# Trish Draper's

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### From the Member's Desk 6270 Sign O'Shea Petition Thank you

To the 6270 people from Makin and elsewhere in South Australia who took the time and trouble to sign the Laurence O'Shea Petition calling for the safety of the community to be the paramount consideration in any decisions our Courts make in relation to sentencing, release of persons under sentence of indeterminate duration and fixing or extending non parole periods.

# Do We Need a Megan's Law in Australia?

The United States Government has implemented Megan's Law, which requires State governments to keep a register of offenders against children who have been released from prison, and where they live.

Perhaps we need something similar in Australia. We already have a national registry of sex offenders. As parents we have both a right and a duty to protect our children and, in order to fulfil that duty, our authorities and schools should have access to this information. In the past where appropriate, the Parole Board has made this information available.



What does shearing a sheep, the Navy, Apex and Golden Grove have in common? See page 7 for more information



Trish is pictured with Sergeant Bob Kemp Tough on Drugs ..... to protect our kids

## **Local Communities Benefit** from Work for the Dole

Young unemployed people and local communities are benefiting from a number of new Work for the Dole projects, announced in July. The local projects include:

- The continuation of the bus shelter construction program, being carried out by the Tea Tree Gully Development Board.
- A project by Avago Employment, involving the manufacture of bench seating and tables for donation to a variety of community organisations within the local area; and
- A project by the Vietnamese Christian Community, based in the City of Salisbury, which will involve young Vietnamese Australians working in community groups to improve the life of older Vietnamese Australians by undertaking home maintenance, gardening, landscaping and clerical

Our young people are to be congratulated for their response to the Government's Mutual Obligation approach. They've showed that they are willing to get out there and make a difference in their community.

The projects were announced as part of the expanded round of Work for the Dole. After the success of last year's pilot projects, the Government has expanded Work for the Dole to provide 100,000 places over the next four years, at a total cost of \$260 million.

### Makin Community Service Awards

- Mrs Dot Buckland for her commitment to Red Cross, the Tea Tree Gully School Committee, the Marie Clarke Singers, the District Nurses, the RSL, the Legacy Widow's branch, the Baptist Church, and the Modbury Hospital. Dot was also the 1998 City of Tea Tree Gully's Citizen of the Year.
- Mrs Helen Richardson for her involvement and dedication to the Marie Clarke Musical Theatre, the Banksia Park Concert Band, the Tea Tree Gully Jubilee 150 Committee and the Tea Tree Gully Youth Orchestra.
- Mr John and Mrs Jean Tilley for their outstanding service to the Tea Tree Gully Community including Red Cross, Anti-Cancer Foundation, the Golden Grove Landcare committee and as former Mayor and Mayoress of the City of Tea Tree Gully.
- Mr Stan and Mrs Marion Adams for their dedication to RSL, Neighbourhood Watch, Red Cross, the Modbury Hospital Auxiliary and also the RSL Women's Auxiliary.
- Sheila Davis for her tremendous service to the Makin community over a number of years with Red Cross, Meals on Wheels, and the Tea Tree Gully Legacy War Widow's branch.



Trish is pictured at the Makin Community Service Awards Ceremony with (from L-R) Mr Stan Adams, Mrs Marion Adams, Mrs Helen Richardson, Mrs Dot Buckland, Mrs Jean Tilley and Mr John Tilley

The following people have been nominated for Makin Community Service Awards:

- \* Coral Tate
- \* Doreen Mason
- \* Lesley Purdom
- \* Terry Nash
- \* Ray Sharp
- \* Ann Irving
- \* Byron Ramsdon \* Ashley Packer



# Out and about in Makin with Trish Draper



# Prime Minister visits the Para Hills Bowling Club

On 17 July, Prime Minister John Howard visited the Para Hills Bowling Club. The Prime Minister praised the local community for its cultural diversity and its proud history.

Trish would like to express her appreciation to Mayor Tony Zappia of the City of Salisbury and also to the Presidents of the Para Hills Bowling Club Mr Jim Wells and Mrs Cathy Owen for their tremendous hospitality during the Prime Minister's visit. Trish would also like to sincerely thank the team of volunteers lead by Joan Gooding who worked tirelessly to ensure that the Prime Minister and the guests enjoyed the occasion.

Trish also took great delight in presenting an autographed photo of the Prime Minister draped in an Adelaide Crows scarf to the Para Hills Bowling Club's Bar Manager - Pete.



Mayor of Salisbury, Tony Zappia, presented the Prime Minister with a memento of his visit to the City of Salisbury



The Prime Minister is pictured above with the President's of the Para Hills Bowling Club, Mr Jim Wells and Mrs Cathy Owen

### EXPORT ASSISTANCE BOOSTS LOCAL JOBS AT POORAKA

Federal Government grants to help boost local export opportunities and create jobs under the Export Market Development Grants (EMDG) Scheme have recently benefited two local export businesses in Pooraka.

Eligible exporters must have spent at least \$20,000 on export marketing activities to qualify, with first time claimants able to combine two years of expenses to qualify. Exporters can claim grants up to a maximum of \$200,000 per annum with total grants payments under the EMDG scheme capped at \$150 million per annum.

The types of export marketing activities can include expenditure on Overseas representation or market visits, communication costs, product samples, trade fairs, literature and advertising, and marketing consultants.

#### VIOLENCE IN THE MEDIA

Trish continues to campaign against the ever-pervading violence portrayed in the media, film, video games and the music industry within our society and which our children and young people are subjected to.

Only recently Trish gave a speech in the House highlighting the need for adults to be vigilant as to what our children are exposed to and what we think is appropriate to be produced for entertainment.

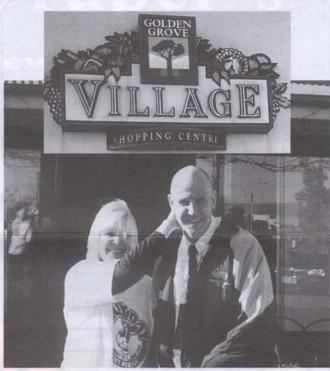
Trish's concern is about the level of violence in the media and violence generally and the effect it can have on our young people.

### FROM SHEARING A SHEEP TO CROPPING AN APEXIAN

Trish was recently involved in "Crop a Bluey Day" - an initiative developed by the South Australian Police to raise money for childhood cancer.

Trish said that she needed to recall all of the tips taught to her during her sheep shearing lessons in the South East of the State and also the surgery preparation of very delicate areas of the body she undertook during her time as a nurse in the Royal Australian Navy. Trish shaved the head of Mr Ashley Packer, the immediate past president of the Apex Club of Modbury and Golden Grove, and said she was honoured to work with someone who had given tremendous commitment to the community over a number of years. Ashley managed to raise \$4000.00 for this special project; \$1000.00 for the bald head and \$3000.00 for the loss of the moustache.





Trish is pictured left with Ashley Packer (centre) with a full head of hair and moustache at the 1998 Clean Up Australia Day and above at the Golden Grove Shopping Centre soon after Crop a Bluey Day

### STRENGTHENED ECONOMY DELIVERS LOWEST INTEREST RATES FOR DECADES

Since inheriting an economy suffering from a number of major crippling problems thanks to Paul Keating and Kim Beazley, the Howard Government has implemented a plan to address these major problems.

- Since the election there have been five cuts to official interest rates
- Inflation is now at the lowest level since the early 1960s.
- Low interest rates are stimulating the economy and producing big savings for home buyers.
- Small Business base interest rates have fallen by just over 12%

The Coalition's economic plans establish a foundation for sustainable growth. The fact that Australia's financial markets have been relatively stable despite financial problems in other countries in the region illustrates the strength of our economy resulting from the Coalition's policies.

#### TAX REFORM

This plan is a commitment to deliver a strong & stable economy for Australia's future

- The typical family will be between \$40 to \$50 better off after GST.
- Ten classes of indirect tax abolished, replaced with one single rate GST.
- Health, education and childcare services; hospitals and nursing homes; local Government rates; water and sewerage charges will all be GST free.
- 30% tax rebate/benefit private health insurance
- 4% increase for pensioners
- · Provisional tax scrapped
- Refundable franking credits, cash refund for excess imputation credits