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COUNCIL MATTERS

Official Newsletter of the Shire of Kellerberrin



"Life as Rich as
the Landscape"

FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the first edition for 2020 of the Shire of Kellerberrin quarterly newsletter. On behalf of the Councillors and Staff of the Shire of Kellerberrin I hope you all had a very relaxing and memorable Christmas and New Year.

The Shire hosted another successful Australia Day Breakfast and Awards Ceremony on Australia Day. Congratulations to all of our worthy recipients of the 2019 awards.

As you are all aware School started back on Monday 3rd February, we wish all the students and staff at Kellerberrin District High School all the best for the school year and remember school matters! Hope you enjoy this issue.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

This year the Annual Australia Day Breakfast and Awards ceremony was held in the Cuolohan/Cottle function room at the Kellerberrin Recreation and Leisure Centre.

The kitchen was a hive of activity with the Kellerberrin Ag Society as well as the Councillors cooking up a storm and serving breakfast to all that attended. Not an easy task with approximately 120 people in attendance! This year's Australia Day Awards were presented to some very worthy and humble recipients:

- 2019 Citizen of the Year – Marilyn Robson
- 2019 Community Service Award – Terry Silver
- 2019 Community Service Award – Allan Scutter
- 2019 Community Service Award – Kellerberrin Community Men's shed
- 2019 Community Event of the Year Award – "Pink Up Kellerberrin"

Big thank you must go to the people that took the time to submit a nomination form to the Shire for each of the award winners – without you these awards would not be possible.

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2020 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

January 2020 – No Meeting	Tuesday, 21 July 2020
Thursday, 6 February 2020	Tuesday, 18 August 2020
Tuesday, 17 March 2020	Tuesday, 15 September 2020
Tuesday, 21 April 2020	Tuesday, 20 October 2020
Tuesday, 19 May 2020	Tuesday, 17 November 2020
Tuesday, 16 June 2020	Tuesday, 15 December 2020

Community members are welcome to attend Council meetings, where there is the opportunity to ask a question of Council during public question time.

RECENT COUNCIL MEETING OUTCOMES

The Council held an Ordinary Council Meeting on Tuesday 17th December 2019 and Thursday 6th February 2020. Some of the Council decisions included:

- action a plan to remove the White Cockatoos in line with the regulations set out by Department of Water and Environment Regulation – WA;
- budget for Hammond Street (East of Restdown) to have roots removed and reinstate road surface;
- appoints the following Shire of Wyalkatchem Fire Control Officers as a Dual Fire Control Officer for the Shire of Kellerberrin and Shire of Wyalkatchem – Mr Dennis Reid, Mr Ray Reid and Mr James Ryan. The appointment of these officers' excludes the ability of issuing permits to Landholders without prior consent from the Shire of Kellerberrin in writing;
- adopts the draft Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) as presented;
- accepts the 2018-2019 Annual Report, Annual Financial Report, Auditors Report and the Audit Management Report; and
- adopts the revised Council Policy Manual

For full details on council decisions, minutes are available to view on the website or at the Shire Office.

What's coming up?

Woodstock Country
Muster
22nd February 2020

Rural Health Students
Visit
10 - 13 March 2020

LHAG Family Night Out
13 March 2020

ANZAC DAY Service
25 April 2020

Fancy becoming a volunteer?

St Johns Ambulance Sub
Center in Kellerberrin is
always looking for people
wishing to volunteer.

Contact one of the volunteers
today for further information
on 9621 1613

kellerberrin@stjohnwa.com.au



ANNUAL GENERAL ELECTORS MEETING

The Annual General Electors Meeting was held on Thursday 6th February 2020 at 5.30pm in the Creche at the Kellerberrin Recreation and Leisure Centre. The meeting was attended by Councillors, Shire staff and electors of the district.

The 2018/19 Annual Report was received and electors asked questions of Council. The minutes will be available to view on the Shire of Kellerberrin website.

WORKS UPDATE

Road Crew:

- Baandee Road project has commenced;
- Completed two floodway's one on Simms Road and Mc Bolt Road due to culverts failing;
- Construction and sealing of the Centenary Park car park has been completed;
- Chambers and Bath Street reconstruction, kerbs and footpaths have been completed;
- Cemetery roads stage two have been constructed ,sealed and kerbed;
- Mather Road and Dowding Street works are underway; and
- Due to the weather a small amount of maintenance grading has been completed.

Town Crew:

- Main Street gardens, weeding, trimming and tree pruning are ongoing;
- Cleaning/clearing drains;
- Centenary Park maintenance; and
- Pothole repairs.

Shackleton Road:

The Shire has had ongoing correspondence with the Minister of Transport and Main Roads WA regarding the safety of the Shackleton Road intersection.

To assist in preparing a case for the upgrade of the intersection it is requested that community report any near-miss or incidents on this intersection to the Shire.

Please include following details:

Name
Contact Details
Date/Time of Incident
Details of Incident

shire@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au





CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

After much deliberation, Council decided not to support the development of a flexi-transfer station for the container deposit scheme, commencing in WA on 2 June 2020. Unfortunately due to the timing of this scheme funds weren't allocated in the 2019/20 budget for such a large development.

Council is highly supportive of the scheme and will be continuing in discussions with WA Return Recycle Renew Limited for future plans and opportunities.

There are still opportunities for community groups to host and participate as donation points for the scheme. Flexi-transfer stations will be developed in Northam, Merredin, York, Quairading, Wyalkatchem and Westonia.

SMALL BUSINESS FRIENDLY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

The Council will be joining the Small Business Friendly Local Governments initiative which recognises local government authorities in Western Australia that are committed to actively supporting small businesses in their local area by:

- offering enhanced customer service
- reducing red tape
- making on-time payments
- having a process in place to handle disputes
- introducing other activities to improve the operating environment for small businesses in their area

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Shire currently has two expressions of interest advertised

Fleet Vehicles: Toyota Prado, Toyota Hilux and Ford Ranger

Community Group: apply directional signage (numbering) on the cemetery kerbing.

New Year New Me?

Memberships are available for the Kellerberrin Gym. Come in and see the team for prices and opening hours

If swimming is more your pace, come on down to the Kellerberrin Memorial Swimming Pool for a couple of laps or a leisurely swim.

Citizenship Ceremony

Congratulations to Ms Lenganji Limbambala on her citizenship granted on 6 February 2020.





AUSTRALIA DAY AUCTION- FOR BUSH FIRE RELIEF

The Shire organised and ran an Australia Day Auction with all proceeds raised going to support Bush Fire relief. The Shire received 14 items to go up for Auction at the Australia Day Breakfast. A number of sporting items were passed in and auctioned again later that night after the North vs South 20/20 cricket match held at the Kellerberrin Recreation and Leisure Centre, organised by the Kellerberrin and Districts Club Committee.

Adrian Gamble from Elders Limited kindly donated his time and expertise to run the auction, he definitely had the crowd in stitches with his commentary and quick wit as well as making sure all participants paid top dollar for this worthy cause. All in all a great time was had by all and just over \$4,000 was raised. The amount raised will be split between a number of reputable charities.



KELLERBERRIN MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL REDEVELOPMENT

The Shire has been busy applying for a number of substantial grants for the redevelopment of the Kellerberrin Memorial Swimming Pool. The grants we have applied for and/or are currently working on include:

- Building Better Regions Fund – Round 4
- LotteryWest
- Community Sporting and Recreations Facilities Fund
- Drought Community Programme

Draft concept plans are available to be viewed at the Shire Office. If you are interested in seeing the draft plans please make contact with Shire staff to set up a meeting.





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Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Kate Dudley	0429 454 806
Manager for Works and Services, Mick Jones	0428 454 619

New Staff

Joanne Spillman has been appointed in the position of Customer Service Officer. We are pleased to welcome Jo to our Administration team.

The recruitment process is in the final stages for the positions as Apprentice Mechanic and Roads Crew Team Leader.

Did you know....

The Shire of Kellerberrin website and facebook page contains lots of helpful information and updates, which are easy to access, some of the information includes;

- Councillor details
- Council Agendas and Minutes
- Budgets, plans and other corporate documents
- Advice on animal control, bushfire control, building licences, town planning and rates

Are you following us?

Please see details for the Shires social media



Website:

<https://www.kellerberrin.wa.gov.au/>



Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/shireofkellerberrin/>



Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/shireofkellerberrin/>

Do you have feedback?

If you have any feedback on the content of our Newsletter or would like to see something added please feel free to contact us!

