

# Newsletter

## **AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2025**

# Hello everyone,

It's been an impactful few months, and I want to take a moment to thank you all — with genuine warmth and gratitude — for the way we've continued to step forward together.

We were made united in our shared space — as a community, as networks, as families, friends, neighbours, and towns — wrapping around one another and reaching out to truly see each other.

It's been truly uplifting to see so many smiling faces at our recent events. From the energy of Disco at The Bend, to the magic of Winter by the Fire at EGO Farm — the huge roaring fire, live acoustic music, and the warmth of good conversation made the night feel nothing short of magical. The contrast of the crisp winter air and the fire's glow brought people together in a way that only a night like that can.

I also want to highlight some unforgettable opportunities coming up. Thanks to the generous support of the Tailem Bend Auto Club, participants will soon have the chance to take a lap around The Bend Motorsport Track in stunning classic and muscle cars — a thrilling, rare experience. If you'd like to be a part of it, please call and speak with Jess, our Administration Officer — she's ready to take your calls.

We also have our new, well, not so new now — DVD Honesty Library, which is already well-loved and frequently used. So please don't feel shy. Pop in, browse the collection, and take some DVDs home to enjoy. We're always restocking and love seeing it being put to good use.

Coming up, we have a free outing to Old Tailem Town Pioneer Village — a classic local spot and a fantastic opportunity to explore and enjoy pieces of our shared history.

And to top it off, we have two exciting, themed bowling events: our Superhero Bowling Night in September, and the always-anticipated Annual Halloween Bowling Competition in October.

There's a bit going on, so be sure to check out the flyers, and as always, if you have any questions, give Jess a call at the office. She'll be more than happy to help with any queries or details you need.

And just a gentle reminder: to truly show empathy and care, we must pause. Take a breath. Look from the inside out with compassion. Offer a smile, even if it isn't returned. Your kindness may be the very thing that helps someone keep going.

With much love — stay warm, stay connected.

# Gabrielle Mackenzie

Managing Director





#### EXPERIENCE FREE LAPS OF THE BEND

The Tailem Bend Auto Club has officially jumped on board as the sponsor for the inaugural Genuine Support Services Australia's *Hearts & Horsepower Cruise 2025* at Shell V-Power Motorsport Park at The Bend on <u>August 30</u>, 2025.

This thrilling NDIS community event kicks off at 12 noon, offering a unique opportunity to ride in style — and it's free!

Tailem Bend Auto Club members are generously funding the event and supplying their elegant classic and roaring muscle cars for exciting cruise laps around the internationally renowned track – but be warned: seats are extremely limited, and bookings are essential.

Glenn Power of Genuine Support Services Australia (GSSA) said "To claim your free ride, you need to swing by the GSSA office and speak to Jess, or if that's not possible, just give her a call on 8166 7577." "There are no guarantees, the free seats will depend on availability of club vehicles and chosen seating arrangements." The GSSA team will keep everyone in the loop with the seating arrangements once final numbers are in.

"And if you do miss out, don't worry, for just \$20 per car, you can still participate in the cruise in your own vehicle." Glenn said, "This is an amazing opportunity for everyone to explore this world-class track and enjoy a unique all-inclusive community atmosphere."

The Hearts & Horsepower Cruise isn't just about cars — it's about bringing people together from all over the Adelaide Hills and the Murraylands, "It's going to be brilliant, a lap or two of connection, adrenaline, and horsepower," Glenn said. The event has been made possible through the incredible generosity of the Tailem Bend Auto Club and the Shell V-Power Motorsport Park at The Bend.

Don't miss out on this unforgettable track event, whether you're in the passenger seat or behind the wheel, the *Hearts & Horsepower Cruise* is where engines will roar to life and memories will be made!

#### THANK YOU FOR FIVE YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE



"Here are six devoted staff members whose genuine care and compassion touch the lives of everyone they serve." - congratulations and thank you to Kate, Natalie, Holly, Aliik, Craig, and Stanley.





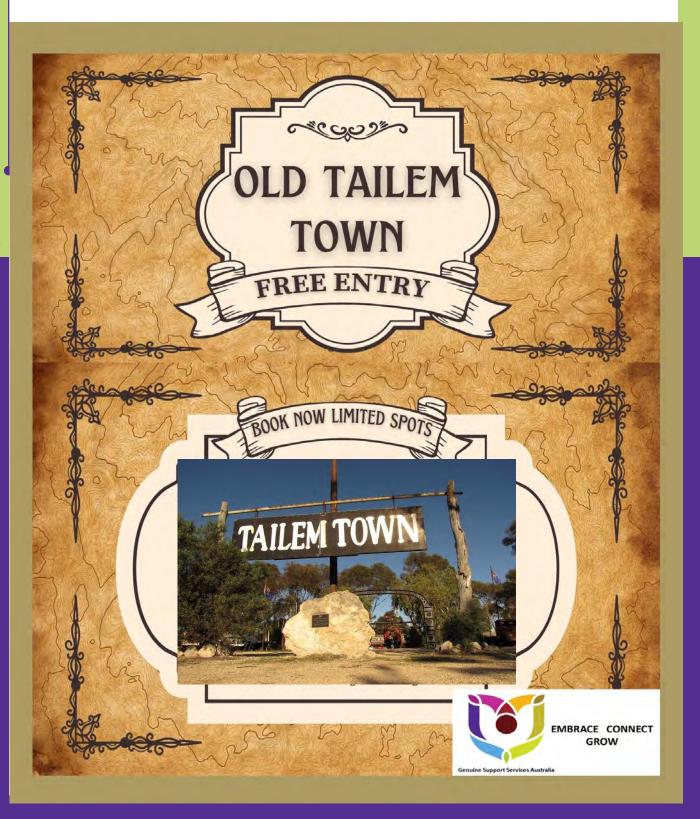


#### GSSA FOLKS—FREE ENTRY—OLD TAILEM TOWN

Step into the past—and help bring it to life! We're inviting a few awesome GSSA folks to spend 3 fun-filled hours at Old Tailem Town Pioneer Village on <u>August 12, 2025</u> (1 pm to 4 pm) dressed in period costumes (provided), while being photographed by students from GSSA's Fresh Perspective Photography program.

It's completely free— no entry fee, just your time, your smile, and a sense of fun. The photos will be used to promote the village and showcase photographers' talent on social media.

If you want in, we have limited costumes so please book you place with Jess at the GSSA office, and we'll be in touch. Let's create something timeless together!



#### **DVD LIBRARY**

(R) Montana checking out one of many entertaining DVDs available from Murray Bridge's first FREE community Honesty Digital Library, now at GSSA.







#### **JUGGLING**

(R) Tyneille is a tireless, deeply caring team member—juggling rosters, solving problems, and holding everything together with unwavering heart, focus, and dedication.



#### **DIGITALY RECODING HISTORY**

(L) Suzanne digitally recording historic photographs at Old Tailem Town Pioneeer Village.











#### CALLING ALL SUPERHEREROS

Grab your capes and assemble for Superhero Bowling Night on <u>Friday, September 19th 2025</u> from 6:00 PM at Bridge Bowl – 6a Maurice Road, Murray Bridge.

One game - \$9 Two games - \$15

Whether you're faster than a speeding bowling ball or just like to strike up some fun — we need YOU! RSVP with Jess at the GSSA Office: 8166 7577—Don't miss your chance to bowl with the bold.



#### STAFF & CLIENT LUNCH

(Below) We had a wonderful time catching up together at the Murray Bridge Club.



## SUMMONING CREATURES OF THE NIGHT

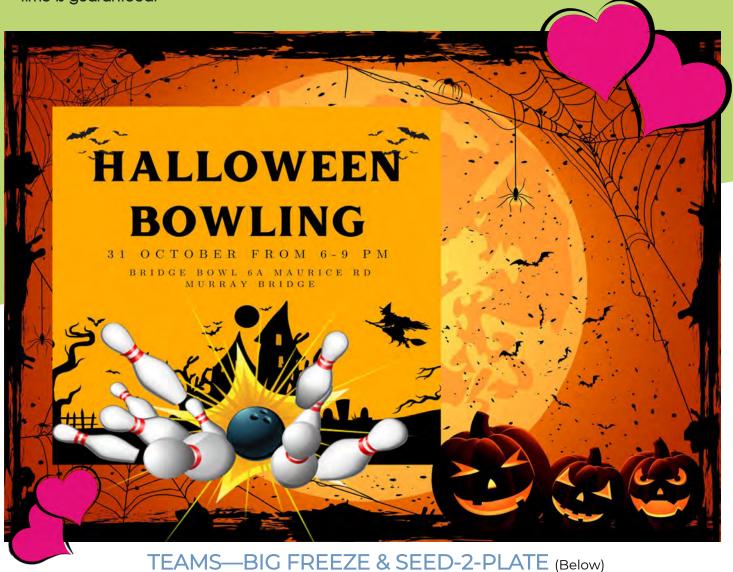
31st, 2025 from 6:00 PM at Bridge Bowl – 6a Morris Road, Murray Bridge.



One game - \$9 Two games - \$15

Whether you love to slay pins or scare up some fun, come along and be a part of the action. RSVP with Jess at the GSSA Office: 8166 7577.

Costumes encouraged, spooky spirit required — dressing up is optional, but a frightfully good time is guaranteed!





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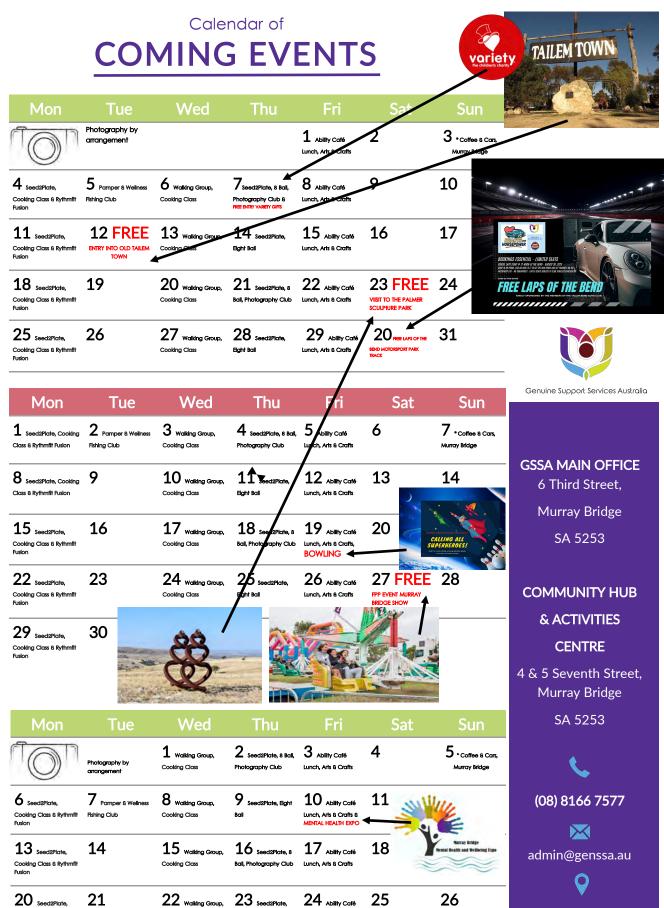
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Lunch, Arts & Crafts

31 Ability Café

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Ball, Photography Club

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