



# SEA TO SCARP

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SHIRE OF WAROONA



## Shire President's Message

### 2014 Bushfire Season

The Local Emergency Management Committee met last Friday to discuss the States Risk Document and arrange for an emergency exercise both in the townsite and at Preston Beach. These exercises help prepare the Committee for such emergencies and help to foresee what challenges we may be faced with should an emergency arise.

On Sunday 23rd February we saw lots of black smoke to the West of Waroona with concern in town of "Where is the Fire?" and "Where was it heading?". Then again on Wednesday 5th March there was a second fire in the same area. After the Lake Clifton Fires whenever smoke is seen in the

area everyone is on high alert. We never want to have to go through that experience again but unfortunately, there are some people in society who become careless or complacent. I certainly hope that it wasn't deliberately lit as not only is this heartless but also puts many lives at risk. Thank you all the Volunteer Fire Brigades, Rangers and Locals that attended to offer their assistance.

As I write this article it is the 81st day without rain therefore we need to keep vigilant.

### ALCOA Sustainability Fund

Submissions on future projects for the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund have now closed and I am happy to report that fourteen projects have been submitted.

The Committee will discuss all submissions shortly and groups will be advised of the outcomes.

### Peel Chamber of Commerce and Industry Inc.

On February 24th I attended the Peel CCI and Shire of Murray's Business Sundowner held at the Pinjarra Bakery and Patisserie with guest speaker John Stanley. John is classed as one of the top 10% of speakers in the world today. His speech was called 'Ghost Town, Clone Town or Home Town' revive your town by sharpening your retailing skills and knowledge. John had some wonderful examples of what can be achieved even in the smallest communities. I believe all members of the PCCI were invited. I encourage you to go alone to these Sundowners and take up the courses that they have on offer, such as the Peel Management Masterclass 2014, a

Business Education and Training Series Framework (BETSF) Program which is in partnership with Murdoch University and Alcoa being held in March 2014, limited places available.

### Possible Road Name Change

The Waroona Police Station raised the issue that having two (2) sections of road, named Old Bunbury Road, is confusing for Emergency Services as well as motorists. Council was requested to propose a new road name(s) for the Western Section of Old Bunbury Road, Lake Clifton. This will be publicly advised and all landowners that will be affected will be notified and have a chance to comment on the proposed change. The selected names are Wonnill (Indigenous for Peppermint Tree) Rise; Kularda (Indigenous for River Gum) Rise and Thrombolite Rise.

## Road name changes proposed for western section of Old Bunbury Road, Lake Clifton

At its meeting of 18 February 2014, Council resolved to advertise for public comment the alternative road name options for the Western section of Old Bunbury Road, Lake Clifton. The Old Bunbury Road, linking the South Western Highway to the Old Coast Road, was dissected with the opening of the Forrest Highway in September 2009. A 7 km section of the road is located to the Western side of the Highway and an 18.6 km section is located to its Eastern side. The Waroona Police has raised the issue that having two sections of road, named Old Bunbury Road, is proving to be confusing for Emergency Services as well as motorists in the area.

alternative road names for the Western Section of the road. The three names are: 'Kularda', 'Wonnill' and 'Thrombolite'.

Kularda is the indigenous name for the river or swamp gum (*Eucalyptus rudis*) and Wonnill is the indigenous name for the peppermint tree (*Agonis flexuosa*), both of which can be found in the Lake Clifton area. Thrombolite is an alternative option due to the proximity of the road to the Lake Clifton Thrombolites.

Submissions on the new road name may be made in writing and should be lodged with Council on or before 22 April 2014. Further information is available on the Shire's website or the Shire's Planning Department can be contacted on (08) 9733 7800.

**PROPOSED RENAMING OF WESTERN SECTION OF OLD BUNBURY ROAD, LAKE CLIFTON**

Notice is hereby given that the Shire of Waroona has resolved to advertise for public comment the alternative road name options for the Western section of Old Bunbury Road, Lake Clifton.

Three (3) alternative names have been proposed for the section of Old Bunbury Road, west of the Forrest Highway. The three names are: Kularda, Wonnill and Thrombolite.

Submissions on the new road name may be made in writing and should be lodged with Council on or before 22 April 2014. Your written submission(s) should quote "Renaming of the Western Section of Old Bunbury Road" in the title and be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Waroona, PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6215. For further information visit the Shire's website or contact the Shire's Planning Department on (08) 97337800.

All submissions received will be considered by Council.

Jan Curley  
Chief Executive Officer

People Working Together for a Healthy Environment

## Peel – Harvey Catchment Council

### Building Community Capacity for Sustainable Ag Practices Healthy Waterways

Day: Tuesday  
Date: 8th April 2014  
Time: 9am – 11.30am  
Location: Jonkins Property Storey Road Waroona (East of the W. Highway)

Refreshments and morning tea supplied

For catering purposes, please RSVP to: Colleen Archibald before 31st March 2014

The Peel-Harvey Catchment Council invites you to a "Slowing the Flow" Workshop

Join us for a site visit to inspect the weir and learn about the project design and research results.

**The Project:**  
Construction of a weir on Mayfield K drain to better manage pasture, reduce nutrient loss and recreate a more natural wetland.

**The Motivation:**

- Reduce nutrient load to the downstream Peel-Harvey Estuary
- Increase inundation of a natural wetland area adjacent to the drain
- Create more favourable hydrologic conditions for late season pasture growth on adjacent farmland

**The Speakers:**  
Moff Girauda – Project background and weir design  
Mike Jenkins – The why and how of weir construction  
Carlos Ocampo – UWA hydrology research  
Tom Long – Nutrient filter chip bag trials reducing P & N  
Colleen Archibald – Fencing and revegetation.

NB: Please wear suitable clothing and shoes for a paddock site visit.

NRM Support Officer  
Peel-Harvey Catchment Council  
9733 2628 or 0430 387 871  
colleen.archibald@peel-harvey.org.au

This project is supported by Peel-Harvey Catchment Council through funding from the Australian Government.

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## Public launch planned for Hamel Nursery site

In 1897, the Western Australian Government established the first permanent State Nursery for Western Australia at Hamel a small place located 3km south of Waroona. The Hamel Nursery played an integral role in the development of forest industries and the establishment of public parks and gardens in the State over more than 80 years. Hamel Nursery was established by the then Conservator of Forests, John Ednie Brown, the founder of economic and scientific forestry in Australia. No other location in Western Australia has such a diverse and mature collection of trees as the Hamel Nursery and its unique arboreta

represent a rare record of the many exotic species introduced to Western Australia in the first half of the 20th century.

The Hamel Nursery was entered into the Registry of Heritage Places on a permanent basis on the 18th December 2007 and is recognised as a place of State heritage significance. Sadly the nursery site was closed in 2007 leaving a wealth of history and heritage to fall into disrepair.

Since that time, the Shire of Waroona in partnership with Peel Development Commission, the National Trust and supported by the Department of Parks and Wildlife has been working to find a new use for the Old Hamel Nursery site in a

bid to protect and conserve this unique environment. A total of \$362,500 was granted through the Royalties for Regions Scheme and these funds along with other contributions to the value of \$44,000 have been used to re-establish the site as a potential Eco Historic Park. Walk Trails are now in place which will allow public access to the many unique plants including a Camellia Grove, 100 year old Cork Trees and many other exotic species still thriving.

A public launch of the Old Hamel Nursery site will be held in 2014 to showcase the recent works and potential for new and enterprising activities.



SCAN IT!



### QR CODE TOUR WAROONA LAUNCH

*You are invited to attend and experience Waroona's first QR Code Project.*

*Please join us for the launch, as we take a short tour of the Waroona Townsite which will be followed by an afternoon tea.*

*Don't forget to download a QR Reader (free from the App Store) on your smartphone for the interactive tour!*





**Date:** Friday 11th April 2014

**Time:** 2.00pm

**Location:** St. Josephs School, Waroona

**RSVP:** To Community Development on (08) 9733 7800 or by emailing [cdo@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@waroona.wa.gov.au) by Friday 4th April 2014

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Youth Alert*

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## YOUTH ACTION EVENT

THURSDAY  
**10<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

### WAROONA SKATE PARK

**FROM 4PM TO 8PM**

**ACTIVITIES INCLUDE**

- SKATE AND BMX COMP
- CLIMBING WALL
- BOUNCY CASTLE
- MUSIC
- FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE (For the kids)
- PRIZES AND GIVE AWAYS



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CONTACT: TORI DAVIS OR NAOMI PURCELL 9733 7814 for further details  
A "Sea to Scarp Summer Event" presented by the Waroona Youth Advisory Council and proudly supported by Department for Communities, Alcoa, and the Shire of Waroona





## UNDER 25



**DON'T MISS OUT**

**WAROONA LIONS DEFENSIVE DRIVER TRAINING**  
Open to young people up to & including 25 years  
Next available course in Waroona  
**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014: 8.45 am to 4pm**  
*Rain, hail or shine*  
St John's Ambulance Hall, Henning St Waroona  
Cost: \$40 (normally \$130) Please register and pay prior to attending course

**Minimum Requirements:**





- Phase 2 or Blue Minimum
- Participant to provide own vehicle
- Ensure own vehicle has adequate fuel for course

Test your skills with instructors from "Drive Safe Australia" a nationally accredited Driver Education Company with years of experience. The courses are designed to allow the participants to place themselves in "on-road" emergencies, respond to that emergency using vehicle control skills and collision avoidance techniques both before and after tuition

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Sausage Sizzle & drinks provided by the Waroona Lions Club

**Register & pay at Waroona Licensing/Police Station, 9 Recreation Road Waroona Ph. 97333021 between 9am & 4pm**

Next Council Meeting

Next Council Meeting will be 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at 4pm at the Shire of Waroona Council Chambers behind the administration office.

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