



## Shire President's Message

Local government reform is in the headlines with the Premier calling on the local government industry to reduce the number of councils to less than 100 over the next five years. The Premier targeted those local governments with populations of 2000 or less. Council faces a significant challenge assessing how core operations relate to the community and balancing the political ramifications. These are challenging times for local government.

Brendon Grylls, Minister for Regional Development, made it clear that regional councils and larger amalgamated Councils would be viewed favourably when allocating Royalties for Regions funding. Regional councils however add another layer of bureaucracy which is not generally supported by the State during this current review process.

The Warren Blackwood Strategic Alliance has appointed consultants to produce a report for the four participating councils (Manjimup, Bridgetown-Greenbushes, Boyup Brook and Nannup) on reform. The Alliance will have a special briefing for its members on the "Structural Reform Interim Report" later this week.

Last week State Parliament passed legislation to return to the first-past-the-post voting system for local government elections in time for this year's election. This will simplify and add transparency to election process.

You may be eligible to vote more than once if you live in one ward but own property in another ward or another Shire altogether. I urge you to update your details on the electoral roll before the end of August to be eligible in time for the local government elections in October. It's not compulsory to vote in local government, but I encourage everyone to get out there and have a say on who you want representing your community.

*Wade DeCampo*

## Council News

### Corporate Services

- ◆ State & Local Government Partnership Agreement: The Premier has committed the State Government to meet and consult with the local government sector ahead of policy and operational decisions that impact the sector.
- ◆ The Shire President, Deputy Shire President and CEO met with Premier Colin Barnett last week to discuss the future of the timber industry. This follows discussions with the Minister of Forestry on a potential vision for the industry.
- ◆ Congratulations to Cr Ray Curo and Cr Murray Curti (retired) in being awarded Long and Loyal Service Honours at the recent Local Government Convention.
- ◆ The Shire's Ward Boundary changes were approved by the Local Government Advisory Committee and gazetted on Fri 14 Aug 2009. These changes will be reflected in the upcoming local government election in October.

### Election Timetable

- ◆ electoral rolls close 5pm Fri 28 Aug 2009,
- ◆ nominations for Council open 8am Thu 3 Sep 2009 and close 4pm Thu 10 Sep 2009,
- ◆ early voting closes 4pm Fri 16 Oct 2009,
- ◆ absent & postal voting closes 4pm Tue 13 Oct 2009,
- ◆ voting on election day is between 8am-6pm Sat 17 Oct 2009.

### Statutory Services

- ◆ The proposed Local Planning Scheme 4 is expected to be presented to Council for adoption on 10 Sep 2009.
- ◆ At the Council meeting on 30 July 2009 Council adopted the 2009/10 Budget with an average rate rise of 4.33%. A copy of the adopted budget are available for viewing on our website.

### Works & Services

- Road Construction and Maintenance carried out:
- ◆ Installed drainage pit and connection to main on Robinson Street for pick up of newly sealed laneway stormwater.

- ◆ Installed drainage pit and connection to main on Ipsen St at Giblett St roundabout.
- ◆ Installed subsoil drainage on Cronin Street to fix road blow outs.
- ◆ Installed double barrel culvert on Clarke Road, awaiting a dry week to fill old culvert crossing.
- ◆ Constructed 400m of natural surface road on Tannin Road.
- ◆ Boxed out and installed subsoil drainage to road slip on Middlesex Road.
- ◆ Fixed numerous blowouts after heavy rain.
- ◆ Ongoing bridge maintenance
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- ◆ Ongoing gravel road maintenance as weather permits.
- ◆ Commenced roadside vegetation control strategy.
- ◆ Installed crash barrier at "S" bends and safe speed warning signs on Wheatley Coast Road.

### Parks

- ◆ Anunaka playground has been upgraded with irrigated turf around new playground, new table, benches, drinking fountain and deciduous trees planted.

## Council Meetings

An Ordinary Meeting of the Manjimup Shire Council will be held in Council Chambers, Manjimup at **5.30pm on Thu 20 Aug 2009**. Council Agendas and Minutes are available at our public libraries and on our website.

### Notice of Agenda Items

- 12.1.1 Holiday Accommodation in a Residential Dwelling: Lot 51 Karri Lane, Quininnup
- 12.1.2 Proposed Replacement of Retaining Wall: Lot 246 Island View, Windy Harbour
- 12.1.3 Petition: Request Repair to Parking Area for Warren Districts Chiropractic Centre
- 12.1.4 Rest Point Holiday Village: Update on Outstanding Issues, Recovery of Road Repair Costs and Recovery of Cost to Install Safety Barrier
- 12.2.1 Advertising Signage Application: Southern Forest Arts
- 12.3.1 Windy Harbour Lease Transfer: Lot 127 Windy Harbour Rd
- 12.3.2 Lions Offer to Demolish Building: Warren Art and Craft Group
- 12.3.3 Request to Surrender Lease: Lot 399 Brockman St, Manjimup
- 12.3.4 Proposed Licence to Occupy Lot 2 Muirilup Road, Northcliffe: Men in Sheds
- 12.4.1 Registration of Manjimup Airfield for Maintenance of Instrument Approaches (Inclement Weather Access)
- 12.5.1 Fabrication of Bitumen Tank: Transfer from Construction Resource Research Reserve
- 12.7.1 Request For Financial Assistance: Manjimup 15,000 Motocross Event 2010
- 12.7.2 Community Sport & Recreation Facility Fund (CSRFF) Applications: Council Assessment and Priorities
- 12.8.1 Feasibility for a Purpose Built Home & Community Care and Centre Based Day Care Facility
- 12.11.1 Local Government Structural Reform
- 12.13.1 Northcliffe Town Hall Management Committee Minutes: 20 Jul 2009
- 12.14.1 Airfield Management Committee Minutes: 3 Jun 2009
- 12.14.2 Airfield Management Committee Minutes: 5 Aug 2009
- 12.14.3 Northcliffe Forest Park Management Committee Minutes: 10 Jun 2009

### Northcliffe Forest Park Management Committee

Notice is given that a meeting of the Northcliffe Forest Park Management Committee will be held in the Clem Collins Pavilion at the Northcliffe Recreation Ground at **7.30pm on Wed 9 Sep 2009**.

## Out for Public Comment

- ◆ Boronia Ridge Estate Development Guidelines (Draft) – closes Fri 28 Aug 2009.
- ◆ Proposal to alter Crowea and Quininnup Locality

Boundaries to Correct Postal Area Anomalies - 18 Sep 2009.

**Written submissions:** You are invited to comment on the above by addressing your written comments to "Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Manjimup, PO Box 1, MANJIMUP WA 6258", delivered to the Administration Centre, faxed to 9771 7771 or emailed to [info@manjimup.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@manjimup.wa.gov.au). Details are available on our website.

## Employment Opportunity

### Emergency Management Support Officer

PSN 1/3-18 \$41,423 per annum - 12 Month Appointment. The successful applicant will have time management and organisational skills and experience in an administrative or clerical role. Experience in administrative systems relating to emergency service operations and knowledge of local government emergency response agencies and other government bodies are desirable.

Please contact Tracey Crombie-Wilson on (08) 9771 7777 or by email at [tracey.crombie-wilson@manjimup.wa.gov.au](mailto:tracey.crombie-wilson@manjimup.wa.gov.au). (See full advertisement under Employment in today's edition of the Manjimup Bridgetown Times.) Applications close at 4pm on Friday 28 August 2009.

## Community Update

**Shire Community Grants 2009/10:** The successful recipients have been notified of the \$65,752 grants to events and projects across the shire. Total request for funding was \$135,000 for projects and events valued at over \$700,000. The Shire continued its commitment to youth welfare and allocated \$32,700 for a range of programmes.

**Banners in the Terrace:** A partnership with the Manjimup Senior High School extension programme and the Shire involved up to ten students in designing and completing a full length banner with the guidance of local artist Fiona Sinclair produced a banner for the 'Banners in the Terrace'. The banners were displayed in St Georges Terrace to coincide with Local Government Week. The banner received a 'high commendation' in the upper schools section. This was the first time that a banner has been submitted from the Shire of Manjimup.

**Heritage Trails:** The first of 4 planned public meetings was held in Walpole, Pemberton & Northcliffe last week to discuss the Shire of Manjimup's heritage trail project. The project was enthusiastically received by those in attendance. A public meeting will also be held in Manjimup (Gallery) this Friday (21 Aug) at 12 noon.

**Library:** Visiting author Don Tate will present a book and short film review at the Manjimup Library on Tue 18 Aug from 5.30 – 7pm. All welcome.

**Road Wise:** Kelly Hughes from Road Wise addressed the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Committee on Tue 11 Aug, outlining the objectives of Road Wise and the possibility of developing a committee to work with the Bridgetown Road Wise committee.

**Early Years Network Group:** Nancy Poole from the British Columbia Centre of Excellence for Women's Health in Canada will present two workshops at the Gallery on Thu 27 Aug 2009. The first at 10.30am – 12 noon is open to the general community and is entitled "Pregnancy Women and Alcohol". An afternoon session titled "Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Care and Consequences" for invited agencies runs from 1.30-4pm.

**Recreation:** The Shire will be hosting a meeting of the South West Sport Academy WA on Thu 27 Aug 2009 at 11am - 1pm in Councils Chambers. Councilors and invited sporting groups will meet with the academy at the conclusion of the meeting between 1 – 2pm.

**Australian of the Year Awards:** nominate a worthy West Australian for Australian, Senior Australian, Young Australian and Local Hero of the Year online at [www.australianoftheyear.org.au](http://www.australianoftheyear.org.au) (closes 31 Aug 2009).

**Tidy Towns:** Walpole and Manjimup have entered the South West region of this year's Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Competition and will be competing against Busselton, Collie, Dwellingup, Greenbushes, Waroona, Yarloop and each other. Regional judging is currently underway.

2009 Council Meetings		
5.30 pm on Thursday in Council Chambers Manjimup		
	10 Sep *	12 Nov *
<b>5.30pm</b>	01 Oct (W)	10 Dec *
20 Aug 2009*	22 Oct *	
<b>Local Gov Elections Sat 17 Oct 2009</b>		
P=Pemberton N=Northcliffe W=Walpole		
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CEO:	Jeremy Hubble	(08) 9771 7777

Public Libraries		
<b>Manjimup: 9771 2895</b>	<b>Pemberton: 9776 1311</b>	
Mon - Fri	10.30am-5pm	Mon 1-5pm
Thu	10.30am-6pm	Wed 9am-1.30pm
Sat	9.30am-12pm	Fri 10-12.30pm & 1-5pm
		Sat 9am-12 noon
<i>Baby Rhyme Time: Fri 10.30am (Mjp) &amp; Wed 10am (P)</i>		
<i>Children's Story Time: 11am Fri (Mjp) &amp; 10.30am Sat (P)</i>		
<b>Northcliffe: 9776 7168</b>	<b>Walpole: 9840 1108</b>	
Thu:	2.30-4pm	Wed 10am-1pm, 2-5pm
Fri	9am-4pm	Fri 10am-1pm
Sat	9am-12 noon	Sat 10am-12 noon
<b>Quininnup:</b>	Mon, Wed & Fri	3-5pm Sat 9am-12 noon

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