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The Lobethal Gardening Festival

The Lobethal Gardening Festival is set to become another great day of celebrating the well-being benefits of gardening on Sunday, November 6, 10am to 4pm.

If you're a gardener and enjoy having a peek at the creativity that's unleashed in the backyards of Adelaide Hills gardens, this festival is for you!

The inaugural event held last year received the Adelaide Hills Council award last year for Best Community Event.

With over a dozen different private and community gardens to visit, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Small food forests, native and exotic plantings, cottage gardens, bushfire resilient designs and rambling hillside gardens will all feature this year.

The opportunity to speak



with gardeners, young and old, is a key feature of the festival. What's not to love!

The festival hub will be held at the Lobethal Primary School (School Road, Lobethal) where there'll be a garden themed market packed with plant stalls and experts on hand to give you

gardening advice. Hand in your ticket at the school and you'll receive your programme, map and a wristband. From here, you'll be able to visit all the gardens around the Lobethal township that'll be open for you to visit.

Tickets are \$20 (\$15 con-

cession) and children 12 and under are free.

They are available via trybooking and at the Lobethal Fodder Store.

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"...giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheri-

tance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him." (Col. 1:12-16)

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In his book, *Introducing Christian Doctrine*, Millard J. Erickson states: "the Christian view of humanity

is that we are creatures of God, made in the image of God. This means, first, that humanity is to be understood as having originated not through a chance process of evolution, but through a conscious, purposeful act by God. Thus, there is a reason for human existence, a reason which lies in the intention of the Supreme Being. Second, the image of God is intrinsic to humankind. We would not be human without it. Of all creation, we alone can have a conscious personal relationship with the Creator and of responding to him...

Because humans are God's creation, they cannot discover their real meaning by regarding themselves and their happiness as the highest of all values, nor can they find happiness, fulfillment, or satisfaction by going out in search of it. Their value has been conferred upon them by a higher source, and they are fulfilled only when serving and loving that higher being."

"Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy, and eat!... Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live." (Isa.55:1+3). You matter to God.

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Do you know what is happening in Kersbrook?

Modestly tucked away is the town's best kept secret - the Kersbrook Op Shop. Not intending to hide, but quietly achieving good things every week. This little shop is conveniently located on the Main Road, opposite the Post Office and Chemist. We are located at the rear of the Public Hall.

Kersbrook Op Shop is run by volunteers helping to raise funds that are needed to continue maintenance of the community owned Kersbrook Soldiers' Memorial Park (which is also managed and maintained by volunteers).

The Op Shop is bright and clean, unique and different, with a definite friendly atmosphere. The volunteer staff are happy to interact with customers to assist in finding the perfect purchase. If you are looking to freshen up your wardrobe and do good at the same time, our Op Shop is the perfect place to begin.

Besides being good for the environment, op shopping brings people a lot of pleasure. Bargain hunting is a great sport. Who doesn't want to find the perfect t-shirt for \$2? We have big brand clothing, vintage and some never worn. They're all available in our shop. That has to be good for your budget!

It's amazing what you can find. DVD's by the shelf load, loads of books in good condition, children's toys, masses of lovely bric-a-brac and really good dinnerware to tempt you. We also have jewellery, shoes and bags of all shapes and sizes. Plenty of linen to choose from, including crochet mats, sheets and curtains. And so much more. You will be amazed at what you can find.

The Kersbrook Op Shop is open on Wednesdays from 9am to 4pm and Saturdays from 9 am to 3pm. Look for the yellow open boards.



Another important little group meet in this building on Wednesday afternoons.

Every Wednesday afternoon from 1pm to 3pm Kersbrook Connections gather in the public hall to meet new people, to finish arts and crafts projects, and knit and crochet for the less fortunate or even for themselves. It is an opportunity to meet new people and learn the skills of knitting and crocheting, sewing, to make rag mats, card making etc.

For a gold coin donation all this is available, with coffee, tea and biscuits. If you want to join this group of lovely ladies and have fun, as well as having a closer look at the op shop bargains, call Sue on 0411 781 917. She will tell you more and suggest what to bring along.

Lions News

The Lions Club of Torrens Valley have had a busy month with several BBQs being held to help out community groups and at Bunnings Modbury, where we also had a World Food Day stall selling homemade jams/marmalades, baked goods, Lions Christmas cakes and tickets for our raffle. Our Club will again be providing a sausage sizzle for the local Torrens Valley Little Athletics Club.

We have our raffle tickets for sale at \$2 per ticket with great prizes kindly donated by Bunnings Modbury and our club, Two Brothers Meats of Lobethal, Paracombe Premium Perry and Rebekah Sharkie. Tickets are available from Club members and at various venues up until the draw date of 16th December.

We now have the

delicious Christmas cakes delivered and ready for sale. Cakes will also be available at various venues up until Christmas or from Club members.

Containers for the collection of single vision eyeglasses are located at Kersbrook, Birdwood, Gumeracha, Williamstown and Mt Pleasant.

Members attended a social day in Birdwood where we were able to watch cars from the Bay to Birdwood Run drive by. A good day with fabulous weather and great company.

Our October Dinner meeting was held at the Gumeracha Hotel with Guest Speaker Sonny Morey who spoke about his early life as part of the Stolen Generation, as a footballer then being asked to join SAPOL. A very interesting speaker!

DEADLINE

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Two Open Gardens in Gumeracha & Kersbrook

Open Gardens SA is delighted to be opening two beautiful gardens in Gumeracha and Kersbrook the weekend of Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th October 2022, 10am to 4.30pm.

Ashgrove Iris Garden, 53-55 Albert Street (close to the Gumeracha oval) pictured right top, will be open to the public, with this year being the 23rd year of continuous opening. Ashgrove Iris Garden is a relaxed, pretty one acre country style garden with meandering pathways, plenty of garden seating and many "old fashioned" and unusual plants.

There are around 200 roses and mass planting of over 900 named varieties of bearded iris providing a lovely show of colour each spring. The iris area has recently undergone 'renovations' and now includes plantings of climbing and shrub roses, hardy perennials and a selection of autumn flowering bulbs to provide year-round colour and interest. This year, one third of the iris have also been dug, divided and replanted to rejuvenate the plants.

There will be iris plants for sale, a display of blacksmith craftsmanship and an artist-in-residence with artworks



for sale. Unfortunately, Devonshire Teas will not be available in the garden this year - for morning and afternoon teas please support our local cafes.

Alto Cinco, 5 High Street, Kersbrook, pictured above. On a double block on the outskirts of Kersbrook with views over neighbouring farmland, Cathy and Chris have created what they describe as "a garden belonging to people who love gardening"! This says it all - the garden is crammed with a huge and eclectic variety of plants: natives, exotics, grasses and succulents mingle together in a beautiful mix of flower colours and foliage textures.

In parts, the garden is cottagey but there are hedges that provide structure and definition - paths, some straight and edged with a hedge and others narrow and twisting, lead through the densely planted beds. There are many flowers - Cathy particularly loves iris and has some stunning varieties, also roses, wisteria, bulbs, daylilies and possibly the huge old camellias will still be blooming.

Succulents, including a number that are unusual, border paths and are scattered through the garden. Leaf colour is used to great effect - there are a

number of silver leaved plants, also trees with foliage in many shades of green, gold and purple.

A gardener's garden: charming, much loved, and interesting!

There will be morning and afternoon teas, the Torrens Valley Lions Club will have a sausage sizzle, cakes and soft drinks. Also, plant sales, ceramic birds by Really Useful Pots and Magnolia Birdhouses will have

a stall.

The entry fee to each garden is \$10 per person for adults (Open Gardens SA Members \$8); children under 18 are admitted FREE, limited concessions available. Visitors are encouraged to bring CASH as EFTPOS facilities are not always available.

Full details of Open Gardens SA Spring program are available on their website at www.opengardenssa.org.au

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WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU MEET A SNAKE

Spring is here and it is also the time when snakes are on the move seeking food. Before you venture into the garden or go for a bushwalk, do you know what to do if you meet a snake?

Geoff Coombe from *Living With Wildlife* and Rudy from *Adelaide Snake Catchers* will present a **Snake Awareness Workshop on Saturday November 19th from 1 to 3 pm**. The workshop will provide practical and vital information you can use around your home. It will include an introduction to snakes and snake behaviour, tips on how to identify snake hazards around the home and how to reduce them, advice on how to act when meeting a snake, plus the correct first-aid treatment for snake bites.

This workshop is vital for hills dwellers, people who work in the hills, gardeners

and bushwalkers.

Geoff will show you simple but effective ways of reducing snake habitat around your home and improve your awareness of snake behaviour. This information could save you and your family from snake bites or frights!

The session includes live, local snakes under controlled and safe conditions and will be held at the **Torrens Valley Community Centre, Albert Street, Gumeracha**. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (payable at the door) and includes a light afternoon tea. It is not suitable for children under 12 years due to the length of the presentation. The workshop is supported by the Hills Environment Centre.

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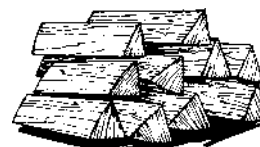


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