf Club provides an environment to learn and play golf. They are affiliated at a state level with Golf Australia/ Clubs SA and at a regional level with Golf Australia. Their main facility is the local golf course which they utilize every day all year round (Source: Club Manager)

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males		280	
Adult Females		50	
Junior Males (U18)		43	
Junior Females (U18)		1	
Social Membership		55	
<b>Total Membership</b>	455	429	450
Volunteers		10	
Paid Staff		13	

### 16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?			X	
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment:*



19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

Yes.

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

No.





## Imperial Netball Club

### Club Summary

The Imperial Netball Club provides an environment for people to learn and enjoy playing netball. They are affiliated at a state level with Netball SA and at a regional level with River Murray Netball Association. Their main facility is at Johnstone Park and with their secondary facility being Unity College Stadium. They utilize courts Monday & Thursday pm, as well as all day Saturday. Their main season is during the winter (Source: Club Secretary)

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	1	2	5
Adult Females	40	50	50
Junior Males (U18)	0	0	
Junior Females (U18)	68	65	65
Social Membership	10	10	10
<b>Total Membership</b>	119	127	130
Volunteers			
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*Our membership has remained stable over the past 4 years due to strong club values, competitiveness, good facilities, location etc*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	<b>Excellent (1)</b>	<b>Good (2)</b>	<b>Satisfactory (3)</b>	<b>Poor (4)</b>
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement (lease, licence, hire fees)?		X		



## Adelaide Hills Soaring Group Inc

### Club Summary

The Adelaide Hills Soaring Club Inc. provides an environment for people to learn and enjoy flying small aircraft. They are affiliated at various levels including state (SA Gliding Association), federal (Gliding Federation of Australia) and regulator (Civil Aviation Safety Authority) as well as international (ICAO, FIA, etc.) and fraternal links (Vintage Gliders Australia Murray Bridge Gliding Club inc.). They operate all year round all day Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday out of Pallamana, Callington, Langhorne Creek airfields, as well as various private airfields. (Source: Club Co-ordinator).

### Membership Changes

*Stable*

### Paid Staff

*Zero*

### Volunteers

*20*

### 16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?			X	
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment:*



17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Locality is a mix of bushland and large land holdings with low residential density and therefore little impact between the sport and the ground population. Locality is positioned in CASA declared 'Outside Controlled Terminal Area' airspace open to shared use without imposition by commercial aviation.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

Yes

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

No

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*We are geared to serve - - sport's participants with their own sailplane, supported by the site launch, servicing, shelter provisions - sport's heritage including refurbishment and holding equipment from the past - sport's corporate knowledge with on-site library*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years  
*Priority one – preservation of site viability – threatened by RCMB/RDA proposal for Monarto commercial airport*  
*Priority Two – structured embedment of existing activities*



## Murray Bridge Hunt Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Hunt Club provides Hunting - modified from the traditional fox hunting on horse-back to horse riding over a set jumping. They are affiliated at a state level with South Australian Hunt Clubs Association. Their main season is during the winter and they have events all day Sunday. (Source: Club Secretary).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males		10	
Adult Females		10	
Junior Males (U18)		5	
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership		10	
<b>Total Membership</b>		35	
Volunteers			
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*It is a very distinct sport over the years horse ownership has decreased and the costs associated with owning horses and traveling to events has increased.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

No.

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

No

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - finish constructing the run at Punthari we started to establish last season*

*Priority Two - rebuild some of our existing runs*

*Priority Three - establish a new run at Rockleigh*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?



*I would hope the organisation will still be in existence. We celebrated our 90th year in 2011 so hopefully we can make it to 100 years. Hopefully we can encourage more of the local horse riders to come and try hunting and join the club.*

27. Please provide any additional relevant information or comments below.

*We do not operate on any of the Murray Bridge Council property; our runs are generally on private property around the district.*



## Rambler Football Club

### Club Summary

The Rambler Football Club provides an environment for people play senior and junior football (AFL). They are affiliated at a state level with the SANFL and at a regional level with River Murray Football League. Their main facility is the Lemessurer Sporting Oval in Murray Bridge where they utilize oval Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday pm all day Saturday as well as Sunday am. Their main season is during the winter (Source: Old Club President).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	100	120	150
Adult Females	70	80	100
Junior Males (U18)	65	70	80
Junior Females (U18)	65	70	80
Social Membership	50	50	70
<b>Total Membership</b>	350	390	480
Volunteers		80	
Paid Staff		1	

### Membership Changes

*Having success on the football field through all grades has attracted many new members and players. We are now part of good sports and we have worked hard to make the club a fun safe place for everyone to come and enjoy, we have made every-one to be accountable for the club in all situations*





**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?				X
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement (lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*The grandstand for members and opposition players to use is extremely handy throughout the football season plus having the mound where the BBQ shed and canteen is makes very good viewing areas for everyone plus the mound has good play area for kids to run around in*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*With the mound more water to get the lawn covering properly grand stand needs floor coverings and a coat of paint entrance areas bit more bitumen rain water drainage properly dealt with to stop flooding in certain areas around oval*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

Yes

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

No

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.



*Keep and maintain current standard of football on the field but also make every one aware what is required to make a club function properly*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*The club is always in the process of improving and maintaining their own club house future jobs in there will be heating and cooling around the oval the canteen is going to require extending and upgrading the current bbq shed is needing an extension to one side for weather protection and a shelter across the front for more weather protection*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Canteen - drawings been done by cabinet maker*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Easier wheel chair access to canteen counter*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority one - team and player and club management*

*Priority two - good sport programme*

*Priority three - membership increase with sponsorship growth*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Young strong vibrant club promoting the game of football and developing young people to strive for their goals.*



## Monarto Cricket Club

### Club Summary

The Monarto Cricket Club provides an environment for people play senior and junior cricket. They are affiliated at a state level with the SACA and at a regional level with MTCA. Their main facility is the Lemessurer Sporting Oval and the Homburg Oval as secondary facility. They utilize the oval Thursday & Saturday pm with their main season played during the summer (Source: Club Secretary).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	50	40	40
Adult Females			
Junior Males (U18)	20	15	15
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership	10		
<b>Total Membership</b>	80	55	55
Volunteers		15	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*Less people interested in playing cricket*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?			X	

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Central*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*our clubrooms - or lack of*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*want to build our own clubrooms*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*New clubrooms*



23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Nil*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*?*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Build clubrooms*

*Priority Two - recruit juniors*

*Priority Three - succession planning in committee jobs*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Clubrooms*



## Murray Bridge Gliding Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Gliding Club provides training for people wanting to learn to fly gliders and or passenger flights they also provide facilities for club members to fly gliders. They are affiliated at a state level with the SA Gliding Association. Their main facility is the Pallamana Airfield in Murray Bridge where they have hanger and airfield facilities. They utilize these facilities all day Saturday all year round. (Source Chief Flying Instructor).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	25	20	20
Adult Females	2		1
Junior Males (U18)	1	1	1
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>	27	21	22
Volunteers		21	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*The changing environment of our sport, e.g. there are more opportunities for people to take part in other forms of aviation. Also people seem to be more time poor. Also the ever increasing rise of rules and regulations are putting people off and causing older members to resign.*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?		X		

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*It is well situated close to Murray Bridge*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*More land is needed for additional hangars*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*We are looking to increase the number of members from the Murray Bridge area, and advertise to conduct more passenger flights.*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these





*Possibly another hangar, at the airfield.*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*None*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*None.*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Increase membership.*

*Priority Two - Increase our number of instructors.*

*Priority Three - Purchase a second aircraft.*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*As above.*



## Murray Bridge Amateur Swimming Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Amateur Swimming Club provides swimming for all ages including stroke development and physical fitness from beginners to top competition. They are affiliated at a state level with Swimming SA and at a regional level with the Eastern Districts competitions between Onkaparinga, Mt Pool, Strathalbyn and Murray Bridge. Their main facility is the Murray Bridge Swimming Centre where they utilize pools and or clubrooms on Monday to Friday pm as well as Sunday am. Their main season is during the summer months (Source: Treasurer).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	4	3	4
Adult Females	4	4	3
Junior Males (U18)	12	10	6
Junior Females (U18)	35	30	30
Social Membership	44	40	40
<b>Total Membership</b>	99	87	83
Volunteers		10	
Paid Staff		4	

### Membership Changes

*Membership is roughly stable. Some families leave, new ones come. Maintaining coaches is the biggest dilemma. Regulations make it harder and more expensive each year to get qualifications for coaches, which sometimes makes season fees unaffordable for some.*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?			X	
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?		X		

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*It is important that a 50m - Olympic sized pool is maintained within the region. It's central and readily available. It's heated.*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*The change rooms and showers are very clean but outdated. The showers constantly leak. I think the boys showers don't have doors. Not enough toilets available when we hold big events.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

Yes

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

No

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*Maintaining coaches training. Aiming for relief coaches. Expanding our equipment provided for use of Electronic Timing Systems.*



25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Membership*

*Priority Two - Training Of coaches*

*Priority Three - Equipment Replacement*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Enclosed pool with adequate seating for viewing racing from.*



## PCASA Southern Zone

### Club Summary

The Pony Club Association of South Australia (PCASA) Southern Zone provides Horse riding competitions (cross country, show jumping and dressage) and camping opportunities for juniors, seniors & adults.

They are affiliated at a state level with PCASA. Their main facility is the Monarto Equestrian Centre. PCASA have 86 acres of land, which they use all of, for various forms of riding. They ride all year round all day Saturday and Sunday. (Source: Club President).

### Membership Change

*Decreased, I have no idea of membership without contacting PCASA, which I can do.*

### Paid Staff

*Zero*

### Volunteers

*200*

### 16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?				X
How would you rate the level of security?				X
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?	X			

*Comment: We own our facility*



17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*We have it set up the way we want, rent it out, use it when we want*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Our club rooms are in desperate need of repairs, our fencing is falling down,*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*Yes*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*100m dressage arena, new fencing, update kitchen & common room*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - New dressage arena*

*Priority Two - Dorms*

*Priority Three - Kitchen*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Spend about \$1mill on upgrading*



## Murray Bridge Obedience Dog Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Obedience Dog Club provides education for dog owners to understand their pets, information/classes on how to train them to be good canine citizens and enjoy their company. They are affiliated at a state level with Dogs SA and the South Australia Canine Association (SACA). Their main facility is the Johnstone Park where they run all year round on Wednesday and Sunday pm. (Source: Club Treasurer).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males			
Adult Females			
Junior Males (U18)			
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>	70	45	50
Volunteers		9	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*Sadly economic times, cost of owning a dog and the fact that people just don't have time any more to train their pet.*





**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	<b>Excellent (1)</b>	<b>Good (2)</b>	<b>Satisfactory (3)</b>	<b>Poor (4)</b>
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?	<b>X</b>			
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?	<b>X</b>			
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		<b>X</b>		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		<b>X</b>		
How would you rate the level of security?				<b>X</b>
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?		<b>X</b>		

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Central location, good parking and we have been lucky enough to have a fully fenced area. No dogs escaping when learning to do recall.*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Security, maybe a street light or something similar.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*No.*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*The same as we have for the last 40 years. To show dog owners how to train, understand their dog and to enjoy their company because all our dogs want is love, food and a warm bed and to be with us - and for that we get undying love and companionship and protection.*



22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Possibly more trees around our park, to give more shade in the summer.*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Finish off our clubrooms*

*Priority Two - More members, especially junior members*

*Priority Three - more members to compete in Trialling Competitions*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Same as above.*



## Murray Bridge Racing Club

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge Racing Club provides Horse Racing and a Training Centre. They are affiliated at a state level with TRSA. Their main facility is the Murray Bridge Racing Club where they utilise both the track and clubrooms all year round all day Monday to Saturday. (Source: Club Secretary/Manager).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	98	125	140
Adult Females	91	111	140
Junior Males (U18)			
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership	177	190	200
<b>Total Membership</b>			
Volunteers		12	
Paid Staff		48	

### Membership Changes

*Increase due to greater awareness of events and catering better to the public's needs*

### 16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?				

*Comment:*



17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Best track in SA, parking facilities are off of main road and pleasant surrounds*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Access road needs improving, buildings although adequate are dated/face the wrong way.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*Working on a plan currently.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*No*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*New racecourse and functions/convention facility being built*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*State of the Art racing facility, Function facility that can seat 600 people with modern equipment*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Development planning amendment completed which included concept plans, regional growth studies, vegetation reports, aboriginal heritage report.*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Access - wheel chair appropriate pathways and needs for equine pursuits*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Relocate to the new site and build our horse training numbers to become the largest horse training precinct in SA*

*Priority Two - Create a vibrant club which will be a focal point and centrepiece for the region.*

*Priority Three - envisage night racing as a part of our racing calendar*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Success and recognition.*



## Imperial Netball Club

### Club Summary

The Imperial Netball Club provides an environment where girls of all ages (7-8 yrs to adult) can enjoy and play the game of netball. They are affiliated at a state level with Netball SA and at a regional level with the River Murray Netball Association. Their main facility is Imperial Netball courts at Johnstone Park with their secondary facilities for meetings being the Imperial football Clubrooms. They utilise these facilities Monday & Thursday pm as well as all day Saturday during the winter months. (Source: Club President).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	1	2	5
Adult Females	38	40	40
Junior Males (U18)	0	0	0
Junior Females (U18)	60	56	65
Social Membership	5	10	15
<b>Total Membership</b>	104	108	125
Volunteers		70	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*Membership to remain stable due to grades offered by RMNA for players to participate. 2015 may see an extra junior grade.*



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?		X		
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?		X		

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*Location, parking space, access to toilets, space for 3 courts*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Resurface 2 courts, grandstand repair/upgrade, extra shelter area for players/spectators, upgrade water run off/drainage,*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No, have some direction as to what we need to do in short term.*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*Yes*

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.

*Continue to encourage more players to be involved in netball through RMNA especially more junior teams and young players just exiting from junior grades*



22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*Resurface 2 courts, upgrade grand stands, supply more sheltered area for players & spectators, parking for disabled, upgrade storage facilities Improve water run off / drainage around courts & shed area Mains water to shed*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Obtaining quotes for improvements*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Reserved area for disabled parking*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - upgrade grand stands / extra sheltered areas*

*Priority Two - resurface 2 courts*

*Priority Three - improve water run off / drainage from adjoining properties and court areas*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Extended club rooms suitable to hold meetings with change rooms & showers etc. A fully functional canteen area. More members. More volunteers. RMNA increasing the number of grades to encourage more people playing netball (especially juniors & those just entering senior ranks)*

27. Please provide any additional relevant information or comments below.

*Extra bins for rubbish disposal after home games possible mains water to shed / court area*



## Brinkley Tennis Club

### Club Summary

The Brinkley Tennis Club provides an environment where individuals can learn and play tennis. They are affiliated at a state level with Tennis SA and at a regional level with the Lower Murray Hard-court Tennis Association. Their main facility Brinkley Hall Inc / Brinkley Tennis Club located in Brinkley with their secondary facilities being the community hall and other courts in the local area within the association. They utilise these facilities Wed & Friday pm as well as all day Saturday during the summer months. (Source: Club Committee).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	14	10	10
Adult Females	7	8	8
Junior Males (U18)	18	14	6
Junior Females (U18)	2	1	0
Social Membership			
<b>Total Membership</b>	41	33	24
Volunteers		20	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*There needs to be a major person pushing membership, coaching, events and this is not happening at the moment. Our farming community only has about 6 children under 12 living in our area and none of them choose to play tennis. Children of farming families are forced to leave home to get employment so there are limited numbers of young adults in our area. We have a large number of farmers living here who have not had a family. As our local children get above 18 their friends that have bolstered our numbers now have part-time work that leads them away from tennis.*





**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?		X		
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?	X			
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?	X			
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the level of security?		X		
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?	X			

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*We have complete control over our complex because it is owned by the community, and we have paid for all of our facilities, or gained grants for improvements. It has a long history and is held dear by many local people.*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*Court surrounds, trees, veranda on Hall building for night games when it gets cold. We need more lights but it will cost at least \$10,000- for ETSA to provide a new transformer.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

Yes

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

No

21. What are the key future directions for your organisation? For example what services are you planning or thinking of providing in the future.



*More lighting to get into the night competition, this seems to be the growing time slot for local sport. We have recently upgraded courts, fence and lighting but would like to have lights on all 4 courts.*

22. Please briefly describe any facility development proposals your organisation is considering and the location of these

*We have had a quote from ETSA about a new transformer. We need to support the Hall this year as a major fundraiser was not run last year. If we don't have the Hall, we don't have toilets or supper room, we don't have tennis....*

23. Please describe any planning that has occurred for the proposed developments (e.g. Feasibility Study, Concept Plans, Business Case etc.)

*Quote from ETSA*

24. Please indicate any requirements that need to be considered in the planning process for people with special needs (in addition to legislative requirements)?

*Nil*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - More lights*

*Priority Two - Continued maintenance/ upkeep of Hall expenses*

*Priority Three - Shelters*

26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Shelter built, lights on 4 courts, another Friday night comp team, young people playing on Friday nights if it is more convenient for them, a social comp for anyone who wishes to be involved. Some of the locals not presently involved to be actively involved.*



## Rambler Netball Club

### Club Summary

The Rambler Netball Club provides competition netball. They are affiliated at a state level with Netball SA and at a regional level with the River Murray Netball Association. Their main facility is the Rambler Netball courts at Le Messurier Oval in Murray Bridge. They utilise these facilities Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday pm as well as all day Saturday during the winter months. (Source: Club President).

<b>Membership</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2015</b>
Adult Males	1	1	1
Adult Females	47	56	60
Junior Males (U18)	72	76	80
Junior Females (U18)			
Social Membership	19	30	32
<b>Total Membership</b>	119	132	140
Volunteers		50	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

Our numbers have increased slightly due to additional grades being included. Numbers should remain stable as we are limited to how many grades can be played due to lack of court space.



**16. Please rate the following questions as they relate to the main facility your organisation uses.**

	Excellent (1)	Good (2)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (4)
Overall how would you rate the functionality of your current facilities?			X	
Overall how would you rate the condition of the facilities you use?		X		
How would you rate the parking provision and entrances/access points?			X	
How would you rate the maintenance of the facilities you use?			X	
How would you rate the level of security?			X	
How would you rate your current tenure arrangement(lease, licence, hire fees)?		X		

*Comment:*

17. What do you like about the main facility your organisation uses?

*The location and having the oval adjacent to the netball courts*

18. What aspects of the main facility could be improved?

*The toilet block /facilities could certainly be improved. Maintenance of the pine trees, this would limit the hazard of falling pine cones and needles on spectators, players and the court. Protection from cricket balls being hit from practice nets onto netball court while training.*

19. Does your organisation have a strategic plan?

*No*

20. Is your organisation registered with the STARCLUB program and/or any other club development program?

*No*

25. Please indicate your organisations three (3) highest priorities over the next five years

*Priority One - Provide a suitable and safe warm up area for players*

*Priority Two - Additional shelter for spectators*

*Priority Three - Improve the court surroundings, allowing for better viewing and access for spectators of all ages*



26. Looking ten years into the future what would you like to see for your organisation and facilities?

*Continued upgrades, improvements and maintenance that allow players, volunteers and spectators to enjoy participating in and watching netball and ensuring the facilities meet the standards required by the River Murray Netball Association and Netball SA.*



## Murray Bridge & District Table Tennis Assoc.

### Club Summary

The Murray Bridge & District Table Tennis Association provides all year round table tennis at the hall, primary and secondary schools competitions (e.g. schools from various country towns competing at our hall, inter association matches between other clubs, open tournament, coaching , smash hit table tennis for juniors and seniors). They are affiliated at a state level with Table Tennis SA. Their main facility is the Community Hall as well as the show grounds hall shared facility. (Source: Club Secretary).

Membership	2009	2012	2015
Adult Males	38	30	34
Adult Females	10	12	18
Junior Males (U18)	14	12	10
Junior Females (U18)	6	5	8
Social Membership	5	6	10
<b>Total Membership</b>	73	65	80
Volunteers		12	
Paid Staff			

### Membership Changes

*Possibly the night we play on due to other sports held, juniors change sports regularly, lack of advertising due to financial constraints, volunteers can only help after hours due to work etc, same problem to promote juniors through schools , volunteers/coaches work full time.*



## Appendix 4 Consultation: Online Community Survey Summary of Findings



## Introduction

A key component of the consultation process for the Murray Bridge Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy was to survey the general public. The survey was conducted over a period of 4 weeks in January and February 2013.

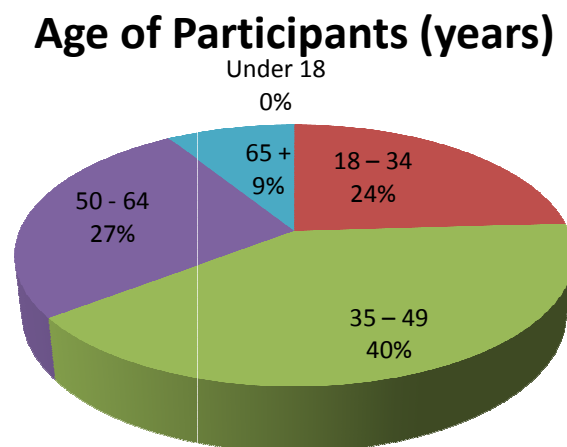
The survey asked 12 questions both quantitative and qualitative requesting information on the following aspects:

- Age and gender demographics
- Place of residence
- Recreational activity involvement
- Positives/negatives of the current sporting/recreational/open space environment provided
- Expectation of sport/recreation/open space environment in 5 years' time
- Comments

The following is a summary of the key findings of the survey.

## Respondents

79 individuals completed the online survey, whilst additional individuals logged on to the survey but did not complete it to a satisfactory level to enable analysis. Of the complete responses 55.1% of participants were male whilst 44.9% were female. Below (figure 1) is the age breakdown of the survey participants, this graph indicates that the majority of individuals who completed the survey are in the 35-49 age bracket (with 40%) and the least participation was seen from the 18 and under age bracket (with 0%).



**Figure 1: Age breakdown of survey participants**

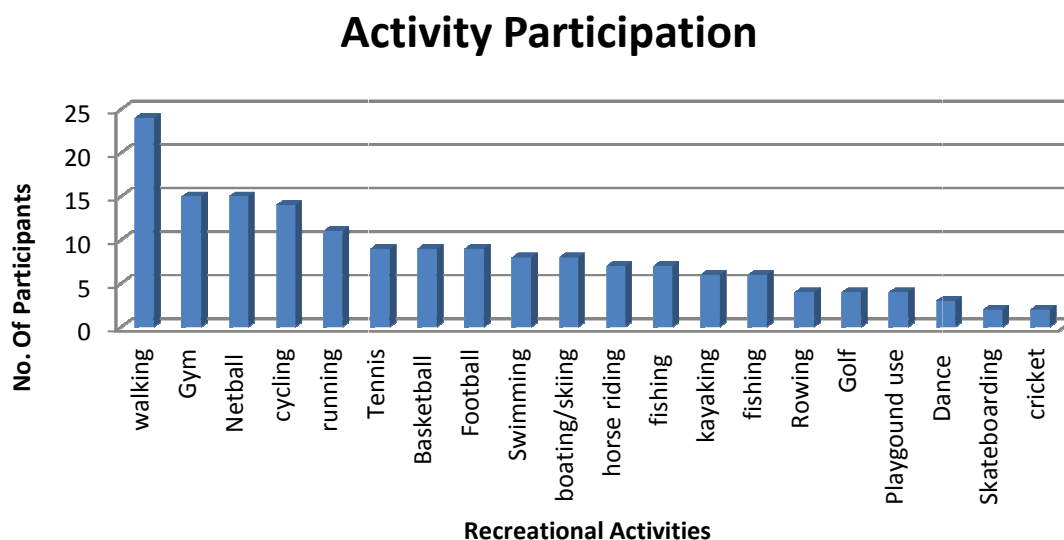
Out of the 79 respondents we have learned that the majority (89.9%) have indicated they are local residents of the Rural City of Murray Bridge, 5% indicated they were visiting from within S.A.. 3.8% noted that they were visiting from within 30 minutes from Murray bridge whilst a further 1.3% listed there residential situation as other.





## Popular Recreational Activities

Respondents were asked what recreational activities they regularly take part in. In this instance 'regularly' is defined as at least once per month. They were given the opportunity to list 5 activities and the most common responses are detailed in the figure below.



**Figure 2 Popular Sport & Recreational Activities in the Area**

It can be inferred from this information that 5 most popular recreational activities in the Rural City of Murray Bridge in order of preference are walking, gym attendance, netball, cycling and running.

## Sporting Environment – Positive Responses

Respondents were asked to give 3 examples of areas that they value or enjoy about the sporting environment in the Rural City of Murray Bridge. Below are some of the more common responses we received:

LowcostActive Community Facilities Variety Social  
Interest Local Mateship Fitness Participation Team

Below are some of the responses we received from the survey that highlight the common words we have noted above:

- "Encourages mixing and socializing of **community** members outside of normal work / family relationships"
- "I like that there is a **wide variety** of sporting activities available to residents"



- “I like that the **costs** associated with the sports are **generally minimal**”
- “**mateship**”
- “keeps you **fit and healthy**”
- “**opportunity** for anyone to be involved”

## Sporting Environment – Negative Responses

Respondents were again asked about the sporting environment in the Rural City of Murray Bridge, but this time they were asked to provide feedback on how it could be improved. Below are some of the more common responses we received, organised around commonly raised themes:

### Requirement to upgrade facilities

- “The Basketball stadium at the showground’s **needs air conditioning**, as when its above 38 (degrees) they can’t play, and that is often in Murray Bridge. Also because the SA Carnivals can’t really use our facility, it’s too small and not up to scratch.”
- “The **facilities provided need to be up to scratch** - the current basketball stadium is very old.”
- “Basketball Stadium **needs to be upgraded**”
- “All of the facilities **require upgrades** to put them in line with other country towns”
- “Our local facilities **need to be upgraded**”
- “The hard court tennis club rooms are **nowhere near the standard** of what Adelaide clubs have.”
- “Some netball **courts are horrible** and Ramblers can’t get approval for a 3rd court”
- “A lot of tennis courts, netball courts and other outside court facilities rely on **out-dated and run down** bathroom amenities that should be upgraded on a long term plan.”
- “Athletics **needs some more dedicated facilities** such as a proper running rink which could be achieved by upgrading a school oval and we need so much more open grassed areas for general play”
- “**Facilities are “minimal”** and are usually developed by volunteers within clubs. Use is then restricted to club members for insurance reasons. Facilities accessible to all would be better”



## Requirement for a multi-use facility

- "Create an **all sport community venue**- gym, pool, courts, indoor and outdoor that's central to Murray Bridge."
- "Amalgamation of sporting venues into **one localised facility** say at Johnson park or the race course where there is plenty of land and parking facilities"
- "Consideration of a **new multi-sport complex**, whilst maintaining the public open space of old replaced facilities."
- "A sports centre with a **range of sports**"
- "Basketball stadium could be expanded more and with assistance for a protective covering could increase the **multiple use** of these facilities for use by a much wider audience."
- "I think a **central venue for sport** with associated clubrooms would be great, perhaps located at the river somewhere?"
- "Would like to see MB have a proper **indoor swim and sport facility**"
- "**Combined sporting facilities** for multi users, e.g. gym, pool, meeting space"
- "**Multi-sport shared facility** in one location"
- "A new swimming pool (in door out door) to be built on or near the old racing club with **many activities** such as water slides and fitness centre"

## Requirement for new facilities

- "Some councils run semi subsidised, short term (e.g. 2 months), 'come-and-try' programs, where a range of sports and rec are on offer - including frisbee!!, and are open to all skill levels. This works in two ways. 1: it's interesting and gets people out there, and trying new sports. It can be quite daunting for someone to try a sport as an adult for the first time. 2: it assists the council to **identify recreational opportunity 'gaps'**."
- "**There are no squash courts** in Murray Bridge. People have to travel to Mannum to play. This needs to be changed"
- "Would love **dedicated areas for Mountain biking**"
- "A really **good bike/walking path along the river**"
- "**Walking/running trails**, areas etc"
- "**Dedicated softball/baseball diamond**"
- "A **mobile see and try van**--basketball,tennis,baseball,footballl etc"



- *"Improved undercover seating around ovals"*
- *"The swimming pool could be enclosed so it can be used year round"*

#### **Increase sporting publicity/advertisement**

- *"More advertisement about when sports start, options for children."*
- *"More awareness of what programs are available i.e. advertisement"*
- *"Make a better method of knowing what is out there..."*
- *"An interactive database of sorts, which allows people to 1: register their interest in a sport/rec not currently catered for and 2: Publicise sports/rec being introduced in a central location."*
- *"Free advertising - eg council could help by giving free space on the LCD screen on main intersection for upcoming events etc."*
- *"More coverage from local newspapers ie. The Murray Valley Standard"*
- *"Improved public awareness"*
- *"Give sports more publicity"*

Positives	Negatives
Quality of competition	Poor public access to council facilities
Easily accessible	Lack of public toilet provision
Emotional wellbeing	Motor sports within town limits
Encourages good principals	Drinking culture
Family friendly	

**Table 1 Sporting Environment – Positive & Negative Responses Summary**

#### **Recreational Environment – Positive Responses**

Respondents were asked to give 3 examples of areas that they value or enjoy about the recreational environment in the Rural City of Murray Bridge. Below are some of the more common responses we received:



## Facilities Gym Local Outdoor Space River Skate Park

### Sturt Reserve Walking

Below are some of the responses we received from the survey that highlight the common words noted above:

- *"**Sturts reserve is fantastic.** Family friendly and kid safe. Skate park and the undercover kids **play area is great.**"*
- *"We have **great gyms** and several to choose from"*
- *"We are fortunate to have a **wonderful river** which offers a myriad of opportunities!!"*
- *"**Skate ramp a good facility** for youth"*
- *"**Pleasant environment** for walking and exercise"*
- *"Generally **facilities are available** and close at hand"*

### Recreational Environment – Negative Responses

Respondents were again asked about the recreational environment in the Rural City of Murray Bridge, but this time they were asked to provide feedback on how it could be improved. Below are some of the more common responses we received, organised around commonly raised themes:

#### Need for walking/running/cycling trails

- *"**Improved walking cycle trails** particularly downstream of Sturt Reserve"*
- *"**New Walking trails**"*
- *"FOOTPATHS! **Keep adding footpaths.** I often see people walking or pushing a pram on the road as there is no footpath eg in the new Pathways estate. (I would have thought that a new estate would have come with footpaths on both sides of all roads.) not very encouraging for walking."*
- *"**Shared bike and walking trails** need throughout town, existing on road lanes disconnected, trails poorly maintained and too narrow"*
- *"**Tracks for walkers and runners** away from traffic"*
- *"Development of a **running/ walking/ cycling loop**"*



- **"More footpaths, bike lanes and crossings** at busy roads within the town to encourage young people to ride their bikes"
- **"Greater access to walking / running trails** around the town that recognise the beauty of the region - self guided walks are needed"
- **"Better riding/walking tracks** - eg. Along riverfront."
- "Greater **encouragement of walking and cycling** to services in town"
- **"Designated running, walking, running trails** like Linear Park along the river linking with outer towns would be sensational"
- **"Walking trails that form a loop** rather than start and stop at different locations"
- **"More safe cycle tracks** where kids can ride and learn to ride bikes safely."
- **"Running route** along the river with lighting"

#### **Improvement of current facilities**

- "The **WW2 park is in desperate need of an upgrade** and the kindly is interested in doing it, make some arrangement with them to help fence it in with childproof fencing and then they can invest in new suitable play equipment and make that a bright vibrant play area for the junior members of our community and it serves a multitude of groups."
- **"Graffiti removal** at Sturt Reserve"
- **"Upgrade to public toilets** adjacent Murray Bridge Community Club - current state is disgraceful"
- **"Basic playgrounds/facilities added** to some of the smaller parks - I believe this would contribute not only to recreation, but also social inclusion. Rather than solely installing traditional (and expensive) tables and benches, many councils also install raised wood slatted platforms."
- "The **gym equipment at Sturts is useless!**"
- "There is **very little over on the eastside** of Murray Bridge. The **show grounds could be a real asset** to be envied by other communities with very little investment. A **covered playground** and timer based watering system on many of the grassed areas could turn this into a beautiful lawned area and an oasis in a sea of brown grass. The area is now the RV site for the town and it is embarrassing to show them the lack of lawned areas and the bathroom facilities over there. We need to **upgrade the toilets** and put more toilets on the grounds and ensure they are



disabled access facilities. The Eastside is becoming a significant young family area and it is **disappointing that we do not provide better, safer external environments** for young families to take their children to."

- **"Public toilets to be upgraded**, better signposted - current "out of the way" locations make difficult for young families"
- **"Improve facilities** at the riverside reserves"
- "Swanport Reserve could be **enhanced with playground facilities**"
- **"Ski reserves need to be expanded** - large groups use during summer months, space is at a premium"

### **New facilities**

- "A **communal venue for small groups** to use for cards, dancing, yoga, gym, garden groups, drama players etc."
- **"No central facilities** for group exercise such as yoga, strength for life, heartmoves etc"
- "A **sport and fitness center in one location** with spare rooms for extra activities"
- "I live near the park on Fraser Ave - there are **currently no facilities**, and it is dry and full of prickles...I would love to see this become a usable space"
- **"Improving waterskiing facilities** to bring in more tourism dollars to the town"
- "There needs to be **other places like Sturt Reserve** as the population grows it becomes too crowded"
- "Developing facilities that **showcase our greatest asset - the river!**"





Positives	Negatives
<i>Great location for water sports</i>	Don't utilise the potential for water based activities to its fullest
<i>Safe environment</i>	Not enough area provided for children to play
<i>Recreational opportunities are available in close proximity to housing</i>	Not enough shaded areas in recreational spaces
<i>Scenic Surroundings</i>	Poor quality signage of areas

**Table 2 Recreational Environment – Positive & Negative Responses Summary**

### Open Space Environment – Positive Responses

Respondents were asked to give 3 examples of areas that they value or enjoy about the open space environment in the Rural City of Murray Bridge. Below are some of the more common responses we received:

Access Clean Improved Maintained Open Space  
Parks Playgrounds River Sturt Reserve Walking

Below are some of the responses we received from the survey that highlight the common words we have noted above:

- "Walking along sturt reserve during a spring day is **wonderful with the river views and bird life.**"
- "**Sturt reserve is a great facility.**"
- "**Easy to access.**"
- "**Sturt, Thiele and Avoca Dell have improved** over the past 10 years."
- "Generally the **open spaces are well maintained** and available for public use."
- "Sturt Reserve and Frazer Park playgrounds a **huge improvement** on past playgrounds."





## Open Space Environment – Negative Responses

Respondents were again asked about the recreational environment in the Rural City of Murray Bridge, but this time they were asked to provide feedback on how it could be improved. Below are some of the more common responses we received, organised around commonly raised themes:

### Need for new facilities

- "Be proactive with the State govt space along the river in front of the railway station **establish and promote bike and walking trails** through there"
- "I believe the Riverglades Community Wetlands could be a more integral part of the walking scene. I know the council have helped with community grants in the past, but **maintaining a river bank walking track** puts a large strain on the local organisation of volunteers. The **financing and building of more board walk** would be a decided advantage to this area."
- "**Riverfront, better lighting, Shade and protected areas, toilets, outdoor concert area...**"
- "Would love **more bike/running paths** near river."
- "**Develop around the round house** and behind the train tracks by the river - such a waste of space!"
- "**Easily accessible wetland walking tracks** and boardwalks"
- "There **aren't any linkages** (between open spaces) - this should be improved"
- "**Join Long island reserve to Sturt reserve** so more river front available for community."
- "Better public bbq areas and picnic areas, in addition to those near the waterfront to **encourage a better use of the whole of Sturt Reserve.**"
- "spaces that are linked together to **invite users to exercise** and enjoy being outdoors"
- "The DPTI land behind the railway station between the Bridge and Hume Reserve (including Hume Reserve) needs a **complete over haul, landscaping, infrastructure** (boat ramps, stairs, parking, bollards) and weed removal!"
- "We need a **map of community areas** that better highlights the facilities and services that these areas provide."

### Toilet facilities

- "All playgrounds should have **clean toilet facilities** very close by for families"



- **"Accessible clean toilets"**
- **"Toilet facilities need upgrading** at Sturt Reserve near tennis courts."
- **"Improved bathroom facilities** to ensure all open space has a decent toilet would be a great start. Even the old cemetery needs a clean nice toilet that can be used by all the people who go to the cemetery as well as those travelers that pull up under the trees to let the kids out of the car for a walk."
- **"Permanent toilets** structures near Farmers Market."
- **"Toilets cleaned regularly."**
- "Toilet and rest **facilities readily accessible...**"
- "Toilet facilities / **shelter at all open spaces.**"
- **"More toilet facilities."**

### General Maintenance

- **"Better maintenance** of a few neglected sites."
- "Spaces kept **clean and tidy** and maintained to be inviting to the user."
- "They need to be **tidied up**. Dog poo Bags in more places and have things like that and litter policed."
- **"Upkeep of parks** within the CBD and surrounding township."
- "Much, **much better maintenance.**"
- **"Care and maintenance** of the local ovals they are concrete hard at times during footy season."
- "Put people who care on the **grounds maintenance crews.**"
- **"Monitoring vandalism."**
- "Once you get away from Sturt Reserve the **open space is not very well looked after.**"
- **"Better up keep of the landscaping** (some sites are better looked after than others)."



Positives	Negatives
Good playgrounds	Spaces not well connected
High volume of open space	Lack of shaded/sheltered area around/near open space
Safe	Lack of drinking fountains
Free to the public	

**Table 3 Open Space Environment – Positive & Negative Responses Summary**

### Community aspirations for the next 5 years

The survey then asked what the residents would like to see happen in their area over the next 5 years to ensure the council met the needs for sport, recreation and open space in the local area. The following words are some of the most commonly occurring in the responses.

Council Indoor Facilities Outside Recreation  
Park Racing Trails Reserve Residents Sporting Complex  
Community Open Areas safe Town Environment  
Year Round

The below statements offer a snapshot of the views held in the community:

"All of the **sports facilities upgraded to be at minimum in line with other areas**. We have a large number of very talented sporting people in Murray Bridge and they **have to travel elsewhere to use equipment** that is up to date and safe, including sports that may be low on the agenda of the council such as **gymnastic, squash and horse riding**.

Better facilities will **encourage athletes to stay and train in Murray Bridge** and help the local economy and eventually coach in the area when they have retired from active sporting careers.

**More areas like Sturt Reserve and Woodlane reserve** as those areas become too crowded at times and this makes them dangerous for swimmers."

"A **central sport and community complex in Murray Bridge** that can be regularly accessed and used by community members of all ages. the complex will be council owned and managed and will **include a range of facilities including pool, gym, courts as well as physical activity programs for all ages**.

Surrounding towns such as **Jervois and Mypo will continue to be supported** to offer a



range of local sport and rec and local open space facilities, as travel is a major barrier across the region.

**The river will be well promoted** and utilised with **improved access for rec activities**.

**Onroad bike lanes** will be connected and **safe to use**. **walking trails** will also be shared use paths and well maintained around town, connecting out to Jervois and Mypo"

"Would be great to have a **pool open all year round** (very frustrating that it is closed for 6-7 months of the year when it is heated). Would be great to see the **basketball courts updated**. Ideally an **oval for football & cricket finals** and neutral games (attract intra league and AFL & SANFL games) and **sporting hub** (netball, swimming, tennis - hard & grass, basketball, etc.) whilst still maintaining traditional home grounds - LeMess & Johnstone etc.. In short a new hub that is in excess of our open space, NOT TO REPLACE IT."

**"Linking of all sport, recreation and open space locations by bike and walking tracks**. This will enable students to access them independently and allow people to move safely between them."

"Areas set aside(particularly in the developing areas) that have **adequate Sport, recreation AND open spaces** that are clearly designated and cannot be encroached upon."

### Further comments

The survey then asked if the residents had any further comments regarding the provision of sport, recreation and open space in the Rural City of Murray Bridge. The following comments are of note:

"There has been **some good progress in recent years** in this area.

Due to demographics, it is important to realise **cost inhibits some community members** from being involved in organised sport - so it is vital to have **rec, and open spaces which are accessible and welcoming** to encourage individual recreation."

**"More investment needs to be made in sporting facilities** for sports besides football (AFL), cricket, netball & tennis.

Increasing numbers of residents are participating in **non-mainstream sports like soccer, baseball, dance and martial arts**. Facilities for these growing sporting groups need expansion and upgrade.

**Playgrounds need to have more shade spaces** by way of trees to give families & children plentiful spaces to sit and relax."

"I hope the findings from this planning will **result in action over the next 5 years**."



## Appendix 5 Consultation: Focus Groups Summary of Findings



The consultation process involved engaging with a wide range of stakeholders, including specifically identified focus groups. Sessions were organised with the following stakeholders:

- **Executive Leadership Team MBSROSS (26/2/2012)**
- **Elected Members Workshop (26/03/2013)**
- **Murray Bridge Council - Council Staff Meeting (19/10/2012)**
- **Neighbouring Councils Workshop (08/11/2012)**
- **Aboriginal Focus Group (03/12/2012)**
- **Murray Bridge Focus Group (12/02/2013)**
- **Jervois Focus Group (13/02/2013)**
- **Mypolonga Focus Group (12/02/2013)**
- **Positive Ageing Taskforce (03/12/2012)**
- **Council staff and OPAL/Healthy Murraylands (13/11/2012)**
- **School students from Murray Bridge North Primary School and Murray Bridge High School (03/12/2012)**
- **Trails/Environment Focus Group (03/12/2012)**
- **Murray Bridge Farmers Market (26/01/2013)**
- **Service Club Workshop/Online Survey (26/01/2013)**

A workshop had also been organised to engage with the local community of Monarto at the Monarto War Memorial Hall on 13/02/2013. Unfortunately, despite the event being widely publicised, nobody attended the workshop.

The key findings and issues and opportunities raised are summarised over the following pages.



## Notes from Meeting with Executive Leadership Team

### MBSROSS

26/2/2012

Attendees: Peter Bond CEO, Simon Bradley General Manager Infrastructure and Environment, Andrew Makin General Manager Corporate Services, Andrew Meddle General Manager Sustainable Communities, Kevin Heyndyk Team Leader Youth, Sport and Recreation, Neil Tredwell Managing Partner Tredwell Management.

#### Key Issues and Opportunities

- Ensure SROSS integrates with the Strategic Plan
- Opportunity also to inform the strategic plan
- Consider funding opportunities Murray Darling Basin opportunities, clean energy, biodiversity, RADF
- Linkage along the river locally and through to Mypolonga, Wellington, Gifford Hill regional linkages
- Opportunity to relocate a significant sports club to Gifford Hill
- Investigate co-location with Schools e.g. Unity and Murray Bridge High School
- Conduct best practice analysis/benchmarking
- Develop principles for fees and charges/licensing arrangements
- Overlay Gifford Hill Master Plan
- Obtain Racecourse Master Plan
- Provide Bridle Trails
- Investigate opportunities to consolidate open space
- Develop a hierarchy of provision
- Consider integration of aquatic centre and stadium
- Wetlands project occurring on the east side of Murray Bridge
- Monarto area is predicted for industrial growth looking at best practice provision of open space/buffer etc.
- Investigate utilisation opportunities of Monarto oval
- Address inequity issues Council v Community owned facilities/open space



## Elected Members Workshop

Date: 26/03/2013

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Importance of Sturt Reserve as “face of Murray Bridge” and a draw card for tourists and opportunity to increase its use for events as well as day to day use (eg picnicking)
- Showgrounds have potential but needs work-eg tree planting, perimeter fencing, access by public transport
- Query regarding potential for new regional centre being at Gifford Hill
- Opportunity to link recycled water with reserves to green them
- General agreement with the reserves/parks we have identified for particular attention-other suggestions include Homburg Park, Magpie Reserve, parks of Gayle Crescent and Johnson Drive
- Need for TLC at Diamond Park
- Query re need for open space on the east side of river
- Support for community based facilities eg at Mypolonga and need for Council to provide financial input
- Opportunity at Woodlane to expand car parking area
- General comment re need to increase opportunities for accessing the river and along the river as well as boats ability to moor and access areas
- River Glades wetlands-important area to support and is under care of Trust
- Council to acquire swampland on east side and create “Banrock station” style place

Other themes raised included:

- Hume/Sturt Reserve
  - Localized landform issues – 3ft drop
  - Concrete jetty
  - Presents the face of Murray Bridge
  - Litter/dumping
  - Playground
  - Waterfront
  - Tourism
  - There is a need to activate open space
  - Two way traffic
  - Clusters of seats
  - Port Augusta Waterfront development
  - Hard edge for houseboats
  - Bunyip
  - Multi storey hotel
  - Bridgeport upgrade - \$35m
  - Pump House
  - Swimming Area – Naracoorte
  - Regional Swimming Pools
- Courts/Unity Showgrounds





- Trinity College – 2
- Built by the show society
- Maintenance/landscaping
- Full of potential
- Access not a major issue
- Public transport is an issue
- Look at new development
- Newbridge Facility
- 30,000 population – rising to 50,000-60,000
- Racecourse
- Christian Reserve – recycled
- Magpie Drive – good, green
- Hanberry Drive – good
- Park off Gail Crescent
- Off Hamburg Drive
- Johnson Drive
- Eleanor Terrace – dispose
- Roland Reserve – good
- Murray Park / Dorset Reserve – protect as native reserves
- Run-down park behind Diamond Park
- East side provision – lack of open space
- Entrance to Murray Bridge – Adelaide Road

#### Jervois

- Riverfront access to be improved – nearly vegetated with reeds
- Reserves
- 25%

#### Mypolonga

- Woodlane – expanded – increase tourism
- South-end used by the shacks – restricted public access
- Sunnyside Road development – encroaches on river, and extends up to National Park
- Callington –irrigation

#### Wellington

- Barker Reserve
- Maintenance of reserve
- Boggy Lake – windsurfing reserve
- Tower
- Lagoon Reserve
- Wellington – salt lake
- Riverglades wetland – owned by a trust – desired public access – council to express an interest
- Avoca Dell – good
- Thele Reserve – good
- Sturt Reserve – major events
- Acquire wetlands under the bridges – privately owned



## **Murray Bridge Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy**

The Rural City of Murray Bridge Internal Staff - Meeting

19<sup>th</sup> October 2012

**Attendees/Representatives:** Internal Council Staff

Previous Plan will be used to inform

- Action Plan
- Planning
- Fundamental

State Ready

Compliance

- Dog off leash areas – useable/signage
- Camping
- Clearer
- RV use
- Markets/events – pedal Prix/Market
- Pumping out facilities
  - Johnstone
  - Show yards

Corporate/Community

- Sport/Rec and Open Space – needs
- Finance – can we afford
- Strategic Focus
- Risk/Compliance – legal/licence
- Internal

Tourism

- RV Friendly
- Events – open space
- River-activities
- Condition of toilets

Parks/Open Space

- Water efficiencies



- Standard
- Defined service level
- Complaints – open space
- Network/Linkages

#### Youth Office

- Focus group
- Awareness
- Congregate
- Youth group, My Gen – feedback
- After school Monday

#### Simone – Community Cultural Development

- Tap into
- Indigenous
- Be Active
- Community Centre – type of space

#### Manager Community Service

- Practical guides
- Exploring tensions – unstructured v structure
- Different spaces – service provision
- Finite

#### Team Leader – Sport, Recreation and Youth

- Prioritised strategic action plan

#### Mabel – Policy

- Theoretical level
- Integration with existing documents
- QED – Riverfront
- Running – implementation



- Plans
- Public Realm Style Manual
- Policy – endorsed by
- Imagine process – Full council endorsement

Damien - Finance

- Asset Management – link sport, recreation and open space

David Allen – Civil Operations/Open Space

- Blocks of land?
- Database of those
- Shared paths
- Too many toilets
- GIS layers

Manager Contracts

- Lot of it! – effort
- Reserves – hierarchy
- Health –fitness issue
- Maintenance
- Community Owned –active
- Engage
- Walking trail

Open Space

- Involvement
- Promotions
- Programming
- Physical Involvement

Facility Usage

- Works Program



- Public Health Act – Private Gyms
- Low cost opportunities
- Mildura
- Meeting spaces
- Distinct Unique
- Place making
- Riverfront –access to the river
- Ageing facilities –swimming centre
- Low level expectation – resistance to change
- Small wins
- Country own – regional centre
- Linkages- bike plans, footpath programs
- Active travel
- Budget situation – small rapidly
- Realistic
- Adhoc
- Access to the river – asset major
- Research
- OPAL Murray Bridge
  - Programs
  - Policy changes (schools)
  - Creating Infrastructure
  - Sedentary Lifestyles
  - Support focus
  - 0-18chhildren
  - Way-2-GO!

## Coorong

- Use sporting facilities
- Five Murraylands Council 18+ predominantly unemployed.
- Walking trails o
- Venues – hosting Murray Bridge
- Storage Clubs
- STARCLUB – Office for Recreation and Sport (use to be BEActive)



- Low Income/Outer lying
- Focus Groups – Multicultural, Access
- Groups
- Not enough places
  - Key places – Sturt Reserve, Parkview Reserve (pathways), Riverfront, Bakers
  - Population
  - Linking
- Fraser Park
  - low socio equipment
  - kindergarten – maintained – Diamond Park
  - Native play – playground strategy
  - Time/organised/cost – social
  - Landscaped environment
  - Walking – bike tracks
  - Off road – shared
  - School
  - Callington
  - Jervois/Mypolonga similar
  - Resistant to school
  - Ramblers – Monarto
- U18
  - Income
  - Heart Foundation Walking – promotion
  - Pools are underutilised
  - Accessibility
  - Parks
- Casarvia Pathways
- Rocky Gully
- Taillem Bend to Jervois – Truro

## Gym

- Outdoor Gym – natural step-ups



- Sturt Reserve
- Community Gym – Aboriginal Health Care – Gold Coin Donation
- Nunga’s Gym
- Total Fitness
- EFM
- Curves – behind the cemetery
- Small group fitness -PT

#### Clubs

- African/Asian – soccer – volunteers
- Volunteers – resource, recruit/retain
- Key sports
- Paperwork
- Money resources
- Beatty Terrace
- Chief of Police

#### Active Travel

- Attractive places for unstructured activities
- Community Hub focus
- Sitting above

#### Venues – free activities

#### Active allocation

#### Needs Analysis – realistic, practical

#### Process – ongoing involvement

#### Focus groups

- Community organisations
- Families
- Aboriginal family groups
- Ageing – focus – task force



## Murray Bridge Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy

Neighbouring Councils Workshop

8<sup>th</sup> November 2012

**Attendees/Representatives:** Mid Murray Council, The Coorong District Council, Southern Mallee District Council & District Council of Karoonda East Murray.

### Notes:

- Murray Bridge Regional Centre
- People play in sports that are based in Murray Bridge such as Football, Netball & Cricket.
  - Murray Towns Cricket Association.– Karoonda A grade
- 30 players at Mid-Murray basketball competition
- Tennis – no junior tennis at Karoonda
- Lawn bowls
- Basketball unstable at Karoonda
- Golf club has gone into recession- Karoonda
- Transport is an issue – youth, older people
- Once a week
- Access gyms – curves, from Tailem Bend, Meningie
- Pathways
- Redlegs – use as
- Ovals
- Gifford Hill – sporting ground
- First race
- Coonalypyn – formal competition, swimming
- Indoor pool at the hospital
- Sturt Reserve – event, outdoor gym, walking
- Aquatic facility – DECD
- Skate ram
- Ten Pin Bowling
- Squash – no squash only at Mannum
- Speedway – local draw
- Greyhound complex
- Soccer – Hills
- Swanport Reserve/Long Island/Avoca Dell/Thieles – water sports





- Motorsport Park, opportunity – Taillem Bend
- Trails- linking towns
- River Trail
- Rowing – access
- Aquatics/Pools
- Upgrade to facilities required
- Sustaining what we have
- Ageing demographic
- Youth-low EIFA – transport
- No Hockey
- Baseball – showgrounds
- On the ground programming is important
- Lack of community?
- Multi-purpose activity space – low cost
- Regional approach is important
- Events – Murray
  - Off road racing
- Disadvantaged groups
  - Open space develop
  - Playgrounds
  - Walking trails
  - Short –casual



## Aboriginal Focus Group

Date: 3/12/2012

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Deadly Fun Run program conducted at Raukkan proved popular
- Limited opportunities to participate in dance activities (traditional and contemporary)
- Interest in establishing an aboriginal sporting club to compete in local competitions
- Need to follow the Kungun Ngarrindjeri Yunna agreement when planning for and developing open space areas within the Rural City of Murray Bridge (agreement attached) which includes a consultation protocol.
- The aboriginal gym has recently been closed due to OHS reasons and this was a popular facility for aboriginal people
- There is a need for improved linkages and pathways throughout the town, access to transport is also an issue for many.
- There is an opportunity to better utilise existing facilities.
- There is a need to develop talent pathways for talented sportspeople to progress through to regional/state/national level
- Basketball, football, and netball are popular sports, participation tends to drop off significantly as young people leave school. There is a feeling of equity when at school but once they have left school there are more cultural barriers to overcome.
- The location of the Basketball Stadium over the bridge is an issue for people who do not have access to transport and it is difficult to attract funding to subsidise transport (buses, travel allowances etc.)
- Integrating into local sports clubs can be difficult for aboriginal people and is a barrier to participation.
- Cost is also a barrier to participation in some sports
- There has been a NAIDOC Golf Tournament conducted in the past which was popular
- The swimming pool is popular in summer particularly for young people
- There is a need for additional advocacy to increase participation in sport and recreation by aboriginal people
- State government funding for programs tends to target elite sports people not the main stream
- A Management Plan has been prepared for Hume Reserve and the Murray Bridge Railway Precinct and should be referred to in the development of the strategies
- There is a need to provide traditional activity places for young aboriginal people in the area where the elders can pass on their knowledge and experiences
- Access to local public spaces is an issue and improvements need to be made in terms of physical access, amenity and functionality particularly within the residential areas.
- There is a great opportunity for local aboriginal people to be involved with environmental projects in the Council area and they can provide local knowledge, traditions and expertise



## Murray Bridge Focus Group

Date: 12/02/2013

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Off leash dog park
- Restricted access to showgrounds – promote rider safety
- Develop Sturt Reserve
- Under the bridge – rail yards
- Not very welcoming
- Linking swamp (?) through to Sturt Reserve
- Lack of transport
- Larger meeting space
- Loop trail
- The 'Cutting'
- Adventure playground
- Town Walk
- Sailing Club
- Sound Shell – entertainment/concerts/moonlight cinema
- Events at Sturt Reserve
- Limited places to sit and view the River
- Channel pedestrians
- Public toilets
- Le messeuier (?) – water fountain
- Increased opening hours – swimming pools
- Verge – cycle friendly – Adelaide Road
- Old Swamp Road
- Young families
- Playground
- Light towers at Imperials



## Jervois Focus Group

Date: 13/02/2013

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Clubroom facilities
- Showers
- Football, tennis, cricket, netball
- Hunt club
- Courts – resurfaced
- Tennis – lighting has been upgraded
- Cricket – new nets
- Outgoings covered by beer takings
- Solar panels
- Camping!
- Outside toilets need upgrading
- School doesn't have an oval
- Juniors
- Kitchen upgrades
- Finals held annually – 1 per year minimum
- Cricket – good numbers
- School – mowed by locals
- Maintenance of the track
- Woods point
- Bowling Club – roof, new kitchen, toilets, refurbishment (\$150k-\$200k)
- Lights
- 60 men, 20 ladies
- Self sufficient



## **Mypolonga Focus Group**

Date: 12/02/2013

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Revamp kitchen
- North End
- Woodlane – carparks
- Landcare
- Club and the school – 130 children (135 capacity)
- Agriculture has taken a hit
- School is landlocked
- Previously 200 dairies – now only 24
- Link to Mannum
- Liability
- Upgrade track around the oval
- Funding levels from the council
- Rate rebates - &1015 – 25% reduction – apply
- Community grants
- Lwelyns Landing
- Track along the bank
- Government access road
- Snaky Point access



## Positive Ageing Taskforce

Date: 3/12/2012

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Positive ageing is focussed on 65 years plus-most programs that are funded are in this age range
- For indigenous is over 45 years
- Key sport and recreation activities include:
- Lawn bowls (particularly in Summer)
- Walking
- Cycling
- Housework
- Gardening
- Council gym equipment at Sturt Reserve well used and is popular for low intensity exercise
- Meet informally in groups to go walking together-mostly women
- Hydrotherapy pool at the hospital well used but does not have ongoing fitness programs-can only do therapy for a set period of time due to demand
- Footpaths are an issue-people walk on the roads
- As town is built on a hill, some areas are inaccessible due to steepness
- Would be great to be known like Mildura-“City without steps”
- Older people don’t feel safe to walk in late afternoon/dusk
- Dog park is good, but can’t get to if don’t have a car-can book dial a ride bus, but dogs are not allowed on bus
- Cost of facilities is an issue-lots of people are “stretched”-lowest socio-economic area in State
- Taskforce is interested in bringing fitness opportunities to clients eg fitness classes into aged care homes or classes elsewhere
- Lack of motivation of older people to get involved in activities-perception of what exercise is-could just be 10 minutes a day
- Older people are involved in sport as volunteers-key way that older people engage is via volunteering
- Need to link clubs with transport options
- No shade for bowling during summer
- Sport in Murray Bridge is “youth” based
- Sport is a strength of the town
- Community space is not such an issue-but socially isolated and people are looking for something to do



## Council Staff and OPAL/Healthy Murraylands

Date: 13/11/2012

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

#### **Council Staff**

- Desire for the Strategies to be action based and enable staff from across Council to better work together in delivering open space and sport and recreation outcomes
- Strategies need to be strategic, acknowledging that "Council can't do everything"-rather do some things well, than all things poorly
- Strategies need to provide basis to attract funding for implementation of actions
- Ensure strategies reflect work already undertaken by Council and integrate with this large body of work (eg Structure Plan, Rural Communities Study etc)
- Need to be realistic about what Council can deliver in next 5-10 years as well as look long term
- Refer to submissions received from community during Imagine process to gather insight into key issues
- Consider compliance issues (eg dog of leash areas, camping along river etc). There is a need for signage in reserves
- Consider how strategies contribute to increased tourism outcomes eg RV friendly areas, how attract events to region through providing high quality open space, maximising use of the River
- Consider toilets-opportunity to rationalise number of toilets and provide better quality facilities but less of them (Council to provide map of all Council toilets)
- How deal with waste from boats and RVs
- Ongoing maintenance of facilities-how meet community expectations when there are finite resources eg staffing, water availability
- Access to open space needs addressing eg poor quality footpaths and lack of good connections into open space from other areas of Murray Bridge
- There is a need for facilities that attract young people and facilitate them being active
- Need for more promotion of what is available now-young people typically identify that there is "nothing to do"
- Young people want spaces to congregate that have shade, seating
- Consider opportunity for a Community Centre-there is a need for space to conduct community based activities such as healthy cooking classes, art etc. Unusual for a City as large as Murray Bridge not to have such a centre
- Need for clear understanding of what each space is designed for and Council's level of service provision should be in managing it
- There is a need to link strategies to Asset Management Plan so can then feed back into financial plan-this will help ensure things get done and are integrated across Council
- Consider opportunities to consolidate small parcels of open space and use this money to fund other actions
- Involve people in the design and construction of facilities to help build greater community ownership of facilities and increase usage
- Connect strategies to works programs "so things happen"



- Two possible Development Applications for private gyms in Murray Bridge
- Consider opportunities for exercise equipment in open space
- Need for low coast gym access
- Need for meeting spaces that are low cost or free
- There is a key community desire to access the River more-need to understand better what this means
- Need to change mind set of community-Murray Bridge has a lot of good things to offer already
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- **OPAL/ Healthy Murraylands and Star Club representatives**
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- Cost of sport membership-people can't afford it
- Shift work-some people can't participate in clubs as have to work
- Not enough free places
- There is a current focus on maintenance of key places, while others are of poorer quality
- Main focus for open space is Sturt reserve, Parkview Reserve, River frontage (eg Avoca Dell etc)-these are not where much of population are-there is a need to focus attention on open space in residential areas, particularly lower socio-economic areas so open space is easy to access from homes
- Need to better link places and spaces
- There is a current focus on equipment rather than nature based play-nature based play has demonstrated benefits
- Need for cycling/walking trails that link the town to the River rather than have to drive to the river-flat area along river is good place for young children to learn to ride, but feels unsafe to ride to river due to lack of cycle paths
- Need for disability accessible/pram accessible paths
- There is a fundamental challenge that Murray Bridge is designed around moving traffic through the town
- Opportunity to consider how share open space/facilities at schools
- The pool is underutilised
- Opportunity to provide outdoor exercise equipment that has multiple functions (eg signage that can do step ups on)
- Strategies need to be reflective of community aspirations and be prepared in consultation with the community
- There is a lack of volunteers to run clubs, combined with increasing responsibilities regarding paperwork/training etc
- There is a demand for soccer, particularly from African/Asian community
- Strategies to identify short and long term priorities-OPAL has funding and may be able to assist with implementation of some actions.





## Workshop with Schools

Date: 3/12/2012

### Workshop with Murray Bridge North Primary year 6/7 students

#### Where do you live?

In Murray Bridge		Outside Murray Bridge	
Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
9	12	2	2

#### How did you get to school today?

	Boys	Girls
Walk	3	3
Bike		
Scooter/skate	1	
Bus	2	1
Car	4	10
Other		

Once the students had allocated their sticky dots, a discussion was had to better understand why most of the class travel to school via car.

Barriers identified include:

Too far

Easier-takes too much energy (to walk)

Running late

No paths to ride bikes

No shade

Hard

Unsafe-my parents won't let me

#### What will you most likely spend most time doing after school today?

	Boys	Girls
Play sport	3	
Watch TV	2	4
Play on DS/computer/Xbox		2
Read/do homework		1
Hang out with friends	1	
Do stuff outside	1	5
Other	4	2

#### What was the most active thing you did on the weekend?



Run outside  
Tennis and swimming  
Running up the side of a hill and rolling down tyres  
Cricket  
Tennis and basketball training  
Trail riding on a horse with a friend  
Playing at Sturt Reserve  
Swimming  
Disco  
Chased people with water guns  
Swim  
Riding bikes  
Lifting boxes  
Riding bike  
Ride a bike  
Disco and shopping  
Played hide and seek chasey  
Walking and running  
Getting around on crutches  
Played backyard cricket with friends  
Walk/run around for 4 hours  
Play games outside with brother  
Run around climbing trees



### **Encouraging kids to be more active**

As a final exercise the students broke into small groups and discussed ways to encourage kids in Murray Bridge to be more active.

The following ideas were recorded:

Get kids to ride to school by encouraging each other

Have a nerf war arena

Play chasey

Go for a jog with dogs

Go for a ride on your bike -but need to provide different tracks so it doesn't get boring

Go swimming

Go to the park

Play sports

Go to a friend's house

Provide healthy food

Have gym sets available

To help more kids walk to school you need to:

Lock up all the criminals

Have supervision

Carry a phone with you so you can contact someone if you are in trouble

Buy dogs for people

Buy ponies to ride

Have more places closer to home for activities

Build an ice skating arena in Murray Bridge

Lots of off road trails for horses

Volleyball club

Safer, more controlled roads and walkways

More school zebra crossing areas

More discos

More playgrounds

Cheaper activities

Ballet/dancing clubs

Advertise more active stuff

Giant sports day

Try to convince your friends to play sport

More variety of sports

More equipment

Talk about sport and how good it is to be involved

Less expensive

Fix the river banks

Small theme park

Horse ring with no fee

Better playground at Sturts

Sports that don't travel

Volleyball

Play games similar to video games

Have things to do near home



## Workshop with Murray Bridge High School year 8 students

### Where do you live?

In Murray Bridge		Outside Murray Bridge	
Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
6	10	4	5

### How did you get to school today?

	Boys	Girls
Walk	1	4
Bike		
Scooter/skate		
Bus	4	4
Car	5	7
Other		

Once the students had allocated their sticky dots, a discussion was had to better understand why most of the class travel to school via car.

Barriers identified include:

Would need to get up earlier

Too far away

The weather

Not being fit

It feels unsafe

Not enough shade

Snakes



**What will you most likely spend most time doing after school today?**

	Boys	Girls
Play sport	1	3
Watch TV	3	3
Play on DS/computer/Xbox	4	1
Read/do homework		1
Hang out with friends		1
Do stuff outside	2	3
Other	1	4

**What was the most active thing you did on the weekend?**

All day of cricket  
Went walking  
Cricket  
Go carting  
Mowing lawns  
Went for a walk  
Skating  
Went running  
Horse riding  
Went to Mannum pageant  
Moving boxes  
Calisthenics performance  
Running, swimming, bike riding, lifting weights  
Played cricket  
Building  
Long walk around the block  
Walking at Strathalbyn  
Eight and half hours of dance practice  
Backyard cricket  
Chasing brother  
Went for a ride  
Horse show  
Played football and mucked around on the trampoline  
Played soccer



### **Encouraging kids to be more active**

As a final exercise the students broke into small groups and discussed ways to encourage kids in Murray Bridge to be more active.

The following ideas were recorded:

Have better facilities

More variety of sports

Paint balling in Murray Bridge

Cheaper entertainment places eg bowling

Public tennis courts with nets

More skill levels in all sports

Nerf gun arena

Pay less to get into the public swimming pool

Safer environment so that people feel comfortable to go out walking etc

More bins for litter

Putting small asphalt courts closer to homes so you don't have to go to Sturts reserve/other parks

Proper BMX tracks

Skate park away from playground (so little kids don't get hurt)

More shaded areas

Making Murray Bridge neater

Better pathways

Keeping parks well drained

Planting flowers

Better/more colourful scenery by the paths

Cater to the backstreets of Murray Bridge as well as the Southside etc so people feel safer and kids can walk to school

Hangout places for teens like a lookout or something so we have a place to go outdoors instead of staying inside

Bike tails around towns

Walking reserves

Cricket nets at Imperials

Cleaning up rubbish

Grassed areas

Softball team

Laser skirmish

Giant foam pit

Go carting



## Trails/Environment Focus Group

Date: 3/12/2012

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- Additional caravan park on the river
- Hume Reserve
- The Lavender Trail/Federation Trail – 170km loop trail starting in Murray Bridge, running through Sturt Reserve/Hume Reserve
- Truro – Eudunda Walking Trail
- Riesling Trail
- Maintenance conducted on a volunteer basis
- Saunders Gorge access link
- Imagine Murray Bridge – cycle plan network
- Recreational Trail
- Excellent examples of trails/bicycle paths in Vancouver
- There is currently a lack of signage/information/interpretation boards
- Gifford Hill development does not provide any off-road, dedicated tracks
- Integration/connections are important to link all areas throughout Murray Bridge and surroundings
- Any new development proposals coming forward should be addressed and considered at the earliest opportunity to ensure full integration
- Explore opportunities to establish shared use paths along the Levee Bank – negotiate with Dept of Water - link to Murray Bridge Fun Run route. Consider informal routes along Levee Banks if this is more feasible.
- Establish walking/cycling track between Murray Bridge and Monarto Zoo
- Crown Lands – NRM
- Integrate with the AV Jennings Pathways development
- SA Water closes – 5 years
- Explore links between Murray Bridge and Myponga
- Explore opportunities to rationalise existing facilities/parks and enhance tourism
- Establish formalized loop walks – currently there is a perception that nothing is integrated
- Embrace and integrate the River
- Wharf Hill area has been recently upgraded – improve links between the wharf and the bridge (often the bridge presents an obstacle)
- Improve linkages network between schools and sports grounds
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- Deadly Fun Run
- Walking
- Community based
- Coorong – Mid Murray
- Dance – no activities
- EOI Sporting Club – Football/netball
- Showgrounds under-utilised
- Naidoc community process
- Gym – OHS issues? – well used



- Establish linkages – loops and pathways
- Process – are aware of knowledge – cultural spaces/open spaces
- Management Plan to address areas of cultural significance along the river
- Develop strategies to ensure better utilization of current facilities
- Talent Pathways – Regional & District Development

Commitment to training:

- Costs and transportation issues
- There are 6 senior teams (Falcons is biggest club)
- Becoming increasingly difficult to attract funding
- Reduced subs
- Cost Factor
- Young families
- Most are state players
- Naidoc Golf Tournaments Membership fees. Equipment.
- Users of the pool
- Cultural thing – netball
- Advocacy issue
- ORS support/community funding / advocacy
- Targets elite participation
- Rec & Sport Community need
- Drop off from junior to senior leagues
- Cultural barriers
- Set own pathways
- Schools Program
- Knock-out
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- Parks Forum
- Management of parks
- Coorong National Park
- NRA – Dept of Environment
- Recreational
- Overall Management Plan, commissioned by the Minister
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- Access to public spaces
- Environmental projects – management of wetlands – river corridor
- Significant agreement – process – Peter (CEO)
- Traditional activity space





## **Murray Bridge Farmers Market**

Date: 26/01/2013

The Farmers Market was a well-attended event and provided an additional opportunity to engage with local community members. Attendees reflected a broad representation of the local community, including people from regional development boards, local government departments, local sports clubs, community event organisers, school principals and people from outlying areas. Items for consideration raised on the day included:

### Key Findings, Issues and Opportunities

- High number of attendees stated an urgent need for new indoor recreation facilities;
- Avoca Dell - environmental upgrade of the existing 5km loop walk and creation of a 'land-bridge' to offer shorter loop walks;
- Lack of any squash facilities;
- Introduce baseball and other sports to the Sturt Reserve;
- Promote bike riding (refer to [www.strava.com](http://www.strava.com) for data on suitable local routes); and
- Rugby is adequately provided for (River City Knights).

In addition to the observations raised on the day, the attendees were encouraged to provide further comment through the online community survey and their comments are reflected within those findings (refer Appendix 3).



## **Service Club Workshop**

A service club workshop meeting was scheduled for the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2013 and an email invitation sent to four clubs within the Murray Bridge area.

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*Dear Members,*

*The Rural City of Murray Bridge is developing a Sport, Recreation and Open Space Strategy. These strategies will guide council decision making in relation to sport and recreation provision for the next 10 years.*

*We need our community to have their say on this important issue, and feel it is important to offer the members of the local service clubs of the district the opportunity to attend a workshop to discuss issues and opportunities that you may have with sport, recreation and open space.*

*Invitees:               Members of the Rotary Club*

*Venue:                 The Station 3-5 Railway Terrace Murray Bridge*

*Date:                  26th March 2012*

*Time:                 6-7 pm*

*If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact Kevin Heyndyk at the Rural City of Murray Bridge on 85391127 or myself.*

Members of the Rotary Club attended the workshop and raised the following items:

- Important to maintain open space and restrict built development in these areas;
- Lack of 'useable' open space within existing housing areas
- New developments (such as Pathways) increasing in density with resultant shortfall of open space per resident
- Explore use of reclaimed water within cemetery
- Golf course – rework course layout to rationalise landtake – potential to surrender 2 existing holes in one area and reclaim land from race course land to re-provide holes
- Sturt Reserve - needs more facilities for kids as it draws people from Adelaide - establish 'little islands' in the water
- Maximise use of river frontage
- Improve access between river and town up the hill – situation is improving but the hill still creates a barrier



- Rocky Gully – 9.5km trail – set up for wheelchair/cyclist/walker access – since levee rebuilt
- Shared use along river for wheelchair & cyclists
- Need good links into Gifford Hill
- Swanport Reserve – under freeway to Murray Bridge eg like Encounter bikeway
- Walkers want well maintained loop walks – good for business eg Tunkillo pub, rail trail in Clare
- Wellington – inviting, overlooking river
- Callington – Hills Trail to link to Mount Barker
- Jervois – Reserve – clear reeds and open up
- Informal trails from Tower Hill
- Need for formal trail along Adelaide Road – loop from Sturt Reserve wetlands, Tower Hill, Adelaide Road
- Rocky Gully – great bush environment – huge potential as loop trail.

Due to conflicting member commitments, members were provided within the opportunity to complete an online survey if they were unable to attend the workshop.

### **Service Club Online Survey**

Three people responded to the online survey, 2 males and 1 female, 2 local residents and 1 local visitor within 30 minutes.

### **Sport**

Respondents stated they take part in sports such as mountain biking, golf, kayaking, swimming and walking.

Positives they like or valued about sport included;

- Ample opportunities to participate
- Opportunities to mix with friends and meet new people
- Lavender Federation Trail is open to cyclists
- Keeps me fit
- Good oval facilities
- Opportunity to take an interest in local community activities and teach young people how to play the game of golf

Improvements with current sport facilities and programs included;

- Shared use of footpaths for bicycles in many areas, in order to create safe and accessible cycleways (eg Sturt Reserve & wharf area)
- Ensure that the current amount of green spaces are maintained and if possible facilities improved taking into account the outlying sports facilities at Jervois, Mypolonga and Monarto.
- Need co-ordination between adjoining Local Government areas to create long distance cycleways (eg Murray Bridge to Callington or Mannum)
- Encourage more young people to participate in sport generally
- Need more Local Government grant schemes to support training and participation



- Ensure that the current level of publicity and promotion of sports is maintained and even heightened.

## **Recreation**

Positives they like or valued about recreation included;

- Lavender Federation Trail is a genuine positive
- Opportunity to value that we are able to participate in these activities and that sports generally play a huge part in our daily lives
- Use of levee bank tops for cycling is a positive
- Valuing the friendships that are made when playing in a team and even friendships made in opposition teams.
- Proposed Adelaide Road plan
- The opportunity to be active in a range of sports, no matter how old you are.

Improvements with current recreation facilities and programs included

- Joint use of footpaths for cycling and walking (eg Sturt Reserve & Wharf area)
- Assistance with funds to provide adequate playground equipment so that children are able to be occupied if parents are playing sport.
- More cycle pathways needed
- General maintenance and services to local sporting clubs
- Better awareness of safety for cyclists on roadways
- Building a bike path from Murray Bridge to Wellington winding along the riverbank and local roads.

## **Open Space**

Positives they like or valued about open space included

- Ample ovals
- Free Air!
- Good use of Showground area for a multitude of purposes
- Enjoyment of our beautiful surrounds ie golf course or riverbank
- Lavender Federation Trail is good.
- Ability to relax in open space - wellbeing!

Improvements with current open space could included

- Do something about the stinking former sewerage ponds at the end of Sturt Reserve
- Making sure that we have enough open space for young and old to enjoy, that it is well maintained and creates pride in the Rural City of Murray Bridge.
- More Mountain Bike trails in rugged areas (eg Rocky Gully)
- Promotion of walking tracks, bike paths and gardens. If locals don't know where they are, they can hardly promote the locations to visitors.

In 5 year's time what would you like to see in The Rural City of Murray Bridge to ensure that sport, recreation and open space meets the needs of the community?



- More off-road bike tracks. More combined use of footpath areas for cyclists and pedestrians
- A championship golf course that encourages many visitors to visit Murray Bridge and a decent motel where they can stay an extra day or two and take in the local attractions. Play and stay approach! Keep open spaces green and clean. Ensure there are adequate, clean toilet facilities available. Keep in mind that the outlying regions are as important as the central region of Murray Bridge.

#### Other comments included

- Need a single combined-sports oval & court complex with multi-use clubrooms and grassed playing fields
- Continue to develop more open green spaces. If everyone participates in at least one of the many sports available we would have a very healthy rural city. Ensure that any costs are not prohibitive to the users.



## Appendix 6 Open Space Analysis Survey Forms