

# Your Local

Community News

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**Building a  
stronger community,  
together**

Member for King and Assistant Minister to the Deputy Premier, Rhiannon Pearce MP, with locals at the 21st annual Community Safety Day

**BOOSTING OUR AMBULANCE SERVICE IN**

# GOLDEN GROVE



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from March 2023

# Strengthening our community



## Safety Snapshot



**Taskforce to improve police resourcing**



**Road safety law reform**



**Harsher penalties for hoon drivers including immediate disqualification of licences**



**Government crackdown on firebugs**



**Mobile Phone Detection Camera legislation passed**



**Firefighting capacity boost for MFS**

There is nothing better than a neighbourhood with a strong sense of community, and it is one of the main reasons why I am so proud to be raising my family in ours.

You've made it clear that you value having a safe and secure home, and to know that, in an emergency, you will receive every support possible.

We have immensely valued the support of our SES crews through those devastating storms we experienced in 2022, and of our CFS crews with the grass fires we experienced this summer season.

To all who volunteer to help keep our homes and neighbourhood safe - thank you.

As your local voice in State Parliament, I want to ensure we go from strength to strength when it comes to keeping our community safe.

When it comes to community safety, the Malinauskas Government is investing in strengthening our community,

such as creating a taskforce to improve police resourcing. But I haven't stopped there. I will continue to advocate for you in this space and always welcome your feedback on this matter.

Every bushfire season, I know our minds turn to the devastation of the Sampson Flat fire, with a desire to do all in our power to reduce every risk possible. And, in addition to our crackdown on firebugs and reinstating the Regional Capability Community Fund, I want to be able to help our community's preparedness.

That's why, in January, I hosted the 21st annual Community Safety Day at The Grove Shopping Centre. It was a one-stop-shop opportunity for you to meet with Emergency Service agencies to discuss how to best keep you and your home safe.

Whether you wanted support formulating your bushfire plan, had a concern regarding hoon driving in your street, needed guidance on storm-related damage, or were wanting to discuss your healthcare plans this event was here to

support you.

Special guests included the Premier, Peter Malinauskas, the Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services, Joe Szakacs, the Minister for Education, Training and Skills, Blair Boyer, Olivia Savvas MP, and Federal Member for Makin, Tony Zappia.

We were there along with SA Police, the MFS, the CFS, the SES, the Office for Ageing Well, SA Ambulance Service and the City of Tea Tree Gully, so that you could directly raise your thoughts and ideas on ways we can strengthen our community. Your feedback is invaluable, and I will continue to reflect your views in Parliament.

Strong communities are those who work together, and I will continue to work with you to be a strong local voice for our community in State Parliament.

**- Rhiannon Pearce, your passionate local Member for King.**

# A strong voice for you in State Parliament

I'm proud to be your local voice in State Parliament delivering on the issues that matter most to you.



## Already we have



Stopped Paid Parking at Westfield TTP



Secured funding for a flagpole for One Tree Hill Primary School



Delivered funding for McGilp Recreation Park upgrade



Delivered funding for Salisbury SES ICT



Scoped bus shelter upgrades



Delivered funding for Tilley Recreation Park upgrade



Installed giveaway signage at intersection of Blacktop Road and One Tree Hill Road



Consulted community on Northern Suburbs Local Roads Initiative



Announced mental health specialist for Golden Grove High School and Salisbury East High School



Introduced Tap and Pay on the O-Bahn



Commenced TTP Park n Ride parking expansion

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# WE'RE COMMITTED TO IMPROVING Early Childhood Education and Care

In recent years, Royal Commissions have taken place to inquire into retrospective issues, especially when something has gone wrong.

This isn't the case for the Royal Commission into Early Childhood Education and Care. Instead, this is an opportunity to propose new solutions.

This Royal Commission will listen to expert evidence and the experiences and views of families to provide advice to the Government on delivering a high-quality early years system that is fit for the next generation.

This is a significant step towards delivering the biggest reform to early childhood education our State has ever seen, including the introduction of universal three-year-old preschool.

Learn more and have your say on Early Childhood Education and Care today.



## HAVE YOUR SAY

Royal Commission into Early Childhood Education and Care ([royalcommissionecec.sa.gov.au](http://royalcommissionecec.sa.gov.au))



# Be Part of Change: a state Strategy for Autism

The autistic and autism communities have long advocated for greater community knowledge, understanding and support for autistic people.

A recent member survey undertaken by the Autistic Self Advocacy Network of Australia and New Zealand found 92% of autistic people would find communicating about autism easier if there were broader community understanding and acceptance and increased community education.

This shows it is time to move beyond

talking about creating awareness. It is time to build knowledge, understanding and acceptance to create lasting and long overdue cultural change in our community.

The State Government has listened to the calls of autistic people and their families and is committed to working with the autistic and autism communities to co-design the state's first Autism Strategy.

The Strategy will support a dedicated, whole of Government approach to create a fairer and more inclusive society.

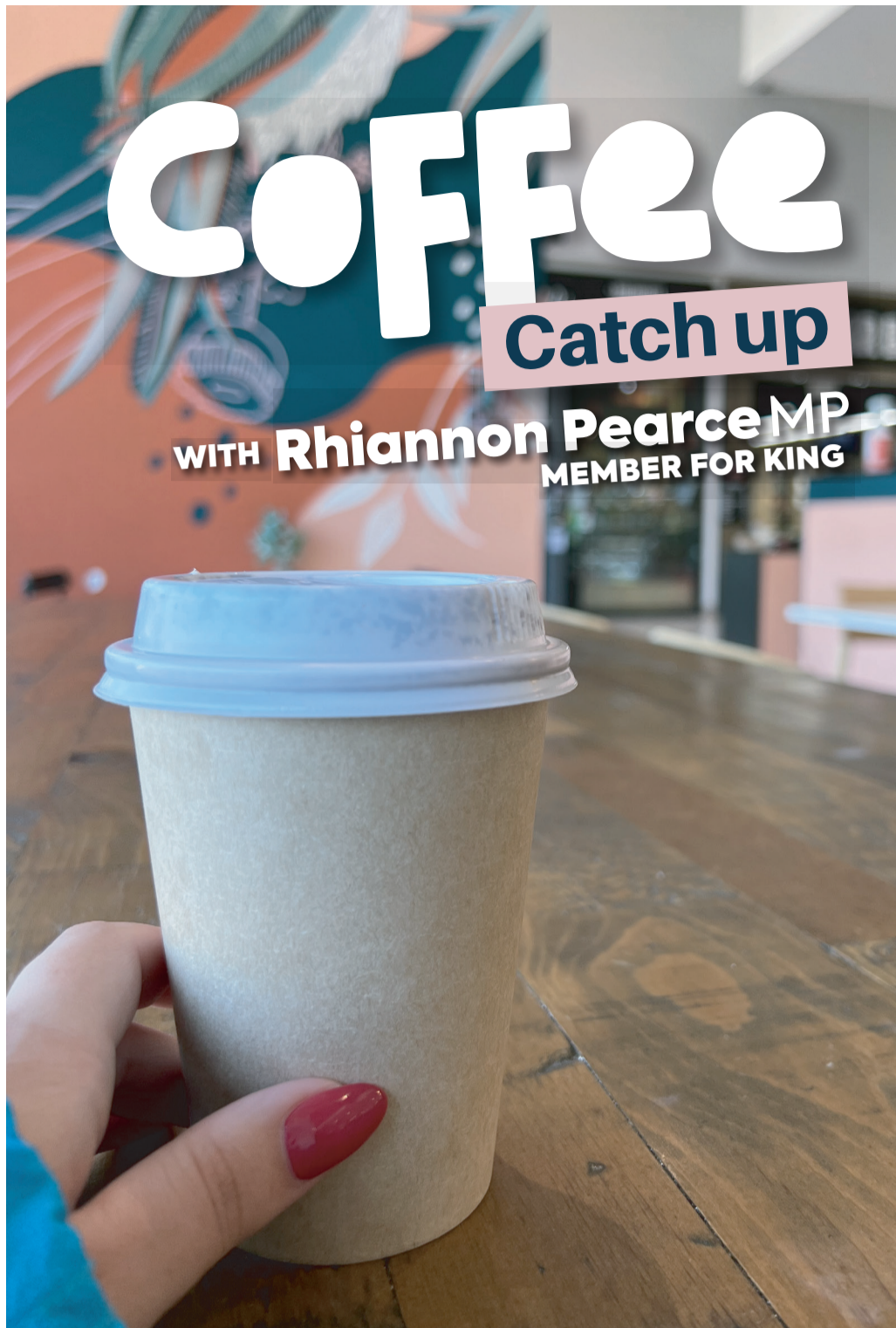
Member for King, Rhiannon Pearce hosted a forum with Assistant Minister for Autism, Emily Bourke MLC, and Member for Newland, Olivia Savvas, to consult with and understand the priorities for the North and North-East with Minister for Education, Blair Boyer, and Minister for Human Services Nat Cook. Key priorities raised included:

- respect for rights, autonomy and diversity
- safety, justice and equity
- community understanding,

knowledge and acceptance

- government services
- health, mental health and wellbeing,
- education, employment and the workforce.

This feedback will contribute to the drafting of the Strategy which will be shared with the Autism Strategy Advisory Committee and the autistic and autism communities for feedback, so that together we can create a fairer and more equitable future for all.



Come hear about what happened in Parliament this week!

**9:30am**

**Friday 10 March**

Local Cup, The Stables Shopping Centre, Golden Grove

**Friday 24 March**

Badger and Bones, 20 Canterbury Drive, Salisbury Heights

**Friday 5 May**

St Georges Bakery, Greenwith

**Friday 19 May**

One Tree Hill General Store, Blacktop Road, One Tree Hill

**Friday 2 June**

Saints Kitchen, Saints Shopping Centre, Salisbury Plain

**Friday 16 June (BUDGET)**

Zitto, The Grove Shopping Centre, Golden Grove



**It is refreshing to see such a personable MP, one who the younger generation can really relate with, and in return gets them interested in their community and beyond.**

– Golden Grove resident

# Out & About



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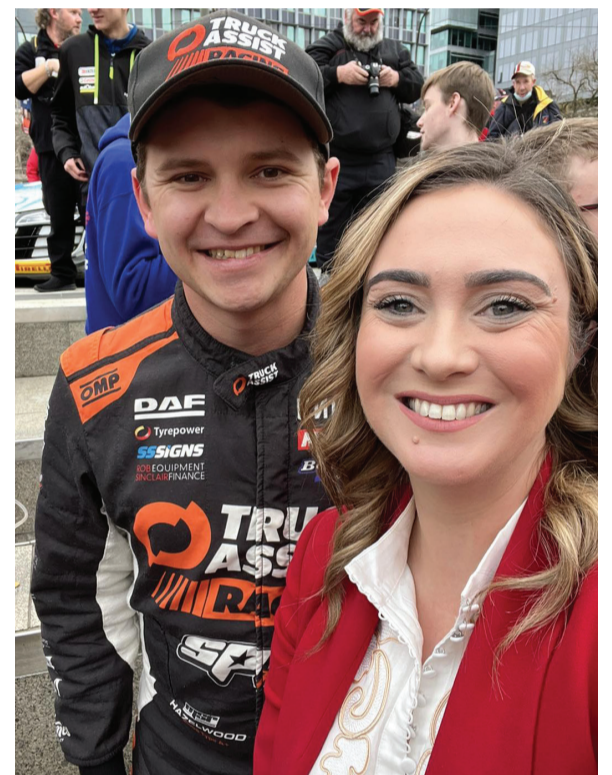
Rhiannon with Premier Peter Malinauskas and local shoppers at The Grove Shopping Centre



Rhiannon on canteen duty at the Golden Grove Football Club



Rhiannon spreading the news to commuters that Tap N Pay is now available on the O-Bahn



Rhiannon with Todd Hazelwood at VALO Adelaide 500 Launch



Rhiannon and Joe Szakacs MP, Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services at the intersection of Blacktop Road and One Tree Hill Road following a commitment to install a giveaway sign at the intersection



Rhiannon with Salisbury East High School graduate Brooke after presenting her with the Molly Byrne Award



Rhiannon speaking with media alongside SA Premier Peter Malinauskas and Minister for Education, Blair Boyer MP.



# Health Update

As part of the Malinauskas Government's massive investment into improving the capacity of the state's public health system, our local Lyell McEwin Hospital is receiving a major facelift.

Construction on the \$47 million project starts this March, delivering 48 beds, all in single rooms with ensuites. Not only will this improve patient comfort, but it also creates the opportunity for specialty care features for those needing a higher level of support. These works are

part of at least 550 more beds the Malinauskas Government are committed to deliver across the state.

The State Government has also committed a further \$4.5 million for a final phase to the Emergency Department expansion. This will increase the capacity from the originally planned 72 to 76 spaces and is due to be finished by the end of the year.

In addition, the \$1.2 million

development of a temporary nine chair dialysis unit is finished and open, supporting the existing dialysis unit and increasing capacity to 21 chairs.

The Malinauskas Government is also delivering its commitment for 24 more mental health beds at Modbury Hospital, with a first look at the unit's design revealed in February.






The \$44 million mental health rehabilitation unit, will be combined

with a 20-bed older persons mental health unit in a single build – representing a total of 44 purpose-built new mental health beds at the hospital.

These additional mental health beds form part of the Malinauskas Government's historic \$124 million commitment to build and open 72 new mental health rehabilitation beds through the establishment of 24-bed units at Modbury, The Queen Elizabeth Hospital and Noarlunga Hospital.

Work has also commenced on the Government's commitment to a Modbury Hospital Cancer Centre, introducing cancer services to the hospital for the first time, with concept designs underway.

## Tackling mental health in OUR Community

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|  <p><b>Safe Haven for community mental health support now open</b></p> <p>Located in Salisbury, Safe Haven provides peer-led support to the community in a specially designed non-clinical setting. The first of its kind, Safe Haven is funded by NALHN and will help ease pressure on our emergency departments.</p> |  <p><b>Community grants to help tackle suicide</b></p> <p>The South Australian Suicide Prevention Community Grants will help non-government organisations and community groups deliver important, localised suicide prevention projects across SA.</p> <p><b>Find out more:</b><br/><a href="http://wellbeingsa.sa.gov.au">wellbeingsa.sa.gov.au</a></p> |  <p><b>24 more mental health beds at Modbury Hospital</b></p> <p>The \$44 million mental health rehabilitation unit, set to open in 2025, will be combined with a 20-bed older persons mental health unit in a single build – representing a total of 44 purpose-built new mental health beds at the hospital.</p> |  <p><b>Nation's first ever Suicide Prevention Council appointed</b></p> <p>Australia's first legislated Suicide Prevention Council will ensure a coordinated and targeted response to suicide prevention is a priority across all levels of government and community.</p> |  <p><b>Supporting our children to thrive</b></p> <p>The Malinauskas Government is investing in the mental health and wellbeing of our young people by investing \$50 million to employ mental health and learning support specialists in schools.</p> <p>Salisbury East High School and Golden Grove High School will each receive a specialist.</p> |
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# Rev'd for 2023

Rhiannon Pearce MP with Sarah Andrews MP at the 2022 VALO Adelaide 500.

After its triumphant return, the VALO Adelaide 500 will be back even bigger and better in 2023.

2022 provided all the fanfare, excitement, and festivities that the four-day event is renowned for, thrilling over 258,000 fans who flocked through the gates over the course of the event which is 25 per cent higher than the last time the event was held in 2020.

History was made, and records broken – even the fresh surface of the circuit combined with the race cars' extreme speed toppled the record by almost 2.5 seconds to 1:15.4972.

And let's not forget the many off-track favourites such as the Royal Australian Air Force's F/A-18F Super Hornet which took to the skies above the circuit; the activities in the Family and Activation Zones

and car displays for Holden and Jaguar's 100th anniversary.

This year will again be the race that crowns the Supercars' Champion, running 23-26 November. And we want to hear from you on how to make it the best one yet!

Provide your feedback and suggestions here



**See you all trackside!**



# United for CFS Fundraiser

Two local soccer clubs have once again donned their boots to raise all important funds for our local CFS Stations.

For the fourth year in a row, Tea Tree Gully City Soccer Club and One Tree Hill Soccer Club came together to raise awareness about fire safety with the local community – helping to build stronger connections with the community and the crews who work so hard to protect us.

Food trucks, stalls, children's entertainment and a licenced bar all formed part of the day, along with a raffle where all proceeds go to the One Tree Hill and Tea Tree Gully CFS stations.

A delightful event, of which local Members of Parliament, Rhiannon Pearce MP, Olivia Savvas MP Blair Boyer MP, and Federal Member Tony Zappia MP were proud to support once again.

