

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 17 July 2019 at 6.30pm in the Council Chambers, Kerang. Interested members of the public are welcome to attend. The agenda will be available two days prior to the meeting at www.gsc.vic.gov.au

IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

COHUNA Maternal Child & Health Centre
Wednesday, 17 July 2019
10.30am - 12noon

KERANG Gannawarra Children's Centre
Wednesday, 17 July 2019
4.00pm - 5.30pm

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to session closing time

REGISTER YOUR BURN-OFF

Residents are reminded to register their burn-off with the Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority. This is to ensure that local emergency services are aware of any fire activities.

To register your burn-off, phone 1800 668 511 or e-mail burnoffs@etsa.vic.gov.au and provide the following details:

- The location of the burn-off;
- The date and expected start/finish times;
- Estimated size of the fire; and
- What you intend to burn.

Residents can keep their burn-offs safe and legal by:

- Never leaving them unattended;
- Monitoring weather conditions;
- Having sufficient equipment and water nearby to stop the fire from spreading; and
- Checking fire restrictions in your area.

For more details, visit www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/burning-off/



Northern District Community Health
Gannawarra Giving Account

GANNAWARRA GIVING ACCOUNT

Residents can help support our local farming families by donating to the Gannawarra Giving Account. The Giving Account aims to provide assistance such as funding uniform, equipment or fees to ensure inclusion into sport and recreation opportunities for children or anything else needed to meet other individual and community needs. For more information or to make a tax deductible donation to the Gannawarra Giving Account call Northern District Community Health on (03) 5451 0200 or donate online at www.givenow.com.au/gannawarragivingaccount

ROAMING LIVESTOCK CONCERNS

Livestock owners are reminded to ensure their animals are secured on their properties following a recent increase in the number of reported incidents of wandering livestock. Council staff had tended to an increasing number of calls relating to wandering livestock over the past few weeks. The recent run of foggy and frosty mornings poses added dangers for motorists driving without the risk of having to negotiate wayward livestock. While some of the recent incidents Gannawarra Shire Council staff have tended to are a result of property gates being left open following spotlighting expeditions, most are due to the property owner or occupier failing to adequately maintain the fencing. It is an offence to keep livestock on any property which is not securely fenced. Stock owners are responsible for the damage caused to life and property by their stock if they are not properly confined. Stock owners can be fined up to \$8,050 for allowing livestock to escape onto public roads.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The past few weeks have been awards time for the Gannawarra Shire. Following on from the McCann Crescent Park rejuvenation project being recognised at the National Local Government Awards, Council's 2018 Annual Report received a Silver Award in the Australasian Reporting Awards. This accolade is a credit to Council's creative and hardworking staff. Meanwhile, the architects of the Koondrook Wharf have received an International Architecture award in Urban Planning /Landscape for the project. I look forward to further developments regarding the Koondrook Wharf area in the future.

I would like to thank the public for its patience during the recent upgrade to Sampson's Bridge and Stage 2 of the Koondrook CBD redevelopment. Both projects are now complete, so I encourage the community to visit both locations. With Council recently adopting the 2019/2020 Council Budget, I look forward to commencement of \$10.877 million worth of capital works projects throughout the Gannawarra. I hope you continue to check on your farming friends or neighbours.

Kind regards,
Mayor Lorraine Learmonth

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THE OWL'S APPRENTICE THIS FRIDAY

An owl's search for wisdom will inspire a week of events starting on Friday 12 July at Leitchville. Council and the Leitchville community have united to put on what will be the major theatre performance occurring locally these school holidays – *The Owl's Apprentice*. Designed to appeal to children aged 12 years and under, *The Owl's Apprentice* uses a combination of shadow puppetry, hand puppetry and storytelling to celebrate Australia's unique wildlife through a gentle story of learning to become wise. Admission is \$15 for adults and children aged four years and older. Free admission is available for children aged three years and under.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.trybooking.com/BDGMW

Children who attend pre-schools that operate within the Gannawarra will also have the chance to experience the show during free performances at Cohuna and Kerang between Tuesday, 16 July and Thursday, 18 July. Meanwhile, skilled theatre maker and puppeteer, Jenny Ellis – whose creations feature in *The Owl's Apprentice* – will be running two Shadow Puppet Making workshops during the show's appearance in the Gannawarra. Sessions will be held at the Leitchville Rural Transaction Centre on Friday, 12 July at 1pm and Kerang's Sir John Gorton Library on Monday, 15 July at 4pm. Bookings for these free workshops can be made by phoning the Gannawarra Library Service on (03) 5452 1546.

SOCIAL MEALS PROGRAM

Council's Social Meals program is a great opportunity to socialise over a home cooked two-course meal for just \$10! If you wish to attend any of the social meals events held throughout the Shire, please register your details with our Community Care team on (03) 5450 9333.

WHAT'S ON...

JULY 09	Social Meal – Lake Charm
JULY 09	Social Meal – Quambatook
JULY 09	Build a Birdhouse – Kerang
JULY 10	Terracotta Folk Art Bird Hangings – Quambatook
JULY 11	Social Meal – Kerang
JULY 11	Social Meal – Leitchville
JULY 12	<i>The Owl's Apprentice</i> , Leitchville
JULY 12	Social Meal – Koondrook
JULY 12	Shadow Puppet Making workshop, Leitchville
JULY 14	Border Flywheelers Club Market, Barham
JULY 15	Shadow Puppet Making workshop, Kerang
JULY 16	Social Meal – Lalbert
JULY 19	Social Meal – Cohuna
JULY 23	Social Meal - Quambatook
JULY 25	Social Meal - Leitchville
JULY 26-29	Northern District Dance Club Weekend of Dancing, Kerang
JULY 27	Kerang Community Market
JULY 28	Cohuna Farmers & Makers Market

Event details can be found on Council's Website

SUBMIT YOUR EVENT

Want to see your event featured here? Submit your event details to Council's website www.gsc.vic.gov.au

E-WASTE BAN IN PLACE

Residents are reminded that electronic materials that are no longer working or used are banned from being placed in kerbside rubbish bins and landfills throughout Victoria. E-waste refers to any item with a plug, battery or cord that is no longer working or wanted. These include computers, mobile phones, microwaves, printers, televisions, heaters and gaming consoles. Council's Transfer Stations at Cohuna and Kerang can accept electronic items that require batteries to operate, or has a cord and plug. A \$25 charge applies for each computer monitor, laptop or television handed in as these items contain toxic chemicals – such as barium, phosphor, lead and hexavalent chromium – which require special handling. Further details regarding Council's e-waste services are available online at www.gsc.vic.gov.au

COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES – PERSONAL CARE

As we age, daily personal care routines can sometimes become more difficult to maintain without help. Something as simple as taking a shower or bath can become a slip and fall risk as mobility issues develop. The Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) provides a suite of services to frail, older clients aged 65 years and over, which is designed to help you stay living in your own home. Our team is trained to support you with such tasks as medication monitoring, meal assistance, showers and personal appearance so you can look your best every day. For more details, contact Community Care on (03) 5450 9333.

