

# GREG HUNT MP

MEMBER FOR FLINDERS

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## **FLINDERS COMMUNITY NEWS**

## **AUTUMN 2018**



# HMAS Cerberus declared enduring base, \$463 million redevelopment underway

In great news for the local community, **HMAS Cerberus**, is set to undergo a \$463 million redevelopment.

It was a pleasure to join my colleague, Defence Minister Marise Payne, on base to formally announce the redevelopment and how local businesses will benefit from this massive project.

This project reaffirms that HMAS Cerberus will be a permanent naval base and an integral part of Australian naval training.

The redevelopment of Cerberus also includes initiatives that ensure local businesses are considered for this major defence infrastructure project.

This investment will be a shot in the arm for the local construction industry that will create local jobs and growth.

Construction is already underway, with completion expected in mid-2025.

▲ with Minister for Defence Senator the Hon Marise Payne and Captain Tim Standen at **HMAS Cerberus** 

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## Locals have their say in 2018 Great Flinders Survey

From Portsea to Phillip Island, Kilcunda to Koo Wee Rup, all locals are invited to take part in the 2018 Great Flinders Survey.

I'm incredibly fortunate to represent such a vibrant and diverse part of Australia with many different concerns and I want to ensure I represent you properly in Canberra.

I want to hear from every person in the electorate about the issues that matter to them and what they want to see done.

If you would like to have your say, please fill out the survey attached at the back of the newsletter and mail it back free of charge. Your feedback helps drive change in the local community and I look forward to hearing from you all.

#### **3** Mobile Offices





## Flinders thrives with Stronger Communities Grants

Our local community groups do tremendous work around the electorate and the Federal Government has helped them achieve significant projects as part of the Stronger Communities Programme.

Congratulations to these organisations for their dedication and hard work in securing these grants. I look forward to seeing the completed projects.

In total, nineteen projects received funding in Round Three, including:

- Main Ridge Bowls and Pétanque Club \$8,500 upgrade and refurbish clubhouse
- Koo Wee Rup Cricket Club \$8,500 add lighting and fencing to training facility
- Somerville Bowling Club \$7,000 add solar panels and batteries to club
- Phillip Island Bowling Club \$8,500 upgrades to their shelter and bathroom facilities
- Southern Peninsula Community Support and Information Centre \$9,500 - redevelopment of pantry, training and volunteer facilities in Rosebud
- Phillip Island Breakers Soccer Club \$9,500 add lighting to the Newhaven Recreation Reserve
- Kilcunda Bass Football Netball Club \$12,800 upgrade fencing at Bass Oval
- Western Port Festivals \$2,500 restore mobile caravan
- Cowes Yacht Club \$8,500 replace main rescue boat
- Somerville Cricket Club \$14,100 overhaul kitchen at Somerville Recreation Reserve



with Minister Dan Tehan MP and members of the local RSL community at the PIVVM

- Australian Volunteer Coast Guard \$5,000 purchase and refurbishment of a second rescue boat at Safety Beach
- **Phillip Island** Vietnam Veterans Museum \$10,500 improve disability access around exhibits and improve their facility.
- Peninsula Transport Assist \$8,500 Baxter Community Centre building repairs
- Gunnamatta Surf Life Saving Club \$3,785 purchase of new rescue boards
- Boneo Tennis Club \$8,500 installation of new drainage infrastructure
- French Island Landcare Group \$4,000 Development of a community space
- Harbourcare \$6,500 purchase and installation of a walk in fridge and freezer in Hastings
- CFA Somerville \$4,300 installation of a Community Display Board
- Westernport Little Athletics \$10,000 installation of synthetic long jump runways

# Three million dollar boost to help our lifeguards save lives

Lifesavers around Australia do tremendous work keeping us all safe in the water each year and deserve all the help we can give them.

That is why the Turnbull Government will provide an additional \$3 million to life saving clubs and other water safety organisations around Australia to help reduce drowning deaths and near-deaths.

Every club around Australia will receive \$5,000 to buy new rescue equipment, as well as first aid and medical supplies.



## My office hits the road throughout Flinders

I understand that people don't always have the time to come and visit my office to discuss their local issues, which is why my staff and I regularly bring the office to you

My team and I travel around the electorate to chat about what matters to you and how we can help.

We have already undertaken mobile offices in Grantville, Koo Wee Rup, Hastings, Red Hill, Dromana and Somerville, as well as many other towns so far this year.

There will be plenty of mobile offices throughout the year so residents should stay tuned to my website and social media to find when they will be occuring.



#### Junction Village Men's Shed reopened to the community



Village Men's Shed

It was fantastic to visit Aveo Botanic Gardens Retirement Village to officially reopen the Junction Village Men's Shed.

The Shed received \$2.000 from the Turnbull Government to upgrade their facilities and ensure these master craftsmen can stay active and involved in their local community.

The Men's Shed program provides opportunities for residents of the retirement village, and the wider general community to be active, create new social connections and put their skills to use to help the disadvantaged.

Last year, seven senior elves made 186 toys for the Salvation Army to give out at Christmas and they're already hard at work to beat that number this year.

# **Funding flows for Moonlit** Sanctuary as it leads fight to save Orange-bellied Parrot

With only 50 adult birds left in the wild. Australia's Orange-bellied Parrot was identified as requiring emergency interventions to ensure its survival

Our own Moonlit Sanctuary in Pearcedale will spearhead a new initiative with Zoos Victoria in order to stabilise and grow their population.

The Sanctuary received \$27,500 in Federal Government funding to construct the Orange-bellied Parrot Ranching Aviary Complex, a facility which will house first-year wild birds to protect them through the winter.

I congratulate the team at Moonlit on their tireless efforts to protect threatened species.



feeding two orange-bellied parrots their food at Moonlit Sanctuary, Peracedale

2018 Community Heritage Grants round open for applications

Flinders has a wide range of towns and communities, all with unique histories that local residents cherish.

That is why all local historical groups can apply for a 2018 Community Heritage Grant.

These grants will provide up to \$15,000 to help a range of activities to ensure the long

term survival of these irreplaceable parts of local history.

I encourage all not-for-profit organisations, such as historical societies, regional museums, public libraries and Indigenous and migrant community groups to apply for funding through www.nla.gov.au

### **Funding secured to** upgrade Harold Holt **Memorial**

Last December saw Point Nepean commemorate the 50th anniversary of the disappearance of Prime Minister Harold Holt off the coast of Cheviot Beach near Portsea.

Prime Minister Holt is an incredibly important part of not just the Mornington Peninsula's history, but our shared Australian story. He should rightly be remembered for his great service to our nation

In recognition of this, the Federal Government has allocated \$50,000 to design and upgrade the current memorial site.

It is incredibly important that we honour the date of his loss, especially on such a milestone anniversary and this funding will help ensure the memorial will continue to be a fitting tribute.



▲ with members of the Holt family at the Harold Holt Memorial in **Point Nepean** National Park

## Great game for a great cause at the Luke Batty **Memorial Shield**

Thanks to **Tyabb** Cricket Club for inviting me down to open the bowling against Victoria Police as part of the Luke Batty Memorial Shield.

The Shield game, now entering its third year, is a good opportunity for the Cricket Club and Victoria Police to come together to raise funds for the Luke Batty Foundation, a cause close to all our hearts.

It was great to roll the arm over and pick up very respectable figures of 2/10, including the prized wicket of Chief Police Commissioner, Graham Ashton.

All proceeds from the food and bar at the game went to the Foundation and I want to thank everyone involved for supporting such a great cause.



## **Seawinds community** hub upgrade

It was great to catch up with Heather and the rest of the team at Seawinds Community Hub in Capel Sound to see the completed Seawinds Kindergarten Kitchen project.

Seawinds received \$6,891 under the Turnbull Government's Stronger Communities Programme to upgrade their kindergarten kitchen facilities, which look after and prepare food for the many children who visit the centre.



Seawinds Community Hub

# **Out and About**

- ✓ Launched the Bowls Australia Senior Health Expo in Rosebud
- ✓ Opened the Mornington Peninsula Men's Shed Network Expo in Mount Martha
- ✓ Awarded Ti Tree Lodge in Rosebud two Better Practice Awards from the Australia Aged Care Quality Agency
- ✓ Visited the Phillip Island Medical Hub to monitor construction
- ✓ Met with Victorian Senior of the Year Roy Francis, who was recognised for his tireless work and travel promoting cancer awareness around the Mornington Peninsula
- ✓ Attended the Rye gift at RJ Rowley Reserve
- Judged the Street Parade as part of the Western Port Festival, Hastings
- ✓ Caught up with the parents, teachers & kids from Somerville Rise Primary School at the Somerville Family Fun Day
- ✓ Met with members of **Phillip Island** Nature Parks at the Phillip Island Penguin Parade
- ✓ Hosted Volunteer Grant and Solar Communities Grant recipients in Hastings



with Beryl Sheedy as she celebrates her 105th birthday

- ✓ Visited the **Phillip Island** Vietnam Veterans Museum with then Minister for Veterans Affairs Dan Tehan.
- ✓ Race called the running of the Red Hill Ferret Cup at the 90th Red Hill Show
- ✓ Participated in the 2017 Arthurs Seat Challenge
- ✓ Attended Remembrance Day Service in Rosebud
- ✓ Visited the Peninsula North Men's Shed with Federal Member for Dunkley, Chris Crewther MP
- ✓ Officially opened the **Tyabb** Air Show
- ✓ Visited Harewood House in Koo Wee Rup as part of their
  150th Anniversary celebration.
- ✓ Chaired the Bitten Combined Probus AGM in Hastings



visiting the wildlife at Maru Koala and Animal Park in **Grantville** 

- ✓ Caught up with members of the Woolamai Beach Surf Lifesaving Club
- ✓ Opened the new extension of the Total Care Medical Group in Frankston
- ✓ Attended the 105th birthday of local constituent Beryl Sheedy in Balnarring
- ✓ Visited the Maru Koala and Animal Park in Grantville
- ✓ Celebrated Southern Peninsula Rescue Squad's 50th anniversary in Blairgowrie
- ✓ Launched Ride for Joel for the White Bike Foundation in Mornington
- ✓ Attended the official opening of the **Flinders** Fire Station
- ✓ Attended the WoodWorkers of the Southern Peninsula Toy Distribution Day
- ✓ Met with members of the Mt Martha North Beach Group to discuss the ongoing erosion issues of the beach
- ✓ Visited the Peninsula North Men's Shed with Federal Member for Dunkley, Chris Crewther MP in Pearcedale
- ✓ Visited Lord Somers Camp in Somers
- ✓ Attended the Australia Day Australian Citizenship Ceremony in **Rosebud**
- ✓ Spoke at the Doctors' Mental Health Forum at Frankston Hospital



# Health

# Ground-breaking flu vaccines to protect millions of Aussies

After the devastating loss of life during the last flu season, the Turnbull Government will provide two new ground-breaking flu vaccines to over three million Australians aged 65 years and over - free of charge.

Last season, more than 90 per cent of the 1,100 flu related deaths in 2017 were by people aged over 65 years of age.

These new vaccines have been fast-tracked to ensure lives are saved and that older Australians receive greater protection.



▲ elderly Australians like those at Ti Tree in **Rosebud** will have free of charge access to vaccines for this flu season



#### First National Action Plan for Endometriosis

For many Australian women, Endometriosis is a debilitating condition that one in ten will experience in their lifetime.

This condition should have been better acknowledged and acted upon long ago but we are taking action so the struggle that women face will no longer be silent or their battles private.

That is why the Turnbull Government will provide \$2.5 million in medical research funding as part of the first-ever national approach to combat endometriosis.

We are determined to do more to support endometriosis sufferers around Australia.

 announcing \$2.5 million for Australia's first-ever national approach to combat endometriosis.

#### \$69 million boost for fight against rare cancers and rare diseases

The Turnbull Government is supporting Australia's best and brightest medical researchers in their fight against rare cancers and rare diseases with a \$69 million boost announced.

This funding includes more than \$26 million for nineteen research projects as part of the landmark Medical Research Future Fund's Rare Cancers, Rare Diseases and Unmet Needs Clinical Trials Program.

These projects will undertake clinical trials for devastating conditions like acute lymphoblastic leukaemia in infants, aplastic anaemia, multiple sclerosis and Huntington's disease.

We are committed to continuing to invest in research to find the answers to the challenges of these diseases.



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# **GREG HUNT MP COMMUNITY SURVEY**

Your views are important to me...

The issues				
Please number the four issues that concern you most.				
Development of an aquatic centre at Rosebud				
Improving traffic flow on Forest Drive in Mount Martha				
Development of an aquatic centre for Phillip Island				
Upgrading Somerville Police Station to be a 24-hour station				
Upgrading and further development of Rosebud Hospital				
Investing \$463 million in HMAS Cerberus				
Reducing cost of living pressures				
Tackling crime in our community				
Further improving local mental health services				
Improving local roads and infrastructure				
Investment into local schools and education				
Supporting our local seniors and Aged Care				
Creating local jobs and supporting small business				
Fully funding the National Disability Insurance Scheme				
Securing affordable and reliable energy				
Improving local telecommunication services				
Protecting our local environment				
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#### In Parliament

If you could raise one issue in the Federal Parliament. what would it be?



#### **Our Community**

If you could fix one problem in our local area, what would it be?



#### **About politics**

Please select one of the following options: (optional)				
I ALWAYS support the following party				
Liberals Labor				
Greens Independent/Other	Independent/Other			
OR I USUALLY support the following party				
Liberals Labor				
Greens Independent/Other				
OR I don't support any political party				
Your details				

Please complete the following details so that I can stay in touch and keep you informed.

Title
Name
Address
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Mobile ph
Email
How do you prefer to be contacted? Mail SMS Email

#### Your work

Please select the option which best reflects your current situation:				
Full-time	Part-time	Self-employed		
At home parent	Unemployed	Student		
Age pensioner	Disability pensioner	Self-funded retiree		
Your Occupation				
Thank you for completing this survey.				

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