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Some Recent Changes in the Shire of Menzies Administration



Welcome to the Acting Chief Executive Officer: Brian Seale. Brian officially started on Friday 9th May and will hold the position until a new Chief Executive Officer is appointed. We hope he enjoys his stay in Menzies and is made to feel very welcome.

Farewell to Peter Crawford (CEO) and his wife, Daphne who are moving on to Laverton. Both Peter and Daphne are taking up new appointments with the Shire of Laverton. We wish them both well for the future.

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Menzies Remote Community School in association with the Shire of Menzies are hosting...

'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea' Thursday 22nd May at 10.30am Menzies Town Hall.

RVSP Ph 9024 2702 or Ph 9024 2049 cdo@menzies.wa.gov.au

All funds raised will be donated to the Cancer Council

'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea' also to be held in Kookynie on Saturday 14th June. 11.00am onwards Old Miner's Cottage Crafts, Kookynie Ph 9031 3013 RSVP: Be There!

Shire of Menzies



Office Hours

Monday to Friday 8.30am to 12.00pm 1.00pm to 5.00pm

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'MENZIES MATTERS'

Close-off for contributions for the next edition of 'Menzies Matters' is 5.00pm Thursday 29th May 2008.

> Publication date: Tuesday 3rd June, 2008.

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EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Emergencies

(Police, Fire, Ambulance)

Police assistance

13 1444 (all hours)

(non emergency & general enquiries)

Menzies Health Centre

9024 2044

Health Direct

1800 022 222

(24hr advice line)

Royal Flying Doctor Service 1800 625 800

Poisons Information (24hr advice line) 13 11 26

Book Club

We have a few interested in starting a book club that would meet in the Menzies Library on a regular basis. If you'd like to find out more, drop into the 'Former' Lady Shenton Hotel or call 9024 2702.

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ROSEMARY Cameron, director of the Brisbane Writers Festival, gives her tips for creating a successful book club:

- 1. Just do it: So many clubs have foundered on good intentions. Choose a book -- don't try to get consensus -- just choose any book for the first meeting.
- 2. Read the book: This really helps. Keep some notes while you read. What or who did you warm to? What left you cold?
- 3. On the night: Relax and have a good time. You, as originating host, will need to start the discussion and keep the ball rolling. This might be exhausting the first time but after a few meetings it becomes effortless.
- 4. Numbers: Most clubs have about eight to 12 members. Not all members can come to every meeting so fewer than eight tends to fall below the critical mass for sustainability.
- 5. Choosing members: The best book clubs work where there is enough cohesion to make you want to return next month, yet enough dissension for some lively discussions.
- 6. Timing: Most book clubs meet for about two to three hours (as you get to know each other better they start to stretch out as the gossip quotient increases). Most clubs meet once a month and the day and time is set (such as, the third Thursday of each month at 7.30pm). Don't try the weekend, it rarely works.
- 7. Venue: Sometimes it is at one person's home but more often the group takes turns. There also are great open book clubs run by independent bookshops. Libraries also host a range of book clubs.

- 8. Choosing the book: There are clubs that operate like swaps -- where everyone brings along the books they've read that month and they all swap books until next meeting. Other clubs are genre-based - - they only read crime or romance or biographies or history. What has worked best for me is to have a set order of members and then each member chooses a book for a particular meeting. I also like mixing up the genres. I love being forced to read books outside my comfort zone -- books that I would never normally choose for myself. I find that a constant diet of current bestsellers or even current literary award winners can get boring.
- 9. Archive: It is important that someone records the books chosen. You can just keep notes in a notebook. I recommend that you just record the date, the host, the venue, the book and author, and the members present. There is one delicious book club I've heard of called the Standard Deviation Club, where they all give the book a score out of five and then they calculate the mean and the standard deviation. The higher the deviation, the more controversial the book because there was a wider divergence of opinions. As you have probably guessed, this is one of those rare all-male book clubs.
- 10. Leader: To keep all this going you do need someone to prompt. This person usually keeps the archive, remembers the order in which the club circulates, prompts people to make their choice, maintains the e-mail list and sends out reminders. A gentle prompt is better than a full-on assault. This role should not be filled by the group's bossiest person -- they will soon be resented. It is not an onerous position but without it most clubs wither and die.



Welcome to LEINSTER MARKET

When: 25^{TH} MAY 2008 11.00am start

Where: Undercover area of shopping complex

If you are interested in having a stall there is a \$5.00 sellers bay fee please contact the Telecentre for more information

Stalls can consist of the following:

Bric-a-brak
Arts and Craft
Food stalls

All welcome, come and have a family day out. There is a .50cent donation per person upon entry.

Leinster Telecentre 08 9037 9044

Menzies Roadhouse

Open 7 Days – 7am to 8.00pm (Sunday closing time – subject to trade)

Roast chickens now available Thursday & Friday Nights -place your order by 3pm. on the day

Ph. 9024 2046

Menzies Hotel Open 7 Days – 12noon until late Phone 9024 2016

You are invited to have a stall

At

Leonora Golden Gift

Foundation Day weekend 31st May - 2nd June Stalls are required during the athletic events

On Sunday, 1st June 2008

The Leonora Golden Gift is the richest running event in Australia and attracts athletes from around

Australia and Internationally.
This event has been running for five years and attracts around 3,000 plus people to Leonora (230kms north of Kalgoorlie) for the long weekend.

There is free entertainment and opportunities for the whole family to compete in the athletic events with good prize money to be won.

Free Entertainment includesKate Seberano
Childrens Entertainment
Fireworks
And plenty of more events
and activities for
the whole family.



Menzies 2009 Calendar

What do you value or love about Menzies?

This is the theme for the Menzies 2009 Calendar.

Prizes will be awarded for photographs that are included in the calendar.

Now is the time to start thinking about Menzies and what makes this place so special.

Is it the people, the historic buildings, the bush...???

Entrants will need to submit one or more photographs & include with each photograph, in approximately 25 words or less why this photograph is so important.

Further details will be included in the June edition of Menzies Matters.

SHIRE OF MENZIES



Council Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, Menzies

Thursday, 15th May 2008 9.00 am Thursday, 19th June 2008 9.00 am Thursday, 17th July 2008 9.00 am Thursday, 21st August 2008 9.00 am

Tidy Towns

We now have official registration as a Tidy Towns committee. For more details contact:: Justin Lee, Community Development Officer Ph. 9024 2702 cdo@menzies.wa.gov.au

Kookynie Volunteer Association Inc.

This is a newly incorporated group seeking to progress the Kookynie Community Hall project to encourage local and regional participation. Through our volunteer workers we wish to identify and contribute to regional working projects.

General Meeting

Date: Saturday 17 May 2008

Time: 3:00pm

Venue: Old Miner's Cottage Crafts -

Kookynie

Any person who wishes to further the interests of the Association is welcome to attend.

Topics for Discussion

- Discuss & determine a Floor Plan for Community Hall.
- Discuss further insurance quotes necessary for the KVA Inc.
- Confirm fundraising activities Stall for Leonora Golden Gift weekend, Sunday 1st June 2008. Prepare roster.

Confirm amount of prize money offer from KVA Inc. towards the Golden Gift Races.

Discuss questions and input to be put forward at the DOCEP Draft Model Rules (Constitution) Forum held in Perth Friday 30th May 2008.

Any other general business.



COUNCIL NOTICES



REPORT A HOON

There have been many instances of "Hoon" behaviour in vehicles in and around Menzies in recent weeks.

We do not need these idiots speeding around our town putting the local children and others at risk from their irresponsible behaviour.

If anyone sees any people acting like "Hoons" in Menzies or Kookynie, please contact the Shire office with details. We will inform the police and request that they take action against these people.

HELP TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY A SAFER PLACE FOR US ALL TO ENJOY

N P CRAWFORD Chief Executive Officer

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2005

TOWN PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

TOWN PLANNING SCHEME No.1 - AMENDMENT No. 5

Notice is hereby given that the local government of the Shire of Menzies has prepared the abovementioned Scheme Amendment for the purpose of:

removing the sub-clause 8.2 b) that provides an exemption for the need for a planning consent for single dwelling houses.

Plans and documents setting out and explaining the Scheme Amendment have been deposited at the Council Office, Shenton Street, MENZIES, and will be available for inspection during office hours up to and including 23 May 2008

Submissions on the Scheme Amendment may be made in writing on Form No 4 and lodged with the undersigned on or before 26 May 2008

This Amendment is available for inspection in order to provide an opportunity for public comment and it should not be construed that final approval will be granted.

N P CRAWFORD Chief Executive Officer



Matters arising from the Ordinary Meeting of Council, held Thursday, 17 April 2008.

The Officer in charge of the Leonora Police Station, Sgt Ward Adamson attended the Meeting to speak on police related issues within the Shire of Menzies. Mr Adamson spoke on hoon driving and outlined that he would need witnesses to lead to a prosecution identifying the driver, vehicle and registration plate number and particular areas that may need to be targeted.

The President attended a meeting addressing the Bilateral Agreement and highlighted some issues that stakeholders may need to discuss further.

He attended a GEDC meeting in Kalgoorlie

He had received correspondence from the CEO of his resignation.

- 1. The CEO advised that Mr Travis Young, the new Northern Goldfields Sports Officer was being accommodated in the old Police house along with other Shire staff.
- 2. A Public Meeting date has been set for Saturday, 10 May in Menzies to advise the public of the intended plans to upgrade the main street and seeking local residents input and ideas into the design.
- 3. Cr Stubbs has requested that the Shire places notices around the Shire advising the public that the Shire of Menzies will not tolerate any "hoon" activities and will take all necessary action to have the offenders prosecuted.

Following the resignation of the Chief Executive Officer, Council resolved the following:

To appoint Mr Brian Seale to the position of Acting Chief Executive Officer with the Shire of Menzies as from 9 May 2008 (When the current CEO will finish work) for such time as until a new Chief Executive Officer is appointed, and,

That Mr Gary Martin be appointed as the consultant to carry out the procurement of the new Chief Executive Officer.

May

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Kookynie Walking Trail Meeting – 9am 'Former' Lady Shenton Hotel	2 Walk Safely to School Day	3
4	5	6	7 Lake Ballard Stakeholders Meeting – 11am Council Chambers	8 Northern Goldfields Sport & Recreation Board Meeting – 11am Leonora	9	10 Main Street Upgrade Meeting – 2pm. Town Hall
11 Mothers Day	12 National Volunteer Week	13	14	15 Council Meeting, Shire of Menzies – 9am Council Chambers	16	Kookynie Volunteers Association Meeting – 3pm Old Miner's Cottage Crafts, Kookynie
18	19	20	21	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea - 10.30am Town Hall	23 Golden Quest Discovery Trail Board Meeting – 1pm. Boulder	24
25 Leinster Markets – 11am Macular Degeneration Awareness Week	26	27	28	29	30	31 Golden Gift Weekend - Leonora
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Weekend Program

31st May, 1st and 2nd June

Saturday

12:00 Noon Leonora Race Club - 6 Events
5:00pm Freestyle Now BMX Demo
5:30pm Meet and Greet Dorothy the

Dinosaur and Wags the Dog

6:00pm Theaker Aerial Act 6:45pm 100% ABBA

7:30pm Heats of BHP Billiton Elite Mile

8:00pm Fireworks Display 8:30-10:00pm The Minara Community

Foundation/St. Barbara Mines

Limited Concert featuring Kate Ceberano and Band

10:15-11:00pm 100% ABBA

Sunday

12:00 Noon

6:00-9:00am Leonora Style Breakfast at Hoover

House Gwalia

8:00am Market Stalls

9:00am Children's Entertainment - Town

Park

9:15am Pigeon Release 9:40-4:20pm Athletic Carnival

(incl Golden Gift Finals)

Dorothy the Dinosaur's Dance

Party

12:45pm Meet and Greet Dorothy the

Dinosaur and Wags the Dog

1:20pm Finals Elite Mile 4:30pm Presentations

5:00pm Freestyle Now BMX Demo 5:30pm Dan & Dan Horse Show 6:00pm Theaker Aerial Act 6:45-7:30pm 100% ABBA

7:30-9:30pm Live Entertainment in Local Hotels

Monday

Leonora Race Club - 6 Farewell Events



GOLDEN GIFT

2008

Australia's Richest Mile Event Featuring

ELITE MILE

Events on offer include 120 Metre Sprint, 600m Gift, 800m Gift and One Mile Events for Under 14, Under 18, Masters (Over 40) Open and Elite Categories

EVERY EVENT FEATURES PRIZE MONEY
MAKE THE JOURNEY
REAP THE REWARDS

Plus Two Horse Race Meetings, Fireworks Display, Dorothy the Dinosaur Dance Party, Community Breakfast, and a special appearance under the desert sky's in The Minara Community Foundation/St. Barbara Mines Limited Concert by Kate Ceberano and Band

All entertainment completely FREE of charge.







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Goldrush Tours GRT Express Kalgoorlie and Laverton Service

Passenger Survey

We are currently looking to increase the bus services between Kalgoorlie and Laverton to twice weekly and are interested in your feedback.

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