

Inaugural

"Farewell to the Waders" Lunch MEDIA RELEASE — 06/04/16

The Conservation and Hunting Alliance of South Australia (CHASA) is hosting an inaugural annual lunch in Langhorne Creek to raise funds for Tolderol Game Reserve migratory wader habitat. The timing of the lunch coincides with the departure of migratory birds that have spent the summer on the lakes and Coorong.

In a joint project between CHASA, Birds SA, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Planning and the Department of Environment, the hunting community and bird watchers have linked hands to raise funds to purchase pipes to deliver water and create 29 hectares of new habitat at the Reserve.

"These birds travel to Tolderol every year from as far away as Siberia. Their habitat along the way and around the Lower Lakes and Coorong has been decimated and they need us to make sure they have habitat when they return in spring each year," said Mr Tony Sharley, Chairman of the Conservation and Hunting Alliance of South Australia.

"This is a fantastic example of community groups — hunters, bird watchers, local farmers and local residents sharing common goals to work together for the benefit of the environment and the migratory waders in particular," he said.

CHASA is also delighted that local producers including wineries and farmers have donated their superb produce for the lunch, which will be prepared by renowned South Australian chef Andrew Fielke.

The event will begin with a traditional Ngarrindjeri Welcome to Country ceremony.

CHASA plans to make this an annual celebration to ensure a collaborative and ongoing commitment to maintain the area as prime habitat for both local and migratory waterbirds.

When — 12 midday to 3pm — Sunday 10th April 2016

Venue — Langhorne Creek Sporting Complex, Langhorne Creek.

Menu — 3 courses featuring local produce and wines to match, created by renowned South Australian chef Andrew Fielke.

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