

Shire of Wandering

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COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

A review of the existing policies and procedures of the Community Resource Centre is still being conducted by the Department of Regional Development and Lands. During this time all functions of the Community Resource Centre including the library will not be available. The Shire have submitted an expression of interest to the Department of Regional Development and Lands and hopefully the centre will be able to re-open early in the new year under the Shire umbrella once the current review has been successfully completed.

WANDERING FUEL FACILITY

After a tender process earlier in the year Gilbarco Pty Ltd were appointed in March 2011 for the supply and installation of a 55,000 litre fuel supply (40,000 diesel / 15,000 ULP) to be located on Watts Street opposite the Wandering Community Resource Centre. The project has continually been delayed by the contractors due to various staffing and management turnover issues within Gilbarco. The tanks which take 12-14 weeks to manufacture were first expected to arrive on site in June/July. The revised date for the delivery of these tanks has just this week been pushed back again from mid December to mid February 2012. Once the tanks arrive and the balance of the equipment is supplied, the actual installation process is expected to only take 1 to 2 months. However given the past delays I am reluctant to put a date when fuel will finally become available. It has been a frustrating process as I am sure everyone will agree, however unfortunately the continued delays this year have been out of the Shire's control.

OFFICE REFURBISHMENT

Council have commenced works on the office refurbishment as per the 2011/12 Budget. The plans include provision for a medical facility and grant funding has been received from the Peel Development Commission and Royalties for Regions.

FIRE SEASON

A reminder that burning is currently **PROHIBITED** in the Shire of Wandering until **21 February 2011**.

HARVEST BAN LINE

The harvest ban line is up and running and the answering service will be continually be maintained throughout the summer. The number to call for harvest and fire updates is **9884 1042**.

SMS FIRE MESSAGING SERVICE

The SMS fire messaging service line is now up and running. If you would like to have your mobile details added to the SMS messaging service please contact Hayley Barge at the Shire Office on 9884 1056.

AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST

Once again the Australia Day breakfast was held at the Community Centre and was attended by approximately 100 residents from the community. Special thanks to the Wandering Lions Club, Shire Councillors and all of the other volunteers whose contributions ensured the day was a success once again this year.

FAREWELL DINNER

The Shire will be holding a Farewell Dinner to commemorate the years of service and commitment contributed to the Shire of Wandering by Kelvin Price and Don White. The dinner will be held on Saturday 4 February with approximately 40 past Councillors, CEO's and partners attending to acknowledge almost 60 years of collective service from Kel and Don.

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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY AT 1.00pm

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