

Eyre awards show community-business links

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THE close links between business and the community have been recognised in the winners of the SA Great regional awards for the Eyre Peninsula.

A community-owned hotel, an organisation that brings together more than 300 farming enterprises and investors

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and a ferry service that links the Yorke and Eyre peninsulas were among 10 category winners of the awards which were presented at Port Lincoln Hotel last night.

The Ceduna Foreshore Ho-

tel, which has undergone an \$8 million redevelopment, was named winner of the tourism award for revitalising the West Coast town.

The innovation award was won by Free Eyre, an organisation which has brought together farmers and investors to foster a spirit of entrepreneurship.

Led by managing director Susanne Tegen, Free Eyre has

engaged members as shareholders and helps develop business strategies and value-add projects.

Sea SA Car & Passenger Ferries - which in the past year has carried 84,303 passengers and 36,538 vehicles - won the sustainability award.

The Cummins District Enterprise Committee won the community award for tackling community issues.

"The region's winners are prime examples of the talent that exists in our regional communities," SA Great chief executive Judy Potter said.

SA Great chairman Nigel McBride praised the winners for showing such "commitment to building excellence in our regional communities".

Awards in other regional zones will be presented until early December.

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