



THANK YOU AND WELCOME

Thank you for exhibiting at the 2022 Grampians Grape Escape.

After a two year hiatus, the crew from Oregional Collective together with the Grampians Grape Escape board are truly looking forward to this years event.

Ticket sales are travelling along nicely and our marketing and promotional campaigns are again seeing fantastic results and feedback.

On top of festival sales, involvement with one of Australia's longest and most loved Wine & Food festivals can provide many benefits, and we'd like to share with you festival initiatives and how to capitalise on your involvement, plus tips and ideas that have inspired us along the way.









It is Oregional Collective's fourth year of event managing GGE and third doing the marketing and creative. We'd like to take this opportunity to summarise the initiatives that have been introduced and ways you can capitalise on your involvement with the festival.

WEBSITE

The GGE website is receiving a lot of traffic. Please check your exhibitor listing on the GGE website and ensure that:

- It inspires people to visit your stall
- The images provided are appealing and relevant
- It is the right logo

Send through any updates to ness@oregionalcollective.com.au

REMEMBER: the content provided is also what will be used (or parts of) on the GGE social media accounts and on the website for future years (unless updated). PLEASE NOTE: listings are being updated regularly, if it is not there, it will be soon.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We've ensured a strong social media presence from festival to festival. Both Facebook and Instagram have seen fantastic organic growth and reach.

Social media posts are being scheduled for exhibitors throughout our campaign. These posts are of great value and any special requests can be accommodated if relevant by emailing ness@oregionalcollective.com.au.

What can you do?

- Follow Grampians Grape Escape on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> and keep up to date
- Share the Grampians Grape Escape Facebook page event on your page/s (personal / business)
- Like, comment, share on posts across both platforms
- Change your cover profile pic to the exhibitor festival one provided for an amount of time
- Invite your friends to follow the Facebook page and / or event
- Tag @GrampiansGrapeEscape in your posts on Facebook or @ggefest on Instagram
- Use hashtags #ggefest #grampiansgrapeescape #grampianswine #madethegrampiansway
 #thegrampiansway #grampians #visitvictoria #visitmelbourne #trythenbuy #stopandshop



Facebook Cover Profile Pic for GGE Exhibitors

BLOGS & EDMs

Exhibitors are encouraged to make contact with the festival to explore cross promotional activities and blog opportunities. Blogs are hosted on the GGE website, which assists with SEO and are also promoted across social media and eDMs. eDM's are sent regularly to festival goers, volunteers and exhibitors.

What can you do?

- Contact ness@oregionalcollective.com.au with any cross promotion ideas / blog opportunities, even if these
 are post event.
- Take a look at current BLOG content on the website for ideas: http://grampiansgrapeescape.com.au/blog/

COUNTER CARDS & POSTERS

Counter cards will not be produced for the 2022 given time restrictions, however the festival will be doing AO street posters in Melbourne.

What can you do?

 If you have a predominant position for one of these to be displayed please email ness@oregionalcollective.com.au





COMPETITIONS, PR & PROMOS

Cross promoting have been introduced with exhibitors / partners. This increases word of mouth and creates excitement around the festival. We work closely with Grampians Tourism on leveraging PR opportunities for the festival and our exhibitors, including digital promotions with Visit Victoria. If you have any cross promotion ideas, please contact ness@oregionalcollective.com.au.

EACO & JOTFORM

The electronic application process introduced via JotForm in 2018 continues. EACO is a good governance portal that allows vendors to store all governance documentation and marketing images/logo. The system provides reminders when forms expire and can be accessed for your day-to-day operations and other events. This is a great value add for our GGE exhibitors.

RESOURCES PORTAL

The resources portal has been fine tuned allowing exhibitors to access information relating to the festival including social media tiles, exhibitor kits, emailer updates, and more. Save the following into your bookmarks:

http://grampiansgrapeescape.com.au/exhibitor-resources

Username: GrampiansGrapeEscape **Password:** #2022

This year, the GGE team have not only provided more social media content to use, but have written copy, provided an image and tile gallery and provided social media tips to assist exhibitors promote the festival, also as another value add to help to assist many with their own accounts.

STRATEGIES TO HELP INCREASE SALES

ENVIRO BAGS / HASHTAGS

GGE will be rolling these out again with GJ Gardner Homes as sponsors. The bags have sections to hold up to 6 bottles plus pull apart in the middle allowing space to store produce / handmade goods. These encourage those who would typically purchase 1-2 bottles to buy more.

Extra bags will be available to purchase at the Information Marquee and a bag box for those not wanting their bags after the festival so they can be reused for festival goers wanting another bag.

Hashtags **#trythenbuy** and **#stopandshop** are still being used across relevant platforms including the bag. These, along with other communications around supporting our exhibitors, will encourage people to consider their buying behaviour.



STRATEGIES TO HELP INCREASE SALES

POLYCARBONATE TUMBLER / HASHTAG

The #trythenbuy hashtag will also be used on the festival tumbler. Like the enviro bag, we expect these tumblers to provide ongoing promotion of the festival being used over and over...think caravanning, picnics, BBQs, camping, fishing, hiking, backyard parties...There were issues with the tumbler in 2018, due to no fault of the festival, however in 2019, the festival has 100% ensured they are entirely dishwasher proof, shatter proof and are polycarbonate, BPA / BPS free. They also include a:

- **√**30ml tasting line
- **√**150ml pour line



Grape

#trythenbuy

STRATEGIES TO INCREASE SALES

WINESTORE

So people don't have to carry their purchase goods for the festival, we introduced a winestore for use by Tasting Ticket Holders (free), GA ticket holders can use for a small fee.

They can be left at the festival with overnight security and picked up as late as Monday morning so they don't have to walk back to their accommodation with the bag. Any purchases can be left there too. People will also be able to cloak coats, camp chairs, etc. You can help increase your sales by letting people know of this service.





STRATEGIES TO INCREASE SALES

MOTHER'S DAY PROMOTION

We will provide exhibitors who request it, a love heart cut out to display on their marquee sign indicating a Mother's Day gift pack / special is available at the stall. This will be promoted in the program and exhibitors are encouraged to work together on gift packs, i.e. handmade products & wine, wine & chocolate, etc.

We will tie this in to a #cheerstomum #cheerstofun promotion / competition.

SIGNAGE

Signage promoting the hashtags #shopandstop #trythenbuy will be displayed around the festival village.

STOP & PLAY STATIONS

People loved the introduction of the kids play zones among the isles so kids can be kept occupied while parents #trythenbuy and #stopandshop. This will be rolled out again with new activities. Hell, we're even hand making playdoh that will last!!!



STRATEGIES TO INCREASE SALES

LABEL LOUNGE

The Label Lounge is an additional styled marquee package set next to your sales marquee with invitation only access that provides an engaging space to talk more about your label to potential VIP customers.

There are many benefits to this upgrade option including:

- a more personal tasting / buying experience
- visual 'theatre' and interest
- point of difference
- experience for new members
- GGE promotion for exhibitors

Details have been emailed and are included in the portal.









OTHER

VIDEO / PHOTOGRAPHY

Again we will invest in more photography and videography, we analyse our current stock and identify gaps, including our regular exhibitors, so we have the best photos to promote you and the festival.

What can you do?

Exhibitors are able to purchase rights from the festival photographer to images that they would use to promote their business in their own marketing materials. Far cheaper and easier that arranging a photography shoot.

Email ness@oregionalcollective.com.au for details by Friday 8th of April and it can be added to the brief or can be requested post event with any pics taken.



OTHER

WORKSHOPS, MASTERCLASSES & DEMONSTRATIONS

The Masterclass program has been curated for spectator viewing as has the cooking demonstrations, which this year includes a butchery masterclass with Geoff Jansz and The Meat Room plus many other cross promotions including the Groke Hamilton, Cat Clarke and more.

What can you do?

Get yourself to one of the exhibitor masterclasses this year and start thinking about what you could do in 2023.



OTHER

REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

We have worked hard to establish and develop regional partnerships so we can all work together on the bigger picture: increasing tourism and encouraging visitors to live, work, invest in the region, all for the greater good of the local economy and community. These partnerships include:

- * David O Jones Mitre 10 (Little Adventurer's Precint)
- * Halls Gap Lakeside Tourist Park (Souvenir Tumbler)
- * G.J. Gardener Ararat (Enviro Bags)
- * Northern Grampians Shire
- * Grampians Tourism
- * Stawell Gold Mines (Rock Climbing Wall)

















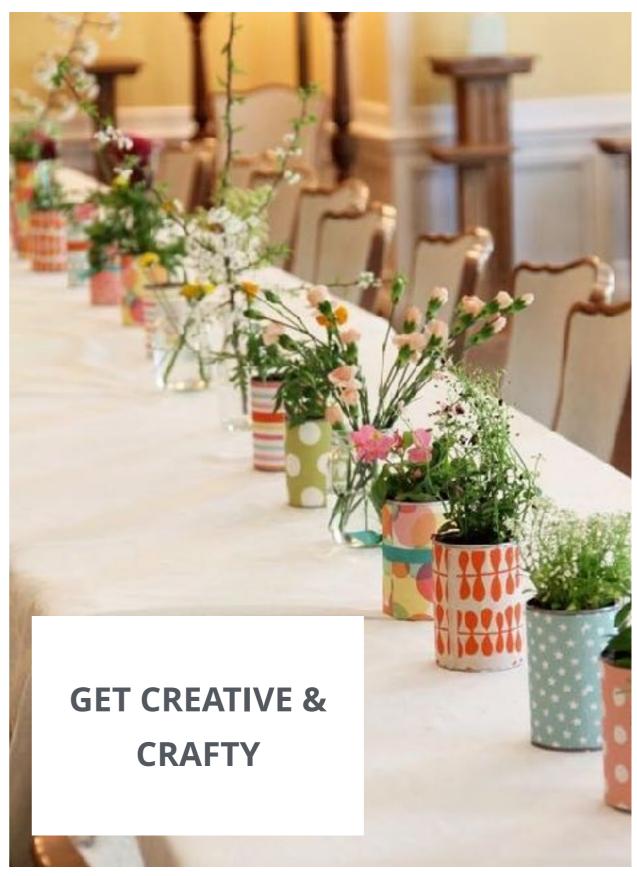
































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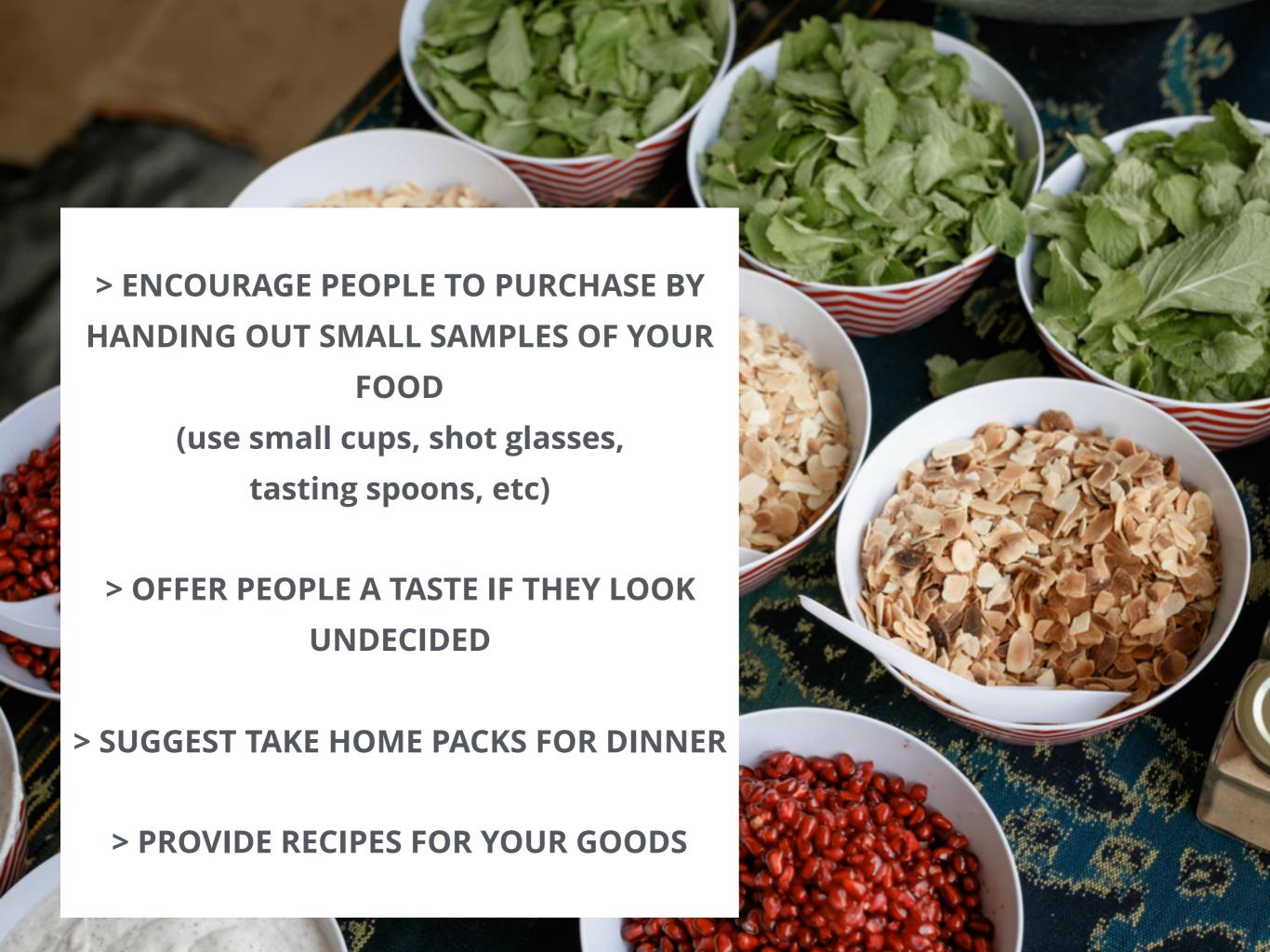


EASY TO READ, VISIBLE, NICELY PRESENTED MENUS WITH CLEAR DESCRIPTIONS (that are simple to understand). Consider reusable flyers / A-Frames.





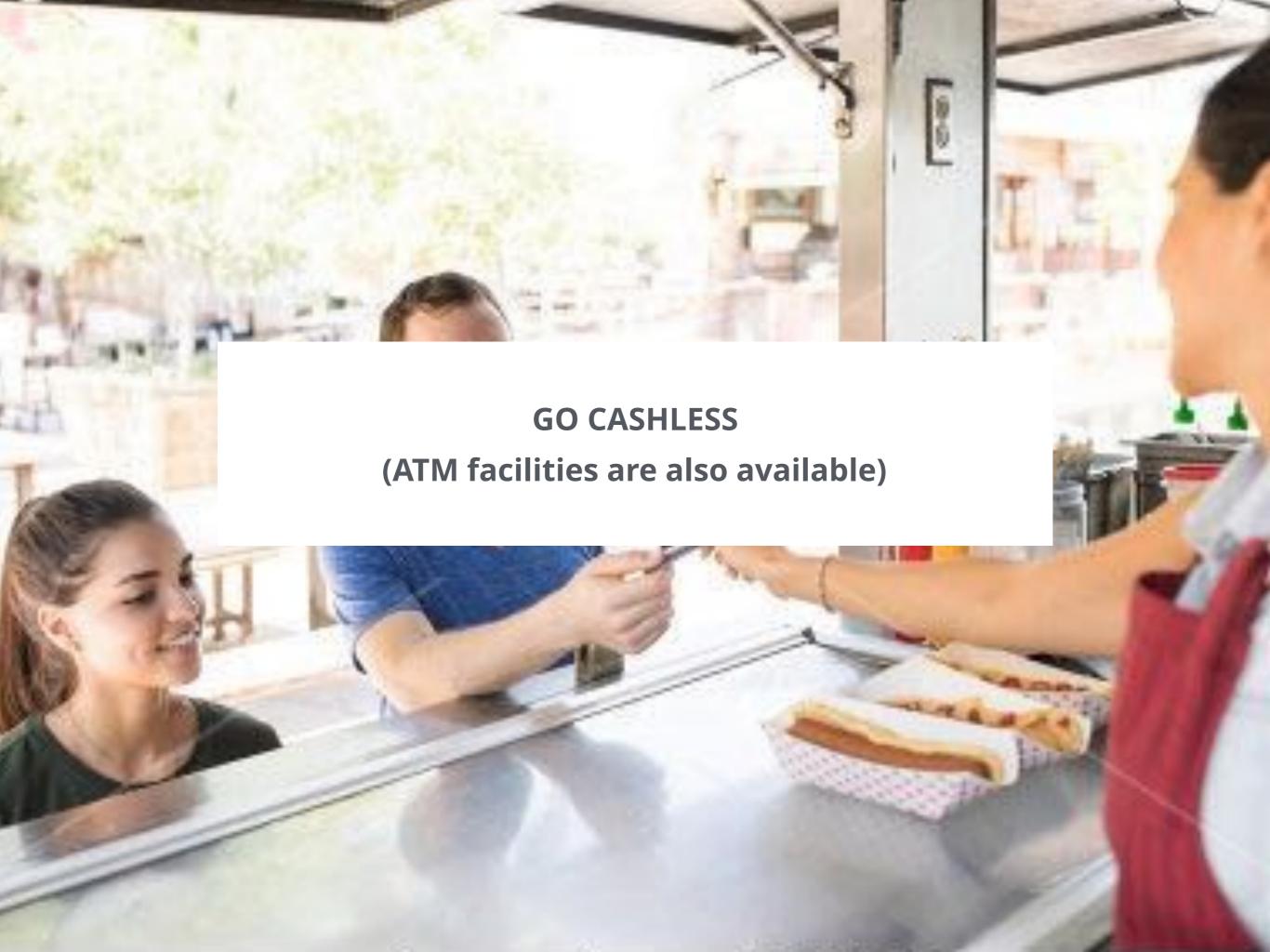


















CONSIDER QUEING SYSTEMS

- > verbally or visibly acknowledge people upon arrival
- > let them know how long the wait will be



Grampians Central West Waste & Resource Recovery Group

TOP WASTE

TIPS

- 1. Plan your purchasing and be prepared try to minimise the packaging waste you produce at the event and sort your ingredients out into reusable containers before your arrive.
 - 2. Ensure you have an appropriate bin system that allows you to separate landfill waste, recyclables and organic waste at your site. Ensure that any staff understand which bins to use to reduce contamination.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

You are all out in this events world regularly so should you have any ideas you'd like to share with us, please email ness@oregionalcollective.com.au, we'd love to hear them!

