



IASA Newsletter - 2026

May Edition

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Open: 10am – 2pm

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Closed: Thursdays & Public Holidays

Every 3rd Saturday of the month (9am to 12pm)

Education Days

Thursday, May 21st marked the exciting start of the *Navigating Life with a Stoma: Education and Support for Ostomates & Carers Roadshow*—and what a fantastic start it was! Thank you to all who attended and made the day so engaging with your thoughtful questions and willingness to share your experiences and insights with others.

A huge thank you to Amanda McGee for bringing these sessions to communities across South Australia, and to our wonderful supplier representatives who showcase the latest in ostomy products and solutions.

Haven't made it to a session yet? Good news—there's still time to jump in! These sessions are a great chance to pick up practical tips and tricks, get your questions answered, and explore the range of products available through the scheme.

Upcoming Dates/Venues:

18th June - Clare Uniting Church Hall – 18 Victoria Rd, Clare

23rd July – Weigall Oval Sporting Facility, Oval Rd, Plympton

6th August – Centennial Sport Centre, 11-15 Penrice Rd, Nuriootpa

20th August – Morphett Vale Community Hall, Williams St, Morphett Vale

18th September – St Pauls Catholic Church Hall, 26 Penola Rd, Mt Gambier

15th October – Moonta Health and Aged Care Services, 7-12 Majors Rd, North Moonta

19th November – Vicki Ledo Room, Whyalla Public Library, 19 Ekblom St, Whyalla Norrie

2026-27 Membership Renewal

Membership renewal invoices will be distributed in the coming week to all members for payment by the 1st July.

Membership contributions are vital to the continued operation of the Association, including our ability to provide and distribute essential supplies to members. It is an eligibility requirement under the Stoma Appliance Scheme for members to be financial with an Association to receive supplies.

Full member fees = \$80

Concession fees = \$70 (please provide CRN with Expiry)

Stoma Nurse Clinic



Stoma Nurse Amanda McGee welcomed her 2nd beautiful little baby 27th February. Welcome to the world Eddie James McGee! The family are all doing well.

Amanda will resume clinic on Wednesday 1st July.

We're pleased to continue this clinic as a complimentary service for our members.

To support the administration and ongoing delivery of this initiative, a **small Association fee of \$10 will apply to each booking from 1st July.**

This fee is required at the time of booking to secure your place.

Please note: This is an Association fee rather than a service charge, it is non-refundable in the event of non-attendance.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation, which helps us continue providing valuable opportunities like this to our community.

Call the office on 8234 2678 to make a booking.

Donations

Donations help us continue delivering valuable support to the stoma community through initiatives like our free Stoma Nurse Clinic and SA education roadshows. Every contribution is reinvested into programs and services that support, educate, and connect our members across South Australia. Donations are tax deductible, and every donation — big or small — helps make a meaningful difference.

Member Survey Results

Thank you to all members who took the time to complete our recent online member survey. We greatly appreciate your engagement, thoughtful feedback, and the many positive comments shared.

Every response helps us better understand what matters most to our members, and we will use your feedback to continue improving the services and support we provide.

We're proud to report an overall member satisfaction rating of 4.69 out of 5 stars!

Volunteer News

18th to 24th May was **National Volunteer Week**. Volunteers play a vital role in building stronger, connected communities. IASA was founded on the generosity of a select few volunteers over 65 years ago. Our volunteers today are the friendly faces at the front counter and the busy bodies packing hundreds of orders per week.

Our committee all volunteer their time and expertise in governing the Association.

To all our volunteers—**thank you**. Your dedication does not go unnoticed, and we are truly grateful for the difference you make every day.

We'd love you to join our volunteer community!

IASA Diary Dates

Mid-year stocktake – IASA will be closed **Tuesday 30th June until Thursday 2nd July**

Business as usual from Friday 3rd July.