




STATE LANDCARE CONFERENCE 2026

**Growing Strong Together:
Grassroots Landcare in Action**

Connecting people through grassroots action
to help shape community, climate and place

COMMUNITY

CLIMATE

PLACE

**FRIDAY 16 – SATURDAY 17
OCTOBER 2026**
BRIDGES EVENT CENTRE,
MURRAY BRIDGE

PROGRAM OUTLINE

Friday 16th October 2026

8:00am	Registration opens	
8:45am	Welcome to Country - Major Moogy Sumner	
9:10am	Conference open – Hon. Emily Bourke MLC	
9:20am	Landcare Association of South Australia Inc. – Paula Jones	
9:30am	National Landcare Network – Andrew Richards	
9:40am	Keynote Presentation Courage and hope, with a connection to Landcare – Dr Anika Molesworth	
10:15am	Morning tea	
10:45am	New Springs Landcare Group – Chair Kym Gladigau Phoenix from the ashes: a post bushfire landcare journey	
11:05am	Mid Murray Landcare – Aimee Linke And Cambrai Primary School – Presentation by the children	
11:25am	Panel session Youth engagement, facilitated by Annabelle Homer	
12:30pm	Lunch	
1:30pm	Concurrent session A Volunteering SA&NT – Emma Vallelonga Where to start with recruitment	Concurrent session B TBC
2:15pm	Concurrent session C TBC	Concurrent session D Anika Molesworth – Nature journaling workshop
3:10pm	Afternoon tea	
3:40pm	Keynote Presentation – Sophie Thomson	
4.15pm	End of day wrap up	

6.00pm - 9.00pm

Conference Dinner and South Australian Landcare Awards

MC: Sophie Thomson

Guest Speaker: Peter Garrett

Saturday 17th October 2026

7.15am Optional activity: **Riverglades Community Wetlands** nature walk (2km)
Meet at Riverglades Wetlands

8:30am Registration and trade exhibition opens

9:00am **Welcome back**

9:15am **Riverglades Community Wetlands Inc.**

9:35am **Climate, risk and landcare – where does landcare fit into the reporting puzzle –**
Sarah Barrett

10:15am Morning tea (and **Landcare SA AGM**)

11:00am **Kanmantoo Callington Landcare Group –** Rob Schoenfisch

11:20am **Coorong Tatiara Local Action Plan –** Samantha Blight

11:40am **Presentation/Workshop**
TBC facilitated by Annabelle Homer

12:30pm Lunch

1:25pm	Concurrent session E	Concurrent session F
	Yundi Nature Conservatory - John Fargher	Kumarangk Hindmarsh Island Landcare Group - Richard Owen And Barossa Bushgardens – Kim Thompson

2:15pm	Concurrent session G TBC	Concurrent session H Far West Coast Rangers team
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2:55pm Afternoon tea

3:25pm **Keynote Presentation –** Mary Cole

4:20pm **End of conference wrap up & closing address**

*Conference program subject to change at the discretion of the Organising Committee