



# ADVANCING WHYALLA

JULY 2004

## IT'S SHOWTIME!!! AND WE NEED YOUR HELP On the weekend of the 21st and 22nd August.

A lot will be offered at our display this year:

- ◆ Free balloons and stickers.
- ◆ Plenty of promotional material for Advancing Whyalla.
- ◆ Wellness Guide Promotion
- ◆ Raffle.

All volunteers will receive a Traders Ticket for free admission into the show over the weekend.

**Great opportunity to be involved, meet new people and have fun!!**



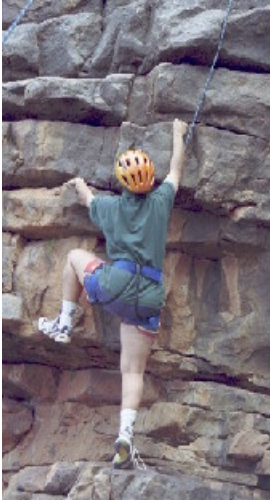
### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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# YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMPS



The next Youth Leadership Camp will see a change of venue to Erappa Blue Light Camp at Iron Knob. The camp will be held in late August. Young people will be identified through a variety of means, including:

- Stuart High School
- Whyalla High School
- St Johns College

- Youth Advisory Committee members (those who applied for the Youth Council but were unsuccessful.)
- Local sporting clubs

We would like to hold an introduction evening prior to the camp in order to determine what the young people think they might get out of attending the camp and also to attempt to identify how they see themselves at present.

After the camp we would like to get participants back together and revisit these things in order to determine how successful the camp was.

If Advancing Whyalla members have any young people aged 15 – 18 who they would like to see invited I would ask that they contact the Advancing Whyalla Office with their details as soon as possible.

# AMBASSADOR TRAINING

Whyalla Ambassador Training encourages and provides the means and tools for Whyalla people to be positive Ambassadors for our City, at home or away.

Whyalla Ambassadors are a group of cheerful and knowledgeable citizens who volunteer their time and services and provide hospitality and general information about the city of Whyalla.

Mid 2003 an application for funding was submitted to Com-

munity Benefit SA to purchase a data projector and lap top computer to assist Advancing Whyalla in conducting Ambassador Workshops. We were successful in obtaining \$4,000 for the purchase of the equipment for use by Advancing Whyalla and other community organisations

Since its conception a number of Ambassador training presentations have taken place.

Representatives from organisations as well as individuals

have become recognised Ambassadors after completing the Advancing Whyalla Ambassador training.

We now offer you the opportunity to undertake an Ambassador Training session following our next Advancing Whyalla Committee meeting on Thursday 12th August at the Edward John Eyre High School Library.

Anyone interested in hiring our Data Projector and Lap Top please contact me at the Advancing Whyalla Office.

OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A WHYALLA AMBASSADOR

# ADVANCING WHYALLA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

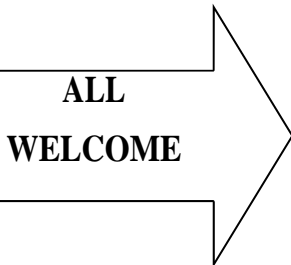
Advancing Whyalla holds its Monthly Committee Meetings on the second Thursday of the month.

The meetings are held at 5.30pm in the Edward John Eyre High School Library.

The meetings cover relevant issues and project group reports.

All are welcome to attend, anyone requiring an agenda prior to the meeting please contact the Coordinator.

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY 12th AUGUST AT 5.30PM AT THE EDWARD JOHN EYRE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY .**



## HOW TO MOTIVATE YOUR ORGANISATION

The Motivational Speaker evening took place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm at the Westlands Hotel.

The evening began with a presentation about Advancing Whyalla by Russell Bambridge and featured a presentation from Yolie Entsch, who also facilitated an interesting and informative brainstorming activity.

After a magnificent supper Mark Whitfield from Flinders Region Area Consultative Committee went on to

facilitate the Forum. This gave attendees an opportunity to have individual questions and issues answered, or at the very least pointed in the right direction.

The evening was well received with a turn out of 79 people from a wide variety of organisations.

One of the facets of the evening involved participants filling out a Evaluation Form and a Community Workshop Topics and Ideas Form.

The information has since been collated from the evaluation sheets received at the "How to Motivate your Organisation."

Feedback was very positive, with comments being made about the workshop bringing people from different organisations together.

We have been able to establish a Workshop Needs Analysis, which will enable us to provide future workshops which fulfil the needs of the Whyalla community.

I thought it was interesting to note that a large majority of the "things" people felt could improve their organisation were related to the attitude of their members.

This reiterates the importance of holding and attending regular "networking" sessions.

## 'HOW TO DEAL WITH DIFFICULT PEOPLE' WORKSHOP

The first Community Workshop was held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.00 pm at the TAFE Seminar Room with Jodie Bouilly being the facilitator for the 'How to Deal with Difficult People' Workshop.

Although only a small number of people attended the workshop, all participants felt the night was interesting and informative.

Following workshops topics are being determined by the Workshop

Needs Analysis Information collated following the Motivational Speaker evening. The Workshop sub committee group has since met and determined the workshops which will be given priority. Watch this space.....



## NEW TREASURER FOR ADVANCING WHYALLA



Unfortunately due to time restrictions, our previous Treasurer, Michelle Tucker had to resign.

We have been fortunate to secure a new Treasurer—Kris Harman.

Kris grew up in Quorn and Port Lincoln and has lived in Whyalla for 10 years now.

Kris lives with her partner and has two daughters. Kris has been Treasurer

at Whyalla Kinder Gym, an organisation she has been involved with since her eldest daughter was tiny.

Kris is currently studying part-time for an advanced diploma in accounting, and is looking forward to completing it so she can go on to work as a Taxation Accountant and Auditor.

Kris also enjoys being a book keeper.

Kris has become involved in Advancing Whyalla to help out as Treasurer, and says "I think they are doing great things for the community - I also heard I would be working with a great bunch of people!"



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**ADVANCING WHYALLA  
YOUR CITY, YOUR FUTURE . . .**

Advancing Whyalla is a concerned group of residents, pooling our ideas and skills, looking for ways to improve our City. Our common thread is that we all share the same concerns about the City we choose to call "home" and we plan to do what we can to improve our future.

The Committee consists of:

**President:** Russell Bambridge

**Acting Vice President:** Kaye Bujnowski

**Coordinator and Secretary:** Lana Casserley

**Treasurer:** Kris Harman

**Project Officer:** Cathy Thompson

**Council Representative:** Natasha Coombe

**WEDB Representative:** Alex Tietgen

John Barrett, Brian and Peg Brereton, Barrie Forsyth, Clint and Marg Garrett, Michael Hillier, Sylvia Nelson, Keith Sichler, Trevor Toomer.

*Thought for the day:*

*Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so shall you become.*

*James Allen*

**MEMBER PROFILE—CATHY THOMPSON**

Cathy Thompson has lived in Whyalla for 3 years and has been employed as the Advancing Whyalla Project Officer for two years.

Until recently Cathy also worked as the Councils Grants Officer. Currently self employed in a consultancy business, "Future Community Consulting", which is primarily a project management organisation. One of the projects Cathy is undertaking through Uni SA is as the Facilitator of the Community Builders Program.



Cathy is also the founding member of CREATE, who were responsible for the Fishy Fringe Festival held in conjunction with the Snapper Competition held over the Easter Weekend.

**IDEAS, PASSION & ENERGY WANTED**

**Community Builders**—An exciting program designed for people from Whyalla's indigenous and multicultural communities who wish to take a more active role in their local community but may not know where to start.

**Come join the fun!!**

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