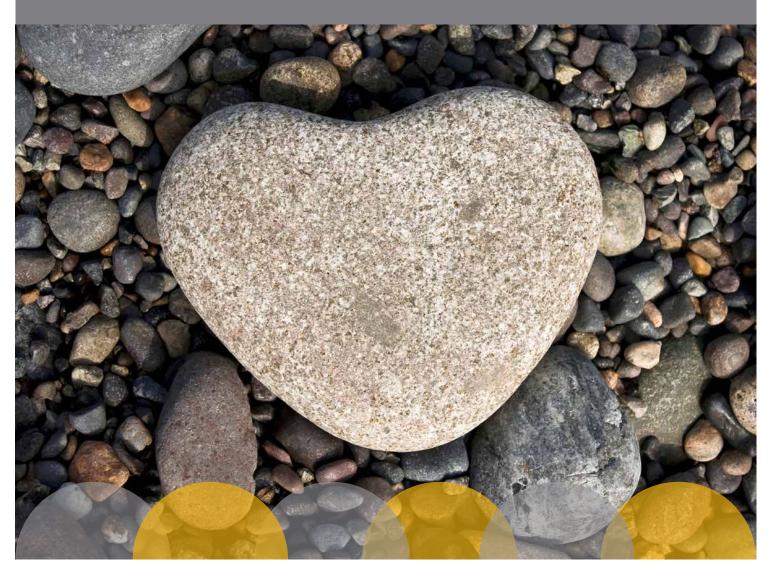


Community

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

LIMESTONE COAST'S COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



Our Vision

Investing in our community for lasting impact

Our Mission

Growing funds and building relationships for investment in the strength and wellbeing of our Limestone Coast communities

Our Values



Inclusiveness

Engaging with our community in all its diversity



Collaboration

Facilitating partnerships that add value to Stand Like Stone and the community



Accountability

Being open, transparent and accountable in all aspects of Stand Like Stone's operations; being cost effective and sustainable; adhering to proper corporate governance and funds management principles



Responsiveness

Valuing and respecting our donors, funding partners and applicants, upholding their dignity, and listening actively to their ideas and concerns.



Empowerment

Strengthening our community by increasing the capabilities and resilience of individuals, groups and organisations

LIFE IS MOSTLY FROTH AND BUBBLE,

Adam Lindsay Gordon's poem Ye Wearie Wayfarer was the inspiration for the Foundation's name. The poem encompasses the objectives of the Foundation.

Chair's Report

Stand Like Stone Foundation has continued to slowly build on its reputation as a significant contributor to the charity sector in the Limestone Coast. The capital base has increased slightly as set out in this Report. Our small grants, and Community Capacity building grants, have resulted in over \$129K being invested in charitable projects across the region. Our major granting partner, OneFortyOne, continues to provide significant funding for the Community Capacity Building grants program. The commitment of OneFortyOne to this program is inspirational and we thank them for their continued support of Stand Like Stone.

We have also attracted a significant donor who has established a Scholarship Sub Fund for students with a connection to the Wattle Range Council Area. The Rackhams educational scholarships will provided for reasons of equity or merit to benefit secondary or tertiary students and two scholarships valued at \$10,000 each will be provided annually.

I would personally like to thank all those who organised all our specific fundraising events this year, including all those dedicated stars who danced for us, and raised funds for us through our annual major fundraiser Swinging With The Stars.

This was another outstanding success for the Foundation. I thank everybody who has been associated with all fundraising projects, all of which are mentioned in this report.

To Georgie McKay, our Executive Officer, and her administrative team, Sally Bailey, Carol Testoni (who resigned during the year) and Carissa Wood, a big thank you from the Board. You are an incredibly efficient executive team.

Our board has been saddened by the very recent news of Georgie McKay's resignation as EO of Stand Like Stone. I take this opportunity to thank Georgie for her immense contribution to Stand Like Stone over the last 8 years.

Georgie's knowledge of the industry, her wide network within the Community Foundation movement throughout Australia has been one of the main reasons for the growth and success of Stand Like Stone Foundation. We wish her the very best for her future, and express the hope Georgie stays in touch with Stand Like Stone.

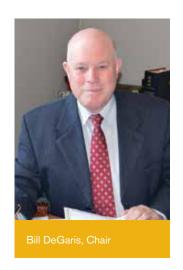
To all our sponsors, Noel Barr Toyota, Wepar Nominees, Accountants Sinclair Wilson, Auditors Galpins, City of Mount Gambier, Grant District Council, Tatiara District Council, District Council of Robe, Ray Scott Group, helloFriday, Green Triangle Electronics and BankSA we give our heartfelt thanks.

Your sponsorship assists us to run our administration without having to resort to our income. This means more money is available for grant making and for this we thank all our sponsors.

Finally, I thank all of our Board members, and all members of SLSF sub-committees who are all dedicated to the ideals and purposes of Stand Like Stone, and who provide a wealth of experience and wisdom to the deliberations of the Board.

Bill DeGaris

Chair



Executive Officer's Report

This is my final report as Executive Officer for the Stand Like Stone Foundation, as I stand down from this position at the end of the year. I commenced as Executive Officer in 2012, with very little understanding of what this work would bring or how my appreciation and understanding of the value of community foundations, particularly to rural and regional communities, would grow.

The community foundation concept is simple. They make it easy for people to contribute to a pool of funds that is used to support charitable projects through purposeful grant making in their community. Community Foundations work with donors, organisations and the local community to strengthen communities and increase opportunities. They are uniquely placed to understand and respond to the immediate and long-term needs of the community because they are owned by the community and responsible to their community. They exist in perpetuity for the generations to follow.

When I began with Stand Like Stone, the foundation had a corpus of around \$750 thousand and was granting around fifty thousand each year. Over the past seven years we have grown the corpus to over \$4.4 million and we are granting nearly a quarter of a million dollars to valuable projects and scholarships throughout the Limestone Coast each year. But it is not just about the money, it is about the impact that this makes across the region every year, the contribution that we are making to the Limestone Coast community and the difference that we are making to the lives of individuals. It is the local stories and the work that is enabled because of this funding that is the most important and every day I am lucky enough to hear stories of how Stand Like Stone is making a difference.

I acknowledge the generosity of the Stand Like Stone sponsors whose funding contributes to the running of the Foundation and therefore enables the maximum return to the Limestone Coast community. I also thank my small administration team, consisting of Sally Bailey, Carol Testoni (who resigned due to relocation earlier this year) and Carissa Wood for their commitment and belief in our work. As a small administration team,

we are sometimes required to work long hours and support each other to achieve good outcomes for the foundation. I thank you for your willingness to respond to whatever need arises, often at short notice.

I thank the Board for their support and confidence over the past eight years and I particularly would like to thank both Sue Charlton AM and Bill DeGaris whose confidence I have enjoyed and whose wisdom I am grateful for.

It is with sadness that I leave Stand Like Stone, but also with the certainty that Limestone Coast communities are so fortunate to have this Foundation which enables funding for incredible projects that are important to the local community, assists those in need and touches so many lives across the region. I hope that you enjoy the stories from the past 12 months that are contained herewith.

Georgie McKay Executive Officer



Georgie McKay, Executive Office

Over \$81K granted as part of Annual Small Grants Program

In 2018/19 Stand Like Stone delivered over \$81,000 back to the Limestone Coast community as part of the annual small grants program. Grant Round 22 delivered funding to sixteen charitable projects that shared in \$49,426 and Grant Round 23 delivered a further \$32,530 to nine charitable projects. The total of grants given through the Stand Like Stone "Small Grants" program is now just over \$293,000.

In 2018-2019 Stand Like Stone maintained its focus on Community Wellbeing and sought to spread its support across the Limestone Coast region to a diverse range of charitable projects.

Stand Like Stone allows for organisations, individuals or families to support specific areas of interest, community projects and educational scholarships by establishing a Sub Fund within the Stand Like Stone Foundation. Sub Funds allow Donors to indicate a preference that a particular group, geographic region or type of eligible projects or educational areas benefit from their donation. We acknowledge the following Sub Funds that funded small grants in 2018/19:

Focis on Youth Sub Fund

The Focis on Youth Sub Fund provides grants to projects with educational outcomes with a focus on youth in the region.

Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund

The Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region.

Balnaves Family Sub Fund

The Balnaves Family Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region.

Agri-Links Sub Fund

The Agri-Links Sub Fund was established to

give grants that raise awareness of Mental Health throughout the Limestone Coast.

Lorry Humphreys Memorial Sub Fund

Lorraine Humphreys passed away at the age of 84 in October 2015. She left her estate to Stand Like Stone to provide scholarships and programs for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts.

Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund

The Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Naracoorte region.

Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund

The Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund offers grants to organisations for charitable projects that benefit the communities of Allendale East, Port MacDonnell and Kongorong. The Sub Fund was established in 2013 in memory of Steven Noble and represents what Steven was as a person, an individual who was willing to give everything to assist and support other people.

Keith Hospital Future Fund

The Keith Hospital Future Sub Fund, was established by Mig Brookman a tireless supporter of the Keith Hospital who wanted to be sure that it would never close. She poured thousands of hours into the hospital and was the brains and labour behind many of its improvements. Mrs Brookman's legacy to the hospital, was to launch a Future Fund (as a Sub Fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation), "Mig's Vision" to make sure it could sustain itself for future generations. The fund was launched just four days before Mrs Brookman died and currently has a balance of over \$82,000, the majority of which Mig was instrumental in raising or was donated in her memory.

Grant Round 22				
Organisation	Project	Sub Fund	Amount	
Mt Gambier High School	Connecting to the Future		\$3,000	
Thumb Print Workshop Inc	Thumb Print Workshop Inc Press Upgrade	Lorry Humphries	\$2,300	
Kalangadoo Kindergarten	Kalangadoo Kindergarten Nature Play Space STAGE 1	Focis on Youth	\$5,000	
Penola PA&H Society	Sophie Thompson Penola Show 2018	Agri-Links	\$1,350	
Allendale East Area School	AEAS Indigenous Garden	Steven Noble Memorial	\$5,000	
The National Trust of SA, Naracoorte	Creating an Object Lending Library	Naracoorte & Districts	\$1,200	
Mt Gambier Toy Library Inc	Puzzle Collection Refurbishment		\$1,000	
Mt Gambier Community Christmas Day Lunch	Mount Gambier Community Christmas Day Lunch		\$2,300	
Sheepdog Ink	Wagging School	Lorry Humphries	\$3,000	
Beachport Surf Life Saving Club Inc	Youth Training Boards	Beachport	\$5,000	
Mt Gambier High School	Promoting the Arts	Lorry Humphries	\$4,000	
Mt Gambier High School	Combined Schools Band & Music Programme Collaboration	Lorry Humphries	\$2,500	
Penola & District Medical Support Group	Penola & District Hospital Garden Courtyard Development Project	Penola Coonawarra & Balnaves	\$5,000	
Naracoorte Lucindale Community Care Network	More than Conversation	Naracoorte & Districts	\$5,000	
Millicent FLC	Projects to support Disadvantaged Youth	CCW Memorial	\$1,031	
Keith & District Hospital	Keith Hospital Future Fund	Keith Hospital Future Fund	\$2,744	
		Total Granted	\$49,426	



Rhett McDonald, Amanda Flint (SLSF Penola Sub Fund) with Elizabeth Williams (back row) Penola Hospital staff member and Val Little and Judy Edwards, Pinchunga Residents



Children watch an acrobatics display at the Penola Coonawarr

Arts Festival

Annual Small Grants Program (continued)

Grant Round 23				
Organisation	Project	Sub Fund	Amount	
Nangwarry Primary School	Community Captains		\$2,840	
Gordon Education Centre	Inclusive Sensory Garden		\$5,000	
Centacare Catholic Family Services	Wattle Range Mobile Toy Library Additional Resources		\$2,500	
The South East Junction, Mental Health Activity and Resource Centre	Flying High and Teddy Bear Picnic		\$5,000	
Mount Gambier North R-7 School	Sharing to Understand Different Cultures	Lorry Humphries	\$3,000	
Southend Progress Association Inc.	Fencing & Art Southend Community Centre		\$5,000	
let's all Sing Together Community Choir - LAST Choir	LAST Choir capacity development and guest artist program	Lorry Humphries	\$2,500	
Penola Festival Association Inc.	Sunday Show - Super Circus Squad	Lorry Humphries	\$3,000	
The Big Love Project	"Empty Arms: Letters of Love and Hope"	Lorry Humphries	\$3,690	
		Total Granted	\$32,530	



Barney McCusker, Kirby Shearing and helpers cooking up a storm for the Mount Gambier Community Christmas Day lunch



Liz Rymill and KD at the Mount Gambier Community Christmas

Day lunch

Grants in Action

Wagging School Links At-Risk Kids and Kelpies

Fifteen foster children and at-risk kids from the Limestone Coast took part in Wagging School; a kelpie training day aimed at engaging kids in need through spending the day around kelpies, learning to train them, and hearing about careers in agriculture, organised by Liz Rymill and Joe Spicer (GoGetta Kelpies) with funding from Stand Like Stone Foundation.

The children, aged 5 to 15, spent the day watching Australia's best working dog trainer, and his multi-time national yard dog trial champion dogs, work sheep and ducks at the Mount Gambier Showgrounds.

The children saw first-hand how the highly responsive kelpies manoeuvred the sheep and ducks around obstacles, through pens and races and heard expert tips on training the iconic Australian sheep dogs. Mr Spicer also brought along a litter of pups, for the kids to cuddle and have a go at training themselves – they took turns leading them, teaching them basic commands and introducing them to sheep for the first time.

When the Indian Runner Ducks came out, the kids had a go at trying to be dogs themselves and herding them through a gateway...not as easy as you'd think! ...and with plenty of laughs ensuing. Liz says the day was a very special one for all involved, "It was wonderful to see the children engage with the kelpies and learn about the dogs, as well as farming in the region.

"We had a lot of questions, and everyone had a go at training a pup or herding a duck!" She says the day aimed to "give hope and joy to at children in need, and as a way of saying thank you from the broader farming community to the wonderful carers of ac.care."

Each child also took home a plush kelpie toy dog, and a bag of information about the dogs, on careers in farming and scholarships from Stand Like Stone Foundation. They also heard from young farmer, Lucy McCourt-Pearce, who spoke on how working with kelpies has helped her, especially during her battle with cancer at a young age. "We hope we've planted a seed – perhaps one day the kids might pursue a career in agriculture or with working dogs. We also want them to know that their community values and supports them," says Liz.



The children watching the dogs in the sheep yard



A young child tries to herd the Indian Runner Ducks

OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building Grants

The OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building grants are made possible through a funding partnership between the Stand Like Stone Foundation and OneFortyOne. The partnership provides funding of \$50,000 per annum to be granted to charitable projects that build capacity within Limestone Coast communities.



\$18,000 was granted to Youth Opportunities
Association (SA) Inc for the "Thrive Student" hybrid
leadership program. The program will provide support for
young students to undertake a leadership program and
also enable a Youth Opportunities trainer to coordinate
the implementation of the online program. The Thrive
Student program assists in addressing disadvantage
and disengagement and enables early intervention to
create lasting positive change in the lives of participants.

\$15,000 was provided to Carers Association of SA for their project "seeding a social enterprise incubator in the Limestone Coast". Carers SA will host 3 workshops in the community with the aim that the workshops will seed the establishment of social enterprises (micro business) for carers and/or those with a disability. It is a train the trainer approach to enable the growth of social enterprises in the region.



Limestone Coast Migrant Resource Centre Garden funded by the 2018 OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building Grants

OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building Grants (continued)

Matched funding of up to \$10,000 was offered to I-myself Pty Ltd for the project "HER-self". The HER-self project aims to equip women from the Limestone Coast community, who are victims of domestic violence and other issues, to regain their self-worth, self-belief and self-dignity.

\$4,100 was granted to Boandik Lodge to purchase exercise equipment and specialised mobility aids for the Boandik Lodge residents and the wider community. The equipment will enable people of all abilities to access the hydrotherapy pool and gymnasium so they can improve their health and wellbeing. The grant funding will be directed towards the purchase of two pool wheelchairs to enable those with disability or mobility issues to access the pool.

\$900 was offered to Sunset Community Kitchen to support their charitable operations in the region.



Limestone Coast Migrant Resource Centre Garden funded by the 2018 OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building Grants



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Educational Scholarships Given

Stand Like Stone's Educational Scholarship Fund, established in 2007, provides money for scholarships, bursaries or prizes which promote the recipient's education in a recognised pre-school, primary, secondary or tertiary course and are awarded on merit or for reasons of equity.

In 2018/19 Stand Like Stone offered its ninth round of scholarships for study to be undertaken in 2019. Scholarships were awarded for approved curriculum and courses being studied at Australian educational institutions and for related living and boarding costs. Since 2009, 225 students have shared in \$167,085 worth of scholarships.

This year a total of **\$44,320** was awarded as follows on the following page.

We acknowledge the following Sub Funds that funded scholarships in 2018/19:

L M Woodruff Memorial Scholarship

Provides scholarships to assist young women identifying with the Limestone Coast to undertake a nursing career at any level. This scholarship can be given to a secondary student with an ambition to study nursing, a student entering tertiary study or a student that is currently undertaking tertiary study.

Mount Gambier High School Student Scholarships

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Mount Gambier High School. This includes current Mount Gambier High School students, primary school students who will be attending Mount Gambier High School or students who are moving from another school to Mount Gambier High School for the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Mount Gambier High School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

Keith Area School (KAS) Student Scholarships

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Keith Area School. This includes current Keith Area School students or students who are moving from another school to Keith Area School for the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Keith Area School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

Kingston Community School Scholarship

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Kingston Community School. This scholarship will be awarded on reasons of equity (as defined in How are scholarships awarded) to current Kingston Community School students or students who are moving from another school to Kingston Community School for the year that the

First Name	Last Name	Sub Fund
Alicia	Sapiatzer	LM WOODRUFF
Vanessa	Roesler	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Shari-Lee	Vickers	LUCINDALE AREA SCHOOL
Lachlan	Leake	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Bowen	Hosking	MT GAMBIER HIGH SCHOOL
Elyssa	Arnold	LUCINDALE AREA SCHOOL & LORRY HUMPHREYS
Hayley	Wakefield	THE BALNAVES FDN
Zak	Steel	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Tamara	Packham	DE NYS FAMILY MEMORIAL
Jasmine	Rohrlach	GRANT HIGH SCHOOL
Connor	Perry	KEITH AREA SCHOOL
Kate	Edmonds	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Katie	Fuller	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Angelique	Dellaney	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Kaitlin	Beltakis	SARWG
Maryann	Thompson	FOCIS ON YOUTH
Jack	Edmonds	FOCIS ON YOUTH
Annie	Aldridge	LORRY HUMPHREYS
Ray	Schubert	THE BALNAVES FDN

First Name	Last Name	Sub Fund
Kerry Ann	Welsford	LM WOODRUFF
Cassidy	Farrar	LORRY HUMPHREYS & MGHS
Emily	Smith	LM WOODRUFF
Manon	Finch	GRANT HIGH SCHOOL
Lillian	Foote	GRANT HIGH SCHOOL
Kirby	Gartner	LM WOODRUFF
Taylah	Gartner	VITITEC
Laura	Day	FOCIS ON YOUTH & MT GAMBIER HIGH SCHOOL
Ben	Langford	LTO'CONNOR
Darcy	Henderson	LTO'CONNOR
Khatera		LORRY HUMPHREYS
Erin	Stevens	SARWG, FOCIS ON YOUTH, SLSF
Gemma	Watson	CORNERSTONE
Ashlea	O'Shaughnessy	CORNERSTONE
Beau	Flanagan	LE & NC MYERS
Karnell	Goldsmith	SLSF
Dallas	Wilson	SLSF

scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Kingston Community School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

Lucindale Area School Student Scholarships

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Lucindale Area School. This includes current Lucindale Area School students and students who are moving from another school or kindergarten to Lucindale Area School in the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Lucindale Area School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

Grant High School Scholarship

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Grant High School. This includes current Grant High School students and students who are moving from another school to Grant High School in the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Grant High School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

L T O'Connor Music Scholarship

Provides scholarships for reasons of merit (as defined in How are scholarships awarded) in the area of music to people identifying with the Limestone Coast to further their experiences and knowledge in music.

de Nys Family Memorial Scholarships

Provide scholarships for reasons of equity (as defined in How are scholarships awarded) for primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Mount Gambier area.

Focis on Youth Scholarship

Provides scholarships to assist people identifying with the Limestone Coast to undertake educational studies at any level - primary, secondary or tertiary courses.

Cornerstone Scholarship

Provides scholarships for reasons of equity or merit to benefit kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Bordertown area.

SARWG Scholarship

The South Australian Rural Women's Gathering (SARWG) provides scholarships for reasons of equity or merit to benefit women in the pursuit of their educational goals.

The Balnaves Fdn Educational Scholarship

This scholarship is provided for reasons of equity or merit to benefit kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Penola area or the Limestone Coast. The scholarship will be awarded to assist with study, with a focus on young people, the disadvantaged and Indigenous communities. It is preferential (but not essential), to award the scholarship to a student that has an interest in the region and the Indigenous history of the area.

Penola Coonawarra Vititec Scholarship

Used to provide scholarships to kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students with a connection to the greater Penola Coonawarra area. The scholarship was established upon the winding up of VITITEC which aimed to increase the knowledge of grape growing and viticultural techniques in the region.

LE & NC Myers Educational Scholarship

The scholarship supports young people under the guardianship of the Minister or who have exited the guardianship of the Minister to achieve their goals in vocational and tertiary education. The inaugural scholarships were offered in 2017/18.

Lorry Humphreys Memorial Scholarship

Lorraine Humphreys passed away at the age of 84 in October 2015. She left her estate to Stand Like Stone to provide scholarships and programs for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts.

Keith RSL "Hardships of War" Scholarships

Keith RSL "Hardships of War" Scholarships are awarded to Year 7 students at Keith Area School. In 2005 Keith RLS Sub Branch in consultation with the then Keith Area School Principal, created a scholarship for year 7 students using a \$10,000 bequest from a member's estate.

The idea was for students to research family histories, and was later expanded and named the "Hardships of War" scholarship. This proved to be very successful with winning students research works ranging from close family tragedies, through to local service people, migrants, boat people, to the horses of World War 1.

In 2015 the Keith RSL approached Stand Like Stone to hold the monies in trust for this purpose and provide for these scholarships in perpetuity. The funds are managed as part of the Keith Area School Sub Fund and Stand Like Stone works with the Keith RSL each year to determine the level of funding available to grant.

This year the Sub Fund granted **\$300** towards the "Hardships of War" scholarships, which were presented at the Keith Area School Valedictory service.

Stay at School Program

Thanks to a partnership between Stand Like Stone, The Wyatt Trust and three Independent Learning Centres in the Limestone Coast, sixty students received \$500 gifts to help them complete their SACE. The gifts were distributed through Stand Like Stone's Stay at School Program which is funded by The Wyatt Trust.



The Stay at School Program assists students studying the SACE at the Independent Learning Centres. The aim of the gift is to help the students stay at school by alleviating some of the financial pressure associated with studying.

To receive a gift students must be attending the Independent Learning Centre in year 11 or 12 and be in receipt of independent status conferred by Centrelink or of low income. With the support of the Independent Learning Centres, representatives meet with recipients to explain the program, discuss how they will use the gift to help them stay at school and let them know that there are people in the community who care and have a desire to help them complete their education.

The program is in its ninth year and thanks to The Wyatt Trust, the Stay at School program has supported over 525 students and has injected **\$272,500** towards supporting Limestone Coast students to achieve their SACE.

FRRR Back to School Program

Local families received back to school relief thanks to an initiative delivered by the Stand Like Stone Foundation. To help reduce the burden of costs associated with the commencement of a new school year, 794 fifty dollar vouchers were distributed, in partnership with local schools.



The schools allocate vouchers in the most appropriate way to assist families and children with the greatest need. The program is unique, in that recipient families can choose what they actually need for their children.

This was the fifteenth year Stand Like Stone issued vouchers, through the Back to School Program, to help students with the purchase of uniforms, books or other equipment needed to get students back to school.

Over twelve years 9247 students have been given vouchers throughout our region, resulting in a cash boost of **\$462,350** supporting education.

This program makes an enormous difference to the lives of many children around our region. This is much more than a \$50 gift, it is about social inclusion, fitting in and building morale in children at the start of a school year. Stories from schools show that families are very appreciative of this helping hand and that the gift can make a real difference to their children.

Funds from FRRR provided a grant of 594 vouchers to Stand Like Stone, while funds for an extra 200 vouchers were received from generous donations from private donors.



Ruth Schubert presents Back to School vouchers to Anne-marie Fitzgerald of Mt Burr Primary School



NHS Principal John Harris, presented by Sally Klose, NSPS Kirstv Lush, and NPS David Adams



Sally Bailey presents Glenburnie Primary School Principal Sam Griffiths with Back to School youthers



Rhett McDonald presents Back to School Vouchers to Erica Hurley, Nangwarry Primary School



Lynette Corletto, Principal Melaleuca Park Primary School with Donna Jaeschke, Director, Stand Like Stone



Lucindale Area School Principal Adrian Maywald receives Back to School vouchers with students Jack Watson and Nicholas Hille



Ruth Schubert presents Back to School vouchers to Kingston Community Schools, Lucretia Tocaciu



Back to School vouchers presented by Sue Charlton AM with Peter Mitchinson of Moorak Primary School



Donna Jaeschke, Director, Stand Like Stone presenting Judy Hunter, Business Manager of Reidy Park Primary School

Perpetual Scholarships

Lorry Humphreys Arts & Trades

Two new perpetual scholarships were established for the Limestone Coast this year, valued at \$5000 each. The perpetual scholarships are funded from the Lorry Humphreys Sub Fund of Stand Like Stone and were established in memory of artist Lorraine (Lorry) Humphreys, who left a significant and lasting legacy to the Limestone Coast region.

Lorry Humphreys passed away at the age of 84 in October 2015 and left her entire estate to the Stand Like Stone Foundation.

Lorry's final wishes stated that her estate valued at over \$1.4million was be used to provide scholarships and programs for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts.

"Lorry's estate is the largest individual donation received to date by Stand Like Stone," said Stand Like Stone Foundation Chair Bill DeGaris. "Her gift has already enabled many students from our region to pursue their educational dreams and the announcement of these perpetual named scholarships is in keeping with Lorry's wishes and will ensure that Lorry's gift is remembered and acknowledged in perpetuity."

The scholarships are known as the "Lorry Humphreys' Arts Scholarship" and the "Lorry Humphreys' Trades Scholarship". Each scholarship is valued at \$5000 and the inaugural scholarships were granted to the following recipients:

First Name	Last Name	Scholarship Given
Rachael	McKay	LORRY HUMPHREYS ARTS
Mohammad Asif	Abdullahi	LORRY HUMPHREYS TRADES



Rachael McKay, Inaugural Lorry Humphreys Arts Scholarship Winner with Sally Klose.

Rackhams Educational Scholarships

Stand Like Stone also announced the creation of two new perpetual scholarships valued at \$10,000 each for students with a connection to the Wattle Range Council area. A private donation has enabled the creation of the Rackhams Educational Scholarships.

The Rackhams educational scholarships are provided for reasons of equity or merit to benefit secondary or tertiary students with a connection to the Wattle Range Council Area. Two scholarships valued at \$10,000 each will be provided annually, with the inaugural scholarships being offered for study to be undertaken in 2020.

"It is very exciting to announce these new perpetual scholarships. The Rackhams Scholarships are the largest scholarships that Stand Like Stone has on offer and a scholarship of this monetary value has the ability to make a real and meaningful difference in a person's education. It is humbling to be able to offer scholarships of this value within our region and we are grateful to the donor who has made this possible. We thank them for their generosity and their vision to assist local people to achieve their educational dreams," said Bill DeGaris, Chair.



Swinging with the Stars

A full house of 600 people packed The Barn in June to witness eight incredible locals and their partners take to the dance floor to raise funds for the Limestone Coast at the 12th annual Swinging with the Stars.

In a hotly contested final, Liz Rymill and Steven Speck were crowned winners of the 2019 Swinging with the Stars. Liz is well known throughout the Limestone Coast region through her work with the ABC South East and as a member of the Australian Skeet Shooting Team.

"The whole experience has been overwhelmingly humbling and a joy to be a part of. It was such a thrill to see everybody bring their own personality and style to the dance floor. I feel really thrilled and proud that from where we started, it is a testament to our teachers to get us through to the performance on Saturday night and I feel really proud of what we have all achieved.

"I am a huge believer in the capacity for country communities to pull together and really build on what we have. We are a proud bunch and it was a great opportunity to be in a room full of people that all believe in this. To play a small part in the Stand Like Stone legacy is a real privilege," Ms Rymill said.

On the 2019 dancers, Ms Rymill said that they all saw eye-to-eye and worked really well together. Ms Rymill's dance partner Steven Speck won Swinging with the Stars in 2016.

"He is a marvellous ambassador for dancing, for the community and for the Stand Like Stone Foundation. We have had so much fun, the time of our lives, and will have a lifelong friendship from this experience." Ms Rymill said.

All couples danced the Jive, Waltz, a sizzling Tango and a show-stopping disco Hip Hop, from which four couples were then selected to dance the final Jive. Judges Dani Brumby, Laura Hawkins and Alistair Coonan had a difficult job in selecting the winning couple.

Other 2019 participants included:

- Andrew "Roo" Orton from Padthaway, dancing with Katherine Miller
- St Anthony's Primary school teacher,
 Rob Francis, dancing with Keana Soper
- Koonara Wines cellar door manager,
 Kate Perry, partnered with James Brennan
- Millicent North Primary School teacher,
 Emma Laucirica, dancing with Jayden Green
- Midwife, **Elle Hood**, partnered with Cody Smith
- 2018 Aria Music Teacher of the Year, Scott Maxwell, dancing with Alex Williams
- Apprentice builder from Kingston,
 Jeremy May, partnered with Jacinta Cooper.

The stars had 8 weeks of intensive training at HYPE Dance Studio to teach them the dance routines. For the 5th year running Hype Dance's Kim Cella and Paris Ackland trained the stars.

"The dance instructors have the most difficult job of all. Each year they meet eight new community members who know very little about dancing and over the course of 8 weeks they transform them into a very impressive line-up!

"The performance at The Barn was secondto-none and you would never know that these "community stars" could not dance prior to this experience. We are very grateful to Kim Cella and Paris Ackland for their long-standing contribution to Swinging with the Stars," said Georgie McKay, Executive Officer, Stand Like Stone Foundation.



Swinging with the Stars (continued)

People's Choice winner (awarded to the Star who raises the most funds for the Stand Like Stone Foundation) was awarded to Kate Perry, whose individual fundraising total was \$15,287.20. Kate was overwhelmed by the local support in her fundraising endeavours.

"I am very honoured to be part of such a great fundraiser for the whole Limestone Coast region and I am absolutely blown away by the Penola and Coonawarra community. Each year they get behind their local star and raise so much money! I have made life long friendships through this experience and feel humbled to be selected as the People's Choice winner for 2019," said Ms Perry.

The event raised \$98,408, taking the total raised since the first Swinging with the Stars in 2007 to \$715,981. All donations received for Swinging with the Stars are added to Stand Like Stone Foundation's trust funds and are held in trust to benefit Limestone Coast communities through grants and scholarships for the region.

"Swinging with the Stars is the culmination of the generosity of many local individuals and businesses. It's the ongoing generosity of so many supportive local individuals and organisations that ensure the success of Swinging with the Stars and I would particularly like to recognise this. The event has gone from strength to strength and we would like to thank all who contribute to its success," Stand Like Stone Chair, Bill DeGaris said.

Thank you 2019 Swinging with the Star's supporters:

- Jase Scheidl
- Craig Maria
- Chapman's Newsagency
- Commonwealth Bank
- Coonawarra Vignerons
- Steve Mullan Sound and Lighting
- It's a Celebration
- Baxter Hire
- Tania & Paul Von Stanke
- Dani Brumby
- Lynette & Colin Martin
- Laura Hawkins
- Salts of the Earth
- Alistair Coonan
- Envy Attire Hire
- Mini Jumbuk
- Mt Gambier Rural Supplies

- Keith Butcher
- Harvey Norman
- Josephine Patzel
- Henry & Rose
- The Hender Family
- Fuss Wellness Spa
- Tailor Made Travel
- Tinx Creations
- Tahlia Gabrielli
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- Blue Lake City Tourism
- Sarah Barney
- Luxe Glamping
- Leconfield Coonawarra
- Kaboom Family Entertainment
- Ben Deering MTA Travel
- Scroll Queen
- Centenary Tower



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Desiree Lobley Fundraising Walk

In April of this year 73 year old Desiree Lobley walked from Penola to Mt Gambier to raise funds for Stand Like Stone. Desiree took less than a week to complete the journey, walking approx 10km/day, 5 km in morning and 5km in afternoon. Desiree had her family as her 'support crew' and called upon the generosity of the local community to support her in her efforts.

Desiree has had health issues in the past where she was potentially facing the rest of her days using walking aides. She decided that upon getting on top of her health issues, she wanted to give something back to her local community and Stand Like Stone, where all benefits go to the Limestone Coast, was the obvious choice for Desiree.

Desiree raised over \$1800 for Stand Like Stone and is planning another walk in 2020. We extend enormous thanks to Desiree, her family, the local individuals and businesses who supported her, including The Pines Hotel at Tarpeena who offered her a comfy bed on route!



Kate Facy, Donna Jaeschke, Fiona Pulford, Desiree Lobley and

In Memoriam Donations & Bequests

Families can choose to recognise their loved ones through the support of the Stand Like Stone Foundation. Stand Like Stone is able to facilitate donations in memoriam and in consultation with the Foundation, families can choose how they would like their loved ones recognised.

A bequest to the Stand Like Stone Foundation is a meaningful way that an individual can benefit the Limestone Coast Community. After providing for loved ones in a Will, an individual may choose to make a gift of money, stock or property to the Foundation. Bequests will be carefully managed by the Board to benefit the Limestone Coast's communities in perpetuity.

If you are considering making a donation in memoriam or a bequest to the Stand Like Stone Foundation, we recommend you contact Stand Like Stone and your professional advisor/s.

Sponsors Evening

In late May, a sponsors and supporters evening was held at Noel Barr Toyota to recognise organisations and individuals that have contributed to Stand Like Stone in recent years.

The evening included moving presentations by Tammy Schinckel (Naracoorte Independent Learning Centre) and Anelia Blackie (Mt Gambier Migrant Resource Centre) who illustrated some of the projects that Stand Like Stone has supported and highlighted the impact that our community foundation is enabling throughout the Limestone Coast region.

Stand Like Stone would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the team at Noel Barr Toyota for allowing us to use their Bay Road showroom to thank our sponsors, supporters & volunteers. It is rewarding to share stories of the work of Stand Like Stone and the difference that we are making throughout the region. We also thank Bernadette Kentish and the team at St Bees Catering and Events who so generously catered for the event pro-bono. Thank you for your immense generosity.





Lucindale Community Swimming Pool

In 2015 the Lucindale community pool was deemed too dilapidated to use and was closed indefinitely. Lucindale is an area abundant with large bodies of water, such as inland waterways and swamps, southeast drainage scheme, farm tanks, dams and coastal beaches.

Since the closure of the pool in 2015, there have been no swimming lessons or water safety education programs, presenting an unacceptable risk to the local community. To restart the programs and lessons needed to prevent the likelihood of drowning, the community has been passionately working towards the replacement of the pool.

Despite arrangements between the Lucindale Area School, Department for Education, Lucindale Lions Club and the Naracoorte Lucindale Council, a large funding gap remained with a minimum of \$170,000 required to be raised by the local community. Thanks to a partnership between Stand Like Stone and the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) tax deductible donations were able to be made towards the project to assist the community in reaching its goal.

The Lucindale community have worked for many years to make their vision of a new community pool a reality and at the time of writing this report they are well on their way to reaching the funding target.

Stand Like Stone Foundation & FRRR are incredibly proud to assist a small rural community to reach their goals and we can not wait to see the locals enjoying the new pool! Well done to everyone involved and to all who have donated, both large and small amounts, every cent has assisted in building this dream.





Trust Fund Growth

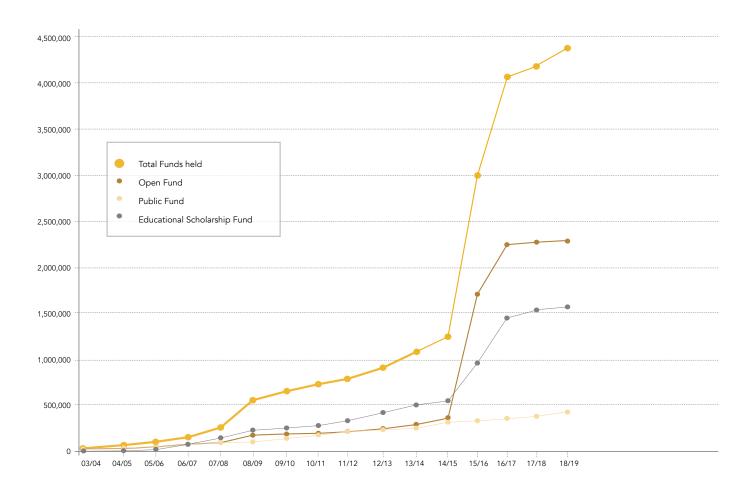
Stand Like Stone's goal continues to be to build substantial permanent funds from which grants are made to local charitable projects and educational scholarships are given. These funds function like a permanent community savings account (the corpus) which distributes the earnings back to the community. Stand Like Stone has three trust funds: the Public Fund, the Open Fund and the Educational Scholarship Fund where gifts to Stand Like Stone are held.

The Educational Scholarship Fund has net assets of \$1,655,192.36 and provides money for scholarships, bursaries or prizes which promote the recipients education in a pre-school, primary, secondary or tertiary course and is awarded on merit or for reasons of equity.

Donations to the Educational Scholarship Fund receive a tax deduction.

The Public Fund has net assets of \$400,004.25 and gives grants to organisations that have deductible gift recipient status (DGR) for example hospitals, health promotion charities and cultural organisations. Donations to the Public Fund receive a tax deduction.

Gifts not requiring a tax deductible receipt are invested in the Open Fund which has net assets of \$2,379,789.62. Grants from the Open Fund are given to charitable projects and can be given to a wider number of organisations, not just those with deductible gift recipient status. The following graph shows trust fund growth:



Financial Reports

	ADMIN A/C	PUBLIC	OPEN	EDUCTL SF	TOTAL (30/6/19)	TOTAL (30/6/18)
What Stand Like Stone Foundation Earned						
Events Income	68,993.81	-	-	-	68,994.00	64,894.00
Administration Fee	86,144.65		-	-	86,145.00	87,044.00
Interest	1,793.75	2,261.84	15269.19	7027.34	26,352.00	33,785.00
Sponsorship	13,909.50	-	-	-	13,910.00	31,655.00
Council	11,000.00	-	-	-	11,000.00	6,000.00
Grants Received	-	-	-	-	-	650.00
Distributions Received		7,855.85	65,019.79	50,170.53	123,046.00	67,990.00
Dividends Received	-	8,029.86	48,891.62	33,283.03	90,205.00	74,274.00
Franking Credits Refunded	-	4,184.00	24,978.00	16,925.00	46,087.00	47,453.00
	181,841.71	22,331.55	154,158.60	107,405.90	465,738.00	413,746.00
Gifts & Donations Received	10,456.85	87,672.24	121,643.15	98,868.08	318,640.00	369,354.00
Less Loss on Disposal of Assets	-	3,536.91	27,889.36	7,887.94	23,538.00	762.00
Less Administration Costs	157,994.64	9,112.94	53,505.11	36,900.79	257,513.00	266,113.00
Surplus Before Grants	34,303.92	97,353.94	194,407.28	177,261.13	503,326.00	516,225.00
Grants & Scholarships Paid		16,308.36	189,310.42	37,670.00	243,289.00	273,186.00
Surplus	34,303.92	81,045.58	5,096.86	139,591.13	260,037.00	243,039.00
Property, Plant & Equipment	1,225.39	-	-		1,225.00	1,529.00
Cash & Short Term Deposits	176,319.89	172,192.12	672,900.07	445,313.74	1,466,726.00	1,513,239.00
Sundry Debtors & Other Receivables	28.05	3,267.43	143,004.66	152,446.56	298,747.00	19,064.00
Shares in Listed Companies - At Market Value	-	198,996.68	1,129,693.42	649,832.63	1,978,523.00	1,845,289.00
Units in Listed Companies - At Market Value	-	12,152.00	69,187.74	40,016.43	121,356.00	240,705.00
Units in Managed Funds - At Market Value		82,490.63	524,441.80	467,487.52	1,074,420.00	945,564.00
What we Own	177,573.33	469,098.86	2,539,227.69	1,755,096.88	4,940,997.00	4,565,390.00
What we Owe	29,609.00	68,542.88	134,342.21	80,153.38.00	312,647.00	227,005.00
Net Assets (including Administration Account)	147,964.33	400,555.98	2,404,885.48	1,674,943.50	4,628,349.00	4,338,385.00

Community Awareness

Website

Our website is a powerful and important tool in raising community awareness of the work of the Stand Like Stone Foundation. We continue to invest in our website and are grateful for the ongoing support and generosity of helloFriday in hosting and maintaining this resource for Stand Like Stone.

UNIQUE WEBSITE VISITS (JULY - JUNE) 17,655

Public Relations - Media

Over the past 12 months Stand Like Stone has featured in many print media stories. Images accompanied the majority of these stories making the stories more likely to be read. We appreciate the support given by local radio and print media in providing a solid foundation to increase community awareness across the Limestone Coast in the coming years.

PRINT MEDIA STORIES 56

Public Relations - eNewsletter

Our e-newsletter has been distributed regularly over the last 12 months, with additional notifications in the lead-up to major events. The e-newsletter enables us to keep in touch with our community and is well received by our 600 strong subscriber list.

Social Media

platform to extend our reach into the community and allows a responsive and current platform to engage with many community groups, as well as younger stakeholders.

Our Facebook community has grown to 2998 people and we interact with them on a regular basis, posting messages of community interest and updates on our events, grants and scholarship programs. Twitter has been a useful tool in keeping abreast of philanthropic action in the sector and increasing our reach around the region.

FACEBOOK LIKES 2998

TWITTER 551 FOLLOWERS

Public Relations - South East Field Days

As part of our community relations strategy, Stand Like Stone attended the South East Field Days at Lucindale in March. The Field Days present a unique opportunity to mingle with people from the Limestone Coast and have conversations around the region, the Foundation and our activities. There were good levels of social media interaction over both days and as always the Field Days presented an outstanding opportunity for creating awareness of Stand Like Stone and our impact across the Limestone Coast.



History and Context

The Stand Like Stone Foundation, a community foundation, is an independent philanthropic organisation working in the Limestone Coast. Stand Like Stone is part of a network of Community Foundations across Australia and works closely with the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR), Australian Community Philanthropy and Philanthropy Australia.

Stand Like Stone's origins lie in the leadership of a group of visionary people who wanted to initiate a community foundation for the lasting benefit of the Limestone Coast. As a result in October 2004 the Stand Like Stone Foundation was officially launched to serve the Limestone Coast.

The Stand Like Stone Foundation is the leading community foundation in South Australia. Stand Like Stone operates as follows:

- 1. Stand Like Stone collects donations, which are pooled to form a capital base (corpus).
- This capital base (corpus) is invested and kept in perpetuity and its income is used to fund educational scholarships and community projects, which are charitable and benefit the community.
- 3. Stand Like Stone funds educational scholarships and charitable projects in the Limestone Coast by giving grants which focus on community health and well being, community development, environmental and cultural projects.

Stand Like Stone is unique for a number of reasons:

- **1.** The benefit of all donations stays in the Limestone Coast.
- 2. Decisions on which projects receive grants are made by local people.
- 3. The grants Stand Like Stone gives meet local needs.
- **4.** The original donation is never spent; it keeps on giving.
- 5. No more than 2% per annum of average capital is used to support Stand Like Stone's activities.

The Limestone Coast

The Stand Like Stone Foundation embraces the Limestone Coast, located in the South East of South Australia. The Limestone Coast consists of the following local governments:

- City of Mount Gambier
- District Council of Grant
- Kingston District Council
- Naracoorte Lucindale Council
- Robe District Council
- Tatiara District Council
- Wattle Range Council

Structure and Governance

The Stand Like Stone Foundation is:

- a Public Company Limited by Guarantee
- endorsed by the Australian Tax Office (ATO) as a Charitable Institution and is exempt from income tax
- registered with the ACNC

Donations to Stand Like Stone are held in the appropriate Trust Fund. Each fund is established and governed by a separate Trust Deed. The public company, the Stand Like Stone Foundation, is the trustee of the:

- Open Fund
- Public Fund (to which tax-deductible donations can be given)
- Educational Scholarship Fund (to which tax-deductible donations can be given)

The trustees are responsible for:

- investment decisions
- ensuring that income is distributed in line with the purposes in the trust deeds

Stand Like Stone's Constitution provides governance requirements and states that Stand Like Stone is not for profit and that its income will be applied to public charitable purposes.

Stand Like Stone is governed by a Board of Directors made up of unpaid representatives from the Limestone Coast who meet the Australian Tax Office's (ATO) definition of having 'community responsibility'.

Stand Like Stone has Grant Making, Educational Scholarship, Finance, Board Nominations and Fund Development advisory committees, which make recommendations to the Board.

Management of the Stand Like Stone Foundation is overseen by the Executive Officer, who is employed three days a week. An Accounts and Grants Officer and an Administration and Governance Officer are also employed on a permanent part-time basis. The Stand Like Stone Foundation has a small office in Mount Gambier.

Organisational Directory

Mr Brian and Mrs Sue Page

Board of Directors		
Mr William DeGaris (Chair)		December 2006 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert (Secretary)		April 2004 to present
Mr Robin Ellerman		July 2005 to present
Mr Robert Mock		April 2012 to present
Mrs Lucy Ryan		May 2014 to present
Ms Donna Jaeschke (Public Offi	icer)	December 2014 to present
Mr Rhett McDonald		July 2015 to present
Ms Fiona Pulford		July 2015 to present
Mrs Kathryn Facy		November 2017 to present
Mrs Sally Klose		November 2017 to present
Mr Benjamin Hood		November 2017 to present
Alternate Directors		
Mrs Susan Charlton AM	Alternate for Kathryn Facy	November 2017 to present
Mrs Carol Koch	Alternate for Sally Klose	November 2017 to present
Mr Brian Page	Alternate for Benjamin Hood	November 2017 to present
<u>Patrons</u>		
Mr Ray Scott		July 2009 to present
Mrs Susan Charlton AM		February 2015 to present
Founding Donors		

Advisory Committees

Grant Making	
Mr Rhett McDonald (Chair)	December 2012 to present
Mr Rodney Summers (Bendigo Community Bank)	April 2015 to present
Ms Barbara Cernovskis (City of Mount Gambier)	April 2010 to present
Ms Amanda Giles (Agri-Links)	August 2014 to present
Mr Benjamin Hood	December 2017 to present
Educational Scholarship	
Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	November 2009 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert	November 2009 to present
Ms Fiona Pulford	December 2017 to present
Ms Barbara Cernovskis (City of Mount Gambier)	November 2010 to present
<u>Finance</u>	
Dr Ruth Schubert (Chair)	February 2015 to present
Mr Brian Page	April 2004 to present
Mr Robin Ellerman	July 2005 to present
Mr Robert Mock	December 2012 to present
Mr John Kirby	September 2015 to present
Mrs Georgie McKay	October 2012 to present
Mrs Kathryn Facy	December 2017 to present
Funding Development - Swinging with the Stars	
Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	February 2007 to present
Mrs Kathryn Facy	February 2010 to present
Ms Tania Von Stanke	May 2012 to June 2019
Ms Donna Jaeschke	December 2014 to present
Ms Lauren Fox	March 2015 to present
Mrs Georgie McKay	October 2012 to present
Ms Tahlia Gabrielli	September 2017 to present
Ms Sarah Barney	September 2017 to present
Mr Grant Fensom	September 2017 to present
Board Nominations	
Mr Bill DeGaris (Chair)	December 2014 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert	December 2014 to present
Ms Erika Vickery	February 2016 to present

Sponsors and Advisors

Sponsors for 2018-2019 included:



























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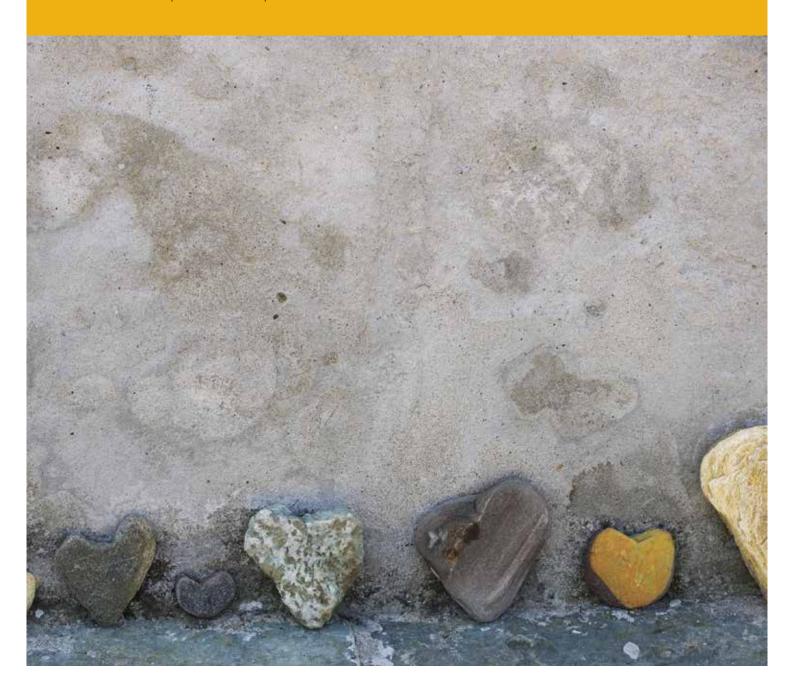
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