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# Subject: Murray Bridge Gets a Chance to Compete for the Skate Park Crown

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Skate Park Leagues (SPL) is set to make its mark in Murray Bridge in October, with local skateboarding, scootering and BMX enthusiasts competing for the South Australian Regional Series League Ladder.

Held as part of the national competition series organised by the YMCA (the Y), this competition welcomes participants of all ages and skill levels, offering a unique opportunity to vie for the titles of both Murray Bridge and South Australian Regional Series champions. Accumulated points from each round held throughout the year will ultimately decide the top competitors of 2023. The competition is set to take place on **Saturday 28 October, from 11am – 4pm at Charles Sturt Drive, Murray Bridge (Sturt Reserve).** 

Murray Bridge Youth Development Officer and event organiser Aiden Fargher said that even those who are just starting out, have the chance to join the action, enhance their abilities, boost their confidence and engage with seasoned professionals.

"Exciting prizes are up for grabs including raffles, ensuring that everyone has a shot at taking home something special", he said.

SPL competitions not only ignite the competitive spirit but also provide a platform for the community to unite, witness and support local talent, actively participate and cheer on their fellow enthusiasts. In partnership with Skate Australia, Cycling Australia and various Local Government Areas, the Y typically orchestrates over 100 SPL events annually, constituting the largest and most well-established grassroots skateboard, scooter and BMX series in Australia.

Alice Hogan, Manager of the YMCA Action Sports, said Skate Park Leagues offer people from all walks of life the opportunity to come together and utilise the council's facilities in a positive and meaningful manner.

"The inclusion and support we see at each event is amazing and a testament to the skate park communities," she said

The Murray Bridge round owes its existence to the collaborative efforts of the Rural City of Murray Bridge, the Y, AusCycling and Skate Australia. Additionally, the South Australian League enjoys generous support from prominent sponsors, including Tech

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To register for the series, fill out the <u>SPL registration form.</u>

### Interview opportunity:

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