

Shire of Wandering

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VINTAGE MACHINERY SHED

A meeting to form a Committee will be held on Monday 18 April at the Wandering Tavern. The meeting will commence at 7pm and everyone is welcome to attend. Alternatively, anyone interested in loaning machinery to be displayed in the Vintage Machinery Shed are encouraged to contact the Shire Office.

DrumMUSTER

A DrumMUSTER will be held on Thursday 7 April. If you would like to utilise this service please call the Shire Office on 9884 1056 to book a convenient time.

FIRE SEASON

A reminder that burning is currently restricted with a permit required from your local fire control officer to burn up until 19 April 2011. Please note that all permit holders are also required to notify the Shire of the date they intend to burn. The harvest ban line is up and running with the answering service maintained on a daily basis and the number to call for harvest and fire updates is **9884 1042**.

WANDERING FUEL FACILITY

Funding under Country Local Government Fund is expected to be finalised in the next week and meetings have been held with the prospective contractors who will be completing the fit out of the fuel facility. Once the funding agreement has been signed the fuel tanks will be ordered and the final site preparation can be completed. The fuel tanks will take between 10-12 weeks to manufacture and the rest of the fuel facility fit out will be completed shortly after the tanks arrive.

BRIDGEWORKS – PUMPHREYS BRIDGE

Bridge maintenance and refurbishment works have commenced at the above location. The bridge is still open to traffic and Main Roads anticipate the works will be completed by the end of April 2011.

COMMUNITY CENTRE PLAYGROUND

Funding has been received to refurbish the playground at the Community Centre. Playground designs have now been finalised and the equipment is scheduled to be installed in June 2011.

WANDERING TOWN PARK

Len Zuks has completed a sculpture of a man and a horse that will be erected in the area near the new toilet amenities. Some minor site works will be completed before the sculpture arrives, but keep your eyes open for a new local identity in the near future.

OFFICE REFURBISHMENT

Council are currently reviewing plans and obtaining pricing for an office refurbishment as per the 2010/11 Budget. The draft plans include provision for a medical facility and grant funding has been received from various sources to contribute towards the project. Further information will be provided as the draft plans are updated.

WANDERING REFUSE SITE

Following a recent routine inspection from the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) it was noted that dumping of waste in the correct areas is still not being adhered to. There are no excuses for not doing the right thing as the site has clearly marked areas for Household Rubbish, Green Waste, Building Material, Scrap Metal, Household Appliances, etc. There is even signage at the entry of the site clearly stating that the dumping of tyres is strictly prohibited at all times, yet people are still dumping tyres with the general waste. At the end of the day this is your tip. If it continues to be abused then everyone will lose it and DEC have notified the Shire that failure to comply with all aspects of the refuse site will result in the closure of the Refuse Site under the Environmental Protection (Rural Landfill) Regulations 2002.

HAPPY EASTER

With Easter fast approaching I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and relaxing Easter and for those of you who will be travelling please take care on the roads.

Martin Whitely
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – THURSDAY 21 APRIL AT 2.00pm

Your Councillors

Cr Don White 9884 1034
Cr Ken Barge 9884 1095

Cr Bruce Dowsett 9884 1031
Cr Joe Schorer 9884 1018
Cr Jim McNeil 9887 6010

Cr Graeme Kerr 9887 6018
Cr Kelvin Price 9887 7061

