



Dunstan News

May 2020

We're in this together

Dear friends and supporters,

It's remarkable how much things have changed since our last Dunstan E-News! The COVID outbreak and the social restrictions have certainly challenged everyone, and the Foundation is no exception.

This is also a very trying time for many of our partners, ranging from the universities, local and state governments, and our Thinkers and Adelaide Zero Project partners. The dual pressure points of ensuring that clients and staff remain safe, and battling the impacts on income streams has brought great pressure and time demands on everyone.



While the pandemic has brought great hardship and heartbreak to many, we hope that the world's re-emergence from this cocoon will also bring about a fresh consideration of how we best structure and safeguard our society, economy and the natural environment. We at the DDF are looking forward to contributing to that conversation.

We often wonder what Don Dunstan would have said about these circumstances! What we do know for sure is that one of his points of focus would be on those who are falling, or at risk of falling, through the gaps between our support structures.

In this spirit, and in particular through the **Adelaide Zero Project**, we are working hard to support the community's response to COVID-19. It has been very affirming to observe how, in this time of crisis, the Adelaide Zero Project is now seen as a critical part of the state's framework to respond to homelessness. In particular, the By-Name List which is at the core of the Project's approach, has been an essential tool in the swift roll-out of the State Government's excellent initiative to place those sleeping rough into hotels and motels.

As a supporter of the Foundation, you will be aware of our **annual diary of events** including AdMental in April and the Lowitja O'Donoghue Oration in May. It is upsetting that we needed to postpone these events, but we will do our very best to schedule them when we can.

Given these postponements we have recast our thinking on how we will deliver impact throughout the coming months, and are getting together some great online content.

The first of this program will be our **Reconciliation Week** digital presentation, *Influencing our influencers*, next Thursday. We have gathered a fantastic panel of the Pro Vice Chancellors who head up indigenous engagement at the University of Adelaide, Flinders University and the University of South Australia as they discuss Reconciliation action within higher education. Tickets are only \$10 and we welcome everyone to participate in this important conversation for Reconciliation Week. More

information can be found below.

We are sad to have farewelled two outstanding members of our team last month:

- **Coco Karriem** was our Projects and Marketing Officer with the Thinkers in Residence program. We are delighted to report that Coco will be working for Rapid Enterprise Development (RED), which assists people with disabilities to start micro-enterprises for themselves. RED is an initiative of our former Thinker in Residence, Dr Guy Turnbull!
- **Jess Starling** was our Projects and Marketing Officer working across the Adelaide Zero Project and the Foundation more broadly over the past twelve months. Jess is heading to the Aboriginal Housing Strategy team at the South Australian Housing Authority, which is a key partner in our AZP work.

We congratulate and thank Coco and Jess for their dedication and outstanding work at the Foundation. We wish them well for the bright futures they have ahead of them.

This is a tough time for our community, and we are keen to continue our work connecting ideas, leaders and organisations.

Ritchie Hollands
Executive Director

General News

Thank you Debbie Faulkner



Dr Debbie Faulkner has recently finished her time as a member of the Foundation's Committee of Management. A member since 2015, Debbie was one of our longest standing Committee of Management members!

A big thank you to Debbie for her unwavering commitment to and earnest support of the Foundation's work. Her wisdom and insights have been invaluable, and we send her our best wishes for the future. While Debbie's official work with the Foundation has come to a close, we're sure she will remain a close friend of the Foundation.

Support our partners

During this challenging climate, our thoughts are with the partners of the Foundation's major projects.

With many of us impacted in different ways and many services doing it tough, some of us in the community may have scope to support others.

If you are interested in supporting the work of our partners, we've pulled together a great article explaining what type of support some of our partners are looking for.

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COVID-19



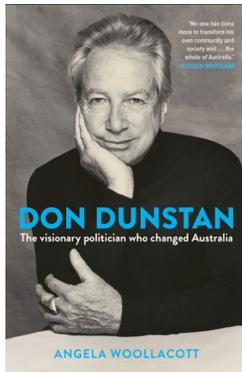
Following government protocols, we have put measures in place to keep our team safe. During the current period our team is working from home. Fortunately, our work lends itself to be conducted just as well this way.

We are available on the phone, via email and Zoom meetings, while we continue to deliver our important work.

Don's Table Gala Fundraising Dinner

Sadly, our Foundation fundraising dinner scheduled for June has needed to be vacated to ensure we stick to physical distancing measure for now.

We'll look at creating a new event once we know more about the easing of restrictions.



Adelaide Writers Week Review

Angela Woollacott's Dunstan Biography

Chris Button, our talented communications volunteer, attended the Adelaide Writers Week event featuring Angela Woollacott's biography on Don Dunstan, and wrote an excellent event review, which you can find on our website.

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Upcoming events and workshops

We are currently planning a series of exciting and thought provoking online events to deliver to the community while we wait to see what our onsite events will look like from July onward.

This includes our 2020 Homelessness Conference in August. We will continue to communicate any changes or postponement of events as they comes to hand.

[SEE OUR DIGITAL EVENTS](#)

Aboriginal Economic Empowerment

Reconciliation Week - Online Event

Influencing our Influencers – An online panel for Reconciliation Week

Date: Thursday 28 May 2020
Time: 12.00 pm – 1.00 pm

Where: Online
Cost: \$10 per ticket

This year's Reconciliation Week is looking a little different to other years, but it is crucial that we nonetheless turn our minds to this national priority.

We'd love you to join us for *Influencing the Influencers* - a panel discussion why a focus on reconciliation in higher education is so important and how such a focus influences research, government, policy makers and community.



Facilitated by **the Hon. Rev. Dr Lynn Arnold AO**, our fantastic panel will be:

- **Professor Shane Hearn**, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Engagement), University of Adelaide
- **Associate Professor Simone Tur**, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous), Flinders University
- **Professor Irene Watson**, the Pro Vice Chancellor, Aboriginal Leadership and Strategy and Professor of Law, University of South Australia

A Q&A session will conclude the discussion, so please submit questions for the panellists by emailing Emilie.soda@adelaide.edu.au.

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Lowitja O'Donoghue Oration

With social distancing measures still in place we have had to postpone this year's Lowitja O'Donoghue Oration.

Our Orator, Ms Pat Anderson, has kindly agreed to us looking at spring dates once we know when it will be safe for people to gather again. We'll be sure to keep you updated as soon as we are able to reschedule the event.

Adelaide Zero Project

Implementation Plan update - Download now!

The update to Adelaide Zero Project's Implementation Plan is now online, celebrating our milestones and explaining the next steps towards Functional Zero.



COVID-19 brings many uncertainties but the Adelaide Zero Project is committed to achieving Functional Zero and will continue to update this plan in 2020 to meet the changing needs of those sleeping rough in our city.

[DOWNLOAD HERE](#)

**TheMHS Learning Network
Summer Forum 2020**

Congratulations to our colleague Renee



Jones on her keynote speech at February's TheMHS Summer Forum, presenting on Collective Impact.

Renee shared her insights from her leadership of the backbone role for the Adelaide Zero Project and discussed opportunities and challenges of cross-sector collaboration between homelessness and mental health sectors.

Thinkers in Residence



Guy Turnbull Report Launch

While unfortunately restrictions didn't allow us to gather together, we were proud to conduct a digital launch of the report of our Thinker in Residence Dr Guy Turnbull on 26 March 2020.

The report, titled *Towards a Co-operative State: Securing the Social and Economic Prosperity of South Australia Through Corporate Diversity*, is now available for download on our website.

You will also find the videos prepared for that digital launch, with messages from Dr Turnbull himself and Melina Morrison of the Business Council of Cooperatives and Mutuals.

[DOWNLOAD HERE](#)



Mental Health

AdMental Postponement

AdMental 2020 had been scheduled for early April, and our creative teams had some excellent videos ready for the event! It was a great pity that we needed to postpone, but we can't wait to reschedule this year's event

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in spring if restrictions allow. Watch this space!



What we are watching, reading or listening to

[The Australian Dream](#)

The remarkable story of Indigenous AFL legend Adam Goodes. Through the backdrop of Goodes' journey, the feature documentary explores race, identity and belonging in Australia today. Available on ABC iView.

[Reimagine your social enterprise business model post COVID-19: The why and what](#)

Tara Anderson, ProBono Australia

[Reconciliation Week Toolkit](#)

Reconciliation SA

[When the crisis ends we shouldn't return to business as usual](#)

Krystian Seibert, ProBono Australia

[Reimagining a Post COVID World: Key Principles for the Future](#)

Mandeep Tiwana, Inter Press Service News Agency

Events and news from our friends

Reconciliation SA
presents



Keynote speaker, Patricia Turner
CEO, NACCHO

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TOGETHER.

National Reconciliation Week
Virtual Breakfast 2020

Wednesday 27 May 2020
ONLINE breakfast at 7.30am

Online via CISCO WebEx



Tickets: www.reconciliationosa.org.au/events

Reconciliation SA - National Reconciliation Week Virtual Breakfast

Date: May 27th 7.30 am – 8.45 am

Cost: Tickets are \$30

With the COVID-19 restrictions in place, Reconciliation SA are now holding their breakfast online! Patricia Turner AM, CEO of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) is the keynote speaker for this year's virtual event.

Ms Turner is at the forefront of community efforts to Close the Gap in health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

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Adelaide University Reconciliation Week activities

Date: 27 May – 3 June 2020

Adelaide University are recognising Reconciliation Week online, through their Virtual Sea of Hands.

You can share what Reconciliation means to you [here](#).

Open your world - Wellbeing SA



The South Australian Government, through Wellbeing SA, have launched an excellent new website to build community in the COVID period.

It is full of content on how to look after yourself and your family, connect with others, stay active and healthy and learn and experience new things.

[CHECK IT OUT HERE](#)

Everybody's Home

The Everybody's Home campaign is advocating for a new way of looking at housing in Australia so that everybody has a home. If the COVID-19 pandemic has shown us anything, it's just how broken our housing system is.

Not only do we need housing included in any stimulus package, we need to keep up the pressure for long-term action around fair renting, rental assistance and action on homelessness. The only way the government will act on housing is if there is enough of a constituency to make them realise they can't afford to ignore the issue.

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Youth Inc Enrollments Now Open

Our friends at the Youth Inc Enterprise Academy are beginning intake for the next term.



Youth Inc. is Adelaide's newest learning alternative, and is designed specifically for young people aged 17-24 who are looking for something a bit different!

They have a different ethos and approach to mainstream schools, with a stronger focus on practical learning, social enterprise skills, work, resilience and wellbeing. If you know anyone who would benefit from a very different education - reach out to them!

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