Autumn 2020

# Fifth Anniversary Spectacular!



Since launching as **Second Chances SA** on 1 February 2015, we were excited to kick up our heels and celebrate five fantastic years as a proudly South Australian charity supporting the unique needs of children and families with a loved one in prison.

On Friday, 7 February, guest host **Brenton Ragless** (Channel 9 Presenter), along with an amazing line-up of some of Adelaide's finest musicians, took to the stage at the Arkaba Hotel for our Fifth Anniversary Spectacular! The biggest surprise of the night was from the **Rotary Club of Prospect** who presented Second Chances SA with a special fifth anniversary donation.



(L:R) Helen Glanville (Second Chances SA CEO) and Brenton Ragless (Channel 9 Presenter) at our Fifth Anniversary Spectacular!





# **PK Family Care in the Suburbs**

Welcome to **Alison Nohlmans**, our new PK Family Care worker in the South. Our PK (Prisoner's Kids) Family Care team is continuing to provide high-quality support and advocacy for families throughout wider Adelaide with a parent in prison.

Through home visits, agency referrals, school support and school uniform and shoes packages, PK Family Care is dedicated to empowering vulnerable young

people and families impacted by a loved one's imprisonment.

Alison is currently completing her Diploma of Community Services. She is also a foster care mother and was drawn to the role to give a voice to children and families doing it tough. Alison joins the team with 25 years of experience working with Woolworths in management and customer service.



PK Family Care Team (L:R): Sarah Kaine (North) and Alison Nohlmans (South)

### **New Direction in 2020**

We make plans and we expect those plans to come together. But then one day comes along when the winds change, and your home is decimated by fire in the evening of the fifth day of a summer heat wave, five days before Christmas.

This catastrophic event came after 32 years of living in the Adelaide Hills. In the mornings the air was always fresh and most evenings you could see the heavens show off their starry delights. When it rained the eucalyptus leaves released an invigorating aroma.

Living in the Adelaide Hills is a lifestyle of clean air, green paddocks, glorious scenery and beautiful bird life. It was always a blessing but when everything is gone except the clothes you went to work in that morning, suddenly you're



faced with a 180-degree turn. Suddenly, priorities and perspectives change.

Now, two months later, a whole new world lies before us. We don't know what that may look like but we know we have each other and amazing friends, family and strangers who pray and help in a myriad of practical ways. While the fences need replacing and the debris needs removing, somehow, we are being redirected away from the place we've loved for decades.

When the winds of change come, we will withstand them when we're standing on the Rock of our faith – immovable, unwavering, unshakable, that is what real faith is meant to be. When everything in your world changes, the only thing we can be sure of is the focus of our faith – Jesus Himself.



Helen Glanville Chief Executive

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### Wrapping up Christmas

THIS CHRISTMAS, we have so many great, local community organisations and churches to thank for their amazing support!















In the lead-up to Christmas, Influencers Church delivered a full carload of presents, generously chosen and donated by church members for PKs supported by Second Chances SA. Due to security restrictions, these presents will be distributed as PK Birthday presents throughout the year. Gifts like these make a real difference by helping keep the families we support connected and bonded.

# Five Years of Kicking Goals!



**18,000+** hours volunteered in-prison



**1,100+** PK Birthday presents



**2,800+** Christmas Angels recipients

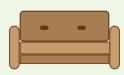


**40+** PK Mentoring Camps





**300+** school uniforms and shoe packages



**330+** Furniture Assistance packages

## **Getting Ready for Take Off**

**Getting Ready for Take Off** is our new Federal Government-funded program providing life coaching and vocational support to PK youth searching for their vocation in life. With offices in Elizabeth and Morphett Vale, young people (up to 25 years) with a parent in prison can receive encouragement, guidance and payment of courses leading towards a successful direction in life, breaking the cycle of generational welfare dependency.

The newest staffer to complete the life coaching team is **Teela Cumberworth**, Life Coach in the North Hub. Teela has a wealth of experience including volunteering with SES, working with families in domestic violence and training in social work. Welcome Teela!

Our Life Coaches help develop a vision and vocational plan for every registered participant. Our goal is to register 160 participants within the next 12 months; with 72 already signed up.

In Spring 2019, the *Getting Ready for Take Off* team hosted a special weekend retreat at Mylor where participants experienced a range of outdoor leadership training and personal development workshops.









January 2020: Second Chances SA staff meet with Reynell MP Katrine Hildyard

## Les Dennis celebrated with Australia Day Honours



Les Dennis receives Australia Day Citizen of the Year award alongside SA Deputy Premier, Vickie Chapman MP (left); Second Chances SA CEO, Helen Glanville (centre) and SA Premier, Steven Marshall MP (right) **Leslie 'Les' Dennis** is like no other. Since 2008, Les has been making PK (Prisoner's Kids) Mentoring Camps a reality- impacting the lives of hundreds of South Australian young people with a parent in prison.

Les has generously and tirelessly volunteered his time, energy and heart into these camps as PK Mentoring Camps Liaison for Second Chances SA, coordinating up to ten each year. Spanning 12 years in this role, Les has overseen an impressive 93 camps!

On Australia Day, Les was acknowledged by the **City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters** as Citizen of the Year for his decades-long community service to Second Chances SA and a host of other community organisations.

From all of us at Second Chances SA, thank you Les for your dedication and heartfelt commitment to the children and young people supported by PK Mentoring Camps!

### Teen Girls Spring Camp



Our Spring Teen Girls PK Mentoring Camp headed down to Normanville for a weekend of hiking, mini golf, and life-skills training. Special thanks to camp sponsors: Malvern Uniting Church and Soroptimist International.

# **Could This Be YOU?**



Do you have a heart to see young people thrive? Are you skilled in administration and volunteer coordination? Each year, we run multiple **PK Mentoring Camps** for primary and high-school aged children and young people with a parent in prison and we're on the lookout for a PK Mentoring Camps Coordinator. Could this be you?

To find out more about the role or to lodge an expression of interest, please contact us at <a href="mailto:office@secondchances.org.au">office@secondchances.org.au</a> or call on 08 8272 0323.

#### Join us for Café Nights in 2020!

Get your calendars out because you won't want to miss Café Nights in 2020! You're invited to ioin us for hot drinks and supper along with our staff, volunteers and supporters to find out what's happening across the life of our organisation.



Our next Café Night is 7pm Saturday, 28 March at Burnside City Uniting Church, Tusmore.

#### Setting a new gold standard for workplace safety



Second Chances SA is the first organisation in South Australia to be recognised as an Electromagnetic

Radiation (EMR) friendly workplace. "As an organisation, we are committed to creating a safer workplace for both staff and volunteers across all locations," says Helen Glanville, Second Chances SA CEO.

In conjunction with **Energy Wave Worldwide,**  all five Second Chances SA sites have been tested for EMR with Shield Plus Data Discs now installed across all radio frequency (RF) devices. According to Energy Wave Worldwide, "Shield Plus Data Discs provide protection from EMR by harmonising, neutralising and minimising its effects."

# **Annual Report 2018-2019: Now Online**

To find out more about the advances we made as an organisation in FY 18/19, check out our **Annual Report 2018-2019** including *Getting* Ready for Take Off, our newest program tackling generational welfare dependency in young people. Find the full report at secondchances.org.au





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