

Road Watch—Adopt A Road



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Riverland trip

KESAB is excited to be speaking at the National Caravan Clubs Rally on Wednesday the 29th of March in Barmera. We will be discussing the challenges and opportunities of managing materials whilst travelling, as it's often hard to find any bin let alone good separation systems.

Thankfully the rally has adopted an eco-friendly site approach, arranging can/bottle recycling and requesting the reuse of cutlery and crockery, with no plastic/paper items allowed. We commend the rally for these efforts and look forward to seeing a clean site.

To make the most of being in the area, we are looking to expand our trip and are calling on volunteers to let us know if you have friends/family/groups who may be interested in discussing the program or simply having a volunteer get together. If you have any ideas or leads, please contact us and we look forward to seeing you in March.

If you are keen to join us at the rally, please remember to check the latest [fruit fly restrictions](#) for the area, as the outbreak continues to threaten the local community.

If you are caravanning / camping / travelling, please remember to:

- Pack reusable items: containers, bags, bottles and wraps.
- Choose unpackaged food where possible.
- Utilise quality rechargeable devices.
- Create your own waste separation system with locking lids to avoid spills and smells.

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Join KESAB at 4 pm on 29 March for an interactive session to find out how you can help to

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18th National Caravan Clubs Rally



Riverland Events Centre
Barmera, South Australia

27th March to 5th April 2023 (9 nights)

www.18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au



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New volunteers

Welcome: Rotary Club of Glenelg

Please join us in welcoming our latest group of volunteers: the Rotary Club of Glenelg. I was pleased to present the safety induction to their group in person in December and they have 18 members registered.

They were so keen to get involved that they arranged their first clean just before Christmas, providing great holiday season insights. Their latest report for January has shown that single-use plastic straws are still a problem, which causes great concern for nearby marine wildlife.

Thankfully the [City of Holdfast Bay](#), as well as other areas, have a proportion of their operational budget assigned to the cleaning of gross pollutant traps. Whilst these traps can help reduce litter getting into our waterways, avoidance and reduction are key steps to a cleaner and healthier environment.

We thank all the wonderful members of community who take the initiative to dispose of litter as appropriate and hope that you do so with pride, knowing that you are setting an example and planting a seed for positive behaviour change. Thank you.



Images show some of the wonderful members of The Rotary Club of Glenelg out and about, clearing up litter at the end of January

Tzu Chi visit

New Year blessing event

KESAB is very pleased to be invited to the Tzu Chi Foundations New Year Blessing event, Sunday 19th of February. The theme for the year is 'May we do good with compassion and bring blessings to all. May we conduct ourselves with wisdom and pass on virtue.'

We think that this beautiful theme encompasses what Road Watch-Adopt A Road volunteers exemplify and we know that the good virtue you pass on is a brighter future for all. Thank you.



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What'SUP

2023 bans

South Australia's Single-use and Other Plastic Products (Waste Avoidance) Act 2020 is the first legislation of its kind in Australia and phases out challenging single-use plastics over time.

Many of these plastics end up as litter and your findings show that it's a huge environmental issue. You may have noticed that the current 'Clean Up' reports include questions about banned single-use plastics, as we are trying to ascertain the prevalence of banned items. It seems that there are still some in circulation and that they are easily littered. If you are aware of other single-use plastics that should be considered in the next phase of the bans, now is the time to help [shape the next steps](#).

Consultation for the September 2023 bans is possible via: <https://yoursay.sa.gov.au/2023-sup-regulations> or by writing / emailing Green Industries South Australia: PO Box 1047, Adelaide, SA 5000 / GISA.sup@sa.gov.au

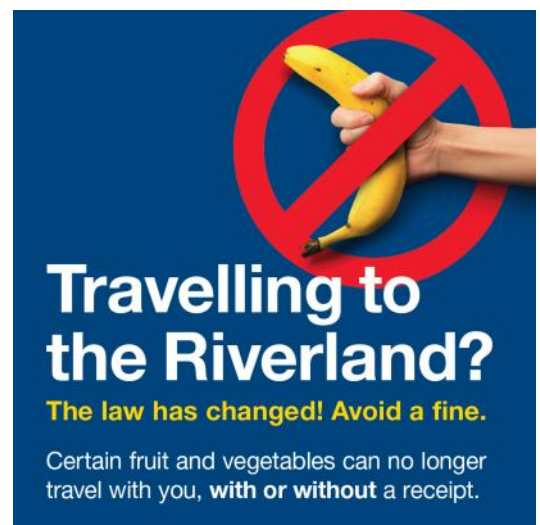


River support

Rubbish response

Every year we have challenges but these often make us stronger and band people together. The Riverland has had its fair share of challenges recently with flooding and fruit fly outbreaks. If you are one of the many South Australians who visit the Riverland, please consider supporting them through simple actions like responsibly collecting litter. Water has dislodged and moved a lot of material, so now is an important time to stem the flow of litter dispersal. Doing this publicly in your day to day activities can show support for the environment and the broader community. We're sure that we don't need to tell you that every little bit counts!

Litter management is not the only support we can show the Riverland right now. Fruit fly is again an issue in the area so please be mindful when travelling as you may inadvertently spread these damaging critters. Fruit fly risks local jobs and the local economy, as well as the quality of SA's produce. You can choose different fruits/vegetables or process your food to stop the spread. Check restrictions and current local advice on PIRSA's map: <https://fruitfly.sa.gov.au/outbreak-map>



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School support

Activity days

Wipe Out Waste & Road Watch

KESAB's [Wipe Out Waste](#) program supports SA education sites to learn about and reduce waste in a whole of site approach. This has historically included bin systems assessments, audits, educational shows and planning support, and now has an 'activity day' pathway.

This new offering introduces students to assessments and audits, as well as the Road Watch program with their own mini site clean. We aim to teach students about environmental responsibility, community action and engagement as well as material management. If you know of an educational site that may be interested in hosting an activity day, please refer them to KESAB.



Equipment & safety

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Seasonal changes

The weather is still warm so please make sure that you have appropriate first aid, hydration and sun smart attire before you head out. Check equipment is in good working order and please call / email KESAB for any equipment replacements / orders (08) 8234 7255/ roadwatch@kesab.asn.au

SAFETY SPOTLIGHT: Seasonal changes

As the seasons cycle through, it's a good reminder to keep an eye on the weather forecast. The earlier months of the year are times when road side vegetation can be long or dry and critters might be more active. It's also timely to remind ourselves of the best times of day to be out and about, noting that activities are only permitted during clear, daylight hours.



- Check the weather forecast when planning and just before completing a clean up activity. Check peak times for heat and UV to avoid these and stay safe.
- Go prepared. This means checking the site conditions in advance to identify potential barriers and hazards, notifying others of your plan, packing appropriate snacks and water and wearing appropriate shoes, eyewear and clothing. Basic wrap around safety glasses are available by contacting KESAB.
- Tune in to the environment around you. Listen for movement and check for tracks: this can help identify the presence of critters you may need to avoid.



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