

# Council Corner



## Wandering Shire Monthly Newsletter

### CEO's Update

Where has the summer gone???? I cant believe that I have had the fire on and had to wear my uggies to stay warm all in the last week! What is going on....

The good news is that the cooler weather has enabled our fantastic fire vullies and the local DFES team to undertake a prescribed burn of the water corporation reserve on the edge of town. This reserve was considered a high risk to the town and the burn has significantly downgraded the fire risk of the reserve. The Burn went very well and gave our local volunteers further opportunity to gain experience.

Many Many thanks to all the volunteers who gave their time to assist with the burn and ultimately help protect our town and local farms. We do very much value the effort that you put in to helping to keep us all safe from Fire!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Monica and the CRC crew for their fantastic effort with the Community BBQ! What a wonderful event this has continues to be. Monica, Mel and Lily all worked hard to ensure the night went off without a hitch! Thanks to all the community helpers we cannot do it without you...



Special thanks to Paul Treasure, Shaun Brand and Bayden Ferguson for your cooking skills, John Hardie for washing all the dishes and Carl and Stephen for helping out at the Bar!! Events such as these are a fantastic way to catch up before the year runs away and

brings everyone together. Thanks again Monica!!

Please all remember that we have ANZAC Day coming up this month, the CWA and Lions go to a lot of effort to ensure the event is a success and we look forward to you all being there—25th April 6.00am, this year is 100 years of the Flanders Offensive and the Sinai –Palestine Campaign.

I hope that you all have a lovely Easter Break, enjoy time with family and friends and stay safe on the roads over this time. Please take note of the changes in the Shires opening hours as we are closed on the major public holidays and open for mail only on



Easter Tuesday. Rubbish Services will remain the same .



## Restricted Burning Period will be lifted from Midnight 30 March 2017

Please continue to take considerable care when burning, for any further information please contact your local Fire Control Officer.

# Councillors review Roads and Plan for the Future

Wandering Councillors recently undertook their annual road inspection. This is an opportunity to review the road network, understand issues, review areas of concern and revise the 5 year road program ready for road application season and the formulation of the annual budget. This year we spent time reviewing the rain damage and work recently undertaken.

Councillors were pleased to see that the work undertaken on the York Williams road has been



completed to a high standard. Rod Evenis explained that this was a significant job for the Shire Crew and one of the longest lengths sealed in many years in one go. The York Williams job was a cost effective job that utilised the extensive works undertaken after the last big

storm damage event, lessening the preparation and enabling us to seal a longer length with the Regional Road Group funding provided annually. This is a significant improvement to the York Williams Road and will benefit many residents and travellers. Cr Judith Price gave Rod and I a history lesson during the road inspection and we stopped at the Septimus Roe survey mark



for the picture on the right... The new and the old!!

The York Williams job has been a great example of the high standard and quality of work that the Works crew is able to produce and we are pleased to report that the works came in on Budget. We then moved on to reviewing the works undertaken at Mooterdine Loop to replace the Carabin Creek bridge with culverts. This job has been completed to a high standard and was a significant undertaking for the crew with only Rod Evenis our Works manager having any experience in these works. It has been a great opportunity to up

skill the team and deliver a great outcome for the Shire into the future. This job has ended up 10% over budget and we are negotiating with Main Roads to seek support for the over-run.



Council has also completed extensive remedial works to the Codjatotine Bridge over the last couple of months with the job finishing up with the asphalt surface undertaken in the last week or so. Ferguson Way and the planned reseal of Cheetaning Street will be completed this week. Ricks Road intersection, maintenance grading and fingers crossed the flood damage will then become our focus for the remaining months of the financial year.

# Dog Registrations and Micro Chipping

The Council would like to take this opportunity to remind residents of the Shire that registering and chipping your dog is vital to us when your dog is lost or escapes... Recently some residents have incurred significant fines as a result of their dog being impounded. Please note we do not want to or like to have to fine or impound and would very much like to be able give you a quick ring to come and collect your dog! So lets work together and protect our local dogs and save you being fined by getting all animals in the Shire registered and chipped ASAP!! Call Helen at the Office who will help you with this.



With the recent rain—there is likely to be an increase in mozzies in and around Wandering... Please consider the following in an effort to keep yourselves and the community mozzie bite free.



**COVER UP** Wear long, loose-fitting, light coloured clothing, covering as much of the body as you can. Mosquitoes can bite through tight clothes like jeans. Make sure children are also appropriately covered up.



## REPEL

Use insect repellent containing DEET (diethyltoluamide) or picaridin and always follow instructions on the label.



## CLEAN UP

Stop mosquitoes breeding in water pooling around your home or holiday accommodation by emptying water from containers and draining areas where water ponds, such as low lying areas or gutters that don't fully drain.



# Huge Home for Sale— Bargain Price!

Council has listed the Michibin Property for Sale with Lisa Carrots from Landmark Harcourts Boddington. The house is surplus to Council needs and requirements in these times and Council is keen for a family to have the benefit of this great property.

The property is a large 5 bedroom 2 bathroom home on a great block with a large shed in a lovely town location! Council is asking \$250,000.00 ono—Please contact Lisa Carrots 0428 838 054 for more information or to view the house.





# Shire Of Wandering Easter Opening Hours

The Shire office will be closed on the following days—

**Good Friday** — Closed

**Easter Monday** — Closed

**Easter Tuesday** — Open for Australia Post Services Only  
10am—2pm

**Wednesday** — Open as usual 8.30—4.30pm

*Please note that all rubbish services remain the same.*

*Transfer Station will be open Easter Sunday and Monday and  
Town Rubbish pick up will be Tuesday as usual.*

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