



# Shire of Mt Marshall

— THE SANDALWOOD SHIRE —

17 September 2018

## DIARY DATES

### 2 October 2018

Recycling Collection

### 5 October 2018

Economic Development Fund  
Application Period Closes

### 16 October 2018

Ordinary Meeting of Council @  
3:00pm in Council Chambers, 80  
Monger St, Bencubbin

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## ROAD CLOSURE

Please be advised that the Welbungin South Rd, Welbungin between Koorda-Bullfinch Rd and Wren Rd will be closed to traffic between the hours of 7.00am and 4.00pm on the following dates:



Tuesday 25 September  
Wednesday 26 September  
Thursday 27 September

**Local traffic excluded.**

At the conclusion of these works narrow sections of the road will be gravel surfaced until preparation is made to bitumen seal the road to a wider standard.

## RATES DUE

There is still time to go into the draw for a \$250 bank account kindly donated by Bendigo Bank, Mukinbudin just by paying your rates in full by the due date of Friday, 28 September.



Hopefully you have had a chance to get out and around the Shire to take in some of the abundant wildflowers this season. If you haven't had a chance yet, reports are that good displays can still be found in the usual hot spots like Datjoin Well, Billiburning Rock and Wundowlin Reserve. Colourful carpets can still be seen on roadsides throughout the Shire also.

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## **Bush Fire Act 1954 Restricted Burning Period**

All burning is restricted in the Shire of Mt Marshall from Wednesday 19 September 2018 to Wednesday 31 October 2018. 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 Monday 1 October 2018. Town site residents are reminded that this also applies to them as they are required to keep their properties free of flammable materials during this period.

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.



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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.

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