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# ANNUAL REPORT 2018

LIMESTONE COAST'S COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



## Our Vision

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Investing in our community for lasting impact

## Our Mission

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Growing funds and building relationships for investment in the strength and wellbeing of our Limestone Coast communities

## Our Values

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### **Inclusiveness**

Engaging with our community in all its diversity



### **Collaboration**

Facilitating partnerships that add value to Stand Like Stone and the community



### **Accountability**

Being open, transparent and accountable in all aspects of Stand Like Stone's operations; being cost effective and sustainable; adhering to proper corporate governance and funds management principles



### **Responsiveness**

Valuing and respecting our donors, funding partners and applicants



### **Empowerment**

Strengthening our community by increasing the capabilities and resilience of individuals, groups and organisations

LIFE IS MOSTLY FROTH AND BUBBLE,  
TWO THINGS STAND LIKE STONE,  
KINDNESS IN ANOTHER'S TROUBLE,  
COURAGE IN YOUR OWN

Adam Lindsay Gordon's poem Ye Wearie Wayfarer was the inspiration for the Foundation's name. The poem encompasses the objectives of the Foundation.

## Chair's Report

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**This past year the Stand Like Stone Foundation (SLSF) has consolidated its position as the major community philanthropic foundation in the Limestone Coast region. Our corpus continues to grow but in the last 12 months income earned from our increased capital base has allowed SLSF to make significant grants back to the Limestone Coast community. A total of over \$380,000 was granted by SLSF back to the community for capacity building projects, charitable projects and scholarships. Full details of grants and our gifting this year are set out in this report.**



Bill DeGaris, Chair

SLSF is proud to be associated with OneFortyOne Plantations whose ongoing partnership to provide significant funding for our Community Capacity Building grants is inspirational. This model works well, and I encourage other commercial interests to consider embracing the model. Funds are granted to SLSF and in partnership with the funder, charitable projects are selected to receive these community capacity building grants.

Our other major long-term funding project was to provide ongoing funding for the provision of mental health services to young people in the Naracoorte and Millicent communities. A further \$75,000 was granted by SLSF to Headspace to fund this specific outreach service.

Funds raised by another long-term project, the Steven Noble Memorial Sub-fund, resulted in the purchase of a community bus for the use of the Allendale East/Port MacDonell communities. This project evidences how targeted fundraising can result in long-term benefits for even the smallest of communities.

I would personally like to thank all those who organised all our specific fundraising events this year, including the successful Australian Doctors Orchestra venture, organised by Sue Charlton AM. I also thank all those dedicated stars who danced for us, and raised funds for us through our annual major fundraiser Swinging with the Stars.

I thank everybody who has been associated with all of our major fundraising projects, all of which are mentioned in this report.

I also wish to thank all those bodies, people and organisations who have applied for funding through SLSF grant rounds, and everybody who has applied for scholarships. Granting, giving and providing funds and facilities to improve the wellbeing of our community is the major aim of Stand Like Stone Foundation.

I also wish to pay a personal tribute to the late Annette Balnaves who was a founding director of SLSF, and who personally drove the establishment and growth of two of our major sub-funds.



## Chair's Report (continued)

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The Board will miss the matter-of-fact, down-to-earth wisdom and advice Annette brought all her deliberations. We ought all remember Annette's commitment to philanthropy as an inspiration. Vale Annette.

To Georgie McKay, our Executive Officer, and her administrative team, Sally Bailey and Carol Testoni I pay tribute. They are the most incredibly efficient executive team.

During this past year, SLSF has moved towards a much higher level of computerisation, digital record keeping and online functioning for the foundation, and this has been both a source of gratification in achieving various objectives, but also a source of frustration as bugs are ironed out. In this process, our honorary accountants, Sinclair Wilson, Rob Ellerman and Sue Wischki, must be thanked for their incredible input and patience in guiding this process.

To all our sponsors, Noel Barr Toyota, Wepar Nominees, Accountants Sinclair Wilson, Auditors Galpins, City of Mount Gambier, Grant District Council, Tatiara District Council, District Council of Robe, Ray Scott, helloFriday and Green Triangle Electronics we give our heartfelt thanks. Your sponsorship assists us to run our administration without having to resort to our income. This means more money is available for grantmaking and for this we thank all our sponsors.

Finally, I thank all of our Board members, and all members of SLSF sub-committees who are all dedicated to the ideals and purposes of Stand Like Stone, and who provide a wealth of experience and wisdom to the deliberations of the Board.

**Bill DeGaris**

*Chair*

"WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT  
WE GET, BUT WE MAKE A  
LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE."

**Winston S. Churchill**



## Executive Officer's Report

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**Our year at Stand Like Stone has again produced some extraordinary highlights and moments of quiet reflection on the contribution that we are making to the Limestone Coast community and the difference that we are making to the lives of individuals. The confidence of the Limestone Coast community has enabled us to build a resource of over \$4.3 million for the benefit of the region in perpetuity.**



Georgie McKay,  
Executive Officer

This money is held in trust, forever, for this region and the income earned from its investment is available each year to grant back to our local community. Thanks to recent bequests and donations in the last 12 months we have granted more than ever before. There is still so much need in our local community and to provide a grant or scholarship that has the ability to forever change the lives of the recipient is incredibly humbling.

I thank my small team, consisting of Sally Bailey, Grants Partnerships and Governance Officer and Carol Testoni, Administration and Accounts Officer for their commitment in what has been another year of administrative change. Within our small operating budget we are working on the continuous improvement of systems and processes to keep pace with the growth of the Foundation. This is not always an easy task and I acknowledge the generosity of our sponsors whose funding contributes to the running of the Foundation and therefore enables the maximum return to the Limestone Coast community.

I thank the Board for their ongoing support and confidence and I look forward to working with them to continue to grow this amazing resource for the Limestone Coast community. I thank Chair Bill DeGaris for his stewardship and confidence in me.

I would like to express my heartfelt sorrow at the passing of Annette Balnaves. I valued Annette's wisdom, generosity, considered advice and quiet counsel and will miss our conversations. Annette was a passionate advocate of Stand Like Stone and she will be greatly missed.

Thank you to all who contribute to this incredible organisation. There are so many volunteers, donors and passionate people and together we are making a real and sustainable difference in our local community. In the words of Helen Keller, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

**Georgie McKay**

*Executive Officer*

## One-millionth dollar granted as part of Annual Small Grants Program

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**In late 2017 Stand Like Stone delivered its one-millionth dollar back to the Limestone Coast community as part of the annual small grants program. Grant Round 21 delivered funding to eighteen charitable projects that shared in just over \$58,874, bringing the total amount of grants given through the Stand Like Stone “Small Grants” program to just over \$214,000 and total grants provided to the Limestone Coast region to over \$1,122,000.**

In 2017-2018 Stand Like Stone maintained its focus on Community Wellbeing and sought to spread its support across the Limestone Coast region to a diverse range of charitable projects. The successful recipients were as follows on the table on opposite page.

Stand Like Stone allows for organisations, individuals or families to support specific areas of interest, community projects and educational scholarships by establishing a Sub Fund within the Stand Like Stone Foundation. Sub Funds allow Donors to indicate a preference that a particular group, geographic region or type of eligible projects or educational areas benefit from their donation. We acknowledge the following Sub Funds that funded small grants in 2017/18:

### **Focus on Youth Sub Fund**

The Focus on Youth Sub Fund provides grants to projects with educational outcomes with a focus on youth in the region.

### **Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund**

The Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region.

### **Balnaves Family Sub Fund**

The Balnaves Family Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region.

### **Agri-Links Sub Fund**

The Agri-Links Sub Fund was established to give grants that raise awareness of Mental Health throughout the Limestone Coast.

### **Lorry Humphreys Memorial Sub Fund**

Lorraine Humphreys passed away at the age of 84 in October 2015. She left her estate to Stand Like Stone to provide scholarships and programs for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts.

### **Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund**

The Naracoorte & Districts Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Naracoorte region.

### **Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund**

The Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund offers grants to organisations for charitable projects that benefit the communities of Allendale East, Port MacDonnell and Kongorong. The Sub Fund was established in 2013 in memory of Steven Noble and represents what Steven was as a person, an individual who was willing to give everything to assist and support other people.

### **Keith Hospital Future Fund**

The Keith Hospital Future Sub Fund, was established by Mig Brookman a tireless supporter of the Keith Hospital who wanted to be sure that it would never close. She poured thousands of hours into the hospital and was the brains and labour behind many of its improvements. Mrs Brookman's legacy to the hospital, was to launch a Future Fund (as a Sub Fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation), “Mig's Vision” to make sure it could sustain itself for future generations. The fund was launched just four days before Mrs Brookman died and currently has a balance of over \$81,900, the majority of which Mig was instrumental in raising or was donated in her memory.

Organisation	Project	Amount	Sub Fund
Mt Gambier High School	MGHS Transition Music Program	\$5,000	Lorry Humphreys
Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc	Pinchunga Chattervox	\$515	Penola Coonawarra
Penola High School	Driver Education	\$5,000	Focus on Youth & Penola Coonawarra
Mulga Street Primary School	I Am Woman Program	\$3,000	Focus on Youth
Australian Migrant Resource Centre	Talk The Talk How To Talk English	\$3,000	Naracoorte & Districts
Penola Womens Wellness Group	Wellbeing Mental Health Session	\$5,000	Penola Coonawarra & Balnaves Family
The Keith Men's Shed Incorporated	Kitchen For The Keith Mens Shed	\$2,500	
Millicent United Soccer Club Inc	Defibrillator	\$2,500	
Lifeline South East (SA) Incorporated	Message Sticks Production Stage 2	\$3,000	Agri-Links
Limestone Coast Family Violence Action Group	Production Of Safety Cards	\$368	
Coonawarra Community Club	Project 100	\$2,500	
Millicent High School	Art In The City	\$3,600	Lorry Humphreys
Mayfair Singers Incorporated	Estill Voice Training	\$1,000	Lorry Humphreys
Lucindale Area School	LAS Art Exhibition	\$5,000	Focus on Youth & Lorry Humphreys
Penola Festival Association Inc	Writer In Residence	\$3,500	Focus on Youth
Limestone Coast Opera Inc	Festival Of Voice 2018	\$2,500	Lorry Humphreys
South Australian Country Fire Service	Defibrillators For CFS Vehicles	\$5,000	Steven Noble Memorial
Keith Hospital	Full allocation to Keith Hospital	\$4,391	Keith Hospital Future Fund
Mount Gambier Community Christmas Day Lunch	Inclusive Community Christmas Lunch for homeless, socially isolated & in need	\$1,500	
<b>Total Granted</b>		<b>\$58,874</b>	



Mt Gambier Community Christmas Day Lunch



Naracoorte MRC - Talk the Talk (How to talk english)



LAS Art Exhibition



## OneFortyOne Plantations Community Capacity Building Grants

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**The OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building grants are made possible through a funding partnership between the Stand Like Stone Foundation and OneFortyOne Plantations. The partnership provides funding of \$50,000 per annum to be granted to charitable projects that build capacity within Limestone Coast communities.**



In 2018, the following projects received support via OneFortyOne Community Capacity Building Grants:

\$18,000 was granted to Youth Opportunities Association (SA) Inc to provide personal leadership programs for youth in the Limestone Coast region. The funding will assist twenty students from Mount Gambier High School, Grant High School, Millicent High School and Allendale East Area School to undertake the program. The program assists in addressing disadvantage and disengagement and enables early intervention to create lasting positive change in the lives of participants.

\$10,000 was provided to Foodbank of South Australia Inc to assist with increasing capacity of the warehouse in Mt Gambier through the construction of an annexe to accommodate the loading and unloading of produce. The annexe will enable additional space inside the warehouse to increase operations and expand food storage space to increase capacity and deliver to the growing need within the community.



Naracoorte Independent Learning Centre trip to Cambodia



The Limestone Coast Migrant Resource Centre (AMRC) has been granted \$6,800 to build a community vegetable garden. AMRC Seniors will establish a community vegetable garden in the backyard of the AMRC Eleanor Street site to plant and harvest food for their families. The project will target senior members of the migrant community to assist with integration into the local community, reduce isolation and assist them to improve their conversational English skills.

On the back of \$10,000 support received in 2014 and \$12,000 received in 2016, a further \$7,200 was provided this year to support students from the Naracoorte Independent Learning Centre to attend a 7-day trip to Cambodia. The students did volunteering work and assisted to build a wash-house at a local school. They also participated in a daily self-development coaching program and were involved in tasks ranging from planning, budgeting and writing applications for the program. The participants completed a detailed journal, reflecting on their personal experiences and how the development of skills will impact them in their future. The program will result in life-long benefits for the participants and all participants will take part in a community presentation at the conclusion of the program.

\$8000 was provided to Centacare Catholic Family Services to create a Mobile Toy Library to service the Wattle Range region. The family connections program is a mobile resource family support program that works with vulnerable families with children. The project will bring a mobile toy library to the Wattle Range communities and assist the family connections program to connect with families who may not otherwise have access to early intervention support for their children. The funding will provide for an enclosed trailer to transport toys and resources to the families. Toys will be delivered to homes and libraries, and personnel will assist parents and families with the selection of developmental toys for their children.



Foodbank Mount Gambier



Limestone Coast Migrant Resource Centre Garden

## Flow-through Grants from Arbonne Charitable Foundation

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**In 2018, the Stand Like Stone Foundation again auspiced flow-through grants from the Arbonne Charitable Foundation to support the Youth Mental Health Forum held in Naracoorte, run by the Naracoorte Independent Learning Centre.**



The funding from Arbonne Charitable Foundation to date has totalled just under \$40,000 which has enabled the running of mental health initiatives of the Naracoorte Independent Learning Centre spearheaded by Tammy Schinckel, with the assistance of Ali Vilani.

Tammy identified a need several years ago after tragic events in the local community. She decided to speak up about mental health and begin to make efforts to break down the stigma often associated with mental health issues. Under Tammy's direction, the Independent Learning Centre has hosted mental health activities for youth, including festivals and workshops. The funding has made a significant impact on creating awareness around the mental health of youth in our region.

## \$75,000 granted to Headspace

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**In FY16 Stand Like Stone Foundation received a legacy of \$1,180,673.08 from SERDE Inc being the net assets of the South-east Employment Resource Development Enterprise upon voluntary liquidation of the organisation.**



The funds were transferred to Stand Like Stone to benefit Limestone Coast communities in perpetuity and as part of the donation the Board of SERDE Inc expressed a preference that \$200,000 be earmarked to resource and retain non-administrative professional services such as counsellors, youth workers, social workers, GPs or other mental health professional services for the region in partnership with Mount Gambier Headspace, the national youth mental health foundation. These grants commenced in 2017 with \$75,000 being paid to Headspace (Uniting Communities) for the provision of outreach personnel to work in the communities of Millicent and Naracoorte. The funding was continued in 2018 with a further \$75,000 being granted. The funding has enabled the people of Millicent and Naracoorte to access further personnel with expertise in the area of mental health and wellbeing, a much-needed resource in these communities.

## Born from tragedy, a vision comes to reality for a small community

**When Steven Noble lost his life in a road crash at Mt Gambier on Easter Sunday in 2013, aged 27, it devastated the Limestone Coast community and stripped his wife Courtney of their future together.**

In the lead up to the 5th anniversary of his passing, and in the face of this tragedy, Courtney and a team of passionate mates have brought a vision to reality, with the delivery of a community bus in honour of Steven and all that he stood for.

Steven was a well-respected member of the Port MacDonnell and Allendale East community, growing up on a family Dairy Farm in Allendale East and attending Allendale East Area School during his schooling years. Small communities create close relationships and Steven is remembered in the Port MacDonnell and Allendale East community as a friendly, outgoing, loyal and caring person who always put others before himself and had a smile that would light up the room. A talented sportsman, Steven was a successful senior footballer with the Port MacDonnell Football club. Sadly missing out on his 150th game by only two games, Steven played football for the Port MacDonnell Football Club from junior level right through to being the Premiership Captain of the PMFC team in 2012. Steven's father Chris Noble (dec) was also well respected in the Kongorong community, playing for the Kongorong Football Club for many years.

The Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund was established in Steven's memory by a group of three friends who participated in Swinging with the Stars in 2013 and wanted to do something in his honour. With Courtney's consent and support, Simon Livingstone, Tahlia Gabrielli and Amy Trevilyan established a Sub Fund to honour Steven's memory, with the aim of supporting the local communities of Port MacDonnell, Allendale East and Kongorong. The Sub Fund represented what Steven was as a person, someone who was always willing to give everything he had to assist and support other people.

"When Steve passed, I thought we had to do something that not only remembered him, but also helped those who were struggling with his loss. I was really drawn to how Stand Like Stone had set up their trust funds, and realised that we didn't have

one for our area. Courtney was behind Tahlia, Amy and myself from day one, which really got us going with our fundraising. To actually see Courtney's vision come to fruition is amazing," said Simon Livingstone, who initiated the Steven Noble Memorial Sub Fund.

The vision became a reality in March 2018, with the delivery of a community bus to service the extended communities of Port MacDonnell, Allendale and Kongorong, for the charitable purposes of education, awareness and accessibility for rural and regional communities. Although outside of Stand Like Stone's normal operations, the Board agreed to this unique outcome and supported the wishes of those involved to enable the capital raised to be applied for this purpose.

The community bus will be housed at the Allendale East Area School and will be available for community use for the charitable purposes as identified. The bus will be managed under the governance of the School Governing Council and a community bus management committee. The community bus is dedicated to the memory of Steven John Noble (8/12/1985 – 1/4/2013). The purchase of the bus was enabled by Courtney Fox, Simon Livingstone, Tahlia Gabrielli, Amy Trevilyan, Alisha Stephens, David Fox and Grant Fensom and supported by Noel Barr Toyota.



Steven Noble Bus



## Educational Scholarships Given

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**Stand Like Stone's Educational Scholarship Fund, established in 2007, provides money for scholarships, bursaries or prizes which promote the recipients education in a recognised pre-school, primary, secondary or tertiary course and are awarded on merit or for reasons of equity.**

In 2017/18 Stand Like Stone offered its ninth round of scholarships for study to be undertaken in 2018. Scholarships were awarded for approved curriculum and courses being studied at Australian educational institutions and for related living and boarding costs. Since 2009, 188 students have shared in \$123,685 worth of scholarships.

This year a total **\$24,850** was awarded as follows on the table on opposite page.

We acknowledge the following Sub Funds that funded scholarships in 2017/18:

### **L M Woodruff Memorial Scholarship**

Provides scholarships to assist young women identifying with the Limestone Coast to undertake a nursing career at any level. This scholarship can be given to a secondary student with an ambition to study nursing or can be given to a student entering tertiary study.

### **Mount Gambier High School Student Scholarships**

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Mount Gambier High School. This includes current Mount Gambier High School students, primary school students who will be attending Mount Gambier High School or students who are moving from another school to Mount Gambier High School for the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Mount Gambier High School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

### **Keith Area School (KAS) Student Scholarships**

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Keith Area School. This includes current Keith Area School students or students who are moving from another school to Keith Area School for the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Keith Area School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

### **Kingston Community School Scholarship**

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Kingston Community School. This scholarship will be awarded on reasons of equity (as defined in How are scholarships awarded) to current Kingston Community School students or students who are moving from another school to Kingston Community School for the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be

Last Name	First Name	Course	Sub Fund
Tilly	Nash	Nursing	LM Woodruff
Brianna	Irving	Cert IV in Legal Studies	Focis on Youth
Kelli	Williams	Social Work	Vititec
Zahra		Bachelor of Education	de Nys Family Memorial
Lucy	Williams	Occupational Therapy/Health Science	Focis on Youth
Laurena	Byers	Bachelor of Social Work	LM Woodruff
Isabelle	Robinson	Bachelor of Arts	Lorry Humphreys
Tamika	Nash-Han	Bachelor of Medicine/Science	
Michaela	Pace	Bachelor of Arts	Lorry Humphreys
Annabelle	Haynes	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Lorry Humphreys
Maddison	McDonald	Bachelor of Applied Science	Mt Gambier High School
Lauren	Francis	Bachelor of Commerce	Cornerstone
Evan	Turner	Communication Design	Lorry Humphreys
Brodie	Minion	Bachelor of Human Nutrition	Focis on Youth
Tillie	Saxon	Bach Medical Radiation Science/Health Science	Lorry Humphreys
Milly	Walker	Year 8 Lucindale Area School	Lorry Humphreys
Rachael	McKay	Bachelor of Arts	Lorry Humphreys
Molly	Nicholls	Bachelor of Psychological Science	Lorry Humphreys
Salena	De Kuyper	Cert IV in Youth Work	SARWG
Jasmine	Stringer	Bachelor of Engineering	Millicent High School
Georgina	Gogel	Masters of Education	Keith Area School
Peta	Schubert	Year 8 Lucindale Area School	Lucindale Area School
Codie	Decaux	Medicine/Bachelor of Health	Kingston Community School
Shari-Lee	Vickers	Year 9 Lucindale Area School	Lorry Humphreys
Emerald	Ladner	Schooling & music programs	Grant High School & LT O'Connor
Shane	Wass	Schooling	Mt Gambier High School & LT O'Connor
Mhoo Ta	Da	Keyboard lessons	Mt Gambier High School & LT O'Connor
Jake	Clare	Primary school & music programs	Mt Gambier High School & LT O'Connor
Dayna	Lawrie	Bachelor of Veterinary Science	Balnaves Foundation
Angelique	Dellaney	Secondary School	Lucindale Area School & Lorry Humphreys
Jasmine	Rohrlach	Secondary School	Grant High School
Nikita	Lee	Year 12 & TAFE	LE & NC Myers
Annelisse	Beck	Bachelor of Architectural Studies	Lorry Humphreys
Rebekah	Blanks	Secondary School	Lorry Humphreys
Connor	Perry	Secondary School	Keith Area School
Shane	Walker	Secondary School	Lorry Humphreys
Natasha	Staude	Doctor of Medicine	Cornerstone
Hayley	Wakefield	Secondary School	Mt Gambier High School & Balnaves Foundation
Dayna	Richman	Secondary School	Lorry Humphreys
Samantha	Barker	Secondary School	LM Woodruff
Ruby	Black	Secondary School	Vititec & Lorry Humphreys
Josh	Troeth	Schooling	Kingston Community School

## Educational Scholarships Given (continued)

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used to assist current or past students of Kingston Community School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

### **Lucindale Area School Student Scholarships**

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Lucindale Area School. This includes current Lucindale Area School students and students who are moving from another school or kindergarten to Lucindale Area School in the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Lucindale Area School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

### **Grant High School Scholarship**

Provides educational scholarships to students attending or enrolling at Grant High School. This includes current Grant High School students and students who are moving from another school to Grant High School in the year that the scholarship applies. The scholarship can also be used to assist current or past students of Grant High School to undertake further educational studies at a tertiary level - such as, but not limited to, University, TAFE and other approved courses.

### **L T O'Connor Music Scholarship**

Provides scholarships for reasons of merit (as defined in How are scholarships awarded) in the area of music to people identifying with the Limestone Coast to further their experiences and knowledge in music.

### **de Nys Family Memorial Scholarships**

Provide scholarships for reasons of equity (as defined in How are scholarships awarded) for primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Mount Gambier area.

### **Focis on Youth Scholarship**

Provides scholarships to assist people identifying with the Limestone Coast to undertake educational studies at any level - primary, secondary or tertiary courses.

### **Cornerstone Scholarship**

Provides scholarships for reasons of equity or merit to benefit kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Bordertown area.

### **SARWG Scholarship**

The South Australian Rural Women's Gathering (SARWG) provides scholarships for reasons of equity or merit to benefit women in the pursuit of their educational goals.

### **Balnaves Foundation Educational Scholarship**

This scholarship is provided for reasons of equity or merit to benefit kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students identifying with the greater Penola area or the Limestone Coast. The scholarship will be awarded to assist with study, with a focus on young people, the disadvantaged and Indigenous communities. It is preferential (but not essential), to award the scholarship to a student that has an interest in the region and the Indigenous history of the area.

### **Penola Coonawarra Vititec Scholarship**

Used to provide scholarships to kindergarten, primary, secondary or tertiary students with a connection to the greater Penola Coonawarra area. The scholarship was established upon the winding up of VITITEC which aimed to increase the knowledge of grape growing and viticultural techniques in the region.

### **LE & NC Myers Educational Scholarship**

The scholarship supports young people under the guardianship of the Minister or who have exited the guardianship of the Minister to achieve their goals in vocational and tertiary education. The inaugural scholarships were offered in 2017/18.

### **Lorry Humphreys Memorial Scholarship**

Lorraine Humphreys passed away at the age of 84 in October 2015. She left her estate to Stand Like Stone to provide scholarships and programs for people seeking to pursue a career in the Trades and the Arts.



## Keith RSL “Hardships of War” Scholarships

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**Keith RSL “Hardships of War” Scholarships are awarded to Year 7 students at Keith Area School. In 2005 Keith RLS Sub Branch in consultation with the then Keith Area School Principal, created a scholarship for year 7 students using a \$10,000 bequest from a member’s estate.**

The idea was for students to research family histories, and was later expanded and named the “Hardships of War” scholarship. This proved to be very successful with winning students research works ranging from close family tragedies, through to local service people, migrants, boat people, to the horses of World War 1.

In 2015 the Keith RSL approached Stand Like Stone to hold the monies in trust for this purpose and provide for these scholarships in perpetuity.

The funds are managed as part of the Keith Area School Sub Fund and Stand Like Stone works with the Keith RSL each year to determine the level of funding available to grant. This year the Sub Fund granted \$220 towards the “Hardships of War” scholarships, which were presented at the Keith Area School Valedictory service.

## Stay at School Program

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**Thanks to a partnership between Stand Like Stone, The Wyatt Trust and three Independent Learning Centres in the Limestone Coast, sixty students received \$500 gifts to help them complete their SACE. The gifts were distributed through Stand Like Stone’s Stay at School Program which is funded by The Wyatt Trust.**



The Stay at School Program assists students studying the SACE at the Independent Learning Centres. The aim of the gift is to help the students stay at school by alleviating some of the financial pressure associated with studying.

To receive a gift students must be attending the Independent Learning Centre in year 11 or 12 and be in receipt of independent status conferred by Centrelink or of low income. With the support of the Independent Learning Centres, representatives meet with recipients to explain the program, discuss how they will use the gift to help them stay at school and let them know that there are people in the community who care and have a desire to help them complete their education.

The program is in its eighth year and thanks to The Wyatt Trust, the Stay at School program has supported over 465 students and has injected \$242,500 towards supporting Limestone Coast students to achieve their SACE.

## FRRR Back to School Program

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**Local families received back to school relief thanks to an initiative delivered by the Stand Like Stone Foundation. To help reduce the burden of costs associated with the commencement of a new school year, 742 fifty dollar vouchers were distributed, in partnership with local schools.**



The schools allocate vouchers in the most appropriate way to assist families and children with the greatest need. The program is unique, in that recipient families can choose what they actually need for their children.

This was the fourteenth year Stand Like Stone issued vouchers, through the Back to School Program, to help students with the purchase of uniforms, books or other equipment needed to get students back to school. Over twelve years 8453 students have been given vouchers throughout our region, resulting in a cash boost of \$422,650 supporting education.

This program makes an enormous difference to the lives of many children around our region. This is much more than a \$50 gift, it is about social inclusion, fitting in and building morale in children at the start of a school year. Stories from schools show that families are very appreciative of this helping hand and that the gift can make a real difference to their children.

Funds from FRRR provided a grant of 502 vouchers to Stand Like Stone, while funds for an extra 240 vouchers were received from generous donations from private donors and funds raised from Swinging with the Stars, 2017.



Sally Bailey presents Back to School Vouchers to Suze Ricketts, Mil Lel Primary School



Sally Bailey presents Back to School Vouchers to Sam Griffith, Glenburnie Primary School





Sally Bailey presents Back to School Vouchers to Kirsty Trahar, McDonald Park Primary School



Georgie McKay presents Back to School Vouchers to Jane Gill, Lucindale Area School



Rhett McDonald presents Back to School Vouchers to Erica Hurley, Nangwarry Primary School



Rhett McDonald presents Back to School Vouchers to Jess Judd Kalangadoo Primary School



Rhett McDonald presents Back to School Vouchers to Ngaire Benfell, Penola High School, with Heather Devlin of Penola Bendigo Bank



Rhett McDonald presents Back to School Vouchers to Penola Primary's Anna Copping, with Heather Devlin of Penola Bendigo Bank



Sue Charlton AM presents Back to School Vouchers to Tracey Henley, Moorak Primary School



Rhett McDonald presents Back to School Vouchers to Ngaire Benfell, Penola High School



Swinging  
with the  
*Stars*





## Swinging with the Stars

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**A full house of over 500 people packed The Barn again last June to witness eight incredible locals and their partners take to the dance floor as part of the 11th annual Swinging with the Stars.**

**Laura Hawkins and Cody Smith were crowned winners of the 2018 Swinging with the Stars, with the communities of Frances and Robe rallying behind Laura to ensure that she was a strong contender both on the dance floor and in the fundraising.**

“What an amazing night, I had so much fun! Never in a million years did I think I'd come away with the win. For me, it was never about winning, it was just such a blast and to have all my family and friends there to support me was incredible. I can't wait to see all the money that we have raised to go back into the Naracoorte and surrounding communities. I'd really like to thank Cody for being so patient and such a legend, and also all the other Stars. What an amazing ride it has been!” Ms Hawkins said.

All couples danced the Cha Cha, Foxtrot, a sizzling Tango and a show-stopping Hip Hop, from which four couples were then selected to dance the final Cha Cha. Judges, Lynette Martin, Joe D'Agostino and Amanda Flint had an extremely difficult job in selecting the winning couple.

### **Other 2018 participants included:**

- **Ben Deering** Mt Gambier's Centenary Tower “Tower Guy” dancing with Jacinta Cooper.
- Cape Jaffa's, **Anna Hooper**, dancing with Dylan Blacksell.
- Millicent Accountant **Steve Duldig** dancing with Katherine Miller.
- Penola Primary School teacher **Nicole Lear** dancing with Jayden Green.
- Grant High School's **Liam Goodfellow** dancing with Keana Soper.
- Malseed's maestro, **Alistair Coonan** with Rebecca Hann.
- Presto Eatery's **Lucy Von Stanke** dancing with James Brennan.



## Swinging with the Stars (continued)

The stars had 8 weeks of intensive training at HYPE Dance Studio to teach them the dance routines. For the 4th year running Kim Cella from Hype Dance trained the stars and was assisted by Paris Ackland with choreography and training.

People's Choice winner (awarded to the Star who raises the most funds for the Stand Like Stone Foundation) was awarded to Alistair Coonan, whose individual fundraising total was \$15,188.10. Ali was overwhelmed by the local support in his fundraising endeavours.

"I had a lot of support from so many different businesses around town, I started out with many little bits and pieces that turned out to be incredible auction items! My main fundraising event was a Gin Night at the Commodore on the Park and I'd like to thank Tom, Jess and the team at the Commodore for their generosity – it was so great!" said Alistair Coonan, People's Choice winner.

The event raised just over \$100,000, taking the total raised since the first Swinging with the Stars in 2007 to \$617,500.

All donations received for Swinging with the Stars are added to Stand Like Stone Foundation's trust funds and are held in trust to benefit Limestone Coast communities.

### **Thank you 2018 Swinging with the Star's supporters:**

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ■ Jase Scheidl                    | ■ Amanda Flint           |
| ■ The Motor City 7 Band           | ■ Leconfield Coonawarra  |
| ■ Chapman's Newsagency            | ■ Mini Jumbuk            |
| ■ Commonwealth Bank               | ■ ZW Photography         |
| ■ Coonawarra Vignerons            | ■ Keith Butcher          |
| ■ Steve Mullan Sound and Lighting | ■ Harvey Norman          |
| ■ It's a Celebration              | ■ Josephine Patzel       |
| ■ Melbas Chocolates               | ■ Henry & Rose           |
| ■ Tania & Paul Von Stanke         | ■ Little Pink Fox        |
| ■ Craig Maria                     | ■ Fuss Wellness Spa      |
| ■ Lynette Martin                  | ■ The Hender Family      |
| ■ Baxter Hire                     | ■ What.Kel.Wore          |
| ■ Salts of the Earth              | ■ Tailor Made Travel     |
| ■ Joe D'Agostino                  | ■ Centenary Tower        |
| ■ The Jackson Family              | ■ DiGiorgio Family Wines |
|                                   | ■ Just Frank             |
|                                   | ■ Thyme at the Lakes     |









## Australian Doctors Orchestra

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**In a Limestone Coast first, the Australian Doctors Orchestra performed at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre in June. The Mt Gambier Concert was performed under the baton of maestro Nicholas Braithwaite and featured the acclaimed bassist Kees Boersma. Seventy medical professionals from all around Australia shared in two days of rehearsal culminating in a public performance at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre.**



The Australian Doctors Orchestra (ADO) is a unique national fellowship of medical professionals who are also classically trained musicians. The first concert was in 1993 in Melbourne following the vision of plastic surgeon and founder of the orchestra Dr Miklos Pohl, who continues to play with the ADO to this day.

Since then the ADO have held at least one concert each year, have performed in the capital cities of every state and territory, and more recently have ventured into regional centres. The Mount Gambier concert is the first concert to be held in regional South Australia.

The members of the orchestra donate their time and the proceeds of the concerts are given to charities. Proceeds of the Mount Gambier concert were given to Stand Like Stone Foundation.

**We thank the following sponsors who supported the ADO performance:**



## Penola Pop Up Bar Community Fundraiser

**In November 2017 the Penola Coonawarra community held a pop up bar “Eat Drink Give” to raise funds for the Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation.**

The Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Sub Fund is used to give grants to charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra region. “Eat Drink Give” combined live music, food and art was well attended by the local community.

The Penola Coonawarra Wellbeing Fund is the largest community based sub fund and is a terrific example of what can be achieved through the Stand Like Stone structure. The size of the sub fund ensures that there is money specifically available each grant round for charitable projects that benefit the greater Penola Coonawarra area. An Advisory Committee has been established, consisting of Rhett McDonald, Janet Brodie, Mark Edwards and Amanda Flint, who review grant applications and provide advice to the Board on which projects should be funded from the Penola Coonawarra area.



Clockwise from top left;  
Event organisers, Janet Brodie  
and Amanda Flint; Sally  
McDonald, Peter Muller, Rhett  
McDonald and Jenny Smilbert;  
Zema Estate's Lynn Doyle  
and Rymill Coonawarras Josie  
Abbey; Songbird Nicole Lear  
entertains the crowd; Anna  
Copping, Sally Skeer, Daniel  
Flint, Brett Skeer and Tony  
O'Connell.



## In Memoriam

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**The Board of Stand Like Stone Foundation remembers the life and work of Annette Balnaves. Annette was a passionate advocate and an active contributor to the work of the Stand Like Stone Foundation from its inception in 2004, through until her passing in July 2018. Annette was a Founding Director of the Foundation in April 2004 and continued in that role through until December 2015, at which time she took the position of Alternate Director to Rhett McDonald and continued to contribute to the growth of the Foundation.**



### Annette Balnaves

14/10/1940 – 2/7/2018

- Director, Stand Like Stone, April 2004 to December 2015
- Alternate Director, Stand Like Stone, December 2015 – July 2018

Annette was born in Adelaide on the 14th November 1940, the eldest daughter of David and Bette Walker. The Walker family moved to Penola where David Walker was in charge of the development of the Soldier Settlement Scheme for the SE of SA. At the conclusion of the scheme the Walker family moved to Kalangadoo and Annette attended Kalangadoo

Primary School. Annette completed her schooling in Adelaide and went on to enrol in Nursing. She qualified as a State Registered Nurse and a Double Certificate Nurse. After that she became a qualified Mid-wife before going on to post graduate gynaecology at the Royal Melbourne and Royal Woman's Hospital.

In 1963 at the age of 23 Annette undertook extensive travel in South Africa. She returned home in 1966 before resuming planned travels to New Guinea to take up a work position. At this time Annette accepted a temporary position as Matron of the Penola Hospital where she met Doug Balnaves, who managed to persuade her to remain in Australia. They became engaged six weeks later, married on December 15th 1967 and celebrated 50 years of marriage in 2017.

After their marriage, Doug and Annette moved into the property "Yallala" that Doug had purchased in 1966. In 1970 the wine company Hungerford Hill purchased the property and appointed Doug Balnaves to develop a 250-acre vineyard the following year. This brought about a major change in their lives and took them from being sheep farmers to grape growers.

In 1969 Kirsty was born followed by Pete 1970. As the children grew up, Annette contributed as Secretary of the McKay Memorial Kindergarten and later as Secretary of the Penola Pony Club for several years.

Annette and Doug persuaded Hungerford Hill to establish a Cellar Door Sales operation in Coonawarra. This opened in 1970 with Annette as Manager and became the first Cellar Door in Coonawarra to open seven days a week. Annette was also the first appointed Executive Officer of the then Coonawarra Vignerons.

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Soon after this Annette became active in the tourism of the SE. She was appointed President of the SE Regional Tourism Association and also served on the State body. In 2000 she was presented with the Harry Dowling Award for 'Outstanding Contribution' by an individual to regional tourism. Much was achieved for tourism during this period and it was always Annette's disappointment that the State Government did not continue this support for such regional bodies.

Annette was keenly interested in photography and did some extraordinary work in this field. Her love of travel enabled her to further her portfolio of outstanding photographic images. She was a keen member of the Penola History Group and an avid collector of historical photographs of the Penola district. Annette was also interested in gardening and the gardens around the Balnaves Winery and Cellar Door and the family home are indicative of her interest and commitment.

In 1988 Annette and Doug established Balnaves Vineyard Services and then Balnaves of Coonawarra Wines. In 1990 Kirsty & Pete returned home to join them in the family business. The establishment of a strong, family company was an ongoing delight to Annette as her family were her greatest joy. She was deeply involved in all aspects of the company and her wisdom was greatly appreciated. She often opined, "you will never regret an extravagance, but you will regret cutting corners" and this philosophy is evident in many aspects of Annette's life.

Although deeply involved in numerous bodies, Annette was a passionate Penola-ite and strongly supported Doug in his activities and was also very proud and supportive of Kirsty, Willie, Ellie & Annie and Pete, Amelia, Hugo & Ned in their activities in the community.

### **Annette Balnaves & Stand Like Stone Foundation**

The Board of Stand Like Stone remembers Annette's enormous contribution to the local community through the many organisations in which she was involved and supported.

Annette was the driving force behind establishment of the Penola Coonawarra Sub Fund within the Stand Like Stone structure. She was passionate about creating and growing the Sub Fund and promoted many great community projects to support the Sub Fund in its early years. The fact that this Sub Fund will continue to grow and will continue to support charitable works and provide benefits to the Penola Coonawarra community in perpetuity is due largely to Annette's leadership and drive. Annette also gave generously of her time to help, advise and assist other communities establish similar Sub Funds through Stand like Stone.

For the many years that Annette was a Board Member of Stand Like Stone, she brought a passion for the development of the community foundation concept and provided a wisdom and insight to the Board that inspired others to embrace the community foundation concept. When Annette spoke at Board level, her views were greatly respected. Stand Like Stone is now well recognised in the Penola Coonawarra community and is increasingly recognised as a strong organisation across the Limestone Coast community largely due to Annette's commitment to and fierce advocacy for Stand Like Stone.

A highlight of the Stand Like Stone corporate year was to attend a Stand Like Stone Christmas party at the Balnaves residence, which was always bountifully hosted by Annette and Doug Balnaves; this was a special social event for the Board, which was greatly enjoyed and appreciated. The Board of Stand Like Stone express their profound sorrow at Annette's passing and remember Annette's kindness, wisdom and passion for people and community.

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## In Memoriam Donations & Bequests

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**Families can choose to recognise their loved ones through the support of the Stand Like Stone Foundation. Stand Like Stone is able to facilitate donations in memoriam and in consultation with the Foundation, families can choose how they would like their loved ones recognised.**

A bequest to the Stand Like Stone Foundation is a meaningful way that an individual can benefit the Limestone Coast Community. After providing for loved ones in a Will, an individual may choose to make a gift of money, stock or property to the Foundation. Bequests will be carefully managed by the Board to benefit the Limestone Coast's communities in perpetuity.

If you are considering making a donation in memoriam or a bequest to the Stand Like Stone Foundation, we recommend you contact the Foundation in the first instance.

## “Rolling Stones” (Stand Like Stone Reference Group)

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**In August 2017 the Board agreed to establish a Stand Like Stone Reference Group, to be known as the “Rolling Stones.” The purpose of the reference group is to ensure that the experience and knowledge of past Directors & key stakeholders is not lost to the foundation and remains accessible to its current Directors and stakeholders.**

The reference group may be approached by the Board to provide advice or recommendations as required. Members may make themselves available to serve on sub committees and advisory groups of the Stand Like Stone Foundation and may organise and run fundraisers for SLSF.

The “Rolling Stones” are headed up by Sue Charlton AM and had their inaugural meeting this year. The group was instrumental in bringing together the Australian Doctors Orchestra concert and are looking forward to making ongoing contributions to Stand Like Stone.



# Trust Fund Growth

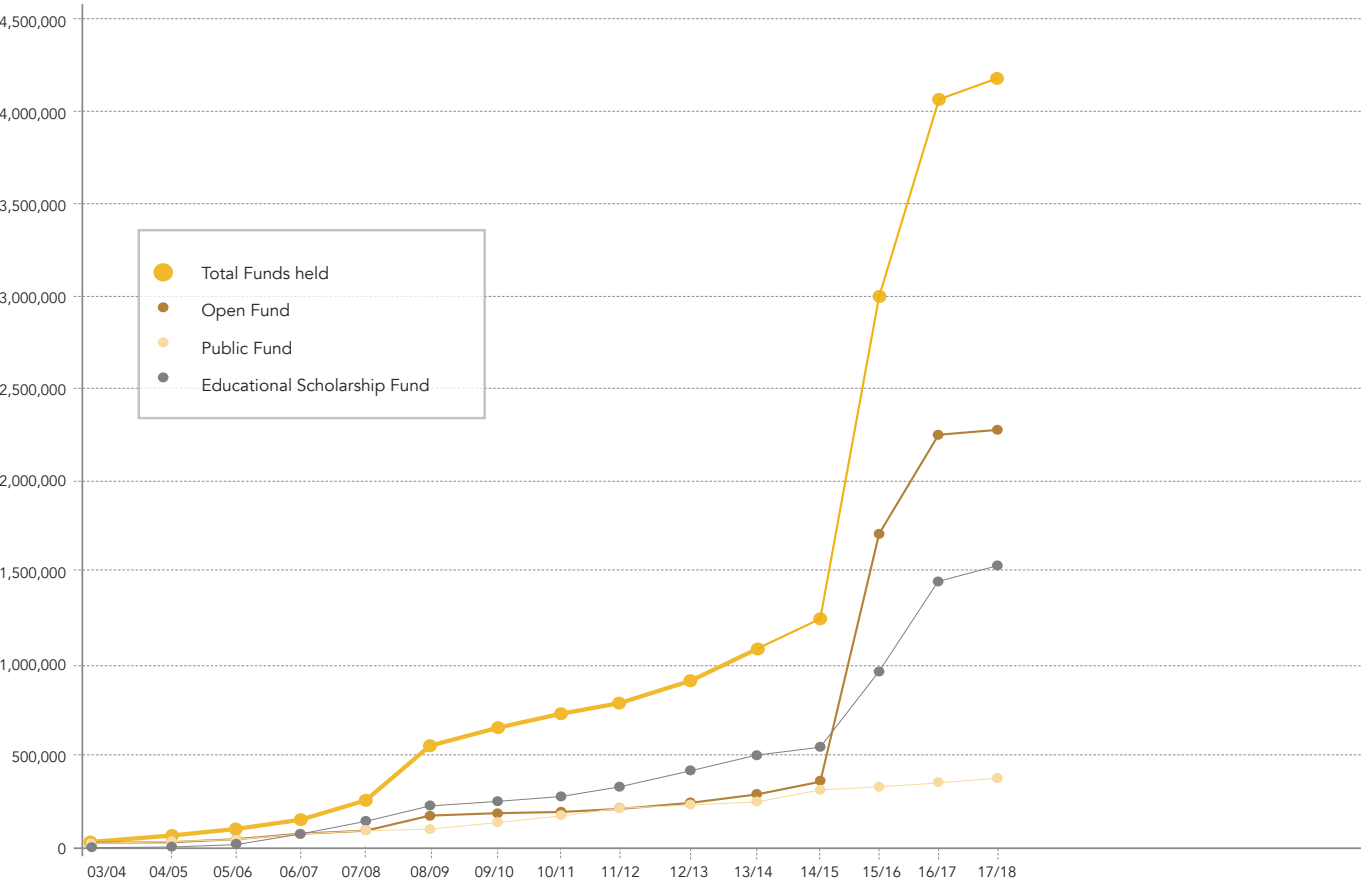
**Stand Like Stone’s goal continues to be to build substantial permanent funds from which grants are made to local charitable projects and educational scholarships are given. These funds function like a permanent community savings account (the corpus) which distributes the earnings back to the community. Stand Like Stone has three trust funds: the Public Fund, the Open Fund and the Educational Scholarship Fund where gifts to Stand Like Stone are held.**

The Educational Scholarship Fund has net assets of \$1,528,050.56 and provides money for scholarships, bursaries or prizes which promote the recipients education in a pre-school, primary, secondary or tertiary course and is awarded on merit or for reasons of equity.

Donations to the Educational Scholarship Fund receive a tax deduction.

The Public Fund has net assets of \$363,343.40 and gives grants to organisations that have deductible gift recipient status (DGR) for example hospitals, health promotion charities and cultural organisations. Donations to the Public Fund receive a tax deduction.

Gifts not requiring a tax deductible receipt are invested in the Open Fund which has net assets of \$2,287,931.65. Grants from the Open Fund are given to charitable projects and can be given to a wider number of organisations, not just those with deductible gift recipient status. The following graph shows trust fund growth:



	ADMIN A/C	PUBLIC	OPEN	EDUCTL SF	TOTAL (30/6/18)	TOTAL (30/6/17)
What Stand Like Stone Foundation Earned	64,894.43	-	-	-	64,894.00	81,987.00
Events Income	87,044.33	-	-	-	87,044.00	69,776.00
Administration Fee	2,383.77	3,138.80	20,345.29	7,917.05	33,785.00	36,565.00
Interest	31,655.00	-	-	-	31,655.00	11,280.00
Sponsorship	6,000.00	-	-	-	6,000.00	11,000.00
Council	650.00	-	-	-	650.00	-
Grants Received	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reimbursed Expenses	-	3,537.94	36,185.64	28,266.25	67,990.00	21,996.00
Dividends Received	-	7,519.62	40,251.99	26,502.46	74,274.00	85,937.00
Franking Credits Refunded	-	5,276.00	28,731.00	13,446.00	47,453.00	12,310.00
	192,627.53	19,472.36	125,513.92	76,131.76	413,746.00	330,851.00
Gifts & Donations Received	5,000.00	43,099.14	212,227.80	109,027.41	369,354.00	1,038,316.00
Less Loss on Disposal of Assets	-	-	761.90	-	762.00	18,124.00
Less Administration Costs	179,377.82	7,429.47	49,046.38	30,259.62	266,113.00	245,869.00
Surplus Before Grants	18,249.71	55,142.03	287,933.44	154,899.55	516,225.00	1,105,174.00
Grants & Scholarships Paid	-	24,466.47	224,149.66	24,570.00	273,186.00	208,223.00
Surplus	18,249.71	30,675.56	63,783.78	130,329.55	243,039.00	896,951.00
Property, Plant & Equipment	1,528.59	-	-	-	1,529.00	1,951.00
Cash & Short Term Deposits	145,375.99	137,174.03	762,184.92	468,503.84	1,513,239.00	1,530,613.00
Sundry Debtors & Other Receivables	4,466.67	568.46	11,253.83	2,775.35	19,064.00	8,818.00
Shares in Listed Companies - At Market Value	-	171,544.64	1,043,790.09	629,954.69	1,845,289.00	1,945,577.00
Units in Listed Companies - At Market Value	-	9,966.50	113,960.15	116,778.23	240,705.00	257,402.00
Units in Managed Funds - At Market Value	-	60,272.28	510,367.94	374,923.55	945,564.00	663,521.00
What we Own	151,371.25	379,525.91	2,441,556.93	1,592,935.66	4,565,390.00	4,407,883.00
What we Owe	37,491.42	12,415.96	128,992.80	48,104.82	227,005.00	217,955.00
Net Assets (including Administration Account)	113,879.83	367,109.95	2,312,564.13	1,544,830.84	4,338,385.00	4,189,928.00

## Community Awareness

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### Website

Our website is a powerful and important tool in raising community awareness of the work of Stand Like Stone Foundation. We continue to invest in our website and are grateful for the ongoing support and generosity of helloFriday in hosting and maintaining this resource for Stand Like Stone.

**UNIQUE WEBSITE VISITS (JULY – JUNE) 17,496**

### Social Media

Stand Like Stone continues to interact with the community on social media. Social media provides a platform to extend our reach into the community and allows a responsive and current platform to engage with many community groups, as well as younger stakeholders.

Our Facebook community has grown to 2663 people and we interact with them on a regular basis, posting messages of community interest and updates on our events, grants and scholarship programs. Twitter has been a useful tool in keeping abreast of philanthropic action in the sector and increasing our reach around the region.

**FACEBOOK LIKES 2663**

**TWITTER 544 followers**

### Public Relations - Media

Over the past 12 months Stand Like Stone has featured in many print media stories. Images accompanied the majority of these stories making the stories more likely to be read. We appreciate the support given by local radio and print media in providing a solid foundation to increase community awareness across the Limestone Coast in the coming years.

**PRINT MEDIA STORIES 38**

### Public Relations - eNewsletter

Our e-newsletter has been distributed regularly over the last 12 months, with additional notifications in the lead-up to major events. The e-newsletter enables us to keep in touch with our community and is well received by our 600 strong subscriber list.

### Public Relations - South East Field Days

As part of our community relations strategy, Stand Like Stone attended the South East Field Days at Lucindale in March. The Field Days present a unique opportunity to mingle with people from the Limestone Coast and have conversations around the region, the foundation and our activities. As per previous years, we had giveaways for local children, along with bookmarks and a “Guess How Many” lolly jar. There were good levels of social media interaction over both days.





## History and Context

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**The Stand Like Stone Foundation, a community foundation, is an independent philanthropic organisation working in the Limestone Coast. Stand Like Stone is part of a network of Community Foundations across Australia and works closely with the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR), Australian Community Philanthropy and Philanthropy Australia.**

Stand Like Stone's origins lie in the leadership of a group of visionary people who wanted to initiate a community foundation for the lasting benefit of the Limestone Coast. As a result in October 2004 the Stand Like Stone Foundation was officially launched to serve the Limestone Coast.

The Stand Like Stone Foundation is the leading community foundation in South Australia.

Stand Like Stone operates as follows:

1. Stand Like Stone collects donations, which are pooled to form a capital base (corpus).
2. This capital base (corpus) is invested and kept in perpetuity and its income is used to fund educational scholarships and community projects, which are charitable and benefit the community.
3. Stand Like Stone funds educational scholarships and charitable projects in the Limestone Coast by giving grants which focus on community health and well being, community development, environmental and cultural projects.

### **Stand Like Stone is unique for a number of reasons:**

1. The benefit of all donations stays in the Limestone Coast.
2. Decisions on which projects receive grants are made by local people.
3. The grants Stand Like Stone gives meet local needs.
4. The original donation is never spent; it keeps on giving.
5. No more than 2% per annum of average capital is used to support Stand Like Stone's activities.

### **The Limestone Coast**

The Stand Like Stone Foundation embraces the Limestone Coast, located in the South East of South Australia. The Limestone Coast consists of the following local governments:

- City of Mount Gambier
- District Council of Grant
- Kingston District Council
- Naracoorte Lucindale Council
- Robe District Council
- Tatiara District Council
- Wattle Range Council

## Structure and Governance

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### **The Stand Like Stone Foundation is:**

- a Public Company Limited by Guarantee
- endorsed by the Australian Tax Office (ATO) as a Charitable Institution and is exempt from income tax
- registered with the ACNC

Donations to Stand Like Stone are held in the appropriate Trust Fund. Each fund is established and governed by a separate Trust Deed. The public company, the Stand Like Stone Foundation, is the trustee of the:

- Open Fund
- Public Fund (to which tax-deductible donations can be given)
- Educational Scholarship Fund (to which tax-deductible donations can be given)

### **The trustees are responsible for:**

- investment decisions
- ensuring that income is distributed in line with the purposes in the trust deeds

Stand Like Stone's Constitution provides governance requirements and states that Stand Like Stone is not for profit and that its income will be applied to public charitable purposes.

Stand Like Stone is governed by a Board of Directors made up of unpaid representatives from the Limestone Coast who meet the Australian Tax Office's (ATO) definition of having 'community responsibility'.

Stand Like Stone has Grant Making, Educational Scholarship, Finance, Board Nominations and Fund Development advisory committees, which make recommendations to the Board.

Management of the Stand Like Stone Foundation is overseen by the Executive Officer, who is employed three days a week. An Administration and Accounts Officer and Grants, Partnerships and Governance Officer are also employed on a permanent part-time basis. The Stand Like Stone Foundation has a small office in Mount Gambier.

## Organisational Directory

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### **Board of Directors**

Mr William DeGaris (Chair)	December 2006 to present
Mr Brian Page (Public Officer)	April 2004 to November 2017
Dr Ruth Schubert (Secretary)	April 2004 to present
Mrs Susan Charlton AM	April 2004 to November 2017
Mrs Carol Koch	November 2004 to November 2017
Mr Robin Ellerman	July 2005 to present
Mr Robert Mock	April 2012 to present
Mrs Lucy Ryan	May 2014 to present
Ms Donna Edwards (Public Officer Nov 2017)	December 2014 to present
Mr Rhett McDonald	July 2015 to present
Ms Fiona Pulford	July 2015 to present
Mrs Kathryn Facy	November 2017 to present
Mrs Sally Klose	November 2017 to present
Mr Benjamin Hood	November 2017 to present

### **Alternate Directors**

Mrs Kathryn Facy	Alternate for Susan Charlton	November 2009 to November 2017
Mr Peter Brookman	Alternate for Lucy Ryan	August 2011 to December 2017
Mrs Julie Forgan	Alternate for Ruth Schubert	October 2014 to December 2017
Mrs Annette Balnaves	Alternate for Rhett McDonald	December 2015 to July 2018
Mrs Sally Klose	Alternate for Carol Koch	June 2016 to November 2017
Mrs Susan Charlton AM	Alternate for Kathryn Facy	November 2017 to present
Mrs Carol Koch	Alternate for Sally Klose	November 2017 to present
Mr Brian Page	Alternate for Benjamin Hood	November 2017 to present

### **Patrons**

Mr Ray Scott	July 2009 to present
Mrs Susan Charlton AM	February 2015 to present

### **Founding Donors**

Mr Brian and Mrs Sue Page
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## Advisory Committees

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### **Grant Making**

Mr Brian Page	July 2006 to December 2017
Mr Rhett McDonald (Chair)	December 2012 to present
Mr Rodney Summers (Bendigo Community Bank)	April 2015 to present
Ms Barbara Cernovskis (City of Mount Gambier)	April 2010 to present
Ms Amanda Giles (Agri-Links)	August 2014 to present
Mr Benjamin Hood	December 2017 to present
Mrs Annette Balnaves	December 2012 to July 2018

### **Educational Scholarship**

Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	November 2009 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert	November 2009 to present
Ms Donna Edwards	December 2014 to February 2018
Ms Fiona Pulford	December 2017 to present
Ms Barbara Cernovskis (City of Mount Gambier)	November 2010 to present

### **Finance**

Dr Ruth Schubert (Chair)	February 2015 to present
Mr Brian Page	April 2004 to present
Mr Robin Ellerman	July 2005 to present
Mr Robert Mock	December 2012 to present
Mr John Kirby	September 2015 to present
Mrs Georgie McKay	October 2012 to present
Mrs Kathryn Facy	December 2017 to present

### **Funding Development - Swinging with the Stars**

Mrs Sue Charlton AM (Chair)	February 2007 to present
Mrs Kathryn Facy	February 2010 to present
Ms Tania Von Stanke	May 2012 to present
Ms Donna Edwards	December 2014 to present
Ms Lauren Fox	March 2015 to present
Mrs Georgie McKay	October 2012 to present
Ms Tahlia Gabrielli	September 2017 to present
Ms Sarah Barney	September 2017 to present
Mr Grant Fensom	September 2017 to present

### **Board Nominations**

Mr Bill DeGaris (Chair)	December 2014 to present
Dr Ruth Schubert	December 2014 to present
Ms Erika Vickery	February 2016 to present

## Sponsors and Advisors

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### Sponsors for 2017-2018 included:



### Key advisors

<u>Accountant</u>	Sinclair Wilson
<u>Auditor</u>	Galpins Mount Gambier
<u>Legal</u>	Herbert Smith Freehills and DeGaris Lawyers
<u>Graphic Design</u>	helloFriday

### Financial Statements

We thank Sinclair Wilson for finalising the Financial Statements for FY18









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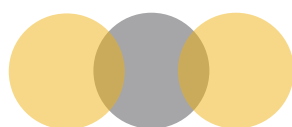


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