Firstly congratulations to Councillor Alwyn Friedersdorff on her re-election as President of The National Rural Womens Coalition. This well recognised organisation works to support rural, regional and remote women in areas of finance, equality, safety and leadership. Something we should all be supporting.

I also want to say a big thank you to everyone who took the time to send in feedback on the draft Open Space, Sport and Recreation plan. We are now compiling all the matters and preparing responses and updated recommendations to be reported to Council at our September meeting. It is great to see so many clubs and individuals taking an interest in what is happening in our community.

Don’t miss the “ME and MINE” Exhibition at the Wonders of Wynyard open from 9am-5pm during the week and 10.00am-4pm on weekends. An amazing display by another talented local resident Christine Dawes.

The Tulip Festival is closing in on us – its only a month away – all you poets out there, I hope you’re working on your material for the “Poets Breakfast” – its going to be good one!

The Tasmanian Young Achievers Awards for 2017/18 were launched last week with nominations now open, we want our local young achievers to be recognised! I encourage all residents to nominate a local young person in the Tasmanian Young Achiever Awards. To find out what categories are available, please visit the website www.awardsaustralia.com/tasyaa. Recognise a young person now and make their day! Nominations close Wednesday 13th December 2017. For assistance please feel free to contact the Awards Office on 6234 9677 or email tas@awardsaustralia.com