



DIARY DATES

17 October 2017

Recycling Collection

21 October 2017

LG Ordinary Election

24 October 2017Ordinary Meeting of Council @
3pm in Council Chambers

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— THE SANDALWOOD SHIRE —

9 October 2017

2017 ORDINARY LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

Local Government Elections
21 October 2017

The October ordinary election is a postal election and you should have received your postal vote package by now. You can submit your vote via Australia post any time up until election day. Which leaves no need to attend a polling booth on election day. If you have made an error on your ballot paper or damaged your package you can apply for a replacement voting package at the Shire office. Replacement packages are also available at the Beacon Library when Karrie is in attendance on Wednesdays.

Should you need to vote on election day a polling booth will be open in Council Chambers as per normal between 8am and 6pm. A polling booth will be available in Beacon between 9am and 2pm. The votes will be counted directly after 6pm and the results will be placed on our website and Facebook page as soon as practicable.

CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

After a lengthy process which included community consultation and a thorough review by Council, the Corporate Business Plan and Long Term Financial Plan are now available in both our libraries and website. The Strategic Community Plan was adopted in August of this year and these documents, particularly the Corporate Business Plan, are the documents used to put the wishes of the community taken from the Strategic Community Plan into action.

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Bush Fire Act 1954 Restricted Burning Period

All burning is restricted in the Shire of Mt Marshall from Tuesday 19 September 2017 to Tuesday 31 October 2017. During this time a Permit to Burn is required.

Farmers are advised that permits will only be issued on a daily basis and are reminded that certain conditions are endorsed on the permit. One important condition is that burning cannot be carried out on the day if a Very High or Extreme Fire Danger has been issued.



Please check BOM website for further information or contact your nearest Bush Fire Control Officer.

Permit holders are also reminded to read the "Obligations of the permit holder" prior to burning.

FIRE BREAKS

Landowners are also reminded that Firebreaks are to be constructed by Saturday 1 October 2017. Firebreak inspections will be carried out by Shire staff and the contract ranger with notices being issued to landowners if their firebreaks do not comply.

BURNING WHICH MAY BE DONE DURING THE RESTRICTED PERIOD WITHOUT A PERMIT:

Burning of garden refuse and rubbish

Garden refuse and rubbish may be burnt at any time, day or night, in a properly constructed incinerator designed to prevent the escape of sparks or burning material.

Garden refuse and rubbish burnt on the ground may be burnt only between the hours of 6 o'clock in the evening and 11 o'clock of the same day and must be completely extinguished no later than midnight on that day. At all times while burning garden refuse please ensure that you do not leave the fire unattended and you have running water available.

If you require any further information please contact the Shire Office or your local Bush Fire Control Officer.

TAKE CARE AND HELP TO PREVENT BUSH FIRES





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First and FINAL Notice — BUSH FIRES ACT, 1954 (as amended)

Notice to all owners and / or occupiers of land in the Shire of Mt Marshall:

Notice is hereby given to landowners and / or occupiers within the Shire of Mt Marshall that firebreaks must be installed by 1 October and maintained clear of inflammable material up to and including 15 March as per the requirements in relation to Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954.

Agricultural Land

Clear a firebreak consisting of mineral earth, to a width of no less than 3 metres, as close as practical, inside the external boundaries of the property.

Firebreaks must be maintained to provide a vertical clearance of a minimum 3.5 metres as to allow adequate access for fire appliances.

An approved fire fighting appliance is required to be present in any paddock where crop harvesting, straw raking or hay baling is being carried out. The fire fighting appliance must be in a state of readiness and have a minimum capacity of 400 litres of water.

Harvesting is permitted on Sundays and all public holidays, with the exception of Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day.

Town Sites

All town site lots within the Shire of Mt Marshall shall be cleared of all debris of an inflammable nature and be maintained free of such material.

Fuel Ramps and Depots

All grass and similar inflammable material to be cleared from areas where drum ramps or bulk fuel are located and where drums, full or empty are stored and such areas are maintained clear of grass and similar inflammable materials.

Variation to firebreak notices

If it is considered to be impracticable for any reason to clear firebreaks or remove inflammable material from land as required by the notice you may apply to Council or its duly authorised officer for permission to provide firebreaks in alternative positions. If permission is not granted by Council or its duly authorised officer, you shall comply with the requirements in this notice.

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Harvest / Movement of Vehicle Bans

A ban on harvesting and the movement of vehicles in paddocks may be imposed when the predicted weather conditions are classified by the Bureau of Meteorology as very high or extreme, or when local conditions warrant bans to be applied.

All such bans are at the discretion of the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer or a duly appointed person.

Failure to comply with this notice shall subject the offender to the penalties prescribed in the Bush Fires Act 1954. If the requirements of this notice are carried out by burning, such burning must be in accordance with relevant provisions of the Bush Fires Act 1954.

John Nuttall
Chief Executive Officer



CEO'S NEXT FORUM IN BEACON

CEO, John Nuttall will be holding his next monthly visit in Beacon on October 16 at 2.00pm in Beacon Central. This is an opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback, good or bad, or to generally discuss how you see the Shire performing. No appointments are necessary.

Community members based in other areas of the Shire, please remember that John is available in the Shire Office during business hours if you wish to drop in or by appointment to ensure his availability.



ROAD CLOSURE— BENCUBBIN CENTENARY 28 OCTOBER

The Bencubbin Centenary Street Markets will be held on Saturday 28 October. Therefore, **Monger Street, Bencubbin** will be closed to traffic during the hours of 10am and 6pm between Padbury Street and just passed the west end of the Sandalwood Shops on 28 October 2017. Access to the west end of Monger St will be via Hammond or Brown Streets.



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STAY SMART ONLINE WEEK 2017

Create strong passwords
that are hard for others
to guess

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9-13 October 2017
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The Shire and its libraries are partners with the Stay Smart Online campaign and this week is Stay Smart Online Week 2017. It is a good time to remind everyone about the importance of being smart online either at home, work or school.

This year's Stay Smart Online Week is all about simple steps to online safety, with a focus on five key areas: privacy of your personal information, strong passwords, software updates, backing up your important information and avoiding online scams.

There are simple things that you can do to dramatically improve how you protect your personal and financial information online, and recover if things go wrong – even small actions can make a huge difference.

- Limit what you share - be careful about how much personal information you share online.
- Create strong passwords that are hard for others to guess.
- Keep your computers, phones and tablets updated with the latest software.
- Regularly back up your data.
- Avoid online scams - be on the lookout for suspicious emails and texts, and think before clicking on links or opening attachments.

For practical, easy to follow advice about online safety, visit staysmartonline.gov.au, sign up to the alert service or follow Stay Smart Online on Facebook.

FAREWELL HUND

Unfortunately our very long term employee, Bill Gracie (Hund) has retired from his position of Plant Maintenance Officer at the Shire. Hund has been a loyal and dedicated member of the Shire staff for over 27 years in a variety of roles. We wish him well in his retirement and hope he enjoys putting his feet up.





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BENCUBBIN MULTIPURPOSE COMPLEX UPGRADE

The transformation has begun at the complex and since work begun 2 weeks ago much progress has been made. The kitchen and bar area are now completely gutted and the footings for the extension on the west side now laid.





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Please Note Change of Date

Due to Ordinary Local Government Election

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in Council Chambers, 80 Monger St, Bencubbin at 3:00pm on Tuesday 24 October 2017

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