



DIARY DATES

3 October 2017

Recycling Collection

21 October 2017

LG Ordinary Election

24 October 2017

Ordinary Meeting of Council @
3pm in Council Chambers

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Shire of Mt Marshall

— THE SANDALWOOD SHIRE —

18 September 2017

CANDIDATES 2017 ORDINARY LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION



Local Government Elections
21 October 2017



At the close of the nomination period on Thursday of last week we have 7 candidates who are hoping to represent the Mt Marshall community at Council level. They are below in order of appearance on your postal ballot papers:

Family Name	Given Names	Gender
GOBBART	Leanne	F
GIBSON	Tanya	F
KIRBY	Chris	M
PUTT	Stuart	M
CARR	Michael	M
GILLETT	Nick	M
SANDERS	Ian	M

Each candidate has a brief profile displayed on the Shire's notice board and ballot papers will arrive in the mail as the election is being conducted as a postal election. Polling day is 21 October 2017 and results will be declared and published as soon as practicable after 6pm on this date.

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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 bailing 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



RATES DISCOUNT PERIOD CLOSING SOON

If you would like to receive an early bird discount of 5% on your 2017/18 rates you will need to have paid them by **4.00pm this Friday, 22 September 2017**.

There is further benefit to paying your rates in full by the due date of **Friday, 6 October**. While you won't receive the discount after 22 September you will get a chance to win a \$250 bank account kindly donated by Bendigo Bank, Mukinbudin just by paying your rates in full by this date.



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ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR RURAL FINANCIAL COUNSELLING

Media statement by Hon Alannah MacTiernan MLC - Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade

The McGowan Government will more than double its funding to Primary Production Services this year to support financial counselling services for rural businesses.

Under current arrangements, the Federal Government's Rural Financial Counselling Service provides support to primary producers in Western Australia, but most small businesses are not eligible.

This year's dry conditions in parts of the grainbelt have left some small businesses in rural areas struggling and Primary Production Services, which delivers the Rural Financial Counselling Service, has flagged a need to expand its services to support these businesses.

The funding, which brings the State Government's contribution to \$250,000, has been provided from within existing Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development resourcing.

The State Government is continuing to work with industry groups and growers to provide agronomic and economic information to assist them during these dry seasonal conditions. Further information can be found at <https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/>

Comments attributed to Agriculture and Food Minister Alannah MacTiernan:

"While rainfall did improve throughout August, we know that many growers are looking at a challenging harvest this season.

"Financial impacts won't be directly felt by growers until harvest and we are continuing to look at the most effective support for rural communities at that time.

"But we are already seeing impacts on rural small businesses as farmers tighten their belts - and it's important that we get in early to provide the financial counselling support to help them through this tough time.

"The Rural Financial Counselling Service provides real support to our growers but, during a challenging season like this, we need to ensure all those affected by this dry season can benefit from this hands-on service.

"I'd encourage any small businesses in the grainbelt who is struggling to use these services."

Minister's office - 6552 6200



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WATER DEFICIENCY DECLARATION

With this years Winter rainfall being low in the majority of the dryland agricultural region there is potential that some landholders may experience livestock drinking water shortages during the coming summer months.

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has informed the Shire that we may be eligible to qualify for a Water Deficiency Declaration. Should the Shire qualify for the declaration the Shire would receive financial support to cart water to a central point in the community, of which landholders would have access.

The Shire needs your feedback regarding any issues with on farm water supplies you may be experiencing or may experience over summer to assist in our application. In particular is there a possibility you would need to travel more than a 40km radius from your farm gate to access the nearest water source for livestock drinking water?

Any feedback you can provide regarding whether you would need to cart water for livestock and the distances involved would be greatly appreciated.

Feedback can be emailed to Nadine Richmond at admin@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au





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POSITION VACANT

Economic Development Officer

Applications are sought from suitably qualified/experienced persons to undertake the position of Economic Development Officer. This position is offered as 0.4 Full Time Equivalent.

The position will require the successful incumbent working to develop and facilitate a range of strategies designed to support economic growth, encourage new investment and facilitate development of existing businesses.

The role, which is responsible to the CEO involves a high level of administration and would suit someone capable at networking with a variety of people including local business owners and community members, as well as State and Federal organisations.

A committed team and consultative approach is sought to work in a rural community environment and be dedicated to promoting the Shire as somewhere to work, live and invest.

Remuneration will be in accordance with Level 6 - 8 (pro-rata) of the Local Government Industry Award dependent on qualifications and experience.

A Position Description together with information on the Shire can be obtained by contacting Ms Nadine Richmond on (08) 9685 1202 during office hours or via e-mail at admin@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au.

Applications addressing the selection criteria and marked 'Private & Confidential' are sought from interested persons and are to be addressed to the undersigned by 4pm, 6 October 2017.

John Nuttall
Chief Executive Officer
PO Box 20
Bencubbin WA 6477



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Positions Vacant

Road Maintenance Officer

A vacancy exists for a full time Maintenance Officer working from the Bencubbin depot (38hrs/wk). You will be required to perform a variety of duties within the Shire of Mt Marshall including but not limited to road maintenance and general labour. This position will see the successful applicant learning or using their already acquired skills to operate a variety of Shire plant and equipment.

While a HR Class licence is a desirable requirement of this position, the Shire will consider applicants willing to obtain this class of licence within 3 months of appointment.

Remuneration will be according to Level 4 of the Local Government Industry Award 2010 and Shire housing may be negotiated with the successful applicant.

To obtain a copy of the position description, please contact Nadine Richmond during office hours on 08 9685 1202 or via email ea@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au.

Applications submitted to the undersigned, marked 'Private & Confidential' are to be received by 4pm, Friday 6 October 2017.

Plant Operator

A vacancy exists for a full time Plant Operator working from the Bencubbin depot (38hrs/wk). You will be required to operate a variety of Shire plant and equipment however the main task for this position is to operate the Shire's rollers within the construction crew.

Remuneration will be according to Level 4 of the Local Government Industry Award 2010 and Shire housing may be negotiated with the successful applicant.

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