



## Shire President's Message

### Hamel School Dedication

I would like to congratulate our Historical Society on an excellent and well attended event on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>. All who attended the dedication of the site appreciated the effort that went into organising and managing the day. The Hamel Hall held many special memories for people who gathered there after the ceremony and many stories and anecdotes of their days in Hamel. How wonderful and vibrant this small community must have been when our agricultural industry was in its prime. Thank you to our small band of volunteers on the Historical Society for preserving this memory and all the good work you do in keeping our history safe.

### Council Elections

Waroona Show weekend shall be a very busy time for our Shire. Not only do we have our community's premiere event, this year our

Council Elections (which are postal) close on the same day. I congratulate all the candidates who have nominated this year and I wish them all the best. It was pleasing to see seven nominees for four positions this year.

### Development Assessment Panels

Council recently received its first D.A.P application which is fundamentally an application which exceeds an amount of \$7 million in development. It was from Water Corporation seeking to duplicate the Harvey to Rockingham Water Main. It is proposed to commence work in January/ February 2012 and may pose disruptions on some rural roads in our Shire. Harvey Water has also put in a proposal to join a pipeline along Trotter and Somers Road to the existing network in an effort to increase supply and pressure issues. Along with a pipe containing carbon dioxide that may traverse our Shire as well in the future and many buried services that currently exist; it may soon

be difficult to actually dig a hole without hitting something.

### Retirement

As this is my last report as your Councillor and Shire President, there are a few thankyou's I wish to give. To all the Councillors that I have worked with over the past nine and a half years, thank you for all the time and commitment you give to our community. To all the staff who have supported myself and our Councillors, thank you, and very importantly to all that have supported me and given their faith in me to hold this role, I thank you sincerely. It is not a role that comes without its challenges and in the last few years it has certainly had some. But I have enjoyed the challenge and now need to spend some time with my wife and young family, who have been so supportive and understanding that they deserve some support back. I leave knowing we are in good shape and our Council is in good hands.

*Thank you and take good care.*



## Flowers in bloom as River Walk Trail opens

Interpretive signage has now been installed at the John Tognola rest area leading visitors from the rest area to the river walk trail on a 2.1km return walk that takes in wetlands, river restoration works, historic sites, and the magnificent bridges built to transport many thousands of commuters across the Lower Harvey River.

Educational signage along the way tells a story and at present the wildflowers are in bloom and the water birds plentiful on the river. Access to the trail is from the eastern rest area on the corner of Dorsett Rd and the Forrest Highway and makes for a great holiday activity during the school holidays.



# Call for Submissions on Masterplan for Town Reserve

The Shire of Waroona has identified the need for a Masterplan to be prepared in order to guide future Council decisions on Reserve 8746 "Waroona Showgrounds & Oval area" on the South Western Highway. The Masterplan for the reserve is expected to be combined with the 2003 Waroona Town Centre Strategy to enhance the local identity of the reserve and increase the social and cultural value of the town.

The aim of the completed Waroona Town Centre Strategy is to guide the enhancement of the commercial and cultural centre of Waroona. The

objectives of the Strategy are to:

- Increase appreciation of the value of the Town Centre and enhance the local identity of Waroona.
- Strengthen three main zones within the town allowing for staged development to the civic, commercial and cultural precincts.
- To develop a focal point for the Town Centre.

Opportunities arising from the new Masterplan may include the enhancement of the focal point in the Town Centre,

by creating a social focus and encouraging more activities as well as reinforcing the importance of the significant cultural spaces in the locality of the reserve. Submissions from community members could include:

- Views about the current use of the Reserve.
- Likes and dislikes about the Reserve.
- Aims and visions for the future development of the Reserve.

The current facilities on the reserve include showgrounds, a town

hall, fire brigade building, historic Road Board building, war memorial, a football club and oval, bowling club, disused basketball and tennis courts.

As the first stage of the Masterplan project, Council wishes to call for submissions on the proposed future plan for the reserve. Active community participation is vital to the plan as it gives the opportunity for local residents to contribute to the vision for the town. This will also give Council the opportunity to gauge public opinion and respond to community expectations.

Upon conclusion of the consultation period, Shire officers will prepare a report to the Recreation Advisory Committee and Council. This report will consider all submissions received during the consultation period and seek to establish overall objectives for the project, the scope of the work to be done and the format and content of the final Masterplan. Further information on the Masterplan can be obtained by contacting the Shire's Planning Services Department.

## Art Exhibition Opening soon

Nearly 100 hundred entries have been submitted for this year's Sea to ART exhibition and twelve new artists will be entering works including the Shire's own Rikki Bellairs.

The Official Opening will be held Friday evening the 21st October and the exhibition will open to the public from Saturday 22nd to 31st October.

The Waroona "Sea to ART" exhibition is a feature event of the Waroona Visitor Centre. The exhibition will showcase talented local Waroona and district artists and their work over a ten day period and provides an opportunity for people to view and purchase the art works. This exhibition is guaranteed to be an enriching cultural experience. Sea to ART has become an annual event since its inception in 2008.

For further information please contact Tracy Goldsworthy on 97331506

The Sea to Scarp Summer Events is proudly supported by the Shire of Waroona and Alcoa.

**Next Council Meeting**

Next Council Meeting will be 25th October at 4.00pm at the New Shire of Waroona Council Chambers behind the administration office.

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## Bush Fire Captain rewarded

Waroona Volunteer Fire Services Captain, John Twaddle has been recognised for his works during the Lake Clifton bushfires. John was awarded the perpetual Colin Lord Trophy during the South West Police Remembrance Day Service held on Wednesday 28th September. John was honoured to accept the award on behalf of the volunteers who helped during the bushfires. The Colin Lord Trophy is presented to a person who has shown outstanding community service.



• Waroona Volunteer Fire Services Captain John Twaddle with the Colin Lord Trophy.

Congratulations to John and all the Volunteers who helped during the Lake Clifton bushfires.

## FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR CHILD CARE FACILITIES IN WAROONA - COMMUNITY SURVEY

### Purpose of community consultations:

To undertake consultations with a broad range of stakeholders in order to identify and obtain views and feedback as to the likely demand and type of child care facility in Waroona.

### How to provide input into the Feasibility Study:

An online survey is currently open to enable your input into this feasibility study. To complete the online survey, please select the following relevant link:

- i) For individuals: <http://www.surveymethods.com/EndUser.aspx?F7D3BFA5F1B0A3A2F2>
- ii) For organisations: <http://www.surveymethods.com/EndUser.aspx?DBFF9389DD9D8C8BD0>

Note: please copy and paste the above address into your web browser.

## Term 4 Swimming Lessons

Enrolments for term 4 swimming lessons are now being taken. Enrolment forms are available from the Waroona Recreation & Aquatic Centre. Term 4 runs for 8 weeks and the cost is \$85.00 per child.

For more information please call the Waroona Recreation and Aquatic Centre on 9733 2389.

## ARE YOU EXEMPT FROM CLEARING YOUR PROPERTY FROM FLAMMABLE MATERIAL?

If you own a property less than 2500 square metres your land must be totally clear of all flammable material other than standing/living trees by the 17th November 2011.

Your entire property must be slashed or rotary hoed.

### Reasons for exemption are:

- The land is fully irrigated and the pasture is green.
- Natural features render the property clear.

• The land is totally clear of all flammable material.

Exemptions can only be issued by Council - need to be applied for in writing and are only accepted before the 1st November 2011.

If you are unsure on the above please contact Council on 9733 7800 or put your request in writing to the Chief Executive Officer PO Box 20, Waroona 6215.

## ARE YOU EXEMPT FROM PUTTING A FIRE BREAK AROUND YOUR PROPERTY?

If you own a property over 2500 square metres you must put a firebreak, clear of all flammable material, immediately inside your property boundary by the 17th November 2011.

The firebreak must be at least 2 metres wide and have a height clearance of 4 metres. Taken back to mineral earth.

### Reasons for exemption are:

- The land is fully irrigated and the pasture is green.
- You have strategic firebreaks in place.

• Natural features render the firebreak unusable.

• The land is totally clear of all flammable material.

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If you are unsure on the above please contact Council on 9733 7800 or put your request in writing to the Chief Executive Officer PO Box 20, Waroona 6215.



## Waroona Recreation and Aquatic Centre

## 6 Week Challenge



Special Offer

Do you want to improve your fitness? The Waroona Recreation Centre is holding a 6 week challenge. Limited Places Available

Commencing: 24th October

Cost: \$100

**What's included:** An appraisal with the fitness instructors. Use of the gym, pool and group fitness classes.

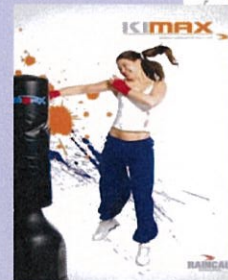
**Special Offer:** If you bring a friend you will both enjoy the 6 week challenge for \$80 each. \*

Further information is available at the Waroona Recreation and Aquatic Centre on 9733 2389

\* Conditions Apply



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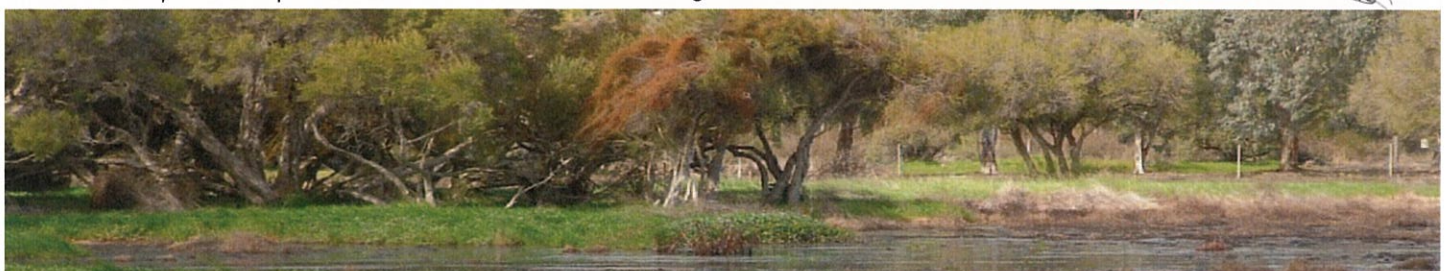
## 'Nell's Block Community Day-Reflections and Future Directions'

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> of October

9:30am-2:30pm. Lunch provided RSVP essential. All community members welcome.



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Please call or email Michelle Mullarkey of Greening Australia by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October Ph: 9733 4014; mmullarkey@gawa.org.au

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS ON MASTERPLAN FOR TOWN RESERVE 8746.

The Shire of Waroona is calling for submissions on a Masterplan for Reserve 8746.



Council decided that a Masterplan should be prepared in order to guide future Council decisions on Reserve 8746 on the South Western Highway. Community comment is requested as a vital component in the formulation of this document.

Submissions can include:

- Views about the current use of the Reserve.
- Likes and dislikes about the Reserve.
- Aims and visions for the future development of the Reserve.

All comments on the proposed Masterplan must be received no later than 4:30pm, Wednesday 11 January 2012.

Comments can be submitted in writing, electronically or by fax. Should you wish to comment, please see the details below:

Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Waroona

PO Box 20

WAROONA WA 6215

warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au

Fax: (08) 9733 1883

Queries relating to the Reserve Masterplan can be directed to the Planning Services Department, on 9733 7800.

All submissions received will be considered by Council.

**IAN CURLEY**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## British Auto Classic is on again

The October 23rd 100% Smoke Free British Auto Classic 2011 will again be an event with something for everyone. Alongside the 400 plus classic motor vehicles will be a huge quality craft and produce market, great country food choices and children's entertainment. This year the Smoke Free WA Variety Show on the Lotterywest outdoor stage will feature the Challenge Brass Band, violinist Corrine Brislin, vocalist and entertainer Greg Hastings, and a full supporting line up. Sponsored by the Old

Coast Road Brewery is the Wine & Gourmet Expo for both tastings and purchase of fabulous produce from regional WA.

Produced by the all volunteer, non-profit Event Assist Inc. group the event at the Waroona Town Oval, South Western Highway, will run from 10am to 4pm and entry is free.

On the day, The Waroona Visitor Centre & Gallery will conduct a free 45 minute scenic tour of Waroona's forests and farmlands. Bookings and departure will be from the oval where Visitor Centre

staff will have a stall - look for the Muddy Creek signs. For more information on the event see www.eventassist.org.au

## New court surface at Waroona Rec Centre

A new sprung floor has been installed on court 1 at the Waroona Recreation Centre at a cost of \$80,000. Funding for this project came from the Royalties for Regions Country Local Government Fund allocation to the Shire. The old surface was buckled from moisture under the floor, and difficult to play on. This new surface is sure to bring out the best in all competitors and in time for the basketball season due to commence later in October. The new court has been lined with the newly introduced three point line markings, bringing it in line with current State Basketball specifications.

## Waroona Youth Award

The "Youth Contributing to Community Award" is an initiative to identify and acknowledge young people in the Shire of Waroona who are contributing in a positive way to making our community a better place through providing voluntary assistance to other individuals or organisations.

The "Youth Contributing to Community Award" is awarded bi monthly and recognises young people who volunteer their time toward improving our community.

As part of this recognition award the successful nominee will be asked to name a local cause or charity of their choice to receive a donation of \$100 (sponsored by Alcoa).

Community members and organisations can nominate a young person between the age of 12 to 25 years by contacting the Shire of Waroona and providing a brief outline of why they

wish to nominate the young person. Nomination forms are available at the Shire Office or by contacting Community Development Officer Maree Ellis on 97337814, email cdo@waroona.wa.gov.au or on the Shire Website www.waroona.wa.gov.au

Nominations will be considered by a panel and unsuccessful nominations will be carried forward for subsequent consideration.

As part of the recognition the recipient will be required to have their photo displayed in the local newspaper along with a brief outline of why they were chosen as that particular winner.

We thank you for taking the time to nominate and encourage the youth in our community. Further information or enquiries can be obtained from Community Development Officer, Maree Ellis on 9733 7814.

**IAN CURLEY**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## MERITORIOUS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS 2012

The Council is pleased to announce that nominations for the Shire of Waroona Meritorious Community Service Awards are now open. These awards acknowledge the voluntary contributions made by local people for the benefit of our community.

Nominations are welcome from individual members of the public or from any local clubs and organisations for residents working in a voluntary capacity for the benefit of the community. A maximum of two (2) twenty five (25) years and over and one (1) under twenty five (25) years Meritorious Community Service Awards per year will be presented.

## PREMIER'S AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP AWARDS 2012

The Shire of Waroona is pleased to announce that nominations for the Annual Premier's Australia Day Awards are now open. The awards foster, recognise and celebrate significant contributions to community life and active citizenship in all local government areas of Western Australia.

There are three categories for the Awards being:

- for a person of 25 years or older
- for a person under 25 years
- for a community group or event

The recipients will be selected from nominees who have shown active citizenship and;

- Made a significant contribution to the local community in the past year or over a number of years through active involvement.
- Demonstrated leadership on a community issue resulting in the enhancement of community life.
- A significant initiative which has brought about positive change and added value to community life
- Demonstrated inspiring qualities as a role model for the community.

The recipients of the above awards will receive their Certificates at the Australia Day Celebrations in Waroona on 26th January 2012.

Nomination forms for Meritorious Community Service Awards and Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards 2012 and further information are available at the:

- Shire Administration Office
- The Shire Website - www.waroona.wa.gov.au
- Waroona Library

Please submit your nomination to:

The Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Waroona, PO Box 20, WAROONA WA 6215 by no later than 4 pm Friday 25th November 2011.

These awards are a joint initiative of the Australia Day Council of Western Australia, the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) and the Office of Premier and Cabinet.



## Red Card for Rabbits and Foxes Spring Baiting Program



Thanks to funding received from the State NRM Program, Landcare SJ Inc. and Coolup LCDC are running a spring fox and rabbit baiting season.

To be eligible you **MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

- Be outside of a gazetted town site;
- Have a rural property in excess of 5 hectares (smaller properties are eligible if a group of neighbours wish to bait);
- Inform in writing ALL adjoining properties of the time and place of baiting (forms are provided);
- Display appropriate warning signs (also provided);
- Be accredited to use 1080 or obtain accreditation by reading "Landholder Training in the Safe Use and Management of 1080" and completing a simple multiple choice questionnaire assessed by a Biosecurity Officer at the Department of Agriculture.

Applications for baiting need to be submitted by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2011 to be assessed by the Department of Agriculture.

For further information and application forms please contact your nearest Landcare Centre: Serpentine Jarrahdale Landcare Centre 9526 0012 or kristy@landcaresj.com.au Waroona Landcare Centre 9733 2628 or colleen.archibald@peel-harvey.org.au

This project is supported by the Western Australian Government's State NRM Program

## Large crowd attends Hamel School Site dedication

On Sunday 25th September, over 100 past students, friends, family and community members turned up to the Hamel School Site Dedication. The Old School building is no longer there, it was demolished in 1984 but this did not stop the crowd from turning up to share stories, renew old friendships and have a wander around the grounds.

The Hamel School was one of many small schools dotted around the Waroona District in the early days of settlement. Located on the corner of Roberts and Fawcett Roads, the one room Hamel School opened in 1905 and catered for the educational needs of many children before its closing in 1944. Shire President Cr Mike Walmsley opened the proceedings, ringing

the bell and calling the crowd to attention. After a rousing rendition of God Save the Queen, Waroona Historical Society Vice President and former Hamel School student Glenece Walmsley welcomed every one and spoke fondly of former school days and how wonderful it was to see so many people turn up to celebrate the occasion. The new sign was then unveiled by the oldest living ex student Mr Don Alexander who is 102 years old. Don's grandson Dr David Robinson spoke on his behalf, recalling happy years spent at the school. What a wonderful achievement for Don to be able to be there to participate in the occasion.

Following the unveiling, two presentations were made to Glenece Walmsley for her dedication to the

history of Hamel. A painting of the old school house by Bert Buttery was presented on behalf of Bert and Maryon Buttery; Maryon's mother Iris Long was an ex student at the school. Newly elected Waroona Historical Society President Debra Tyler presented Glenece with a rose bush as a memento of the day and for all the years that she had put in to the society as President.

The Hamel Hall was the venue for morning tea where many more stories were told and photos and memorabilia shared. The wonderful day finally drew to a close at 3.30 in the afternoon with weary members of the Historical Society ringing the bell to disperse the last of the people.

After lying vacant and mostly forgotten for so



many years, the Hamel School Site now displays a shiny new sign which contains snippets of information and photos by which to remember it by.

The Shire of Waroona would like to acknowledge the Waroona Historical Society for coordinating the day and Lotterywest and the State Government for financial support. This day would also not have been possible without the wonderful support from the Waroona community.



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## Dog Registration RENEWALS

have now been sent and must be paid by the 31st October 2011.



Under the provisions of the Dog Act, all dogs within the Shire over the age of 3 months must be registered. Registrations are carried out at the Shire office and are available for 1 and 3 year periods, commencing on the 1st November each year.

To obtain a concession rate on registration for sterilised dogs, a sterilisation certificate must be produced when registering. In townsites the maximum number of dogs is 2 and rural areas the maximum number of dogs is 4. All dogs must be registered.

### DOG REGISTRATION PRICES

Unsterilised	1 year.....	\$30.00
Unsterilised	3 years.....	\$75.00
Sterilised	1 year.....	\$10.00
Sterilised	3 years.....	\$18.00

- Working Dogs are 25% of the above fees.
- Pensioner Concession Card Holders are 50% of the above (a copy of you concession card must be produced when registering).

For further information contact the Shire Office on 9733 7800 or warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au during office hours