



# Outdoor News

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Two of the resident sea lions (*Neophoca cinerea*) taking it easy off the end of the Outer Harbor breakwater. They're obviously not concerned about marine mammal regulations...

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## From the Editor

### Peter Carter

In this first issue of 2014 we have a reminder of the forthcoming AGM, including the minutes of last year's meeting. We also have the criteria and nomination form for the annual OEASA awards.

UniSA ran a Flatwater Instructor Induction recently and I've included a few pictures of the event, along with a couple from the Friends of Torrens Island picnic. FoTI is now incorporated and held its inaugural general meeting last November. For more about it, see [www.friendsoftorrensland.org](http://www.friendsoftorrensland.org).

This year's Canoe SA Team Paddle Challenge will be Sat 13 and Sun 14 September at Roonka, with training sessions on Sat 6 and Sun 7 at West Lakes. Someone is planning a Mannum world record attempt for number of paddlers on water at Mannum on Sun 4 May, with associated come and try: see page 11. Keep an eye on the Canoe SA site for details.

For some entertaining paddling of another sort, take a look at [gcaptain.com/ice-canoe-racing-canada](http://gcaptain.com/ice-canoe-racing-canada).

Stocks of one of the most popular of the Canoe Guide maps, that for Chowilla, are almost exhausted. A reprint is planned, but a complication is that GIS data for the existing map is not compatible with current systems (!) so the job will take a while. Meanwhile, Paddle NSW has begun a Waterways Guide website, which will eventually become national and supplant printed maps. The site is at [www.waterwaysguide.org.au](http://www.waterwaysguide.org.au) but is still at an early stage.

A well-established site is that of the American Canoe

Association, [www.americancanoe.org](http://www.americancanoe.org), with a monthly newsletter for instructors. There's not a lot in each issue, but the page includes links to a number of useful articles.

As a SASRS radio operator I get to hear about kayakers being rescued from awkward situations at sea. A recent incident, not so much a rescue as preventative, took place near Rapid Bay. Local police were made aware of two men fishing by kayak in the late afternoon and called out the Wirrina SASRS boat. When SR-05 arrived the fishermen insisted they didn't need rescue. Police were not amused and ordered the kayakers to shore.

Perhaps an overreaction in this instance, but the area is notorious for its downslope offshore breezes, against which many paddlers, especially those on SOTs, have found themselves unable to paddle against. The area is an interesting one to paddle, with sea caves near Second Valley, but do keep an eye on the conditions.

Then there was the fellow stranded on the cliff, but that's another story...

I thought it was time for a new pic: this one was taken off Outer Harbor on 27 January. I then put my hat and sunnies back on and chased, and caught, a yacht to chat with the crew.



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## The Outdoor Educators' Association of South Australia

### Aims

- 1 To promote the development of Outdoor Education in South Australia
- 2 To represent Outdoor Educators on issues and matters concerning the use of the outdoors
- 3 To maintain the professional development of personnel working in the area of Outdoor Education
- 4 To maintain, support and develop the role of Outdoor Educators in South Australia
- 5 To promote the professional interchange of information between members and other related organisations through conferences, meetings, seminars and publications
- 6 To promote a philosophy of environmental awareness, preservation, conservation and positive attitudes towards the use of the outdoor environment
- 7 To act in an advisory capacity to community, government and non-government agencies

The Outdoor Educators' Association of South Australia supports these national ethical guidelines for outdoor educators:

- The Outdoor Educator will fulfil his or her duty of care
- The Outdoor Educator will provide a supportive and appropriate learning environment
- The Outdoor Educator will develop his or her professionalism
- The Outdoor Educator will ensure his or her practice is culturally and environmentally sensitive

### OEASA Committee 2013-2014

Chair: Mike Meredith

Assistant Chairperson: Chris Hodgson

Treasurer: Phil Noble

Assistant Treasurer: Andrew Stace

Secretary: Nick Glover

Assistant Secretary: Bel Emanuele

Editor and webmaster: Peter Carter

Committee: Scott Polley, Andrew Govan, Mick Dennis, Brad Newton, Bianca Newton, David Edwards, Jo Barton, Chris Hodgson, Andrew Stace, Micha Jensen, Nathan Doble, Dave Walker, Meriden Jensen

## From the Chairman

**Mike Meredith**

Welcome to the first edition of *Outdoor News* for 2014. I hope you all had a safe, restful and enjoyable break. If it was anything like mine I had just started getting used to the slow pace of holidays when I was rudely shocked by having to get into work and the list of 'jobs to do' rapidly increased significantly overnight with the great clutter of school related activity. Not that I can complain but at least I now had a good excuse for not doing all the jobs I had put off at home! Getting back into the swing of things started those annual cycles of getting ready, planning and doing. Remembering that old saying "If you always do what you have always done you will keep get the same results". That works well if things are going well and bodes well for some change if they aren't. Needless to say most things proceeded as usual but not all. One major difference is that this year we have the 18th National Outdoor Education Conference being held here in Adelaide.

Speaking of cycles it only seems like yesterday we were attending the 2012 National Conference in Canberra and not that long ago we were at Westminster for the 12th National Conference. What great experiences they were. So now it's time to hook in and get ready for this year's National Conference. I hope many of you will take the opportunity to join with other Outdoor Educators from across the country (world) and attend the conference being held at PAC 14–16 April. We are very keen to get a good showing of South Aussie Outdoor Educators. More details later in this edition.

Now that ACARA has completed the Australian Curriculum—Health and Physical Education Foundation to 10 curriculum document it is time to begin reflecting and planning on how we can use the curriculum to engage students in meaningful outdoor learning to benefit their lives and the world we live in. The curriculum outlines the content and standards for HPE delivery and its references to Outdoor Education as a medium for HPE learning are significant. The HPE curriculum gives us as Outdoor Educators great scope and hope for the future. During the upcoming National Conference we will be able to contribute to how this may look with workshops and discussion groups looking at options and ways forward to influence the future role of outdoor education in our schools. So please come along and have your say.

During 2013, Outdoors SA (OSA) has continued to represent the wider interests of outdoor adventure activity groups and individuals. As a representative body they aim to give unification, added voice and support to those involved in adventure activities within the outdoor sector here in SA. OEASA is a member of OSA and also acts as the Outdoor Education subcommittee for this group. Jo Barton has been OEASA's committee representative on the OSA Board and I would like to thank her for her efforts now that she has moved interstate to take on new challenges for 2014. Two well attended Outdoor Forums were held on 29 and 30 January with discussion about

significant matters of mutual concern for outdoor users. I hope that a more unified approach within the sector will bring more support and funding opportunities as time progresses.

There are a number of activities planned for 2014 and the details for this year's major calendar functions are listed throughout this edition and will be available on the OEASA website. I urge you to mark them on your calendar now so you are able to attend and help make them hugely successful events.

I would particularly like to draw your attention to the following events for 2014:

**The 2014 AGM** will be held on Friday 14 March 6:00 pm (for a 6:30 pm start) at The Astor Hotel, 437 Pultney Street

Agenda  
Welcome  
Apologies  
Previous minutes  
Chairperson's report  
Secretary's Report  
Treasurer's report  
Election of office bearers 2014  
Fees for 2015  
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It is hoped that people attending will stay for a chat, meal and drinks after the AGM. The Astor has \$10 Schnitzels on Fridays or an à la carte menu for you to choose from. Once we have finished the AGM everyone is encouraged to stay for a meal and catch up with fellow outdoor enthusiasts. You will be well situated to make it a night on the town once we have finished.

This year OEASA is hosting the **18th National Outdoor Education Conference** on behalf of OEA. It is being held at Prince Alfred College 14–16 April. A very interesting range of presentations are on offer at the conference being held during the first term holidays. If you are able to attend that would be great as we need a good showing at our home event. Registrations are open and there is still room for sponsorship if you are interested. If you are planning to attend or keen on sponsorship please get on line and register: early bird registration finishes in late February so don't miss out. Registrations and conference details are available on the conference website: <[www.achpersa.com.au/wb/pages/professional-learning/18th-national-outdoor-education-conference-2014.php](http://www.achpersa.com.au/wb/pages/professional-learning/18th-national-outdoor-education-conference-2014.php)>.

The **Outdoor Presentation Dinner** will be held on Friday 20 June at the Unley City Council Chambers, which has been a great venue with catering again being provided by Frank and his great crew. Frank has offered us a 'special' in recognition of 10 years of business with us. This evening recognises the achievements of those involved in the outdoor community and is one not to be missed. An



## From the Chairman

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Award Nomination form and award details have been included later in the newsletter if you have someone in mind.

**Outdoor Education Week** (August–September) is another fixture on the calendar. This event run each year helps raise public awareness of Outdoor Education and by continuing will help in our ultimate goal of getting quality curriculum driven Outdoor Education experiences for all students in all year levels across the country. Any positive promotion of what we are doing with young people in the outdoors helps get the message out there. Check out the website: [www.outdooreducation-week.com.au](http://www.outdooreducation-week.com.au).

The **GACO (Great Aussie camp Out)** is planned for Saturday 11 October and is intended to get people outside and involved in camping. The idea is to log on to the website indicating you are involved and camp out that night in the back yard, caravan park, national park, etc. There is no cost involved and helps promote healthy and respectful use of outdoor places. Get involved and let your students/parents/teachers know about it as well: [www.greataussiecampout.org.au](http://www.greataussiecampout.org.au).

I look forward to catching up with as many people as possible at the AGM, National Conference, Outdoor Presentation Dinner or other activities planned throughout the year. If you have any comments or ideas for upcoming events please do not hesitate to contact either myself or one of your committee members or come along to a committee meeting, where you would be most welcome.

It is as always a pleasure to be of service. Yours in the great outdoors...



### Outdoor News deadlines for 2014

We plan to produce four editions each year. The deadline for submitting articles, etc. for inclusion is the end of term, aiming to publish early in the following term.

To this end dates for submission of articles are;

- End Term 1 Friday 11 April for the May edition
- End Term 2 Friday 4 July for the July edition
- End Term 3 Friday 26 September for October edition
- End Year 2014 (December) for February 2015 edition.

We appreciate your assistance in getting interesting articles, etc. in to the editor Peter Carter.

## OEASA AGM 2014

**Friday 14th March 2014 starting at 6:30pm**

**Astor Hotel, 437 Pulteney Street**

Programme

- 6:00–6:30 pm: Drinks and Nibbles
- 6:30–7:00 pm: AGM
- 7:00–8:00 pm: Stay for a chat and order a meal, \$10 Schnitzel specials or à la carte menu

All members are encouraged to attend and support your association.

Calls are made for nominations from among our members to serve as office bearers of the association. Nominations with a seconder for the following positions may be made prior to or at the AGM: Chairperson, Assistant Chair, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Sub editor and committee members.

Nominations and RSVP for numbers if staying for a meal to Nick Glover by phone, 0421 612 340, or [nicks\\_mailbox@yahoo.com](mailto:nicks_mailbox@yahoo.com), by Wednesday 12 March.

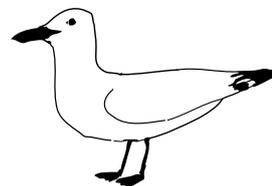
### Bushwalking Leadership SA 2014 Dates

- 24–25 May: Technical Skills Assessment (BLC), Hallett region
- 7–9 June: Day Walk Leaders Course (DWL), Victor Harbor Region
- Sunday 6–Sunday 13 July: Bushwalking Assistant Leadership Course (BALC), Wirrabara Forest region
- 23–24 August: Technical Skills Assessment (BLC), Hallett region
- 26th Sept–3 Oct: General Mountain Training (GMT), Northern Flinders region

All course information is located on our website

[www.bushwalkingleadership.org.au](http://www.bushwalkingleadership.org.au)..

There is always space in *Outdoor News* for your contribution



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# Minutes of the 2013 OEASA AGM

## 15 March 2013

**Present:** Nick Glover, Mike Meredith, Brad Newton, Bianca Newton (nee Barbon), Rob Stillwell, Scott Polley, Micha Jensen, Meridee Jensen, Tim Gill, Andrew Pope, Andrew Stace, Jess Stace, Bel Emanuele, Wayne Hooper, Libby Robertson, Chris Hodgson, Luke Duncan, Simon Wilson, Peter Carter, Jo Barton, Matt Randell, David Edwards

**Apologies:** Dave Walker, Andrew Govan, Peter Kellett, Kylie Pointon, Rob Hogan, Liz Liebig, Eve Craker, Mick Dennis

**AGM opened:** 18:35

**Welcome**, and procedures for the AGM, from the chairman

**AGM minutes** from 2012 were read and accepted

Chairman's report was given by Mike Meredith:

Welcome to the 2013 OEASA AGM. OEASA has had another busy year in 2012. Continued discussions and input focussing on HPE in the Australian Curriculum and Outdoor Education's role in it have taken place as has the formation of OSA. The association has represented its members and provided good service to outdoor professionals in South Australia. A conference was co-hosted with ACHPER in April 2012. National outdoor representation has moved forward with developments by the national Outdoor Education Association (OEA) toward incorporation and funding by states bodies has occurred.

I would like to thank the committee members for their significant efforts and help throughout the year. Without their help little would be achieved and we as an organization would provide little service to our members. Everyone has supported the organisation as best possible. In particular Nick Glover and Phil Noble have continued their work as secretary and treasurer respectively. Andrew Govan and Luke Duncan must be thanked for their efforts toward the presentation dinner, Peter Carter for his efforts as editor and looking after the website. Scott Polley has again made significant contributions to the OEA. Without the support of such people we would achieve very little. Thanks and well done.

What has the OEASA committee been up to since the 2012 AGM?

- Last year's AGM was attended by 20 members at the Astor Hotel and concluded with a great meal at the hotel.
- Continued cooperation with outdoor leadership organisations including BLSA, SAREA and Canoe SA.
- Organised a very successful Outdoor Presentation Dinner attended by 111 people with the presentation by numerous bodies of their leadership and achievement certificates. The Unley City Council venue was great again as was Frank's cooking.
- Four newsletters distributed.
- Two editions of *National Journal of OED* distributed.

- Website has been maintained by Peter Carter. Reminder: we are always after material to include. Belinda Emanuele has been coordinating development of a resource section so if you have items please let her know.
- Bianca Barbon has set up a OEASA facebook page.
- Bel Emanuele has been developing a new logo
- The committee representatives have continued discussions with other state Outdoor Education Associations for Outdoor Education Australia — A Network of OED associations. We have been custodians of the finances in preparation for the 2014 National Conference.
- Discussions were held regarding the running of the 2014 national conference in Tasmania / Adelaide through the OEA. Adelaide 2014 is the venue.
- Discussions regarding the Australian Curriculum and the place of Outdoor Educations in HPE have continued. Input into the ACARA Draft Shape HPE statement has resulted in considerable gains in OED content in HPE curriculum document with final submissions to occur soon. Scott Polley has played a vital role in keeping this moving.
- We held meetings with OSA as the peak body for Outdoor Adventure in SA. They are set to present suitable awards at the Outdoor Presentation dinner in 2013.
- Participated in GACO on 13 October 2013 with ACA.
- Participated in Outdoor Education week 27 August–2 September 2012. Once again a significant contribution was made by SA schools and organisations to support this annual event.
- Partnered with ACHPER to run a very successful joint conference 19–20 April 2012. This year's (2013) combined event is well under way and has significant OED content.
- *People and Parks – Draft Visitor Strategy* has been published late 2012 which included considerable input from OEASA and particularly Wayne Hooper and Libby Robertson.
- Presented an outdoor seminar session by Luke Adams, Climbing in Europe, and SA Adventurer of the year Adam Kilpatrick/Stephen Smith on their amazing cycle trip to Europe.
- Scott Polley was presented with a 'Recognition of Excellence' award at the CEASA World Teachers' Day celebrations.
- We have maintained membership of CEASA and ACHPER.
- OEASA supported the UniSA past graduates' dinner. This great event was held at the Unley Town Hall on 24 August, attended by a great diversity of past graduates.
- OEASA has maintained a healthy financial state and is in a position to maintain services into the near future.

I would like to thank our many sponsors for their valuable support during the year. In particular our Gold sponsors: Macpac, Outgrow, Paddy Pallins, Venture Corporate Recharge and Wilderness Escape. Silver sponsor, Scout Outdoor Centre, and Bronze sponsors: Vertical Reality Climbing Gym, Snowy's Outdoors, Step Outside Footwear, Fassina Liquor, Prince Alfred College, Loan Logic, Griffin Wines and Abundant Health. All must be

## Minutes of the 2013 OEASA AGM

thanked for their generous donations and support of OEASA and the presentation dinner. Please show your support to all these organisations with your patronage and help to repay some of their support. I would like to acknowledge the support given by Prince Alfred College throughout the year in producing the newsletter. We are currently reviewing our sponsor packages to ensure equitable recognition of contributions made throughout the year.

In summary I would like to once again thank the committee on behalf of the members for their efforts throughout the year and our many sponsors and people who have helped OEASA.

I look forward to another busy year in 2013 with the ACHPER/OEASA conference 15–16 April, the presentation dinner on the 21 June, the OEA—Network continuing their move toward a strong national body, providing input into the Australian curriculum HPE curriculum statement and the next National Conference here in 2014. I trust 2013 will be a good year for professional learning opportunities and activities and programs being run by or for OEASA members.

Secretary's report was provided by Nick Glover:

The role of secretary continues to prioritise distribution of community information and other emails: OEASA Outdoor News; promotion of OEASA events, e.g. seminars, AGM, presentation dinner; other state OE and OR association information; relevant community information and notices, e.g. OE week, GACO, Cooe Ads, DENR feedback.

The role has also been busy liaising with service providers for regular meetings and functions, particularly with the rise of Outdoors SA.

It is hoped that the efforts have been of value to the membership, and I look forward to continuing in the role for a further 12 months.

Treasurer's report was provided by Phil Noble:

The 2012 year was once again a successful one for the Outdoor Education Association of South Australia (OEASA). Our membership database has 127 members with 74 being paid financial members. The breakdown is as follows:

- Life Members: 5
- Individual Members: 23
- Student Members: 2
- Family Members: 3
- School Members: 45
- Electronic Members: 8
- Organisation Members: 10
- Award Winners: 19
- Complimentary Members: 10
- Gold Sponsors: 4
- Unpaid Members: 14

The major event for OEASA for the year was the Award Dinner held at the Unley Council with 111 people attending this fantastic night. Throughout the night, raffles and the auction, with prizes kindly donated by several of our members and sponsors raised \$2007.

OEASA started the year with \$25,873.70 in the bank. Throughout the year we had an Income of \$13,113.63 and Expenses of \$11,214.88. This saw us with a profit of \$1,898.75 and a closing bank balance of \$27,772.45

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Election of officers for the following 12 months:

- Chair: Mike Meredith
- Treasurer: Phil Noble
- Secretary: Nick Glover
- Editor and webmaster: Peter Carter
- Committee Scott Polley, Andrew Govan, Mick Dennis, Brad Newton, Bianca Newton, David Edwards, Jo Barton, Chris Hodgson, Andrew Stace, Micha Jensen, Nathan Doble, Dave Walker, Meriden Jensen—passed by all
- Assistant Secretary: Bel Emanuele
- Assist Treasurer: Andrew Stace
- Vice chairperson: Chris Hodgson
- OSA representative: Jo Barton
- CEASA representatives: Mike Meredith, Nick Glover
- ACHPER representative: Scott Polley
- OEA representatives: Scott Polley, Mike Meredith

Events for 2013:

- Committee meetings: 17:30 at EDC, Milner Street
- Hindmarsh: Friday 15 Feb, Friday 17 May, Friday 9 August, Friday 15 November
- AGM: Friday 15 March, 18:00 for 18:30 start, Astor Hotel, Pulteney Street Adelaide
- State Conference with ACHPER: 15–16 April at PAC
- Presentation Dinner: Friday 21 June: 18:30 for 19:00 start, Unley Town Hall (to be confirmed)
- Outdoor Education Week: August–September, date TBC, OEA to coordinate
- Great Aussie Campout (GACO): 12 October, ACA to coordinate

AOB

Outdoors SA: no updates since IGM  
OEA NOEC and curriculum: OEASA input has resulted in changes to national curriculum. Uniform response from members was very effective, but individual responses should continue for greatest impact. All encouraged to provide feedback to ACARA. NOEC to focus on curriculum, being a very topical issue.

AGM Closed 19:19



# Outdoor Education. It's in our Nature

## 18th National Outdoor Education Conference

14-16 April 2014 | Prince Alfred College, Adelaide

*Ngai wangandi marni nabudni Kurna yertaanna*

First let me welcome you all to Kurna country...

This conference presents a great opportunity to celebrate your role as part of a diverse community of Outdoor Education leaders, teachers, scholars, managers and directors from around the country to engage, share and be challenged.

By the time the conference proceeds most of the Australian National Curriculum will be written, and much of it already adopted or trialled. Outdoor Education Australia celebrates the opportunities that Geography, History, Science and especially the Health and Physical Education curriculum offers for F-10 Outdoor Education programs in this country. The conference explores what it means to be Outdoor Educated, what is our place in society, what is our contribution to our communities, and how we can be part of solutions to the pressures faced by our citizens and planet?

The conference is brought to you by the Outdoor Educators' Association of South Australia and Outdoor Education Australia. Any profits or losses from the conference are shared equally, with any profits being used to further develop Outdoor Education. The committee have worked hard to provide a professional, accessible and enjoyable conference celebrates your decision to take on the challenge of being an Outdoor Educator.



Full-time Registration (3 days) includes the following:

- Session and trade exhibition admission
- Daily morning and afternoon teas
- Lunch

Members: \$375

Non-members of OEA \$425

After Feb 14: \$475

Full time students: Price on application.

Two Day Registration (2 days) includes the following:

On the days of registration:

- Session and trade exhibition admission
- Daily morning and afternoon teas
- Lunch

Members: \$300

Non-members of OEA \$350

After Feb 14: \$400

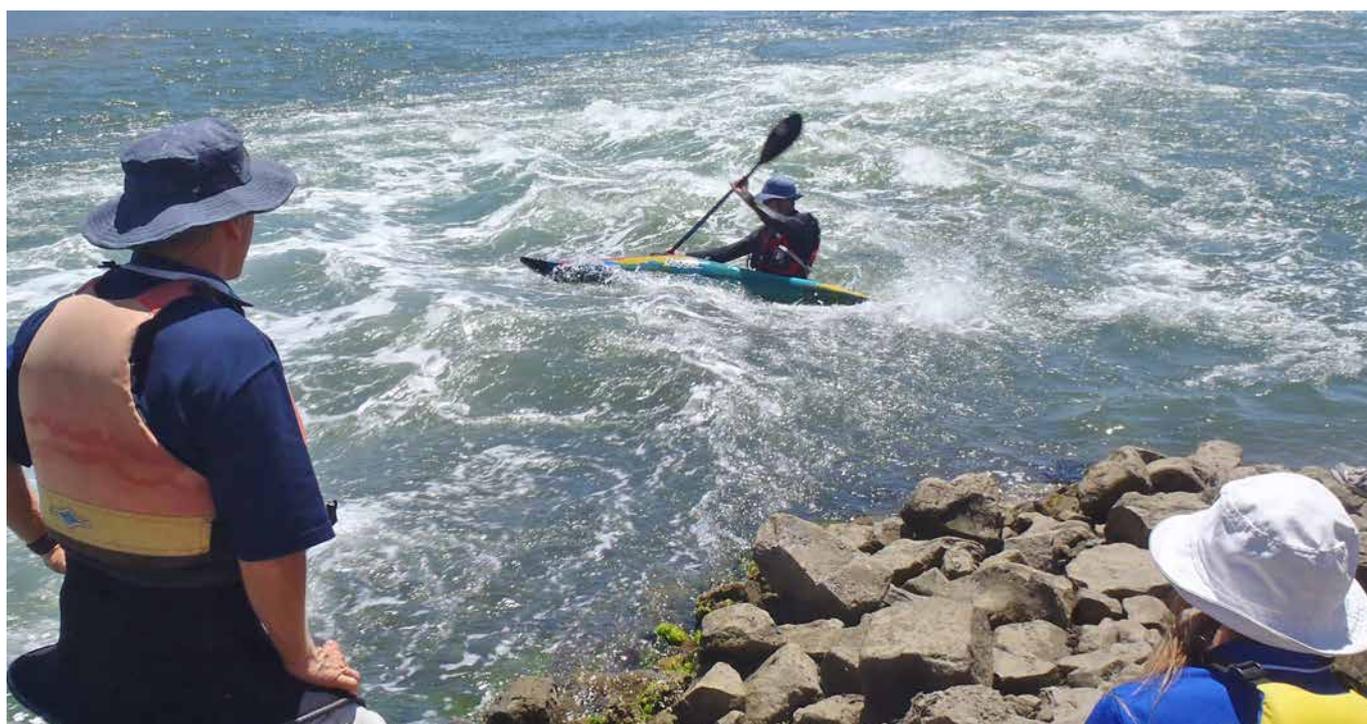
Full time students: Price on application.

One Day Registration (1 day) includes the following:

On the day of registration:

- Session and trade exhibition admission
- Daily morning and afternoon teas
- Lunch

Full registration for one day is \$200. No early bird or member discounts apply.



Whitewater in Adelaide: Simon Mulvihill on the West Lakes outlet

## Canoe SA Education Calendar

### March

Wed 12: Water Confidence and rolling  
Wed 19: Water Confidence and rolling  
Sun 23: Flatwater Skills

### April

Sun 6: Sea Skills Day 1 (Course 1)  
Sat 12 and Mon 14: Flatwater Lifeguard  
Sun 13: NOEC PD Workshop at Canoe SA for Assessors and Instructors

### May

Sat 10: Sea Skills Day 2 (Course 1)  
Wed 14: Education and Safety Technical Committee  
Tues 20: Evening Seminar—Navigation  
Fri 23–Sun 25: Sea Skills (Course 1, Wardang Is)  
Sun 25: Basic Skills Course

### June

Sun 15: Flatwater Instructor Induction  
Sun 29: Basic Skills Course

### July

Tues 8: Evening Seminar—Waves, tides and currents

### August

Tues 5: Evening Seminar—Safety equipment and communication for sea kayaking  
Wed 13: Education and Safety Technical Committee  
Sun 17: Basic Skills Course

Sun 24: Introductory skills for sea kayaking  
Sat 30: Team Paddle Challenge Training Session, am only  
Sun 31: Flatwater Skills

### September

Sun 7: Team Paddle Challenge training, am and pm sessions  
Sat 13 and Sun 14: Team Paddle Challenge  
Sun 21: Introductory skills for sea kayaking  
Sat 27: Basic Skills Course

### October

Mon 6–Fri 10 Oct: Flatwater Lifeguard (DECS course, Pt Augusta)  
Sun 12: Introductory skills for sea kayaking  
Fri 17–Sun 19 Oct: Sea Weekend, Victor Harbor  
Sat 25: Basic Skills Course  
Sun 26: Sea Skills Day 1 (Course 2)

### November

Wed 12: Education and Safety Technical Committee  
Sun 16: Sea Skills Day 2 (Course 2)  
Sun 23: Flatwater Instructor Induction  
Sun 30: Basic Skills Course

### December

Sat 6, Sun 7: Sea Skills (Course 2)  
Sun 14: Flatwater Skills



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# UniSA Flatwater Instructor Induction



Fun in the pool.

Two days were spent at Magill, two at West Lakes and two on the Port River.

Reverse paddling



How successful do you think this was?

Editors' rule: Don't let graphic designers handle text

Kayakers' rule: If it's bigger, faster or more expensive than the kayak, keep out of its way.



## Riverland closures and happenings

### Bob and Hazel West

A lot happening this way at the moment. A summary:

a) Partial Closure of Moorook Game Reserve in Wachtels Lagoon 24 January 2014 until 30 June 2014. See for details [www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/Safety/Park\\_closures/140124-moorook-game-reserve](http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/Safety/Park_closures/140124-moorook-game-reserve).

b) Katarapko National Park and Katarapko Creek closed until further notice. See for details [www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/Find\\_a\\_Park/Browse\\_by\\_region/Murray\\_River/Murray\\_River\\_National\\_Park](http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/Find_a_Park/Browse_by_region/Murray_River/Murray_River_National_Park) 15 January 2014 until further notice and [www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/Safety/Park\\_closures/140115-katarapko-murray-river](http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/Safety/Park_closures/140115-katarapko-murray-river).

Additionally urgent Notice to Mariners No 2 of 2014 issued on Friday 31 January 2014 has closed Katarapko Creek itself from Campsite 3 to Campsite 30 until further notice: [webapps.transport.sa.gov.au/news/templates/dtei\\_template2010.aspx?articleid=2575&zoneid=15](http://webapps.transport.sa.gov.au/news/templates/dtei_template2010.aspx?articleid=2575&zoneid=15).

Late notice from DENWR that possibly open soon.

c) In addition to above various construction works are occurring in the next few months in Eckerts Creek at bridge structures and log bridge. At some point also the weir in Katarapko is going to be lowered so there will be restrictions there at that time.

d) Lock 4 Closed from May till August for upgrade works. No navigational access at all.

e) Chowilla: Work at Pipeclay and Slaney weirs **should** be complete by the end of March allowing unrestricted access again.

Work in Chowilla Creek on the regulator is anticipated to be finished by end of April/early May.

f) Lock 7 to Lock 6: the pool level is going to be irregularly manipulated for remedial works to occur at Lake Victoria Outlet Regulator.

The levels may change by as much as 500 mm in a 24 hour period. Initially this is occurring between 24 to 28 February.

Updates can be obtained by referring to flow reports found on home page of: <https://www.waterconnect.sa.gov.au/>.

g) Mullaroo Creek will be closed from end of Feb to June 2014 for construction works.

h) Be aware that there is a declared Duck Shooting Season that also affects many of the arteas. The actual dates can be seen on: [www.environment.sa.gov.au/managing-natural-resources/plants-and-animals/Abundant\\_species/2014-duck-quail-open-season/game-reserves](http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/managing-natural-resources/plants-and-animals/Abundant_species/2014-duck-quail-open-season/game-reserves).



## Friends of Torrens Island picnic 2014



The Friends of Torrens Island held their third picnic at the Quarantine Station 23 February. At left, the shoreward end of the jetty, damaged by fire several years ago. If repaired, it would restore access by larger boats

FoTI members with interest in the flora and fauna of the area during their walk. The casuarinas are not native to the area.



## OEASA members 2013

Andrejs Berzins  
Jake Blunt  
Peter Carter  
Lean Donnellan  
Philippa Freeman  
Mel Fuge  
Pamela Georgiou  
Daniel Gogoll  
Tonia Gray (NSW OE Assoc)  
Annika Hamdorf  
Ross Hamilton  
Barry Hayden  
Alicia Holland  
Jayden La Dru  
Laura Mahlborg  
Kathy Mann  
Brooke Mawer  
Max McColl  
James McIntosh  
Sophie McKendrick  
Jessica Meachin  
Mark Munnings  
Kali Rodda  
David Russell  
Lisa Sachse  
Jarrod Salter  
Catherine Schultz  
Michael Seacomb  
Heidi Smith  
Rod Staples (Rosny College)  
Kimberley Wattchow  
Kelsey Weckert

Eliza Winter-Potter  
Kate Zvizgdins  
Tim Gill  
Andrew Govan  
Liz Liebing and Robert Hogan  
Libby Robertson and Wayne Hooper  
Peter Kellett  
Michael Meredith  
Tania Peake and Scott Polley  
Matt Abbott  
Greg Allen  
David Atkins  
Dan Barry  
Gordon Begg  
Susan Bennett  
Margaret Clark  
Eve Craker  
Mick Dennis  
David Edwards  
Belinda Emanuele  
Trent English  
Annie Fitridge  
Nerilee Flint  
Mark and Kate Hayward  
Ian Heard  
Grant Henwood  
David Higgins  
Dale Hobbs  
Chris Hodgson  
Simon Young and Catherine Jenner  
Micha Jensen  
Mark Kelly

Michael Kerin  
Gerrard Kleinig  
Doug Knuckey  
Rebecca Lohmeyer  
Doreen Marchesan  
Christie McCauley  
Kate Mitchell  
Mathilda Moore  
Neil Muggleton  
Bianca and Brad Newton  
Phil Noble  
Callan Obst  
Andrew Pope  
Daryl Porter  
Andrew Quinn  
Matt Randall  
Belinda Rowe  
Andrew Senyszyn  
Andrew and Jessica Stace  
Frank Taylor  
Peter Thornton  
Ryan Tripney  
Nic van Buuren  
Peter Vowles  
David Walker  
Robert West  
Ben Williamson  
Kim Wood  
Michael Woodward  
Mark Woolfall  
Richard Woolford  
Dan Zetlein



## Mannum Float Fest

**Sat 3, Sun 4 May**

**Ian Heard**

Mannum is hosting a float fest on the first weekend in May with the local community aiming to give the world record attempt for the largest raft a shake.

Go to their facebook page and like it: <https://www.facebook.com/Paddlingintotherecordbooks>.

Canoe SA is assisting by conducting some workshops and activities and is looking for volunteers to assist. We need Instructors, Guides and Lifeguards to assist in running some fun and learning activities.

Please call Ian Heard at Canoe SA if you are willing to assist in the following: introductory paddle skills course, water confidence and fun activities for young paddlers.

Camping will be available, however you will need to register early.

Phone 0417 081 426, 08 8240 3294, or canoesa1@canoesa.asn.au and keep an eye on the Canoe SA website.

## Submission guidelines

Contributions on any and all Outdoor Education and related matters are welcome in *Outdoor News*, and may be submitted directly to the editor at <pcarter@acslink.net.au>.

The first line of a file is to be the item's title, the second, the author's name (without 'By'). Include captions for any accompanying images, with details of who, which, what, when, where, etc.

Text may be as text file (.txt), RTF (.rtf) or Word format. If your file is a Word .doc or .docx, or RTF, please use appropriate styles for headings, list items, etc. (See 'Wordprocessing right and wrong', *ON* Vol 28 No 3, October 2010, p 14.)

Photographs must be submitted as image files, JPEG or TIFF, and **not** embedded in Word files (ever). Line art may be submitted in TIFF, EPS or Illustrator format. Where there are several images they may be sent as a ZIP archive.

Advertisements from sponsors or other organisations must be submitted as PDFs. Half page advertisements may be one column or landscape. Payment, where applicable, must be made through the OEASA Treasurer.



## How to get to the top...

This is the Atlas Powered Rope Ascender, a battery-driven device able to lift two people and their equipment some 30 storeys up in about 30 seconds. It would take the challenge out of climbing but could find a place in rescue work.

For more, see [web.mit.edu/news-office/2014/climbing-power-ascension-market-0107.html](http://web.mit.edu/news-office/2014/climbing-power-ascension-market-0107.html).



## One for minimalists

Combining spoon, fork, bottle opener, screwdriver, metric spanner (10 mm, 8 mm, 6 mm) is the Eat'N Tool. It's about 10 cm long and weighs 43 grams.

For more, see [www.extac.com.au/CRKT\\_Eat\\_N\\_Tool\\_p/cr9100kc.htm](http://www.extac.com.au/CRKT_Eat_N_Tool_p/cr9100kc.htm).

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## New High Ropes Adventure Course!

Set on 90 acres and located in the Adelaide Hills, just 40 minutes from the CBD, our High Ropes Adventure Course is the perfect location for an awesome outdoor adventure!

Run by our qualified and fun staff, you'll be fitted into a harness and helmet, taught the ropes (pardon the pun!) and then off you go, climbing up to wires 10m off the ground!

Once you've completed the 'Hanging Vines, Burma Bridge, Flying Fox and Two Tier Line', make your way up to the more challenging course. To get through this course, you'll need take on the 'Heebie Jeebee', cross 'Jacobs Ladder', climb the 'Dangle Duo' and take a 'Leap of Faith'.

## Camping also available!

If you are looking for a new location for your **Outdoor Education program**, there is camping available! There is plenty of room for up to 100 tents, with an area for cooking, a long drop toilet and a fire pit for night time games and debriefs.

Located only 10 minutes from Kuitpo Forest, it's the perfect base for any Outdoor Education Program!

Call us on 0422 493 635 to find out more!

To book your next adventure



[tom@tractionteambuilding.com.au](mailto:tom@tractionteambuilding.com.au)

### Special Offer!

Book a half day High Ropes program with us in Term 1 or 2, 2014 and receive a **FREE** Orienteering program *(Conditions Apply)*



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## OEASA Supporter levels

### Gold: \$1500+

- 1 12 months OEASA membership
- 2 Front page logo acknowledgement as Gold Supporter
- 3 Half page advert in Outdoor News
- 4 Verbal acknowledgement at all conferences, dinners and meetings
- 5 Visual acknowledgement at OEASA dinner
- 6 Provision for banners, merchandise or other at OEASA Dinner
- 7 Complimentary catering for one member at all OEASA functions

### Silver: \$750+

- 1 12 Months OEASA membership
- 2 Front page logo acknowledgement as Silver Supporter
- 3 Visual acknowledgement at OEASA dinner

- 4 Verbal acknowledgement at all conferences, dinners and meetings
- 5 Provision for banners, merchandise or other at State Dinner

### Bronze: \$350+

- 1 12 months OEASA membership
- 2 Front page logo acknowledgement as Silver Supporter
- 3 Visual acknowledgement at OEASA dinner
- 4 Verbal acknowledgement at all conferences, dinners and meetings
- 5 Provision for banners, merchandise or other at State Dinner

### Green: \$150+

### Blue: <\$150

## OEASA Awards

OEASA Awards are presented annually at the Certification Presentation Dinner.

The following awards may be approved by the OEASA committee, following submission of an application for selection of an appropriate award.

The application should state:

- 1 Candidate's full name, address, phone number and email if applicable
- 2 Nominator's full name, address, phone number, fax number, email and institution(s) they are associated with
- 3 The Award that the candidate is being nominated for.

### Conditions:

- 1 One candidate nomination per application
- 2 Nominator may nominate multiple candidates
- 3 The nominator does not need to be an OEASA member
- 4 The decision to accept the nominator's recommendation lies with the OEASA committee
- 5 Successful awardees will be advised by OEASA, and invited to attend the certificate presentation dinner
- 6 Awards may not be awarded in all categories every year.

### Awards:

- 1 A certificate will be issued by OEASA, signed by the chair, bearing the OEASA logo
- 2 The award will be posted out to candidates that are unable to attend the certificate presentation dinner
- 3 Awardees will be provided with state OEASA membership for 12 months
- 4 Mark Auricht Award, Tertiary Award and Krish Mosher Award students will be offered membership to the Australian Outdoor Education body, including receipt of the national journal
- 5 Mark Auricht Award, Tertiary Award and Kris Mosher Award will be provided with a small prize
- 6 All awardees and their friends and family are invited to attend the OEASA Certificate Presentation Dinner, at OEASA member rates
- 7 The committee may from time to time provide awardees with limited means with financial assistance to attend
- 8 The OEASA tertiary award will also be recognised by Uni SA Alumni in the graduation ceremony
- 9 All senior secondary, tertiary and professional awardees will be invited to join the OEASA committee.

### Categories:

- 1 Student
  - a. Primary Education  
Open nomination, including teachers, principals, volunteers and others.
    - i Significant application to outdoor or environmental education
    - ii Involvement in outdoor journeys and/or environmental action
    - iii Role model for other primary outdoor or environmental education students.

- b. Secondary Education (Stage 2 Outdoor and Environmental Studies or Outdoor Education)  
Nominated by teachers of Stage 2 Outdoor and Environmental Studies or Outdoor Education
    - i Achieves a result of 20 (pre-scaling) for Stage 2 Outdoor and Environmental Studies or Outdoor Education
    - ii Demonstrates application to outdoor journeys and/or environmental action
    - iii Is a role model for other Outdoor Education students.
  - c. Mark Auricht Award  
Nominated by the SSABSA Chief Moderator, Outdoor and Environmental Studies.
    - i Achieves the highest mark for Stage 2 Outdoor and Environmental Studies
    - ii Demonstrates application to outdoor journeys and/or environmental action
    - iii Is a role model for other Outdoor Education students.
  - d. VET/TAFE Outdoor Recreation award  
Nominated by the Program Director, Diploma of Outdoor Recreation.
    - i Achieves a high academic standing within the Diploma of Outdoor Recreation
    - ii Demonstrates application to outdoor journeys and/or environmental action
    - iii Is a role model for other Outdoor Recreation students.
  - e. Tertiary Outdoor Education Award  
Nominated by the Outdoor Education study stream coordinator.
    - i Achieves a high academic standing within studies of Outdoor Education
    - ii Demonstrates application to outdoor journeys and/or environmental action
    - iii Is a role model for other Outdoor Education students.
  - f. Certificate of Merit in Outdoor Education (all students)  
Open nomination, including teachers, principals, volunteers and others.
    - i Demonstrates a high level of application to Outdoor Education studies
    - ii Demonstrates application to outdoor journeys and/or environmental action
    - iii Is a role model for other Outdoor Education students.
- 2 Professionals and Volunteers
    - a. Service to Outdoor Education
      - i Demonstrates significant and sustained application to the provision and improvement of Outdoor Education and/or Outdoor Recreation
      - ii Demonstrates significant and sustained impact on the provision, quality or development of Outdoor Education in South Australia
      - iii Is a role model for other Outdoor Education/Outdoor Recreation/Environmental Education professionals or volunteers.

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- b. Krish Mosher Environmental Education Award
- i Demonstrates significant and sustained contributions to Environmental Education and/or Earth Education and/or Environmental Action
  - ii Demonstrates significant and sustained impact on the provision, quality or development of Environmental Education and/or Earth Education and/or Environmental Action
  - iii Is a role model for other Environmental Education and/or Earth Education and/or Environmental professionals or volunteers.
- 3 OEASA Life Member
- i Demonstrates significant and sustained service to the Outdoor Educators' Association of South Australia
  - ii Is a role model for other Outdoor Education/ Outdoor Recreation/ Environmental Education volunteers or professionals.



## The Great Aussie Camp Out, 11 October

**G**ACO brings together thousands of Australians for one big night where they share the experience of camping out under the stars... in their back yards, on a river bank, in a camp, a National park, a caravan park, in fact, anywhere they might feel like!

With the long term goal of promoting healthy active lifestyles by encouraging individuals, families, friends and clubs to enjoy the great outdoors, GACO will coordinate a one night 'camp-out' across the country with the aim of introducing people to the fun and adventure of camping out. People will be encouraged to stay at a residential camp or caravan park, pitch a tent, sleep under the stars, grab a barbie, organise some games and get away from their normal weekend routine. It is anticipated that a range of come'n'try activities will also be offered on the day of the GACO by community groups such as Scouts and Guides, bushwalking clubs, canoeing clubs. Residential camps will also be able to offer activities such as high ropes, etc. National Parks could arrange to have Park Rangers on duty to conduct interpretation activities for the night. In this way participants will be able to sample adventure activities and experiences in the outdoors in a controlled and supported environment.

There will be more information about the Great Aussie Camp 2014 so stay tuned: [www.greataussiecampout.org.au](http://www.greataussiecampout.org.au).



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## Outdoor Educators Association of South Australia

### Outdoor Education Award

For people who have demonstrated a high level of involvement and commitment to Outdoor Education.

Nominations to be received by 20 May. To be presented at the Certificate Presentation Dinner in June.

**Candidate Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### Category

- |                                  |                          |   |                          |                               |                          |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Primary Education Award          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Secondary Education Award                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | TAFE Outdoor Recreation Award | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tertiary Outdoor Education Award | <input type="checkbox"/> | Certificate of Merit in Outdoor Education | <input type="checkbox"/> |                               |                          |
| Service to Outdoor Education     | <input type="checkbox"/> | Kris Mosher Award                         | <input type="checkbox"/> |                               |                          |
| Life Membership                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |   |                          |                               |                          |

#### Statement Addressing Criteria

**Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Organisation/Institution:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### Address to

OEASA Secretary: Nick Glover, <nicks\_mailbox@yahoo.com>, PO Box 411 Oaklands Park SA 5046

**OEASA Committee** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation:**      Accept/Not Accept

**Comments**

**Outdoor Educators' Association Of South Australia**

**ABN 26 588 063 701**

**Membership form**

**Membership subscription for period 1 March 2014 to 28 Feb 2015**

**Type of Membership:**

Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/>	New member	<input type="checkbox"/>
Individual \$70			<input type="checkbox"/>
Student \$45 (with AJOE)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20 (without AJOE)	<input type="checkbox"/>
School/Organisation/Corporate/Family \$80	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Electronic Member ((Newsletter and emails) \$20	<input type="checkbox"/>		

(Please tick appropriate boxes Note that we are not charging GST)

Members in the organisational category have been sent a Tax Invoice to use. If you are a new member in this category please return this form without payment and a Tax Invoice will be sent to you.

Please make cheques and money orders payable to 'Outdoor Educators' Association of South Australia'.

Members will receive:

- OEASA newsletters *Outdoor News* (four per year)
- AJOE (*Australian Journal of Outdoor Education*) (two per year)
- affiliation to other State Associations via the Outdoor Council of Australia and Outdoor Education Australia

**Member details:**

School/Organisation/Corporation (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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Individual/student/family members: what is the school or organisation you are connected with?

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