



Council News

Mid West Arts Mob Hits Mt Magnet!!

Monday 13th November saw artists from right across the Mid West region hit Mt Magnet for the first gathering of the Mid West Arts Mob. The gathering attracted people from Yalgoo, Cue, Meekatharra, Mullewa, Morawa, Geraldton and of course Mt Magnet.

The event marked the end of the second year in Country Arts WA's 4 year focus on the Mid West and was an opportunity to connect the people and organisations Country Arts WA has been working with in each community

The day and evening program was spread across these the three venues and began with welcomes from Badimia elder Ollie George

and Mt Magnet Shire President Russell Lockyer

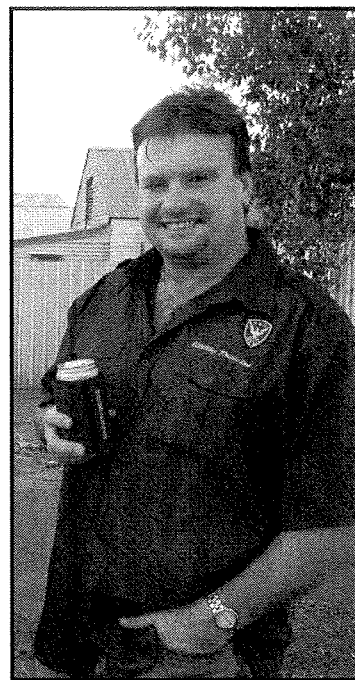
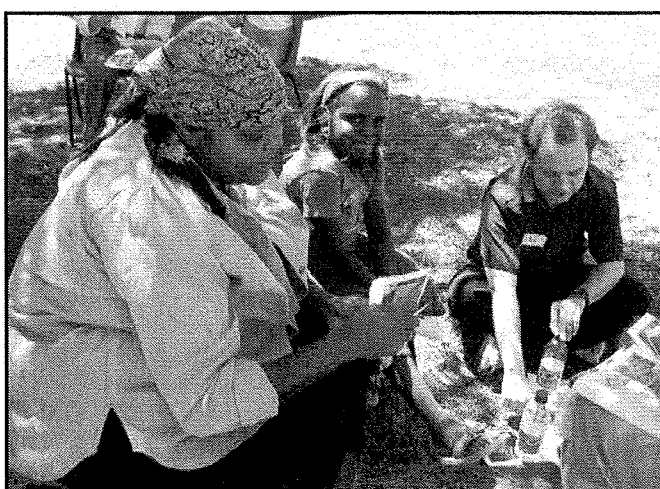
In the morning program Mid West people gave visual presentations about arts projects in their communities

By the afternoon everyone was ready for some hands on activity and chose between 3 workshops on using the arts to tell stories in film, dance or books, (contributed respectively by Film and Television Institute, Propelarts and Writing WA), or a session on information and resources available to all Mid West communities.

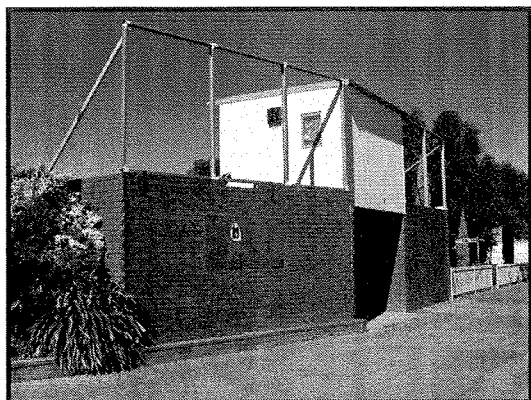
In the evening, the Film and Television Institute treated us to short films from the

Making Movies Roadshow program which has run across the state, and featured films made by Mid West people during residencies in the region.

The meeting was co-ordinated by CountryArts WA with the support of the Shire of Mount Magnet and was a fabulous day for learning something new and having fun!



Cinema Mural Project



From this....

As I'm sure most people have noticed (how can you not?!) the cinema art project is finally complete!

After two weeks of workshops, drawing and lots of painting the cinema has gotten its face lift!

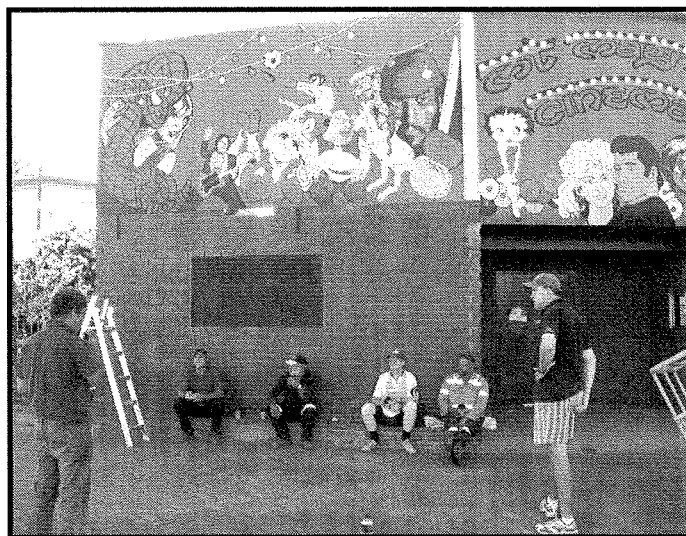
Geraldton artist Anthea da Silva came over and worked with our community to produce this vibrant entrance to the cinema during the first week of November.

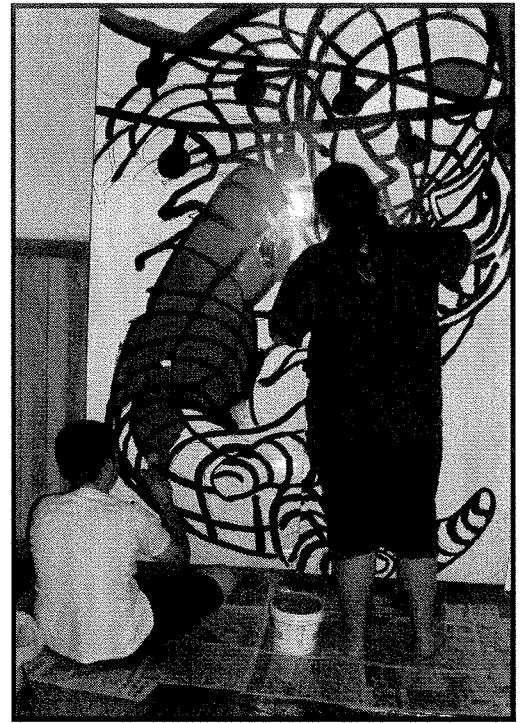
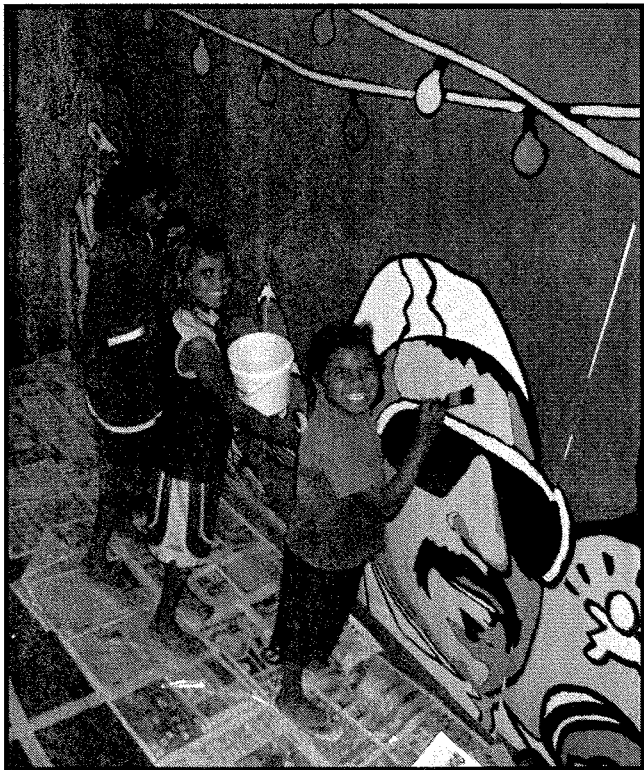
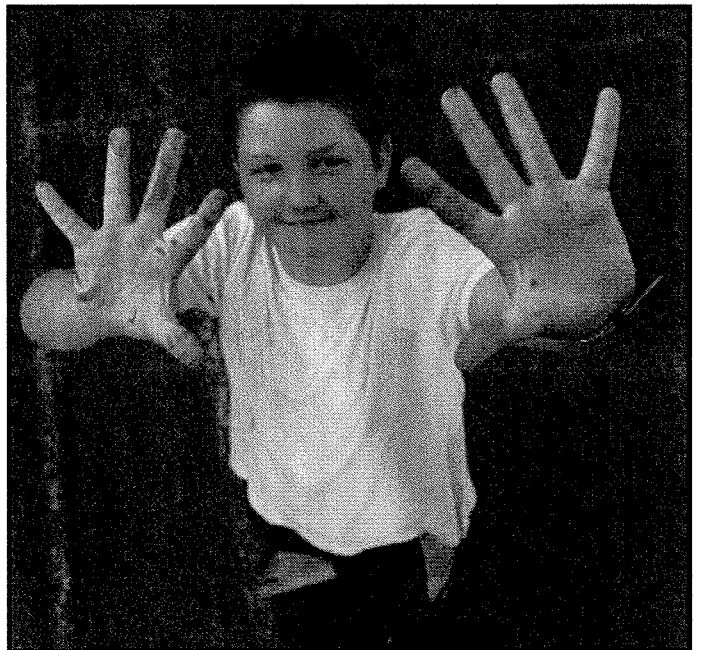
The mural brightens up the building and the main street and everyone

that was involved should be very proud of the work! The project was funded by CountryArts WA and the Shire of Mount Magnet.

Special thanks to Barbara Woolcock who dedicated many, many hours to helping us out and Ross Manns and the boys who were up at 5am putting it up on the cinema!

The mural is the beginning of a major upgrade of the cinema in the next few months!





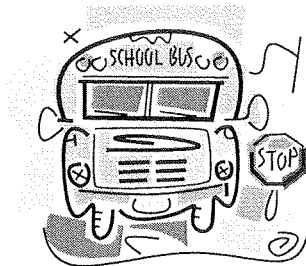
Council Works

As you are all well aware the sealing of the roads has not yet commenced. Due to other commitments of the sealing group, the sealing of our roads has been delayed! They are now scheduled to commence sealing on the 4th December!

The Shire would like to thank all residents for their patience and support during these works and delays.

The Shire Council will be purchasing a brand new Community Bus, which will be arriving in the next few

months. The bus will be available for hire as soon as it arrives. Conditions and prices of hire will remain the same.



Our new Toyota work vehicles, Grader and Street Sweeper should

Annual Elector's Meeting

19th December

7.00pm
Council Chambers

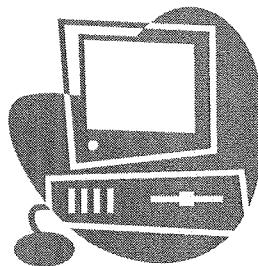
Computer Course

In November the federal initiative 'Start Free Computer Training' funded a computer course in Mt Magnet. The course was aimed at teaching the very basic's of computer skills to people living in remote towns.

The two day course was attended by seven Mt Magnet residents who all learnt a lot about computer pro-

grams and especially using the internet and emails. Everyone had a great time and thought the course was well worth while, so much so that we have asked the instructor to come back

and teach us some more!



The next course will be more basics and intermediate computer skills!

**Broadband
is now available
in
Mt Magnet!!!**

FREE HELP DESK

Until 30th June 2007 there is a FREE Computer Help Line for everyone in remote Australia. Call and get advice and assistance on all computer problems and issues!!

1300 790 994

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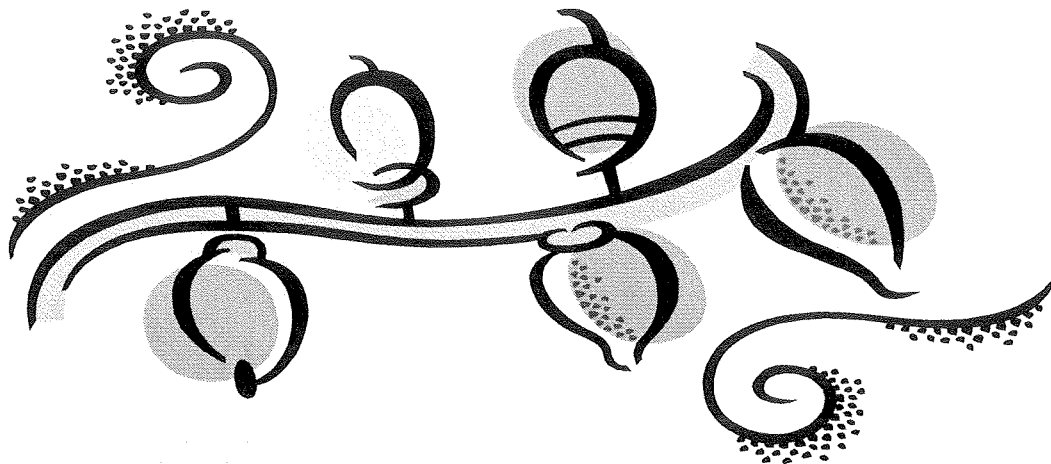
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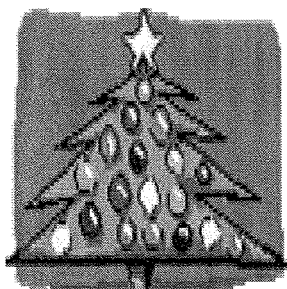
Fax: (08) 9963 4133

Email:

ceo@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au



Christmas Lights Competition



Judging on Wednesday 20th December

Cash Prizes!!!

Decorate your house or yard to be in with a chance to win!!

Last Chance! To Nominate Citizen of the Year!!

Selection Criteria

Persons or community groups who have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year, or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

Australia Day 'Citizen Award'

To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen and reside within the Local Government area.

Australia Day 'Young Citizen Award'

To be eligible, the person must be under 27 years of age on 26 January next year.

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NOMINATION FORM

I would like to nominate: .....

☐ Citizen of the Year

☐ Young Citizen of the Year

Nominator's name is: .....

My reason for this nomination is: .....

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Address: .....

Telephone: .....

Nominations close 11th December 2006

PLEASE FORWARD YOUR NOMINATION TO THE SHIRE OFFICE

Australia Day Eve
Fireworks

Mount Magnet Recreation Oval
Thursday 25th January

TAFE Course 2007

In 2007 TAFE will be running a Certificate I Visual Art Course in Mt Magnet.

No experience is needed to join this course!

The semester course will cover a variety of genres within the visual arts including pottery, sculpture and painting.

At this point we are looking to run the course for one full day a week over 12 weeks.

If you are interested in coming along and learning some new skills and having fun please let me know!

We need to get 10 people signed up for TAFE to come out here!

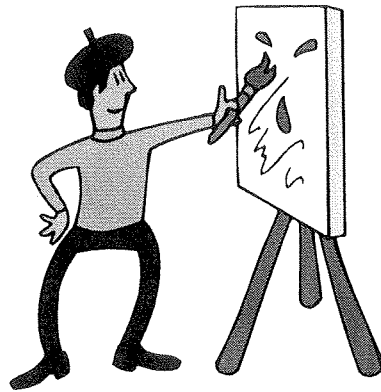
Please give Jenna a call- 9963 4001 ASAP!



Welcome!!



The Shire would like to welcome new staff member Raelene Leads to the office. Rae has moved down the street from BP to become our new Administration/Customer Service Officer.



School Holidays

A fantastic school holiday program is being put together as we speak!!

Activities will include a circus weekend, hip-hop workshops, a beach party and pool activities PLUS the Youth Centre will be re-opening and we will be having movie nights and other stuff!

Keep your eyes on the notice boards for timetables and details coming very soon!

ATTENTION COMMUNITY GROUPS!

Volunteers needed to run food/drink stalls at Australia Day Fireworks

Great Fundraising Opportunity !

Interested? Call Jenna @ the Shire

Christmas Holiday

The Shire of Mount Magnet Office and Library will be closed from

Saturday 23rd December -Wednesday 3rd January

Centrelink will operate from the mines department during this period.

For emergencies please contact CEO Peter McConnell on 99634072 or 0427808800



Swimming Pool Hours



The Pool will remain open for normal hours during the Christmas period, except closing for Christmas and New Years Day mornings.

**POOL WILL BE OPEN CHRISTMAS
DAY and NEW YEARS DAY
AFTERNOONS!!!!**

Come down and cool off over the holidays!

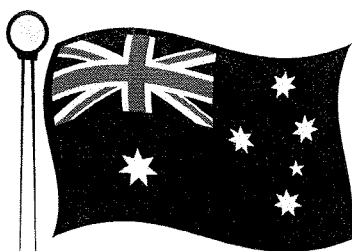
Next Ordinary Council Meeting

22nd December 2006

1pm Council Chambers

AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST

Everyone is welcome to come down and enjoy a cooked breakfast and see the presentations of Citizen of the Year and Christmas Light Awards.



Rec Centre

Friday 26th January

9am- 11:30am



*Shire of Mount Magnet Council and Staff
would like to wish all residents a
**Merry Christmas and a
Safe and Happy New Year!***