

## LATROBE VALLEY

# Community Partnerships Update

ENGIE in Australia is proud to support a range of community organisations through our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program. More importantly, it is terrific to see the benefits these initiatives are providing to the people involved in those programs, as well as the wider community. In this update, we've highlighted the achievements of a number of our CSR partners who are doing great things for the Latrobe Valley.

While the Hazelwood power station and mine are no longer operational, the site is still an important part of the Latrobe Valley community as long-term rehabilitation and remediation options are considered. While it is still relatively early in the post-closure phase, onsite works will continue for many years and ENGIE is committed to meeting its rehabilitation responsibilities as well as carrying on the good work of our CSR partners.

These include our ongoing relationship with FareShare, the food rescue charity, which provides

more than 87,000 meals a year to families and individuals in need across the Latrobe Valley and Gippsland, through about 16 distribution outlets, including those run by the Salvation Army, St. Vincent De Paul, Enjoy Church and other faith-based organisations, numerous RSL Clubs, The Smith Family and Kurnai College.

The number of meals is constantly increasing, as are the number of deliveries per week.

Another success story is the Operation Flinders Latrobe Valley partnership, which combines the efforts of the five Latrobe Valley Rotary Clubs, the Flexible Learning Option campus, Kurnai Secondary College, Lowanna College, Traralgon Secondary College, and the Proactive Police Unit's Youth Resource Officers of Victoria Police in Morwell.

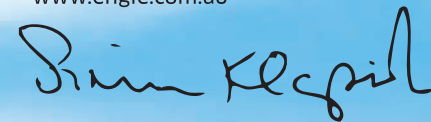
Four teams of 10 young people have now completed the gruelling week-long 100km trek through the rugged Northern Flinders Ranges in South Australia, with the fifth team walking the track now.

All those involved in the project have been thrilled by the positive changes that these young people have made to their lives. A number of candidates have been recommended for Peer Group Mentor training and will hopefully become mentors and future leaders to other Operation Flinders teams.

### Where to from here?

After the Hazelwood closure and the potential sale of Loy Yang B, ENGIE in Australia is investigating how best to continue to support the important programs we have backed in the Latrobe Valley over many years.

To read more about our partners, visit our website: [www.engie.com.au](http://www.engie.com.au)



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## Making waves in Gippsland

The Gippsland Swimming Association in partnership with ENGIE in Australia has experienced another great year.

Association president, Jackie Madden, told the recent annual meeting of the many highlights and achievements throughout the year, "Our comprehensive program of events provides local swimmers with a great training ground," she said.

One of the highlights was the Gippsland Swimming District again winning the 2016 Victorian Country 7-19 year old competition trophy at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre. Gippsland topped the medal count with 19 gold, 14 silver and 15 bronze for individual performances and a further eight gold and two silver in relay events.

The 2017 Victorian Country Championships, hosted by Gippsland Swimming Association in Sale and co-sponsored by ENGIE in Australia, saw five of the seven Gippsland clubs finish in the top 16 of the 40 regional-based swimming clubs who participated. The Traralgon club won for the 17th time in 18 years, a remarkable effort.

Ms Madden said many records were broken over the weekend of the championships, with several Gippsland swimmers obtaining their national qualifying times.

Other highlights from the past 12 months have included the Gippsland Sports Academy swimming program; GSI development squads, the annual Duel in the Pool meet; Camp 21; the inter-district team; and a big program of senior and junior meets.

Twenty-three Gippsland swimmers qualified for the 2017 Hancock Prospecting Australian Swimming Championships and the 2017 Georgina Hope Swimmers Foundation Australian Age and Multiclass Swimming Championships.

Ms Madden said Gippsland Swimming held its first annual general meeting in 1957 and since that time, had been involved in the development of swimming for the people of Gippsland.

"We strive to administer, promote and encourage learn to swim, water safety and competitive swimming," she said. "We also endeavour to encourage, educate and mentor officials both now and in the future."

