

## **Grant Gibson – Public Officer**

**Grant Gibson** is a Clayton Bay resident of 10 years but has been aware and supporter of the health of the River Murray for almost 20 years. With career experience in marketing, administration and environmental management within waste management services, a number of similarities are evident in policy development and delivery, scientific rigour and strong, relevant community engagement. As a committee member and Public Officer for RLCAG for the last 3 years, Grant has welcomed the renewed energy within the group and the active participation it shares with all stakeholders along the Murray Darling basin, particularly within the Lower Lakes and Coorong.

Moving to Clayton Bay has broadened Grant's interest in environmental issues around and within the river and lakes water systems. Together with his wife, Julie, Grant is an active member of the Clayton Bay Boat Club and attends many of its race days, social sailing days and social events with water activities contributing strongly to community support and welfare along with support for other community groups. Unfortunately achieving fishing success still eludes him.

Understanding the complexities of the Murray Darling Basin is an ongoing challenge with so many factors at play including climate change, economic change, population growth, various levels of government intervention and changing community expectations. However it is absolutely vital to continue the work of our previous committee and community members in lobbying for sufficient flows of quality water to ensure the recovery and ongoing health of our river system and dependent communities.