



SHIRE OF
MOUNT MAGNET

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MOUNT MAGNET
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Council Comments

December 2011

~ Office Hours ~

Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm

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SHIRE OF MOUNT MAGNET
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE/LIBRARY/CENTRELINK
CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR CLOSURE



Closing from 4:00pm Thursday 22 December 2011

Reopening 9:00am Tuesday 03 January 2012

**For emergencies call
0427 808 800 or 0437 519 054**

Merry Christmas from all the Elected Members & Shire Staff

**RUBBISH COLLECTION
CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR 2011-2012**

RUBBISH COLLECTION DAYS FOR THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON WILL BE:



**Tuesday *after* Christmas Day - 27 December 2011
&
Tuesday *after* New Years Day - 03 January 2012**

**Mount Magnet Waste Disposal
9963 4077 or 0429 634 077**

Upcoming Council Meeting Dates

Executive Committee -----Wednesday 7 December 2011
Ordinary Meeting----- Friday 16 December 2011
Audit/Finance Committee ----- Wednesday 15 February 2012
Ordinary Meeting----- Friday 24 February 2012
Executive Committee -----Wednesday 14 March 2012
Ordinary Meeting-----Friday 23 March 2012
Audit/Finance Committee -----Wednesday 18 April 2012
Ordinary Meeting-----Friday 27 April 2012
Ordinary Meeting-----Friday 25 May 2012
Executive Committee -----Wednesday 16 May 2012
Audit/Finance Committee -----Wednesday 13 June 2012
Ordinary Meeting----- Friday 22 June 2012

MESSAGE FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT



Meeting of Electors 5.30pm, 16 December 2011 at the Council Chambers

Council's last Ordinary Meeting of the year is scheduled for Friday 16 December 2011 commencing at 1.00pm. At this meeting The Shire of Mount Magnet Annual Report will be considered along with the 2010/2011 Audited Financial Statements. Following the Ordinary Meeting at 5.30pm the Annual Electors Meeting will be held, to which all residents are invited. Residents are welcome to attend Shire of Mount Magnet Ordinary and Committee Meetings. Meeting dates and start times are listed separately in this newsletter. At the start of every meeting there is an opportunity for residents to ask questions, or for groups and individuals by prior arrangement, to make a presentation to Council.

Unpaid Rates

In recent years the value of unpaid rates has been steadily increasing. Council's auditors have identified unpaid rates as a significant issue. It is expected in the coming months that legal action will be instigated for the recovery of unpaid rates. Under the Local Government Act overdue rates are charged interest (currently 11%) and the majority of Council's costs for recovery of unpaid rates are payable by the rate payer. To be fair to all it is very important that rates are paid on time. I urge any resident having trouble paying their rates to contact Council.

Australia Day Thursday 26 January 2011 at the Mount Magnet Pool

A day of fun and celebration is planned at the Mount Magnet Pool on Australia Day, commencing at 10.00am. A highlight of the day will be the Australia Day awards. Awards are made to the 'Citizen of the Year' and 'Young Citizen of the Year'. Award nominations close on 9 December 2011 and nomination forms are available at the Council Chambers. We all know people who do wonderful work in the community. Now is the time to give them the recognition they deserve. Regrettably the Australia Day fireworks display will not take place this year due to the hazardous bushfire season we are coming into.

Preparation for the 2011/2012 Bushfire Season

This year promises to be the worst season for bushfires for some time. Residents are urged to be prepared and remove any long grass and other combustible materials that may present a fire danger.

On 8 December 2011 at 2:00pm there will be a Bushfire Brigade meeting at the Council Chambers, which volunteers are invited to attend.

Christmas Holiday Period

The Council Administration, Library and Works section will be closed from the period Friday 23 December 2011 to Monday 2 January 2012 inclusive. During this period the pool will be open on all days except Christmas day. Rubbish will be collected on Tuesday 27 December 2011 and Tuesday 2 January 2012.

If you are planning on driving during the festive season please be very careful on the roads. I wish all residents a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Ashley Dowden
PRESIDENT
SHIRE OF MOUNT MAGNET

BURNING TIMES

The burning times for the Shire of Mount Magnet are as follows:

Restrictive Burning Periods

1 October to 14 November 2011
(permit required)

Prohibited Burning Periods

15 November 2011 to 31 March 2012
(no open fires)

Restrictive Burning Periods

1 April to 30 April 2012
(permit required)

Open Season

1 May to 30 September 2012

Bushfire Season

Residents are also reminded to clear their properties of any inflammable materials as there will be a high fire risk this sum-



Tourist Information Centre

The Mount Magnet Tourist Information Centre is now closed for the season.

The centre will reopen the 1st April 2012.
Tourist enquiries should be directed to the Shire office.

Youth Centre Hours

2:45pm-4:45pm Monday to Friday
Until 14 December 2011

Netball/Basketball Court Improvements



The updating of the Netball/Basketball courts will begin in early January with the courts being resurfaced and marked for Tennis, Netball and Basketball.

MERRY



CHRISTMAS

Mount Magnet Markets

Saturday 10th December 2011

in Foster Park
9:00am—12noon

For more information or to
book a stall contact Danelle Fauntleroy
on 9963 4322



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(weather permitting)

Cars 2

Friday 2nd December - 7:00pm

Red Dog

Friday 9th December - 7:00pm

Adults \$10.00
Children \$5.00

Food and drinks on sale



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Carols by Candlelight

The Shire of Mount Magnet, in conjunction with the Catholic and Presbyterian Churches, invite all community members to come down to Foster Park to enjoy the annual "Carols by Candlelight" to be held on Sunday 11th December 2011 at 6:30 pm

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

The Christmas Lights Competition will be held again this year and the judging will take place one week before Christmas.

1st Prize	\$350.00
2nd Prize.....	\$200.00
3rd Prize	\$100.00
Business Prize.....	\$350.00

~History Books~



***"Drawn to Mt Magnet" Second Edition
is now available for purchase from the
Shire Office & the Tourist Information Centre
Soft Cover\$40.00
Hard Cover.....\$50.00***

MRVC

All meetings commence at 10:00am in
Council Chambers

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Tuesday 06 December 2011
Tuesday 07 February 2012
Tuesday 06 March 2012
Tuesday 03 April 2012
Tuesday 01 May 2012
Tuesday 05 June 2012

The Mount Magnet Centrelink Agency

will be closing at 4:00pm Thursday 22 December 2011
Reopening at 9:00am Tuesday 03 January 2012

During this time Centrelink forms can be faxed at the
Department of Mines and Petroleum



During Office Hours
8.30am - 12noon & 1pm - 4.30pm
(not open Public Holidays or weekends)

Thank you to the staff at the Department of Mines & Petroleum

Australia Day - Citizen of the Year Awards

Do you know someone who deserves to be this year's Mount Magnet Citizen of the Year?

A part of the Australia Day family of awards, the Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards focuses on community contribution and participation rather than personal achievement. The awards highlight active citizenship, outstanding contribution to the local community and Australian pride and spirit.

The Shire of Mount Magnet are encouraging individuals and groups to nominate an inspiring Mount Magnet community member for an award to be presented at the Australia Day Celebration in January.

This year the Shire will again give two awards:

Citizen of the Year

outstanding community contribution by a local citizen

Young Citizen of the Year

outstanding community contribution by a local citizen under 25 years of age

To be eligible nominees must be an Australian Citizen who lives in the Shire of Mount Magnet and has made a noteworthy contribution to our community this year or given outstanding service to the Mount Magnet community over a number of years.

Entry forms can be collected from the Shire Office or the Community Development Officer.

Completed forms must be returned by Friday 9th December.

MOUNT MAGNET MEDICAL CENTRE

Monday to Friday 8.30am — 12 noon & from 1.00pm — 4.00pm
(closed on Public Holidays)

December 2011

Mount Magnet Medical Centre Ph 9963 3100 Fax 9963 3150
After hours calls go through to Health Direct

Our Medical Team At A Glance

Sarah Haskell	Midwife
Dr Jehangir	Paediatric Specialist
Adrian	Male Mental Health
Angie Jefferys	Social Worker
Dr Mick Gibberd	General Practitioner
Dr Anna Stuart	General Practitioner
Ashlee Cross	Dietician
John Cook	Psychologist
Julie Hancock	Diabetes Nurse

Tuesdays and Thursdays every week
the Mental Health Team is in town.

To make an appointment contact the
Medical Centre on 9963 3100

Every Thursday Adrian visits Mt Magnet
from Mental Health Meekatharra.

SERVICES IN DECEMBER

1st Child Health Nurse

2nd Child Health Nurse

5th Dr Anna Stewart

6th Dr Anna Stewart

8th Child Health Nurse

9th Child Health Nurse

12th Doctor
Midwife Sarah Haskell
Podiatrist

20th Physiotherapist

*Your child's education is very important to us so please bring your child in for dressings
and non emergency treatment after school hours.*

MOUNT MAGNET COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday 2 nd	Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm 7:00pm - Outdoor Cinema – Cars 2 (pg)
Sunday 4 th	Presbyterian Inland Mission Church 9:30am St Brigid's Catholic Church 10:00am
Monday 5 th	Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm School Council Meeting 3:00pm Junior Cricket Training at the Oval 3:30-4:30pm
Tuesday 6 th	MRVC Meeting - 10:00am in Council Chambers Seniors Group 11:00am to 3:00pm at the Recreation Centre Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm School Presentation Night – 6:30pm at Anzac Hall
Wednesday 7 th	Playgroup 9:45 – 11:45am at the old Hospital Mount Magnet Inter Agency Meeting – 10:00am in Shire Chambers Mount Magnet Executive Committee Meeting - 3:00pm in Council Chambers Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm Magnet Girls Club 3:00pm – 5:00pm
Thursday 8 th	Op Shop Open - 9:15am to 11:00am at the Rural Transaction Centre Bushfire Brigade Meeting - 2:00pm in Council Chambers Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm Mount Magnet Scout Group 4:00pm - 5:30pm at the Scout Hall Mount Magnet Volunteer Fire Brigade Training – 7:00pm at the Fire Station
Friday 9 th	Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm 7:00pm - Outdoor Cinema – Red Dog (pg)
Saturday 10 th	Markets in Foster Park 9:00am-12:00noon
Sunday 11 th	Presbyterian Inland Mission Church 9:30am St Brigid's Catholic Church 10:00am Carols by Candlelight 6:30pm in Foster Park
Monday 12 th	Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm
Tuesday 13 th	Seniors Group 11:00am to 3:00pm at the Recreation Centre Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm 7:00pm St John Ambulance AGM @ the Mount Magnet Sub Centre Hall
Wednesday 14 th	Playgroup 9:45 – 11:45am at the old Hospital Youth Centre Open 2:45pm – 4:45pm Magnet Girls Club 3:00pm – 5:00pm
Thursday 15 th	School Holidays Start Op Shop Open - 9:15am to 11:00am at the Rural Transaction Centre Mount Magnet Volunteer Fire Brigade Training – 7:00pm at the Fire Station
Friday 16 th	Mount Magnet Shire Ordinary Council Meeting – 1:00pm at Chambers Mount Magnet Shire Council Annual Electors Meeting – 5.30pm in Chambers
Sunday 18 th	Presbyterian Inland Mission Church 9:30am St Brigid's Catholic Church 10:00am
Tuesday 20 th	Seniors Group 11:00am to 3:00pm at the Recreation Centre
Thursday 22 nd	Mount Magnet Volunteer Fire Brigade Training – 7:00pm at the Fire Station
Friday 23 rd	Pool Party - 6:00pm at the Swimming Pool \$5 entry Shire Administration/Library/Centrelink closed until 9:00am Tuesday 3 January 2012
Sunday 25 th	CHRISTMAS DAY Christmas Mass – 11:00am at St Brigid's Church

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Bidi Bidi Centre	Michele Bentink	0417 988 729
CDEP Programme	Simon Taylor	0457 395 720
Freemasons Zenith Lodge	Karl Ibbotson	9963 4004
Magnet Girls Club	Danelle Fauntleroy	9963 4322
Mount Magnet Craft Group	Tarnyia Scott	9963 5823
Mount Magnet District High School P&C	Cathy Jones	9963 4081
Mount Magnet Gymkhana Club	Janet Jones	0407 572 208
Mount Magnet Historical Society	Kevin Brand	9963 4224
Mt Magnet Leader	Danelle Fauntleroy	0417 177 524
Mount Magnet Netball	Danelle Fauntleroy	0417 177 524
Mount Magnet Op Shop	Kathy Shaw	9963 4244
Mount Magnet Playgroup	Mary O'Brien	9963 4548
Mount Magnet Pottery Group	Karin Sturges	0447 797 285
Mount Magnet Race Club	Melissa Evans	0427 199 281
Mount Magnet Scout Group	Danelle Fauntleroy	0417 177 524
Mount Magnet Seniors Group	Karen Williams	0400 711 615
Mount Magnet Sports Group	Melissa Evans	0427 199 281
Mount Magnet Volunteer Ambulance Sub Centre	Donna McConnell	0427 824 319
Mount Magnet Volunteer Fire Brigade	Jason Homewood	0427 351 952
Mount Magnet Youth Group	Danelle Fauntleroy	9963 4322
Presbyterian Inland Mission	Pastor Bert Pierce	9963 4125
St Brigid's Catholic Church	Sr Gerri Boylan	9963 4179
Wirnda Barna Artists	Marina Baker	9963 4007