

# 2023

## Rural Management Challenge & Dinner

Thursday 19 October 2023\*  
Adelaide CBD (location TBD)

\* subject to the commitment of at least 8 teams

### Express interest today!

Email [mhay@lgprofessionalssa.org.au](mailto:mhay@lgprofessionalssa.org.au)  
EOI must close **Friday 30 June 2023**

### Key Dates

If we receive commitment from eight or more councils the Challenge is on!

Registrations will open on Monday 3 July 2023 (closing on Friday 28 July 2023) with a Pre Challenge Task released in late August/early September 2023.

## What is the Rural Management Challenge?

The LG Professionals SA Rural Management Challenge is a sophisticated developmental program that produces relevant, tangible and enduring benefits for your people, your teams and your Council. Councils enter teams of four staff from any level or area. These teams compete to complete a variety of tasks that simulate different activities that council manage on a day-to-day basis. As some of these tasks or issues may be outside the team members' usual role, it provides the perfect opportunity to broaden their understanding of different areas of the organisation. Areas covered may include risk, finance, community consultation, human resources, marketing and communications and more. Previous tasks have included role plays, reports, presentations, mock media interviews and team swaps.

## What are the benefits?

At the end of the Rural Management Challenge, participants will:

- ✓ have an improved knowledge of management techniques
- ✓ have improved decision-making techniques
- ✓ be more prepared to respond appropriately to unpredictable circumstances
- ✓ be ready to facilitate and engage in cohesive teamwork
- ✓ have improved public speaking, and presentation skills
- ✓ be ready to respond effectively to interaction pressures
- ✓ be ready to build effective networks
- ✓ have a better understanding of the life of executive and cross-departmental functions

Your learning experience begins from the moment you enrol. The Rural Management Challenge is designed to stretch your comfort zone and expand your skill set. Teams that perform well come to the day ready to let go of their fears and embrace the unexpected.

# Prepare to be challenged and take your leadership skills to the next level!



## Why should you enter?

The Rural Management Challenge provides Rural Councils with a unique opportunity for staff development. The emphasis of the Rural Management Challenge is one of learning—both individually and as a team. It is an immersive experience designed to develop your skills and become more effective in the way you:

- 1 **Think** strategically and connect the dots between community vision and council operation
- 2 **Lead** improvement and influence others to have a positive impact
- 3 **Communicate** and build trust by sharing your thoughts and understanding others
- 4 **Negotiate** constructively and collaborate to achieve outcomes that meet the needs of each side
- 5 **Analyse** information and apply critical thinking skills to discover more than meets the eye
- 6 **Decide** with confidence and accurately consider all aspects of any situation
- 7 **Engage** others to create a community of happy citizens!

Each team and CEO will receive a detailed report from the professional facilitators that will form the basis for debriefing and the application of the learning outcomes to the workplace.

## Investment

### Challenge

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#### Team Rate:

Council Member  
**\$2,750.00 + GST = \$3,025.00**

Non-Member  
**\$3,250.00 + GST = \$3,575.00**

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*Team includes 4 Team Members and 1 Mentor. Price includes:*

*All Challenge materials, morning tea and lunch, Orientation Webinar pre-event, sample tasks to assist with preparation and virtual post-event debrief with the Challenge facilitators.*

### Dinner

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Dinner Ticket:  
**\$109.00 + GST = \$119.90**

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*Price is per person and includes pre-dinner drinks and nibbles, 2 course meal and beverage package.*

## Enquiries

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