GANNAWARRANEWS









PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Council's offices will be closed Good Friday and Easter Monday. For emergencies only you can contact 0428 500 212.

COHUNA TRANSFER STATION OPENING HOURS

Cohuna Transfer Station will have new opening hours from 17 April 2017. The new opening hours will be Fridays 9.00am-11.00am and Sundays 1.00pm – 4.00pm. For more information please visit www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au.

SMOKE ALARMS

Now daylight savings has ended, Gannawarra Shire Council Community Care Team would like to remind clients if you haven't had your smoke alarm batteries changed in the last six months, please contact the Community Services department and register before Thursday 20 April 2017.

HEALTHY SWIMMING COLOURING COMPETITION WINNER ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to Taylor Lacy from Cohuna on his winning entry to the healthy swimming colouring competition! Taylor has won a 10 visit pass to a local pool for next summer.

IMMUNISATIONS

Kerang – 19 April, 4.00pm – 5.30pm at Gannawarra Children Centre

Cohuna – 19 April, 10.30am – 12 midday at Maternal & Child Health Centre

Influenza vaccine is available at these sessions. Contact 5450 9333 for more information.

NOMINATE A LOCAL LEGEND!

Nominations for batonbearers in the 2018 Queen's Baton Relay are now open! Anyone can nominate a person who inspires them to be great. Nominees do NOT have to reside in Kerang or Murrabit, they can be anyone across the Gannawarra municipality.

Nominations can be made at gc2018.com/qbr, and close 15 May 2017.

Gannawarra is thrilled that two of its towns have been selected as celebration communities for the Queen's Baton Relay as it travels on its way to the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony on 4 April 2018.

Currently the Baton is in Seychelles and is heading to Mauritius later this week.





MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Over the past few weeks there has been some wonderful updates in relation to solar projects that officers have been working on to get started in the Gannawarra Shire. I am looking forward to the commencement of construction of up to two of our solar facilities and with the potential for more in the near future. There will be further information at some information seminars put on by the companies involved and I hope our community has gone along to get the right information.



On Saturday evening I had the pleasure, along with about 125 community members, to attend the play Carpe Diem at the Kerang Memorial Hall which featured legendary Australian actor John Wood. The theme was centred on men's health and how important it is to communicate with each other and to look out for our mates. Just because someone says their doing ok doesn't always mean they are. Take the time to sit and listen without judging and you may be surprised how much a friend will open up.

I hope everyone has a great Easter and enjoys the company of friends and family. If you are in our shire for the long weekend please get along to some of our fantastic events, which include the Rotary Club of Kerang Easter Art Show, Kerang Turf Club race meeting, Quambatook Tractor Pull, Kerang and Murrabit Easter Tennis Tournament, Easter Saturday Murrabit Market and many other wonderful events.

Brian Gibson, MAYOR

BEYOND THE BATTLE - COMMEMORATING OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Beyond the Battle is a documentary film project featuring residents of Gannawarra, who served in the First World War. The project is being overseen by a committee; this committee has two young people on it. One of those young people is Carmen Baulch and we caught up with her to talk about her role in this project...

Tell us a little about what Beyond the Battle is and what your role is - Beyond the Battle is a documentary film project which will involve a collection of photos, memorabilia and documents of people from Gannawarra who served in the First World War. Also it will include information and photos of servicemen and women whose families moved to Gannawarra after the war. My role is to make the finished product appealing and interesting to young people of the Gannawarra Shire.

Why were you interested in joining the committee - I was interested in joining the committee because I have a huge passion of

How often does the committee meet - the committee meets once every 2-3 months.

all things to do with history and I wanted to gain more knowledge in the topic of World War I. Also I would like to make more young people in our community engaged in what is a very important part of our history.

Tell us something interesting that you have learned through your involvement with this project - through my involvement with the Beyond the Battle project, I have learnt how to collect photos and documents through the Australian War Memorial website and I have learnt how important this part of history is to our community.

When will the public get to see what the committee has been working on The public will get to see the presentation that our committee has been working on, at two community cinema events on Remembrance Day 2017 and 2018.

For more information on this project please visit our website.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

School holidays are here!

Gannawarra Library Service is combining the themes of Easter and mini-beasts to bring a schedule of activities across the holiday period. A number of activities are taking place across all of the branches with all age ranges catered for.

The program features a natural science kit on loan from Museum Victoria, which all library patrons are welcome to explore.

Activities must be booked and children will need to be accompanied by adults. For more information, contact your local library branch or check the Gannawarra Library Service Facebook page!

Kerang: 5452 1546 Quambatook: 5457 1220 Cohuna: 5456 2124 Leitchville: 5456 7031





WHAT'S ON?!

12 April - Communicating with professionals (Carers Victoria and SCAFFALD Kerang workshop), Kerang

14 April - Rotary Club of Kerang Annual Easter Art Show, Kerang

15 April – Kerang Quilters Quilt Show

15 April – Tractor Pull, Quambatook

15 April – Easter Saturday Murrabit Country Market, Murrabit

15 April – cluBarham Kerang Cup, Kerang

16 April – Historical Cemetery Walk, Kerang

18 April – Understanding Marketing – Business Workshop, Cohuna

22 April – Kerang Community market

22 April – Marty Worrall Concert, Kerang

23 April – Kerang Show and Shine

All event details are in the events calendar on Councils website www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au