GANNAWARRANEWS



EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES

- Manager Community Engagement Permanent full-
- Maternal Child Health Nurse Permanent full-time
- Community Care Workers Casual positions
- Outdoor Worker Permanent full-time

For more information, visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au

PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Council services, including Council's Transfer Stations, will be closed on Friday, 27 September 2019 for the AFL Grand Final Eve public holiday.

For after-hours animal/livestock emergencies please call the Local Laws Officer on duty 0428 500 212.

IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

Maternal Child & Health Centre **COHUNA**

Wednesday, 18 September 2019

10.30am - 12noon

KERANG Gannawarra Shire Children's Centre

Wednesday, 18 September 2019

4.00pm - 5.30pm

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to session closing time

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 18 September 2019 at 6.30pm in the Council Chambers, Kerang. Interested members of the public are welcome to attend. The agenda will be available two days prior to the meeting at www.gsc.vic.gov.au

RATES INSTALMENT REMINDER

Ratepayers are reminded that if you choose to pay your rates by instalments, the first instalment payment is due by Monday, 30 September 2019.

Alternatively, ratepayers may choose to pay their rates in full, with payment due by Monday, 17 February 2020. If residents have any queries they should contact Council. Ratepayers who are experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to contact Council early to request a payment plan.



THE SAPPHIRES ARE COMING!

Quambatook is preparing for next month's performance of The Sapphires, occurring outdoors at the Quambatook Recreation Reserve on Thursday, 3 October 2019. The Sapphires tells the story of four Aboriginal girls who learn about love, friendship and war as their all-girl group travels to Vietnam to entertain US troops during the height of the Vietnam War.

Tickets for the performance, which are \$25 for adults and \$20 for concession, can be purchased online at www.trybooking.com/BDHEA or by visiting Council's Customer Service Centres at Cohuna and Kerang. Those who purchased tickets online for the June performance will have been emailed a code to receive a five per cent discount on this ticket purchase. This discount is offered as compensation for credit card fees paid on refunded tickets.

Gates will open at the venue on the night at 6pm, with the show beginning at 7.30pm. Attendees are reminded to bring a chair and rug up for this outdoor performance.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

October.

Council's Sustainable Gannawarra program, which aims to reduce our carbon footprint, has again been recognised – this time as a Built Environment finalist in the 2019 Premier's Sustainability Awards. This is the second year in a row Council has been announced as a finalist for these awards. Winners will be announced at a ceremony in Melbourne on Thursday, 10

A number of events will be held these school holidays to entertain children of all ages. These include Gannawarra Library Service's Spring has Sprung gardening events and drama improvisation workshops. Details on all events can be viewed on the Events section of Council's

The Kerang and District Agricultural Society is busy preparing for its 135th Annual Show, occurring on Monday, 7 October. I encourage everyone to find a copy of the Show Schedule and prepare your entries. Events such as the agricultural shows held at Barham/Koondrook, Cohuna and Kerang are the lifeblood of our communities, so it is important we continue to support the efforts of the volunteers who put these events on. Finally, I encourage you to explore the indigenous artwork at Kerang District Health, which I did recently with Aunty Esther Kirby (pictured).

Kind regards, Mayor Lorraine Learmonth.

MAYOR LORRAINE LEARMONTH



Golden Rivers Artists - Shoot the

ATTEND SHOWCASE VICTORIA IN 2020

Council is sponsoring up to six community members to attend Showcase Victoria, occurring in May 2020 at Bendigo's Ulumbarra Theatre.

Australia's leading State-based performing arts marketplace, the two-day event provides a unique platform for producers, artists and theatre-makers to make connections and showcase their work to a wide range of venue managers and programmers.

Community members interested in attending need to submit their interest by emailing arts@gannawarra.vic.gov.au by 31 December 2019. Previous Showcase Victoria attendees are eligible to apply.

Applications must include an email address and phone contact number, name of nearest town, whether they have attended Showcase Victoria previously, and why they would like to attend Showcase Victoria in May 2020.

Following attendance, successful applicants will be involved in selecting productions for the Gannawarra 2020/21 Arts and Culture program, ensuring a diverse range of events occur across the Shire.

Successful applicants will also help to develop community partnerships and logistics for selected productions, as well as facilitate connections within and between communities around the performing arts.

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE GRANTS

Community groups and organisations located within the Gannawarra are encouraged to apply for up to \$1,000 in funding through the Gannawarra Shire Council's Community Resilience Grants Program.

This \$10,000 funding program has been supported financially by the Department of Health and Human Services, and is designed to support a variety of small activities that promote social connectedness and mental health and wellbeing. Groups looking to apply for funding are urged to first refer to the program guidelines, available on Council's website, which details areas that applications need to consider. These range from events that support community connectedness to celebrations in small towns and activities that promote the Five Ways to Wellbeing - Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Council to discuss a project idea before submitting a grant application. Applications close at 5pm on Friday, 4 October. For more details, please visit Council's grants website, www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au/grants, or email grants@gannawarra.vic.gov.au

WHAT'S ON...

CURRENT-OCTOBER 8

Lobster Exhibition, Kerang **SEPTEMBER 17** Social Meal - Quambatook **SEPTEMBER 18** Picasso and His Dog, Kerang **SEPTEMBER 18** Cohuna Squash Club Hits & Giggles, Cohuna

SEPTEMBER 19 Men's Cooking Program, Cohuna **SEPTEMBER 19** Social Meal – Leitchville **SEPTEMBER 20** Social Meal - Cohuna

SEPTEMBER 21-22 Mid Murray Orchid Club Show, Kerang

SEPTEMBER 22 Cohuna Farmers & Makers Market SEPTEMBER 24 Cohuna Comedy Gala

SEPTEMBER 25 Drama Improvisation Workshops, Cohuna

Social Meal - Murrabit **SEPTEMBER 25**

SEPTEMBER 25 Cohuna Squash Club Hits &

Giggles, Cohuna

SEPTEMBER 26 Men's Cooking Program, Cohuna **SEPTEMBER 26** Spring has Sprung library event,

Kerang

Kerang Community Market OCTOBER 1 Social Meal - Macorna **OCTOBER 1** Social Meal - Quambatook **OCTOBER 1** Spring has Sprung library event,

Leitchville

OCTOBER 2 Spring has Sprung library event,

Quambatook **OCTOBER 2** Cohuna Squash Club Hits &

Giggles, Cohuna

Spring has Sprung library event,

OCTOBER 3 Cohuna

OCTOBER 3 Men's Cooking Program, Cohuna **OCTOBER 3** Social Meal - Leitchville **OCTOBER 3** The Sapphires, Quambatook

OCTOBER 4 Friday lunch, Kerang

Event details can be found on Council's Website

SUBMIT YOUR EVENT

SEPTEMBER 27

Want to see your event featured here? Submit your event details to Council's website www.gsc.vic.gov.au



COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES – PERSONAL CARE

As we age, daily personal care routines can sometimes become more difficult to maintain without help. Something as simple as taking a shower or bath can become a slip and fall risk as mobility issues develop. The Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) provides a suite of services to frail, older clients aged 65 years and over, designed to help you stay living in your own home. So that you can look your best every day, our team is trained to support you with tasks such as medication monitoring, meal assistance, showers and personal appearance. For more details, contact Community Care on (03) 5450 9333.



