



The State of VOLUNTEERING On-line



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Free 2009 Volunteer Bonus Books available now!

The Office for Volunteers has developed a new Volunteer Bonus Book, in partnership with State Government agencies and local businesses, to help recognise and reward South Australia's outstanding volunteers.

The free 2009 Volunteer Bonus Book offers discount vouchers to volunteers on a range of attractions and retail opportunities, such as at the Palace Cinema, Art Gallery of SA, Adelaide Aquatic Centre, and more.

Get your Bonus Book now: Available in limited quantities from the following volunteer resource centres:

Volunteering SA&NT Inc

1st Floor, Torrens Building, 220 Victoria Square,
Adelaide

Phone: (08) 8221 7177

Email: volsa@volunteeringsa.org.au

Southern Volunteering SA Inc

Noarlunga Health Village, Alexander Kelly Drive,
Noarlunga Centre

Phone (08) 8384 9202

Email: svsa@internode.on.net

Northern Volunteering SA Inc

39 John Street, Salisbury

Phone (08) 8250 1582

Email: volunteer@nvsa.asn.au



Hills Volunteering

The Hut Community Centre, 1 Euston Road, Aldgate

Phone (08) 8339 4400

Email: hillsvolunteering@thehut.org.au

Gawler Volunteer Resource Centre

Gawler Sport and Community Centre, Nixon
Terrace, Gawler

Phone (08) 8522 9207

Email: volunteering@gawler-sa.sa.gov.au

Further information: contact the Office for Volunteers by phoning 8463 4490.

Volunteers unite to conserve Eyre Peninsula's coastline

A team from Conservation Volunteers Australia recently joined forces with the Eyre Peninsula Natural Resource Management (EPNRM) Board, local councils and volunteer groups in an innovative project to complete much needed conservation work along the Eyre Peninsula coastline.

The team, which included three volunteers from Korea on a 10-day tour of Eyre Peninsula, assisted local councils and volunteer groups in many ways.

They revegetated sand dunes in Elliston; oiled boardwalks along the west coast; planted trees in Coffin Bay; helped with foreshore maintenance and weeding in Arno Bay; planted trees and constructed a bush kitchen in Iron Knob; and more.

Ms Kathryn Hardwick, Regional Volunteer Coordinator, EPNRM Board says that the real success story of this conservation project came through all the partnerships formed.

“Volunteer groups on the Eyre Peninsula have been saying – there’s not enough new people to volunteer, volunteers are busy on the farm, volunteers are aged, volunteers are getting burnt out, Adelaide doesn’t think about people if they live north of Gepps Cross.”

“To counter this thinking, we identified Conservation Volunteers Australia and worked with them to send a team over. I believe that this idea - that volunteer groups can access volunteers outside their community - is an important message to spread,” she said.

Further information: contact Kathryn Hardwick by phoning 8682 7555 or emailing kathryn@epnrm.com.au



Apply now for an Adult Community Education Grant

South Australia Works 'Adult Community Education Grants' are now open for application until 3 July 2009. Community based organisations are invited to apply for:

- **Community Learning Multi-literacies** grants for the provision of personal skills development that include one or more literacies such as functional, computer, cultural, financial and employment literacies. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available for this project.
- **Community Learning Transitions** grants for the delivery of accredited training by community organisations that involve a partnership with TAFE SA. Grants of up to \$50,000 are available for this project.

In 2009-10 there will be a focus on young people 17 to 24 and their learning needs. Applications close on Friday 3 July 2009.

Further information: Applications, Criteria and Information Session details are available from the SA Works website at www.saworks.sa.gov.au or by phoning 8226 3401 or 8463 6585.

Free workshops for emergency relief volunteer organisations

Involved in working with coordinating or supporting emergency relief volunteers? You're invited to join one of 48 fun, practical and free one day workshops taking place across Australia in June and July.

The 'Essentials for Attracting and Keeping Emergency Relief Volunteers' is being presented by People First-Total Solutions, in conjunction with volunteering organisations nationally and funded by FaHCSIA, to provide practical information to volunteer involving organisations on how to attract, retain, support and reward volunteers involved in the delivery of emergency relief.

Sessions in SA will take place 9.30 am - 4 pm at the following locations:

Port Pirie	Friday 26 June	Noarlunga	Thursday 2 July
Salisbury	Monday 29 June	Mt Gambier	Thursday 9 July
Port Lincoln	Tuesday 30 June	Central Adelaide	Friday 24 July

Register now: visit www.pfts.com.au/essentials or phone toll free 1300 715 882. The workshops include lunch, morning tea, resources and materials. For those who travel more than a 200 km round trip there will be a \$50 fuel/travel reimbursement.

Free volunteer training courses from Volunteering SA&NT

The following training opportunities, funded by the Government of South Australia's Office for Volunteers, are offered free of charge to volunteers through Volunteering SA&NT.

Tues 7 July	9.30 am - 12.30 pm	Introduction to Volunteer Management <i>Volunteering SA&NT, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide</i>
Thurs 9 July	9.30 am - 12.30 pm	Engaging Gen Y <i>Volunteering SA&NT, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide</i>
Tues 14 July	9.30 am - 12.30 pm	Providing Quality Customer Service <i>Volunteering SA&NT, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide</i>
Wed 15 July	9.30 am - 12.30 pm	Supervision and Leadership <i>Volunteering SA&NT, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide</i>
Wed 15 July	1.00 pm - 4.00 pm	Working in Teams <i>Volunteering SA&NT, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide</i>
Thurs 16 July	9.30 am - 12.30 pm	Volunteers Enhancing Living as an Older Person (formerly Volunteering with Frail Aged) <i>Volunteering SA&NT, 220 Victoria Square, Adelaide</i>

Bookings are essential for all the above workshop. Book now or find out more by contacting Volunteering SA&NT by phoning 8221 7177 or emailing training@volunteering.sa.gov.au.

Other great training opportunities

Southern Volunteering SA Inc

Southern Volunteering SA is hosting a range of training opportunities for volunteers and volunteer managers:

Tues 14 July	9.15 am - 11 am	Introduction to volunteering <i>Noarlunga Health Village, Alexander Kelly Dr, Noarlunga Centre</i> Free
Tues 28 July	9.15 am - 11 am	Introduction to volunteering <i>Noarlunga Health Village, Alexander Kelly Dr, Noarlunga Centre</i> Free
Tues 11 August	9.15 am - 11 am	Introduction to volunteering <i>Noarlunga Health Village, Alexander Kelly Dr, Noarlunga Centre</i> Free
Mon 17 August	9.30 am - 12.30pm	Be and effective volunteer <i>Noarlunga Health Village, Alexander Kelly Dr, Noarlunga Centre</i> Free
Tues 25 August	9.15 am - 11 am	Introduction to volunteering <i>Noarlunga Health Village, Alexander Kelly Dr, Noarlunga Centre</i> Free

For further information or to register for a session, contact Southern Volunteering SA Inc by phoning 8384 9202 or emailing svsa@internode.on.net.

Comments and contributions

Do you have a story for *The State of Volunteering On-line*? Articles and photos about your volunteering experiences, events, projects and achievements can be emailed to freeman.linda@agd.sa.gov.au.

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