# HIRE SNIPPETS

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HAY SHIRE COUNCIL

**8 AUGUST 2014** 

#### Lachlan Streetscape Public Consultation Day

Opal Solutions will be holding a public information day to discuss the Lachlan Streetscape Design that is currently on public exhibition. Residents will be able to ask questions and also make comment or submissions on the day.

The Consultation Day will be held at Ashwill Park (beside Visitors Information Centre) in Moppett Street on Monday 18th August between 10am and 3.00pm.

Submissions on the proposed Lachlan Streetscape Design will be received by the General Manager at Hay Shire Council until Friday 5th September 2014.

#### No Fireworks at Annual Show

There will be no fireworks at the Hay Annual Show to be held on 13th and 14th September 2014. Much debate has taken place regarding the issue of fireworks impacting on the wellbeing of the horses involved in the ring events.

It has now been determined the traditional fireworks display will not take place for this

#### Meeting of Riverina & Murray Regional Organisation of Councils

Mayor Bill Sheaffe and General Manager Allen Dwyer attended the regular meeting of RAM-ROC on Wednesday 6th August where several issues of local importance were discussed. Key matters were:-

- The engagement of a consultant to investigate the veracity of Essential Energy's submission to IPART to increase street lighting network charges by up to 118% for 2015/16. The investigation has commenced with several irregularities already being identified in the submission of Essential Energy. Street lighting charges are paid by each Council with Hay currently paying \$27,000 for the network.
- The grave implication on the ability to deliver current services to the community in view of the Federal Governments freeze on the indexation of Federal Assistance Grants.
- Local Government Minister Paul Toole advised local government structural reform is on the government's agenda with the current number of 152 Councils considered to be excessive. Some announcements will be made prior to the end of December 2014.
- Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder David Papps addressed the meeting on the volatile issue of environmental watering plans. It is obvious to all end users of water that the plethora of Government departments and bureaucrats with independent agendas are a major impediment to the common sense required to manager the scarce resource for the most benefit to all.

#### Welcome to Holroyd

Mayor Nasr Kafrouni and Deputy Mayor Yvette Whitfield together with the General Manager Merv Ismay will lead a delegation of twenty three Councillors and staff from Holroyd City to Hay for the week commencing 11th August.

The 'Paint Hay REaD' project will be launched on Thursday at 11am from the Hay War Memorial Hall. This has been a joint Hay-Holroyd project initiated by the Holroyd staff and is aimed at increasing literacy levels in young people.

There will be some social events, however, the majority of the week will be taken up by staff mentoring each other and exchanging ideas and work practices. The alliance is strongly supported by the State Government.

If you notice the Holroyd members please make them welcome in our community.

It is expected the instigator of the alliance, former Hay local and Holroyd Mayor John Perry, will accompany the contingent.

#### **Documents on Display**

Council has on display for public comment a draft Water Supply - Drinking Water Quality Policy. The draft policy can be viewed at the Council Administration Centre, 134 Lachlan Street, Hay. Submissions on the draft policy will be received by the General Manager, Hay Shire Council, 134 Lachlan Street, Hay, up until 5.00pm Friday 12th September 2014.



9 Hay Cutters Stubblemen Do

14 Paint Hay Read

22-24 Patchers & Quilters Exhibition

30 Lions Market Day

Patchers & Quilters of the Hay Plains EXHIBITION



# Come along and Meet & Greet Paddy Hay's new mascot

Thursday 14th of August 2014 11am Hay War Memorial Hall

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Thank you for allowing us to share our language and literacy program with you.

For more information

contact the Hay Library 02 6993 4492

Hay Visitor Information Centre 02 6993 4045

Know Your Council:-

Mayor Cr Bill Sheaffe **Deputy Mayor** Cr Michael Rutledge

Councillors: Jasen Crighton, Jenny Dwyer, Peter Dwyer, Robert Howard, Michael Ireson, Roger McGrath

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#### Dogs on Leads

All Dog owners/walkers are reminded of their responsibility to ensure their dogs are on a leash when in public areas.

#### **Library News**

**Children's Reading:** Every Tuesday at 10.30am. Singing, stories and craft activities—All welcome.

Wednesday Knitting: The next 'Knit Ins' will be held on 13th & 27th August at 10.00am. The Knitting Group have sent 521 squares to Wrap with Love project. They also made 12 blankets which were sold and the \$600 proceed was donated to the local branch of Can Assist.



**Photo Above:** Knitters Robyn O'Brien, Rosemary Pedley, Ethel O'Donnell, Gwen Donohoe, Jill Harvey & Beryl Donohoe with their blankets and squares.

#### **Council Works Update**

Construction works have commenced (or are ongoing) on:

Flood gates - Installation of six stormwater flood gates located at various catchment outlets.

Old Gaol – ground maintenance of the internal section of the old gaol.

**Drainage improvements** – A new grated pit and pipe have been placed between the netball court and Number 2 oval.

**Access road** – reshaping and sealing of access road around Number 2 oval.

**Culvert work** - Repairs to the dip in main road 514 between Toopuntal turnoff and Oxley.

The following works have recently been completed:-

**Path improvements** – Correction work on the pavers in Moppett Street beside the Commonwealth Bank.

**Daisy Plains Road** – Repair work on Daisy Plains Road where recent rainfall has washed sections of the road away. These improvements will require two weeks with a grader, roller and water cart.

Nap Nap and Warwaegae Road - Minor maintenance grading along both roads to repair road damage from the recent rainfall.

#### BUSINESS BASICS: How to Start, Run & Grow Your Business

Presented by Riverina BEC Business Advisor Paul Crack

Hay Services Club - Function Room Wednesday 27th August - 5.45pm to 8.15pm

Cost: \$25.00 - Light Refreshments will be served

For more information and to book, contact Fiona Webb at Riverina BEC on 02 6925 6588 or email bus.support@riverinabec

# Guide Dogs NSW/ACT Information and Training Day at the HAY COMMUNITY HUB

If you have a vision impairment or care for someone who has a vision impairment, come along and meet the Albury Mobility Services Team.

At this free education workshop, participants will learn how people with vision loss are able to get around independently and manage activity of daily living in the home environment.

<u>Date:</u> Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> of August, 2014

Time: 10.00am-12.00am

Location: HAY COMMUNITY HUB
90 Lachlan Street HAY

Contact: Terri Palmer Ph 69972501

## Hay Community Hub

The next scheduled visit for the Financial Counsellor is  $2^{nd}$  September. Appointments

are free and available. Please contact Terri at the hub.

The Hay Community Hub can provide information and connect you with services that may help you and your family. For further information on visiting services & support groups contact: Terri Palmer on 02 6997 2500.

#### Hay & District Parent & Carers Support Group

Thursday 14th August 2014 at 1.00pm At the Hay Community Hub

## Hay Health & Fitness Club

Many enthusiastic Hay Health & Fitness members attended the Committees AGM held recently where Ben Miller was elected President and Karen Dowling Secretary. Lloyd Jones will continue to support the committee as Treasurer.

The Committee adopted the 2014/15 fee structure as set out below:-

1 Year Membership \$120Half Year Membership \$70Quarterly Membership \$35

 Pensioners and Students are eligible for half price memberships

If you are a local resident and would like to utilise the Hay Health Fitness gym then you MUST become a member. The \$2 fee for casual users is no longer available. All members are provided with an access code and the Hay Health and Fitness Club request that all members comply with their policy and not give out the code to anyone or let others into the gym.

# Next Immunisation Clinic: 2.30pm-4pm 14 August 2014 at Community Health Centre

#### Meals on Wheels

- 11 Aug Parra & Pat Montgomery
- 12 Aug Brian & Louise Hurst
- 13 Aug Henry & Rene Gifford
- 14 Aug Ann Young & Partner 15 Aug Hay Shire Staff
- 18 Aug Jan Zambon & Brenda Fattore
- 19 Aug Eunice & Leanne Congdon
- 20 Aug Colleen Schiller & John Hanna
- 21 Aug Robyn Cattanach & Alice Henwood
- 22 Aug Libby Eason & Melissa Adams

Meals to be picked up by 11.45am from the Riverina Hotel.

#### **Funding Available for Community Groups**

Keep NSW Beautiful and the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) are running a grants program to resource community groups who want to undertake a project to cut litter in their neighbourhood. The grants are used to refurbish or improve a place where litter is currently accumulating.

The Community Litter Grants award up to \$5,000 to groups who carry out a 'Local Litter Check' (following a specific methodology developed by the EPA) and use this information to come up with a plan to change the character of their litter hotspot from a public garbage can to a place community members can use and enjoy.

Even if you don't want to apply for the full grant, you can acquire some funds for your group by doing the Local Litter Check alone, as all groups who carry out the Check will receive \$300 reimbursement on top of the grant.

To register your interest, or to find out more, visit the Keep NSW Beautiful website