



2018 YEAR BOOK

LOCAL LEADERS, GLOBAL IMPACT



OUR PARTNERS

Leadership Great South Coast (LGSC) is supported and sustained by numerous partners who are committed to the development of our aspiring regional leaders.

We acknowledge our principle and program partners whose generous financial support allows us to achieve our vision of empowering local leaders for global impact.

In 2018, scholarships in excess of \$20,000 were awarded through our collective partnerships. Our annual scholarships provide participants with access to a personalised leadership development journey and remove the program fee as a potential barrier to development. Representing the diversity of our region is a key aim of LGSC and this target can only be achieved with the support of our scholarship partners.

We enjoy valuable in-kind support by partner organisations and local government across the Great South Coast region. This generous support network, established in 2012, continues to thrive and is a key element of the LGSC Program.

We rely on our generous partners to enable us to deliver our annual flagship program and community projects to such a high level. We thank all our partners for their ongoing commitment to our region and to the development of our aspiring community leaders.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Andrews Labor Government is pleased to support Victoria's Regional Community Leadership Programs to strengthen leadership across rural and regional Victoria.

Now in its seventh year Leadership Great South Coast is continuing to develop leaders that will lead change within and across their rural and regional communities, and beyond. Congratulations to the 15 participants graduating from the 2018 Leadership Great South Coast Program. You now join an alumnus of 115 Great South Coast graduates and over 3700 from across rural and regional Victoria.

I am confident that the program graduates' deep understanding of their region will equip them well to face the social, economic and administrative challenges they will encounter. Graduates contribute to their community or workplace in so many ways and we celebrate and congratulate them on their achievements in community leadership.

The Leadership Great South Coast Program benefits individual participants by providing them with the skills, knowledge and self-confidence to actively engage in local and wider communities. The Leadership Great South Coast Program also benefits local communities more broadly by improving their capacity to recognise, prioritise and drive regional change.

The development of regional community and business leaders is vital to the success of regional Victoria. Through its leadership programs, short courses, networking and alumni opportunities, Leadership Great South Coast fosters the development of a vibrant network of community and business leaders in the Great South Coast region.

The Victorian Government has provided \$8 million over the four years through the Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Fund to support 10 leadership programs across regional Victoria. Through these programs, the Victorian Government is helping communities become stronger, more resilient, and the best they can be.

Well done to the graduates of the 2018 Leadership Great South Coast Program for taking this vital step in developing your leadership skills and committing the time, energy and enthusiasm to better understand your region, your own capabilities and what you might contribute to rural and regional Victoria in the future.

I look forward to hearing how your leadership journey progresses.



Hon Jaala Pulford MP
Minister for Regional
Development
and Minister for
Agriculture



FROM OUR CHAIR

Leadership Great South Coast Inc (LGSC) is committed to our vision of empowering local leaders for global impact. We are proud to connect and develop a diverse range of leaders, empowering them to do great things across our region and beyond.

I take this opportunity to thank our major partner the Victorian State Government for their ongoing support of our aspiring leaders and of our regional communities. With the support of the Victorian Regional Community Leadership Programs (VRCLP) and our ten partner programs across Victoria, we are leaders in leadership, responsive to the needs of our diverse communities across regional Victoria.

With support from our partners, The Gardiner Foundation, The Hugh Williamson Foundation, South West Community Foundation, Wannon Water, Committee for Portland and Warrnambool City Council, we provided 2018 Program scholarships in excess of \$20,000. The Williamson Foundation also provides annual community project funds allowing us to support smaller regional communities via capacity building projects. In 2018, these funds supported an Alumni pilot establishing a Drug and Alcohol Peer Mentoring Program in Terang with a view to evaluating and extending the pilot.

We thank our program partners for their generous and ongoing support.

I also take this opportunity to thank the LGSC Board Directors for their contribution to regional leadership and LGSC. Thanks to Corangamite, Glenelg, Moyne, Southern Grampians Shires and Warrnambool City Council for their ongoing support both financial and in-kind.

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank our Executive Officer Amanda Hennessy, Lead Facilitator Corrinne Armour and Program Manager Lilja Radley, for their continued passion, dedication and drive in supporting our 2018 leaders and Alumni.

Congratulations to our 2018 graduates as Alumni of LGSC and the VRCLP. You are now connected, empowered and have the capability to offer your expertise as a community resource. We wish you every success in achieving your community volunteerism, professional and personal goals.



Jill Parker
Chairperson

If you are the smartest
person in the room, then
you are in the wrong room

CONFUCIUS

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

LGSC is a unique community leadership experience available only to those in our region who are ready to rise to the challenge!

As a diverse group of individuals, the 2018 Program participants took on this challenge and harnessed every opportunity to grow. At many points in the Program we saw participants experience tangible pain as they moved far outside their comfort zones. At other times we relished in their joy of learning, expanding their minds and challenging their beliefs and values. With each experience they grew as leaders.

Mid year, our 2018 leaders stepped up again, moving into a new space of respectfully disagreeing and pushing the boundaries by giving and receiving ruthlessly empathetic and honest feedback. They learned the art of leading with deep communication and grasped the importance of their own personal brand.

During our Melbourne field trip, a group of engaged passionate leaders could be heard respectfully challenging each other over dinner on diverse subjects such as gender equality and the global energy challenge. What a privilege it is to spend time with fellow leaders who have shared this unique experience and are willing to engage in the tough conversations, acknowledging that while we don't have to agree, we do need to engage in informed debate.

You join your fellow LGSC Alumni, now 115 strong. Together with the wider Victorian Regional Community Leadership Programs (VRCLP) Alumni of 3700, you now have an extensive network of fellow community leaders who are willing to challenge and support you in your leadership. This is both a gift and privilege that we hope you will contribute to and exploit.

Travelling this journey with you over 10 months, 23 Program Days, 115 speakers and four significant community projects (see pages 30-31) to all corners of the Great South Coast has been an inspiring experience.

We congratulate you - our passionate, empowered, committed and connected 2018 graduates. We look forward to supporting you into the future as you lead our region and beyond, advocating for and initiating economic and social development.

Your LGSC journey doesn't finish here. We are an ongoing support for you as you explore and expand your community leadership. Stay connected and engaged.

In closing, we would like to thank our participants' families, employers, sponsors, work colleagues, friends and LGSC Alumni for your ongoing support throughout the 2018 Program. Your backing should not be underestimated as it is invaluable to the success of our graduates.



Amanda Hennessy
Executive Officer



Corrinne Armour
Lead Facilitator



Lilja Radley
Program Manager

OUR HISTORY

Leadership Great South Coast is an example of an inspiring community leader supporting the development of our future leaders.

In 2008, work commenced on establishing a community leadership program for the Great South Coast region.

Led by Josie Black, OAM, passionate regional leaders joined forces to assess our region's appetite for a community leadership development program, research program models and instigate state funding discussions.

This original work was informed by research completed by Josie Black, which highlighted the need for a regional Community Fund and the growing need for developing our community leaders' skills, knowledge and abilities.

In 2009, to support the development of our aspiring community leaders, and following a

community consultation process, a Steering Committee was established.

The aim of the Steering Committee was to establish a program (based on the Williamson Leadership Program model) that allowed leadership development to occur via a supportive, structured, experiential program tailored to our region's needs.

Later in 2009, a business plan was established, and a lobbying strategy was initiated to attract State Government funding. Thanks to the passion and determination of the original Steering Committee an initial four years of funding was secured in 2012.

The inaugural LGSC Program commenced in May 2012 and now runs annually from February to December attracting 16 -18 aspiring leaders. With 115 Alumni we are growing in numbers, strength and reputation.

“From little things
big things grow

PAUL KELLY





THANK YOU TO OUR PROGRAM PARTNERS

On behalf of the LGSC Inc Board and participants, we take this opportunity to thank our Principle Partners, the Andrews Labor Government, Lyndoch Living and The Hugh Williamson Foundation for their ongoing support.

Thanks to our Great South Coast LGAs of Corangamite, Glenelg, Moyne and Southern Grampians Shires and Warrnambool City Council for their ongoing financial support of the Program and for their continued commitment to the development of our community leaders.

We sincerely thank our many LGSC friends, supporters and program partners for their generous ongoing support, in particular our presenters and speakers who have generously given their time and expertise to the Program. We thank you for your insights, knowledge, passions and generosity in sharing your leadership journeys. Your combined expertise and ongoing willingness to contribute is fundamental to the success of the LGSC Program.

We continue to enjoy generous support from local, regional and state leaders and in-kind support from our Program friends.

The 2018 participants and LGSC Board thank our Scholarship Partners, The Hugh Williamson Foundation, The Gardiner Foundation, South West Community Foundation, Warrnambool City Council, Committee for Portland and Wannon Water who collectively provided scholarships in excess of \$20,000. In addition to a scholarship, The Hugh Williamson Foundation continues to provide seed funding for an annual community project.

Special thanks to the organisations that have hosted us on field trips including Jigsaw Farm, The Paddock Project, Port of Portland, Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation, Warrnambool SES, Foodshare, Magistrates Court, Victorian Parliament, Australian Institute of Company Directors, South West TAFE, Warrnambool Art Gallery, The F Project and Solaris Farms.

We sincerely thank all involved as your support contributes to our ongoing regional success and our excellent reputation.



THE VALUE OF LEADERSHIP GREAT SOUTH COAST

FOR PARTICIPANTS:

- **Learn** from acknowledged experts and accomplished leaders
- **Develop** networks and engage with like-minded people from across the region
- **Gain** invaluable insights into their own values, beliefs and leadership style
- **Learn** how to build upon their professional strengths
- **Understand** how to shape the region's strategic direction
- **Break out** of existing paradigms and grow as a person and a leader
- **Join** a growing alumni to leverage their leadership into exciting new contexts

FOR COMMUNITY:

- **Increased** regional community leadership capacity
- **Develops** willing and passionate graduates who have an ongoing commitment to work with and lead community groups
- **Contribution** to our region via community projects
- **Engaged** alumni offering expertise as a community resource
- **Grows** an engaged and connected regional network of community leaders

FOR EMPLOYERS:

- **Foster** a culture of leadership and innovation within organisations
- **Enhances** the organisation's profile and reputation as innovative and progressive, valuing employees and contributing to community
- **Benefit** from employees' expanded outlook and applied insights from other businesses and sectors
- **Grow** networks. Participants connect with leaders from a broad range of industries operating across the region and beyond
- **Provides** opportunity for organisations to contribute to our community



Think Global Act Local

GRADUATE REFLECTIONS



ANDRE BARR

*Managing Director
AB Electrical*

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Current Community Involvement:

- LGSC Shop In A Box 3280 Project - Lead
- Wunta Festival - Committee Member

Past Community Involvement:

- Mercy Aged Care - Volunteer
- South West TAFE - Tutoring Volunteer
- Murray to Moyne - Participant and Committee Member

'Rebel children, I urge you, fight the turgid slick of conformity with which they seek to smother your glory.'
- Russell Brand

I came to Leadership Great South Coast with an open mind and a simple desire to grow and strengthen community networks, explore my own leadership potential and to gain a more intimate and diverse knowledge of the region. The LGSC Program surpassed my every expectation; it has changed my life.

The LGSC Program constantly challenged and shifted my view of the world with new layers of awareness, new lenses to consider and new levels of understanding and empathy. It regularly forced me outside my comfort zone while providing the support of new life-long friends who continue to encourage, guide and enable me to grow rather than stumble.

It is a carefully considered and well-designed personal journey through interwoven local leadership themes and immersive experiences that foster a new pride in our region's strengths and opportunities, as well as a drive to fortify against the weaknesses and threats. The entire experience leaves me more inspired, passionate, equipped and empowered to reach my potential as a leader. It has made me a better person.

I leave LGSC looking forward with purpose and confidence in my ability to effect change and the determination to do so.



JULIE PERRY (JP)

*Coordinator City Building and
Planning Support
Warrnambool City Council*

Current Community Involvement:

- LGSC Shop In A Box 3280 Project

Past Community Involvement:

- Kinder and School Communities
- Sporting Clubs
- Meals on Wheels

'Compassion without action is just observation.'
- Bernadette Northeast

I saw the Leadership Great South Coast Program as an opportunity to learn more about our community. What I discovered is that the Program is so much more.

LGSC is a challenging journey of self-discovery. The program team have inspired and supported me to dig deep, to put my best self forward and gain an understanding of my strengths and weaknesses to become a fearless leader on a journey that does not stop here.

I have been embedded into the Great South Coast communities and I have had the privilege to listen and learn from amazing people. I have been inspired by these people, their passion and the leadership qualities they display.

I have been able to gain insight into both personal and professional opportunities across our region.

This year has motivated me to look into opportunities for volunteering, "to get involved, stuff doesn't just happen" (Bruce Anderson – Director, The Anderson Partnership) and to find something I am passionate about. I believe that by trying different things I may even find my passion.



RICHARD WADE

*Finance Coordinator
Moyne Shire Council*

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Shop In A Box 3280 Project**
- Warrnambool Athletics Club
- Warrnambool Masters Swimming Club
- Warrnambool Surf Life Saving Club
- Murray to Moyne - Annual Participant

Past Community Involvement:

- Warrnambool Athletics Club - Past Vice President and Committee Member

*'In matters of style, swim with the current;
in matters of principle, stand like a rock.'*
- Thomas Jefferson

The Leadership Great South Coast Program was a chance to get out of my comfort zone and expand my leadership horizons, with a particular focus on the local region. The opportunity to connect with key community leaders and discuss the major issues facing the Great South Coast region was invaluable, and something that I do not believe is available in more traditional leadership programs. LGSC focuses on building the key leadership attributes required to influence communities at a local level.

It has been incredibly informative to hear local leaders from a mixture of private enterprise, government and not-for-profit organisations. Additionally, the diversity of the program participants meant that a wide range of views and approaches were brought to the table. Working through the year long program helped to distil the key leadership values that will stand me in good stead whether working through a community-based leadership challenge or dealing with issues in a professional capacity.



PENNY MACDONALD

*Executive Services and
Governance Coordinator
Corangamite Shire Council*

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Shop In A Box 3280 Project**
- Noorat and District Residents Association

Past Community Involvement:

- Noorat Scout Group, Leader in Charge and Assistant Scout Leader
- Noorat and District Agricultural and Pastoral Society Inc.
- Noorat Show - Committee Member, Honorary Treasurer and Secretary
- Rotary Club of Terang

*'Do the best you can until you know better.
Then when you know better, do better.'*
- Maya Angelou

Participating in the Leadership Great South Coast Program has been an extremely rewarding experience. Upon entering the LGSC Program I hoped to gain greater confidence as a leader and widen my professional network, however the program delivered so much more than that.

The challenging and sometimes confronting program also enabled me to develop a greater understanding of the issues impacting our region and to improve my leadership skills in a supportive environment. Each Program Day provided an opportunity to hear from incredible speakers who provided thought-provoking insights into their work and leadership experiences. I learnt so much during the year and feel privileged to have met some amazing people, particularly my fantastic fellow participants.

Although a part of me will miss the LGSC Program, I know my leadership journey is only just beginning with the continued support from the meaningful connections I have made during the year. Due to the personal and professional development I have gained through LGSC, I am more confident and feel ready to seek opportunities to make a difference in my local community personally and professionally.



PHIL DENNIS

Generalist Teacher

DET Victoria, The School for Student Leadership, Gnurad Gundidj Campus

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Shop In A Box 3280 Project**
- Warrnambool Theatre Company – Actor, Graphic Design, Promotion
- Warrnambool Surf Lifesaving Club - Member

Past Community Involvement:

- Lifeline South West Victoria
- GameStart, Esports - Judge and Graphic Designer
- Australian Red Cross, Save a Mate – Drug and Alcohol Educator

*'I have no special talent,
I am only passionately curious.'*
– Albert Einstein

Curiosity got the better of me when applying for Leadership Great South Coast. The learning LGSC offered in exposing, exploring and unpacking different facets of our community sparked my interest and when positions were offered through my workplace, I jumped at the opportunity without hesitation.

As a teacher, engrained in my beliefs is lifelong learning and this opportunity presented an intensive shake up to the lens I use to view our community. I was not disappointed. I was exposed to an intellectual and emotional rollercoaster that, at times, veered beyond my comfort zone.

The best growth occurs outside the comfort zone. The feedback from my peers in and out of the LGSC Program about my growth in my convictions, attitude, confidence and ability to inspire was humbling and unexpected.

With two children under two at home, my current personal leadership journey is about 'walking the talk' and taking leave to support my family, particularly my wife settling back into the workforce, by being a stay-at-home dad. My ambitions beyond here are to move into the political arena and advocate for the Great South Coast.



ALISON QUADE

Strategic Communications Coordinator

Southern Grampians Shire Council

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Mind Your Mates Project - Lead**

Past Community Involvement:

- Camp Quality
- Various sporting groups/clubs

*'Vulnerability is the birthplace
of innovation, creativity and change.'*
– Brene Brown

I was inspired to undertake the Leadership Great South Coast Program to take the next step in my professional development. I aspired to develop my leadership skills, build networks, increase my confidence, improve my knowledge of our region and most of all, I wanted to challenge myself.

What I gained from the LGSC Program exceeded all my expectations. Through an incredible array of speakers and experiences, and working alongside some amazingly intelligent and capable participants, I saw my confidence grow, gained a wealth of knowledge about a wide range of topics and obtained valuable insight into opportunities and challenges facing our region. I walk away from my LGSC year with not only an improved leadership skill set, but also self-awareness, motivation and aspirations to step up and take the next step in my leadership journey.

This year has prompted me to reassess my values and better align my actions and myself with my values. With that in mind, I will continue to support the rollout of the Mind Your Mates project across the Great South Coast region as well as other local mental health initiatives. This year has also inspired me to pursue opportunities to mentor young people and I hope to join the Standing Tall Program as a first step in that direction.



MARK BRENNAN

Executive Officer

*South West Primary Care
Partnership*

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Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Mind Your Mates Project**
- Beyond the Bell -
Education Attainment
- Heart of Corangamite
- Geelong Baseball Club Committee

Past Community Involvement:

- East Belmont Baseball Club - Life
Member and Committee Member
- Saints and Geelong Baseball Club -
Head Coach and Junior Coach

'Listen to connect, not to judge.'
- Judith E Glaser

What a year! Being accepted into the Leadership Great South Coast Program is both an honour and a privilege.

The LGSC Program has given me a deeper understanding of the regional issues we face as well as facilitated considerable personal growth, particularly in ways to authentically engage others by understanding their values first. It has also given me an enhanced level of confidence to reflect on my personal brand and the messages I send out to others about what I stand for.

The greatest gift of the LGSC Program was the development of views, thoughts and relationships with the other participants, who are friends for life with whom I will continue to connect, collaborate, share advice and discuss ideas.

I would like to acknowledge the guidance and support of Doreen Power, CEO of Lyndoch Living, who believed in me and supported my participation, along with the generous scholarship from the Hugh Williamson foundation.



BLESSING FURUSA

Senior Accountant

Sinclair Wilson

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Mind Your Mates Project**
- South West Health Human Research
Ethics Committee

Past Community Involvement:

- Treasurer - St Johns Presbyterian
Church

*'You're off to Great Places! Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting, So...get on your way!'*
- Dr. Seuss

I was inspired to join the Leadership Great South Coast Program through LGSC Alumni whose lives were never the same after completing the Program, which has gone beyond what I imagined. There were days you were left inspired, days you were left angry at our community's plight, days you felt proud of others' achievements and days you had to dig deep. It was a roller coaster of emotions. There was always a common theme weaved throughout the various program days: leaders standing up for what they believe in, leaders seeing the plight of their community and doing something or trying to inspire others to do something. I have walked away with a deeper understanding of our region and the issues affecting it and I have walked away equipped with knowledge, inspired to make an impact in my community.

LGSC is a challenging and rewarding program. It is a watershed moment in my leadership journey. Leadership in our community and workplaces does not mean being at the top of the tree. Leadership in its truest form is about giving; giving of time, resources, skills and most importantly of ourselves.



KATE HABERFIELD

*Maintenance Planning and
Scheduling Officer
Wannon Water*

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Couch to Coast Project - Lead**
- Warrnambool East Primary School Council and Committees
- Warrnambool Tri Club

Past Community Involvement:

- Cycling Reference Group WCC

*'Kindness is not a weakness.'
- Ken Radley*

I joined the 2018 Leadership Great South Coast Program after it was recommended to me by several alumni and my manager. With a broad range of topics and the opportunity for self-development, the program content sounded really interesting - and it certainly delivered! Throughout the year, we explored challenges facing the Great South Coast region and also highlighted the richness and unique strengths and the many opportunities for further development.

I met a fantastic group of people along this unique journey and have come away from the LGSC Program with a strong network from across various organisations, all of which are passionate about ensuring our region is a great place to live, a great place to visit and a place where our kids are going to want to stay and prosper.

I look forward to living, working and volunteering in this region and will go forward with my eyes open and confidence in my ability to contribute at various levels with a view to making our region prosper.



TREVOR CARR

*Electrical Engineer
Portland Aluminium*

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Couch to Coast Project**
- Port Fairy Winter Weekends

Past Community Involvement:

- GSGLLEN Future Leaders of Industry

*'If I have seen further than others,
it is by standing upon the shoulders of giants.'
- Sir Isaac Newton*

My journey into the Leadership Great South Coast Program was one where my professional career had found me enjoying the dynamics of teamwork and the effects leadership at all levels can have toward project outcomes. This curiosity as well as my own personal development ambitions led me to apply to undertake the LGSC Program to enhance my contribution as a leader both personally and professionally.

I can unequivocally agree that the LGSC Program has provided me with perspective through the opportunity to walk in dozens of other leaders' shoes and ask them what has and has not worked, and to experience the drive and determination they emit when discussing their journey. Upon reflection on our 23 Program Days, I discovered more about my own leadership style, where my blind spots may lie and how my strengths and weaknesses impact my contributions.

I found that when you give to your community it returns the favour in a way that you would never imagine and earning the title of leader in your community requires respect, honesty and permission of your peers; it cannot be given any other way.



PETER GAFFY

*Regional Extension Officer
WestVic Dairy*

SPONSORED BY THE GARDINER FOUNDATION

Current Community Involvement:

- LGSC Couch to Coast Project
- Parkrun - Volunteer
- Allansford Community Farm - Volunteer

Past Community Involvement:

- Country Fire Authority
- Whaleboat Racing
- Young Dairy Network

*'Be a better version of yourself
because everyone else is taken.'*
- Oscar Wilde

What an amazing year! I am particularly grateful to my family, WestVic Dairy and The Gardiner Foundation for supporting me through the Leadership Great South Coast Program. I was fortunate to meet so many passionate people from across the Great South Coast region who were willing to highlight the opportunities and challenges that the region faces. I drew inspiration from the positive impact these people make every day. They are creating a better place for us all to live.

I nominated for the LGSC Program because so many of my dairy industry peers told me of the significant value they gained.

Through completing the LGSC Program, I have developed a greater capacity to lead, which will benefit my work in the dairy industry and the local community in the long term. I will treasure the relationships formed with the other participants of the 2018 LGSC Program and thank them for their support and encouragement.

I look forward to using the skills and networks I have gained from the LGSC Program to find a cause that I am passionate about and contribute to the community through volunteering.



TONY HARRISON

*Home Care Operations Manager
Lyndoch Living*

Current Community Involvement:

- LGSC Couch to Coast Project
- Standing Tall
- Terang Racing Club

Past Community Involvement:

- Terang Harness Racing Club
- Terang Football Club
- Terang Cricket Club

'Collaboration is the new competition.'
- Brenda Callahan

I have been extremely fortunate to be supported by Lyndoch Living as a participant in the 2018 Leadership Great South Coast Program. The LGSC Program has availed me with the opportunity to hone my leadership skills, whilst gaining an appreciation of the many opportunities and challenges that impact upon the vibrancy, resilience and strength of our region, all of which are intrinsically linked to the health and wellbeing of our communities.

Collaboration is now the new competition and it is so refreshing to see the many innovative projects and collaborative partnerships that have occurred through the delivery of the community projects this year. My LGSC journey has certainly provided me with a new perspective, one which I will actively apply to my role. I would encourage anybody, if offered the opportunity, to take on the LGSC challenge.



MELANIE BENNETT

*Human Resources Coordinator
Glenelg Shire Council*

SPONSORED BY COMMITTEE FOR PORTLAND

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Economic Migration Project Glenelg - Lead**
- Portland and District Relay for Life Committee

Past Community Involvement:

- Portland Young Professionals Network
- Great South Coast Regional Partnership Assembly
- Future Leaders of Industry and South West TAFE

'You are a role model who is always on duty.'
- Corrinne Armour

The Leadership Great South Coast Program was the perfect opportunity to support my goals to be an influential and capable leader making a meaningful contribution to our community.

This year has been a year of discovery for me; learning as much about myself as I did about our region. The personal and regional challenges experienced along the way have been both confronting and insightful. With challenges come opportunities and I am now more motivated than ever to get involved and contribute to our region in a positive way. For me, the robust and frank discussions amongst the group during Program Days were a highlight.

I am finishing my LGSC year as the leader I knew existed but was hiding in the shadows. That person hiding away lacked conviction, confidence, and compassion. I am now curious about everything, courageous, nimble, self-aware and empathetic. I see myself as a leader with influence and I wear this proudly.

I am now ready to take the next steps in my career and beyond. I have applied to be a Heywood Standing Tall Mentor for 2019 and I have aspirations to undertake an Indigenous arts project in Portland.



LAUREN PETERSON

*Dairy Farmer and Industry Advocate
Grattons Gate Dairy Farm*

SPONSORED BY THE GARDINER FOUNDATION

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Economic Migration Project Glenelg**
- United Dairy Farmers of Victoria (UDV) Corangamite
- Young Dairy Network
- Farmers for Climate Action

Past Community Involvement:

- Satellite Foundation
- Lifeline Telephone
- WIRE

'Slow down to go faster.'
- Kevin Bennett

Having only been part of the Great South Coast community and dairy industry for a few years, I entered the LGSC Program with the aim of learning more about the challenges our community faces and the current resources we have as a region to respond. The LGSC Program has shown me that similarly to farming, building our region's capacity effectively requires strategic planning and careful and collaborative sustainable management of our current resources as well as building the skills and knowledge base identified as gaps. I was surprised at the lack of knowledge and understanding by the wider community of the local dairy industry - both the challenges and the enormous contribution it makes to the Great South Coast region.

The program enabled me to educate and advocate for the dairy industry. I also learnt that many issues we face also impact the wider community; therefore to create change we need to work together to address these challenges holistically to build a stronger and healthier community. I am leaving the LGSC Program in a completely different headspace and reconnected to my values. Whilst my overall goal remains the same I will be treading a different path to ensure the destination does not overcloud the journey.



JULIE NEESON

*Adult Education Officer
Shearer Woolhandler Training*

SPONSORED BY THE HUGH WILLIAMSON FOUNDATION

Current Community Involvement:

- **LGSC Economic Migration Project Glenelg Project**
- GSCEMP Southern Grampians Working Group
- GSCEMP Language Café, Hamilton

Past Community Involvement:

- Barwon South Western ACFE Regional Council
- Community Colleges Australia Board
- Numerous sporting committees

*'Start where you are at.
Use what you have. Do what you can.'*
– Arthur Ashe

Having worked for over 30 years in the Great South Coast region in Adult Education, in 2018 I changed my state of employment and began working part-time. I was looking for a direction and purpose to not only share my many work/life experiences in various capacities, including 20 years as a farmer, but also looking for a way to move forward within the community that had become an integral part of my life. The LGSC Program appeared to be relevant in this process of discovering how I could confidently move forward.

Being part of a very vibrant, enthusiastic group from a range of industries and locations in the Great South Coast region, I had the opportunity to learn so much more about the region and myself. The passion of the various presenters and the discussions this prompted within the group combined with the ongoing reflections and retreats throughout the year stirred many emotions and challenges.

Clarity appeared as the LGSC Program came to a conclusion. I knew I wanted to focus my work on volunteerism as well as initiate an awareness event in an area I am extremely passionate about.



In the face of isolationism, protectionism, racism – the simple concept of looking outwardly and beyond ourselves, of kindness and collectivism, might just be as good a starting point as any

JACINTA ARDERN





2018 PROGRAM SUMMARY

The LGSC Program is intellectually stimulating and experiential, designed to develop the skills and knowledge of aspiring leaders through contact with community leaders in the context of community issues.

Participants are encouraged to:

- develop a keener sense of leadership responsibility
- think laterally, examine problems systematically and find creative solutions
- establish a lasting set of personal and professional cross sector links
- develop an understanding and appreciation of diversity
- work with and lead community groups
- commit and contribute to the LGSC Alumni network offering expertise as a community resource.

Program days are themed to cover relevant topics and issues for the Great South Coast including, but not limited to: Economy, Arts, Education, Law and Order, Health and Wellbeing, Climate, Tourism and Culture*. Local and State leaders and content experts address the participants on these topics.

LGSC has embedded pertinent topics in the Program, including social intelligence, situational leadership, governance, project management, ethical leadership, cultural awareness, communication skills, working with government and lobbying.

Retreats are facilitated by our Lead Facilitator, Corrinne Armour. Corrinne incites our aspiring leaders to 'play their big game' through Fearless Leadership. A well-recognised instigator of change and growth, Corrinne empowers participants to realise the potential in their careers, teams, organisations and communities.

Prior to the Opening Retreat, Corrinne profiles each participant and provides a personalised report on their motivational strengths and challenges. This report is used as a reference throughout the Program and is reviewed at the Closing Retreat.

The LGSC Program provides a supportive, personalised learning environment for participants to give and receive constructive feedback via our formal mentoring structures and buddy system.

** Topics are aligned to the Great South Coast Strategic Plan. See Pages 22 - 29.*



FEBRUARY 9-10

OPENING RETREAT

Warrnambool

Sponsor -

Deakin University

Facilitator -

Corrinne Armour,

www.corrinnearmour.com

The Opening Retreat:

- establishes group dynamics, values and processes
- broadens participants' understanding of leadership
- extends self-awareness and capacity to respond
- fast tracks deep connections between participants
- provides a range of immersive leadership development experiences
- creates an inclusive and safe space for personal exploration

The Chatham House Rule applies to all LGSC Program Days.



FEBRUARY 23
ETHICAL LEADERSHIP
IN A CHALLENGING
WORLD
Camperdown

Sponsor -
 Corangamite Shire Council

Speakers -
 Professor Greg Wood;
 Simon Illingworth, Ethical
 Strength;
 Megan Philpot, Deputy
 Ombudsman

The Program Day:

- challenges one's ethical compass
- asks participants to consider the question 'To do or not to do?'
- equips participants for the future ethical challenges they will face as leaders



MARCH 8
THE POWER OF
PROJECT
MANAGEMENT
Warrnambool

Sponsor -
 South West TAFE

Facilitator -
 Kevin Bennett,
 KB Business Solutions

The Program Day:

- demonstrates the importance of project management (PM) capabilities
- introduces the expectations of LGSC community projects
- provides a simulated project management experience to demonstrate PM tools



MARCH 23
THE FUTURE IS A
QUANTUM LEAP
AWAY
Warrnambool

Sponsor -
 Wannon Water

Facilitator -
 Sandy Burgoyne,
 University of Sydney

Speakers -
 Emily Lee-Ack, Chair Great
 South Coast Regional
 Partnership;
 Hugh Koch, Manager
 Economic Development and
 Tourism, Southern Grampians
 Shire Council

The Program Day:

- confronts participants' sense of our preparedness for the future
- challenges participants to reconsider the future
- provides an overview of the Great South Coast Strategic Plan and Regional Partnership
- broadens participants' understanding of regional strategic issues



Be the change
 that you want to
 see in the world

MAHATMA GANDHI



APRIL 20

BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

Warrnambool

Sponsor -
Warrnambool City Council

Facilitator -
Lynda Ford,
iGen Foundation

Speakers -
Carly Jordan, Economic
Migration Project; Cyprien
Kagorora, Entertainer

The Program Day:

- provides insights into the cultural diversity of our region
- highlights unknown cultural stereotypes and blinkers
- provides an immersive experience of inclusion and exclusion
- invites participants to embrace the diversity of our region
- provides strategies to be an inclusive leader



MAY 4

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

Port Fairy

Sponsor -
Moyne Shire Council

Facilitator -
Amanda Hennessy,
LGSC Executive Officer

Speaker -
Bernadette Northeast,
Coordinator Warrnambool
Connect

The Program Day:

- decides on LGSC community projects, with alignment to Regional Strategic Plans
- discusses the impact project activity will have on the LGSC brand



MAY 17

UNDERSTANDING OUR PLACE – CLIMATE MITIGATION AND ADAPTION

Hamilton

Sponsors -
Jigsaw Farms

Speakers -
Mark Wootten and Eve Kantor, Principals Jigsaw Farms; Graeme Anderson, Senior Specialist, Climate, Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources; Andrea Pape, Strategic Coordinator Barwon South West Region, Sustainability Victoria; Jason Thomas, Owner Builder 8 Star/Solar passive home, 2015 Alumni; Kylie McIntyre, Sustainability Coordinator, Southern Grampians Shire Council

The Program Day:

- increases knowledge and understanding of the south-west Victoria climate story
- showcases Jigsaw Farms state of the art climate adaptation activities
- expands participants' understanding of carbon farming
- challenges the role of individuals in the waste cycle



JUNE 1

THE ECONOMY DRIVES OUR REGION

Hamilton

Speakers -

Dr Greg Walsh, Director VLE Pty Ltd, Chairman of Champions of the Bush, Director of Great Ocean Road Beef; Sarah Brebner, Manager of Regional Economic Policy, Regional Development Victoria; Charlie McElhone, Group Manager Trade and Industry Strategy, Dairy Australia; Brendan Rea, Farm Manager, Leadership Great South Coast Alumni 2015

The Program Day:

- reviews economic data and the trends and events shaping our global economy
- outlines the economic opportunities and challenges for the Great South Coast region with a focus on the Dairy and Agriculture sectors
- explores an agricultural case study and its impact on the local economy



JUNE 15

SKILLING OUR REGION FOR THE FUTURE

Warrnambool

Sponsor -

South West TAFE

Facilitator -

Ken Radley,
Education Consultant

Speakers -

Damian Farley, Wave School Coordinator; Simon Perry, Principal, Woolsthorpe Primary School; Janette Brown, Executive Manager, Education; Leigh Roberts, Senior Projects Manager, South West TAFE

The Program Day:

- provides an immersive experience of how to work with and in a community
- presents a strategic understanding of the Great South Coast lower socio-economic issues and relevant educational data
- provides relevant data and statistics to fully understand the education challenge facing the Great South Coast



JUNE 28

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Portland

Sponsor - CFA

Facilitator -

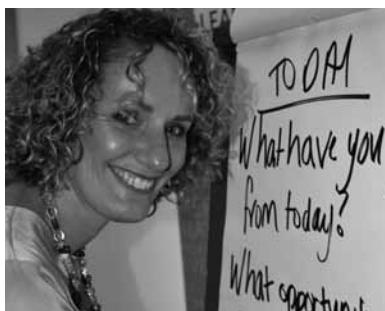
Lynda Smith,
Health Promotion,
South West Primary Care
Partnerships, 2013 Alumni

Speakers -

Amy Sylvester, Wesley Mission Suicide Prevention; Fred Nittsjo, Team Leader, South West Healthcare Mental Health Services

The Program Day:

- increases knowledge of health issues and opportunities across the Great South Coast
- illustrates the complexity of health funding
- outlines the provision of health and wellbeing services in our region
- explores healthy liveable communities that are living longer, healthier and more active lives



JULY 20/21

MID YEAR RETREAT

Port Fairy

Sponsor -
Moyne Shire Council

Facilitator -
Corrinne Armour,
www.corrinnearmour.com

The Mid Year Retreat:

- challenges participants' own sense of who they are as a leader and the extent to which their intentions are clear to others
- provides a safe environment in which to question one's leadership style and enables flexibility to respond
- builds participants' ability to influence as leaders

AUGUST FIELD TRIPS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETINGS



AUGUST 3

TAKING AN INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE

Portland

Sponsor -
Port of Portland

Speakers -
Brenda Callahan, Business Adviser, Australian Government; Grant Clarke, Manager Community Engagement; John Krbaleski, Executive Director Earth Resources Policy & Programs Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources; Dion Gallagher, Metals Manager, Portland Aluminium; Kara King, Financial Controller, Port of Portland

The Program Day:

- offers an understanding of the economic opportunities and challenges for the Great South Coast region
- tours the Port of Portland, which is the deepest port between Melbourne and Adelaide
- showcases the dynamic interplay between local industries



AUGUST 17

THE INTEGRAL ROLE OF THE ARTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Warrnambool

Sponsors -
The Warrnambool Art Gallery,
The F Project

Facilitator -
Gareth Colliton, Curator
Wishart Gallery, Port Fairy,
2015 Alumni

Speakers -
Vanessa Gerrans, Director,
Warrnambool Art Gallery;
Jill Rivers, Arts for Wellness
Advocate

The Program Day

- challenges participants to consider the benefit of the arts in thriving, resilient and connected communities
- showcases art in action



AUGUST 31

KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

Warrnambool

Sponsor -

Warrnambool Magistrates Court

Speakers -

Magistrate Holzer;
Erin Fennessy, Court Registrar;
Chris Asenjo, Acting Senior Sergeant and Station Commander (Camperdown);
Emma Mahony, Health Promotion Coordinator, South West Healthcare, LGSC Alumni; Tegan Russell, Counsellor/Advocate Social Worker, SWCASA;
Jodie Outtram, Drug and Alcohol Nurse, South West Health Care

The Program Day:

- expands participants' knowledge of our region's Law and Order issues
- provides an understanding of the support and resource services in our region
- exposes participants to the workings of the court system



SEPTEMBER 17

GETTING READY FOR A GOVERNANCE ROLE

Melbourne

Sponsors -

The Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) and Parliament of Victoria

Speakers -

Nigel Nalliah, Members and Directors Executive, Membership, AICD;
Bruce Anderson, The Anderson Partnership, FAICD; Denis Napthine, Former Premier of Victoria;
Tanya Waterson, Chief of Staff;
James Purcell, MLC

Tour Guide -

Locating Tours Melbourne

The Program Day:

- develops a broader understanding of governance roles and responsibilities
- challenges participants to think about joining a Board
- discusses the challenges of working with, for and on a Board
- highlights an artistic side to Melbourne streets



SEPTEMBER 18

INFLUENCING THE FUTURE OF REGIONAL VICTORIA

Melbourne

Host -

Victorian Regional Community Leadership Programs (VRCLP)

Speakers -

Dr Kim Johnstone, Demographer; George Megalogenis, Social Commentator; Jason Clarke, Director Minds @ Work; Adele McCarthy, Director Strategy and Research; Jodi Sneddon, Principal Infrastructure Advisor, Infrastructure Victoria; Tim Gentle, Digital Crusader

The Program Day:

- provides exposure to strategic thinking beyond our own localities so that participants can take these insights home to broaden their leadership capacity
- considers how participants, as regional thought leaders, can respond creatively to the key issues facing our communities
- explores ways to advocate a responsive culture that builds a sustainable future



SEPTEMBER 19

OUR DEMOCRACY AT WORK *Melbourne*

Sponsor -
Parliament of Victoria

Speakers -
Robert McDonald, Deputy
Clark Legislative Assembly;
Hon. Colin Brooks MP;
Peter Lochert, Secretary,
Department of Parliamentary
Services

The Program Day:

- broadens participants' understanding of the structures and processes of the Victorian Parliament
- provides an opportunity to experience Parliament in action
- expands participants' political networks

Networking Lunch Guests:

- Jaala Pulford MLC, Minister for Agriculture, Minister for Regional Development, Deputy Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council
- Gayle Tierney MLC, Member for Western Victoria, Minister for Training and Skills, Minister for Corrections
- James Purcell MLC, Member for Western Victoria
- Roma Britnell MP, Member for South West Coast
- Steph Ryan MLA, Member for Euroa, Deputy Leader of The Nationals, Shadow Minister for Water, Shadow Minister for Training, Skills and Apprenticeships, Shadow Minister for Young Victorians
- Emma Kealy MLA, Shadow Minister for Mental Health, Shadow Minister for Senior Victorians, Shadow Minister for Country Health, Shadow Minister for Women



OCTOBER 12

A DAY ON COUNTRY *Budj Bim*

Sponsor -
Gunditj Mirring Traditional
Owners Aboriginal
Corporation

Speakers -
Denise Lovett,
Gunditjmara Woman;
Ben Church,
Gunditjmara Man;
Denis Rose, Project Manager
Budj Bim Sustainable
Development Partnership;

The Program Day:

- extends participants' understanding of nature/culture-based tourism opportunities for the Great South Coast
- expands knowledge about Kanawinka Geopark, the history of the landscape and its people
- expands our understanding of the cultural and indigenous connection to the land and shared history
- provides a briefing on Budj Bim World Heritage listing



OCTOBER 26

ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO OUR COMMUNITY

Warrnambool

Sponsor -
SES Warrnambool

Speakers -
Bernadette Northeast,
Volunteers Warrnambool;
Dr Eric Fairbank, Director,
Warrnambool and
District Hospice; Dedy
Friebe, Executive Officer,
Warrnambool and District
Food Share; Giorgio Palmeri,
SES Coordinator

The Program Day:

- increases the understanding of the meaningful, positive impact volunteerism has on our community
- provides a range of illustrative models of volunteerism in our community
- creates pathways for participants to access or create volunteerism opportunities



NOVEMBER 9-10

CLOSING RETREAT

Port Campbell

Facilitator -
Corrinne Armour,
www.corrinnearmour.com

The Closing Retreat:

- celebrates development as a leader
- reflects on the extension of personal leadership skills
- recognises learning from community projects
- propels participants towards community leadership
- extends personal leadership tool kits
- develops individual leadership vision



**Feedback
is a gift**

CORRINNE ARMOUR

2018 PROJECTS

As part of the LGSC Program, participants form project teams to complete community projects. All projects have direct community benefit and must align to Great South Coast Strategic Plans.

Teams of diverse individuals engage in action learning allowing them to participate with the community in ways that are not possible in their professional lives.

Community projects are generally finished within the Program year and can be put forward by participants, Alumni, LGSC Board members, LGSC staff, local government and community representatives.

We thank our many project mentors and stakeholders who have provided connections, support and advice to our 2018 project teams.



LGSC Project Information:
www.lgsc.org.au/projects

“Instead of
thinking
outside the
box, get rid
of the box

DEEPAK CHOPRA



SHOP IN A BOX 3280

- Andre Barr (Lead)
- Julie Perry
- Richard Wade
- Penny MacDonald
- Phil Dennis

This project seeks to create a vibrant Warrnambool CBD by encouraging local entrepreneurship. Building on the recent city rejuvenation, Shop In A Box provides a framework to invigorate Liebig Street. It offers free, short-term agreements between landowners and tenants for vacant shop fronts, based on the successful Renew Australia model.

The project aims to:

- assist in revitalising the Warrnambool CBD using the Renew Australia model
- reduce vacancy rates for Liebig Street
- foster civic pride and assist in community engagement in the Warrnambool CBD
- support local entrepreneurs and innovation

Outcomes:

As at 15/11/18 the team have supported the opening of a new business in the CBD zone plus two additional businesses in the wider CBD.

The Warrnambool Liebig St vacancy rate (designated project zone) reduced by 50%.

SIAB3280 follows the success of the LGSC 2016 Portland Project and envisages future regional projects in partnership with Renew Australia. This project aligns with the Regional Partnership priorities & Great South Coast Strategic Plan 1.3, 1.4, 4.3



MIND YOUR MATES

- Alison Quade (Lead)
- Blessing Furusa
- Mark Brennan

The project aimed to assist people to be responsive to the early warning signs of suicide, by strengthening their ability to take action, through promotion of, and advocacy for, suicide prevention training.

Suicide remains the leading cause of death for Australians aged between 15 and 44. There are 7.85 deaths by suicide in Australia each day and our region has a higher rate than the state and national average.

The project aims to:

- raise awareness that high rates of suicide are an issue in our region
- develop a communications strategy and marketing material to promote suicide prevention training
- equip people across the GSC with the knowledge and skills to appropriately Recognise, Respond and Refer someone at risk of suicide through the promotion of training delivered by Lifeline

Outcomes:

Development of a communications and engagement strategy to guide and promote the roll-out of suicide prevention programs, developed in collaboration with Lifeline, to promote suicide prevention across the Great South Coast.

This project aligns with the Regional Partnership priorities & Great South Coast Strategic Plan 4.2



COUCH TO COAST

- Kate Haberfield (Lead)
- Peter Gaffy
- Tony Harrison
- Trevor Carr

This project involved collaboration with the Warrnambool Tri Club to deliver two new events on the November 3 - 4 2018 Killarney program: a non-competitive women's 'Come 'n' Tri' and an all ages, non-competitive 'Splash 'n' Dash' event.

The project leveraged support from the #ThisGirlCanVic campaign.

The project aims to:

- promote and engage the community in fun physical activity
- address perceived barriers to being active through removing competitive elements
- offer relaxed and supportive events with an emphasis on participation

Outcomes:

The events attracted 66 new participants of varying ages and abilities. Warrnambool Tri Club are now enthusiastically building momentum, expanding their event offering to further attract new participants by providing access to future non-competitive events, thus contributing to project sustainability.

This project aligns with the Regional Partnership priorities & Great South Coast Strategic Plan 4.2. and 4.3



ECONOMIC MIGRATION PROJECT GLENELG

- Melanie Bennett (Lead)
- Julie Neeson
- Lauren Peterson

A sub-project of the Great South Coast Economic Migration Project (GSC EMP) and the partnership between LGSC, iGen Foundation, Great Lakes Agency for Peace and Development Int, Southern Grampians and Glenelg Shire Councils.

Taking an intercultural approach, the project works with African families (Australian Citizens or permanent residents) and communities matching jobs, housing, community groups and land to grow crops.

The project aims to:

- increase population, diversity and economic growth of the Great South Coast region
- support ten families, originally from Africa, to relocate to the Glenelg Shire

Outcomes:

Established a community working group in Casterton. Held a Welcome Weekend showcasing the region to African families.

Currently supporting ten families to move to the Glenelg Shire.

This project aligns with the Regional Partnership priorities & Great South Coast Strategic Plan 1.8

ALUMNI

We congratulate our 115 strong LGSC Alumni for their ongoing contribution to community via volunteerism across sectors including, but not limited to, a range of strategic committees, governance positions, local and state government roles, emergency services and a diversity of community projects.

2017

- Alison Kennedy • Amanda Wearne
- Brendan Hawkins • Delna Plathottam
- Garry Peterson • Jacinta Lenehan
- Jordan Smith • Juanita Dickinson
- Leon Carey • Leon Senchenko
- Rhonda Henry • Shane Stenhouse
- Teremayi Manozho • Vicki Askew Thornton

2016

- Andrew Cameron • Angela Gowans
- Angela Runganga • Carly Jordan
- Daniel Meade • Emma Dart
- Jackie Jeffrey • Jarrod Clarke
- Jessica Fishburn • Michael Absalom
- Paul McNamara • Paul Ross
- Robbie Frawley • Samuel Rudolph
- Sue Cassidy • Wayne Robertson

2015

- Adam Taylor • Alison Read
- Ann Cunningham • Billy Greenham
- Brendan Rea • Chris Hansford
- Claire Holt • Craig Dettling
- Emma Mahony • Gareth Colliton
- Jason Thomas • Philip Hose
- Sharnie McKenna • Sally Slater

2014

- Allan Miller • Angela Alexander
- Carolyn Woods • Ellen Lyne
- Glenn Britnell • Helen Chenoweth
- Jacob Taylor • Dr Jacquie Cotton
- Jarrod Woff • Jon Goodall
- Kelly Edwards • Kelly McNaughton
- Marcus Clarke • Megan Jackson
- Paul Lougheed • Tammy Young

2013

- Alex Reardon • Belinda Bennett
- Carol Weise • Clint Larkins
- David Maher • David O'Connell
- Emma Fitzgibbon • Janet Sloan
- Janice Harris • Johanna Hansen
- Lynda Smith • Nathan Anderson
- Ronan Corcoran • Dr Sally Obst
- Sharon Linke

2012 (Inaugural Program)

- Aaron Moyne • Damien Teal
- Fran Fogarty • Jason Hoy • Jessica Howe
- Lisette Mill • Melissa Mitchell
- Merran Fyfe • Michelle Sweeney
- Rachel Munro • Roger Wilkinson
- Ryan Weissel • Dr Tim Tutt • Tom Newton

LGSC is proud to support the Great South Coast region with a diverse group of community leaders who have the leadership skills, knowledge, networks and passion to positively contribute to the range of opportunities and challenges our region faces.



2018 ALUMNI EVENTS

MAY

Victorian Regional Community Leadership Programs Summit, Ballarat

Theme - Thriving Leadership for Thriving Communities.

Purpose - A program designed to question traditional systems, challenge the status quo and smash open the 'thinking' box.

MAY

Facilitation Training delivered by Capire Consulting, Warrnambool

Purpose - LGSC Alumni completed training in preparation for table facilitation roles at the June Regional Assembly. Capire facilitators aim to provide independence from the content or historical decision-making patterns of the group and have the ability to cut through to get to the core issue.

<http://capire.com.au/>

JUNE

Great South Coast Regional Partnership Assembly 2018, Hamilton

Purpose - To hear the thoughts and ideas of the Great South Coast community on regional priorities. LGSC Alumni acted as table facilitators with over 240 people attending.

Themes facilitated included: Economy, Education, Health and Community Wellbeing, Transport and Infrastructure, Culture and Environment.

AUGUST

Australian Institute for Company Directors Strategy and Risk for Directors Workshop, Port Fairy

Purpose - Provide advice on the strategic role of a Director and explore risk issues for Directors, including a finance focus.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

James Voller and Claire Foxton Artist Workshops, Warrnambool

Workshops were held to support the development of local artists as part of the LGSC SculptEd17 project: an installation of 'Regrowth' on the Rail Trail at Koroit Station, and Our Story: a mural celebrating diversity on the west Warrnambool Wannon Water tower.

VICTORIAN COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

LGSC is a member of the Victorian Regional Community Leadership Programs Secretariat



1. Northern Mallee CLP
 2. Leadership Wimmera
 3. **Leadership Great South Coast**
 4. Loddon Murray CLP
 5. Leadership Ballarat & Western Region
 6. Leaders for Geelong
 7. Fairley Leadership
 8. Rivers & Ranges CLP
 9. Alpine Valleys CLP
 10. Gippsland CLP
- Leadership Victoria

VRCLP VISION

LEADERS IN LEADERSHIP - SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF VICTORIA'S COMMUNITY LEADERS

VRCLP'S VALUE PROPOSITION

We **GROW CAPABILITY** through the delivery of quality experiential leadership programs

We **FOSTER CONNECTIONS** through excellence in networking, engagement and collaboration

We **EMPOWER PEOPLE** to be influential and make a positive difference in their communities

We **INSPIRE CONFIDENCE** and optimism while generating sound outcomes for individuals and their communities

LEADERSHIP GREAT SOUTH COAST

OUR VISION

Empowering local leaders for global impact

OUR MISSION

We connect and develop leaders, empowering them to do great things

The LGSC program is intellectually stimulating and experiential, designed to develop the skills and knowledge of emerging leaders through contact with real community leaders in the context of community opportunities and issues.

OUR AIMS

1. **Grow Leaders** with new skills, knowledge and understanding of our region
2. **Create Connections** through regional engagement, collaboration and networking
3. **Empower People** to be influential and make a positive difference
4. **Inspire People** to embrace diversity and develop creative solutions



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