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COUNCIL Comments

JANUARY & FEBRUARY

What's Inside?

- **2017 Australia Day Celebrations**
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SHIRE OF
MOUNT MAGNET

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9.00AM to 4.00PM
Monday to Friday

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Jason Homewood:	0427351952
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Carole Minney:	0447074220
Joe O'Brien:	0429906899



MEETING DATES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Next meeting for the
SHIRE OF MOUNT MAGNET

Shall be held on:

FRIDAY, 31 MARCH 2017

Commencing at 1:00pm

Council Chambers, 90 Hepburn Street, Mount Magnet

Agenda available online at <http://www.mtmagnet.wa.gov.au/>

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

Next meeting of the

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

Shall be held on:

TUESDAY, 14 MARCH 2017

Commencing at 12:30am

Council Chambers, 90 Hepburn Street, Mount Magnet

Agenda available online at <http://www.mtmagnet.wa.gov.au/>



MOUNT MAGNET FITNESS CENTRE



Phone: (08) 99633 000 Fax: (08) 9963 4133

shire@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au

Membership Fees & Charges

Annual \$ 400.00

Monthly \$ 40.00

Weekly \$ 11.00

Bond - Access Card \$ 50.00

(refundable on return of access card)

7 Days: 4:00am to 10:00pm



MOUNT MAGNET VISITOR CENTRE



Phone: (08) 9963 4172 Fax: (08) 9963 4289

visitor@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au

"Hub of the Murchison"

- * Statewide Information
- * Brochures
- * Gift Shop
- * Maps
- * Internet Access
- * Rock Exhibition

Entry into the Mining & Pastoral Museum



Monday Wednesday Friday
10:00am to 3:00pm



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Phone: (08) 9963 4198 Fax: (08) 9963 4961

caravanpark@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au

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- * Unpowered Sites
- * 12 Single Units
- * 7 Ensuite Units
- * Potable Water
- * Pet Friendly



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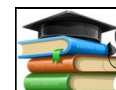
library@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au

"Reading is dreaming with open eyes"

- * Inter Library Loans
- * e-Library
- * Audio Books/DVD's
- * Book Exchange
- * Oral History Program
- * Internet Access



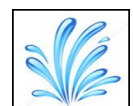
Tuesday to Friday
From 12:30pm to 4:00pm



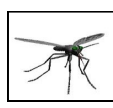
Memorial Swimming POOL



	Mornings	Afternoons
Sun, Wed, Sat	Closed	12pm - 7pm
Mon & Fri	10:30am - 7pm	
Tue & Thur	6am - 7am	12pm - 7pm



Phone: (08) 9963 4124
pool@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au



Mosquito CONTROL



The Shire of Mount Magnet fogs for mosquitoes on a weekly basis (weather permitting) between 6:30 and 8:00pm. The Caravan Park grounds are fogged between 7:30pm and 8:00pm.

Please be mindful of this when you are preparing food or eating. The fogger has a plume of fog trailing from it and makes a distinctive putt putt sound (loud).

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Christmas/New Year break has come and gone and the life at the Shire continues as normal.

There was no meeting in January 2017 and consequently a lot of business was carried out at the meeting on 24 February 2017. The main items of business were to advise Council that new Accounting and IT contractors have been appointed to the respective roles.

The Council addressed the issue of the withdrawal by the Transport Department of the license and stamp duty concessions granted to local governments. This will cost the Shire around \$40,000 which in terms of rate increase is about 3.5%. It seems the Government is not inclined to reverse this decision or even phase it in.

There were many other matters discussed and determined and in order for you to keep in touch with Council matters you are encouraged to attend meetings. Meetings are held on the last Friday of the month commencing at 1.00PM at the Council Chambers.

Finally I would again like to emphasise that all dogs in town must be licensed and micro-chipped and kept from wandering. There have been sheep losses to what appears to be "town dogs".

This is my last article as I leave on Friday, 17 March 2017 and the new Chief Executive Officer Mr Adam Majid starts work on Monday, 13 March 2017.

Eddie Piper
Chief Executive Officer (Acting)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA NATURAL DISASTER RELIEF AND RECOVERY ARRANGEMENTS (WANDRRA) FLOODING IN WA (JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2017)

WANDRRA Information update

The WANDRRA scheme offers a range of assistance measures. Each category has specific criteria and eligibility requirements. Understanding if you qualify for assistance can be hard as each individual situation is different. Support is available to help flood affected communities.

The WANDRRA team are available on (08) 6552 6250 or 6552 5088, or by email WANDRRA@oem.wa.gov.au to help you decide if you qualify for any assistance. Please visit <https://www.oem.wa.gov.au/funding/wandrri> for full details.

SKIPPERS NEW PERTH – MOUNT MAGNET TIMETABLE
(P) 1300 729 924 (W) <http://www.skippers.com.au>

SUNDAY – No Flights Scheduled

MONDAY

Flight no.	Depart	Time	Arrive	Time
JW3033	Mt Magnet	8:20am	Perth	9:20am
JW3034	Perth	3:00pm	Mt Magnet	4:10pm

TUESDAY – No Flights Scheduled

WEDNESDAY

Flight no.	Depart	Time	Arrive	Time
JW1935	Perth	7:35am	Mt Magnet	8:55am
	Mt Magnet	9:25am	Meekatharra	10:00am
	Meekatharra	10:30am	Wiluna	11:00am
	Wiluna	11:30am	Perth	13:15pm

THURSDAY – No Flights Scheduled

FRIDAY

Flight no.	Depart	Time	Arrive	Time
JW3033	Mt Magnet	8.40am	Perth	9.50am
JW3034	Perth	3.00pm	Mt Magnet	4.10pm

SATURDAY – No Flights Scheduled

Skippers
WA's Truly Regional Airline

REGISTRATIONS

All dogs and cats residing in the Shire of Mount Magnet must be registered. All dogs and cats over 3 months old need to be registered.

Sterilized	Full	Concession
1 Year	\$20.00	\$10.00
3 Years	\$42.50	\$21.25
LIFETIME	\$120 (Dogs only)	

Unsterilized	Full	Concession
1 Year	\$50.00	\$25.00
3 Years	\$120.00	\$60.00
LIFETIME	\$120 (Dogs only)	

Pensioner concession card to be shown at time of registration. A 25% concession is available for dogs registered as working cattle or sheep dogs (Proof must be supplied at time of registration).



CATS & DOGS



FIREBREAKS

FIREBREAKS ORDER **By Order of the Council**

Firebreaks within the Shire of Mount Magnet must be maintained for the period 1 October 2016 to 30 April 2017:

Restrictive Burning Period
1 Oct 2016 to 14 Dec 2016
(Permit required).

Prohibited Burning Period
15 Dec 2016 to 31 Mar 2017
(No open fires).

Restrictive Burning Period
1 Apr 2017 to 30 Apr 2017
(Permit required).

Unrestricted Period
01 May 2017 to 30 Sep 2017
(No permit Required).



HISTORY

DRAWN TO MT MAGNET **WANNARS * DOLLY POTS * SHEARS**



“Featuring an extensive range of photographs, the stories examine the heritage of local Indigenous, pastoral and prospecting communities which developed the township of Mount Magnet.” Available at the Shire Office or at the Visitor Centre.

SOFT COVER \$50

SECOND EDITION



Australia Day 26 January 2017



Council wish to thank all involved for their contribution to Australia Day 2017 Celebrations at the Pool.

On behalf of the Mount Magnet Historical Society and its Members we wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to our nominee for your appreciation of our efforts. We are pleased, honoured and humbled to accept our award.

Kevin Brand.

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

On 26 January 2017 we were very privileged to have **Mrs Varisara Young** with us seeking to become an Australian citizen. On behalf of all Australians, Council congratulate Mrs Young and wish her well in her future endeavours.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

One of the highlights of Australia Day is the Australia Day Awards. This year in Mount Magnet there are three (3) awards:

Mrs Bernie Kop

(Citizen of the Year Award)

"For her commitment and enthusiasm to the youth in town. Donating her own time previously with Basketball and the most recent time towards Beauty Class at MMDHS which the kids thoroughly enjoyed".

Mr Ron Ashlin

(Senior Citizen of the Year Award)

"Ron has shown huge generosity to our Shire with his donations of an impressive rock display. He has been an integral part of Astro Rocks Fest over the years. Always passing on his vast knowledge to visitors, tourists, locals and like-minded people."

Mount Magnet St John Ambulance Sub Centre

(Active Citizenship Award for a Community Group)

"This year Mount Magnet SJA have contributed significantly to the community of Mount Magnet. Since January 2016, Mount Magnet have completed 192 jobs - every single job that came through Triple 0 was answered with a crew.

Karen Moyle, Marise Dudley & the Mount Magnet Historical Society (Inc) were awarded Certificates of Appreciation for their significant contribution or services to the community.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

Winners of the 2016 Christmas Lights Competition were announced:

Best Residential Display	- Ms Gwenda Little
1 st Runner-up	- Ms Kristine
2 nd Runner-up	- Ms Brenda Gibson
3 rd Runner-up	- Mrs Maria Smith
4 th Runner-up	- Ms Noreen Brockman
5 th Runner-up	- Jade & Norm De Gray



MOUNT MAGNET POLICE BEAT

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Dear Residents,

December 2016 and January 2017 has been a busy period for the town and ourselves which is typical during the school holiday's as we often find our crime statistics increase over the holiday periods.

A lot of these crimes involve a number of local youths but also include a number passing through or staying with family in town for awhile.

These youths range from 8 years through to 18 years of age. The same youths have been sighted and spoken to and/or taken home during the wee small hours.

Local business owners, residents, tourists and Police alike suffer during such times either financially due to damage, items being stolen or personally by having personal items stolen or damaged.

These incidents affect community spirit and the town not only aesthetically for people passing through and the residents who happen to live here but the tourists and workers who bring their well wanted cash to the community without which Mount Magnet would become a ghost town.

Disappointed tourists who have had their vehicle window smashed and had items stolen will leave Magnet with a sour taste in their mouths and will inevitably tell others who in turn will pass through Mount Magnet as quickly as a curry passes through me and with them any potential revenue for the town's businesses and shire.

The problem does not just lie with the Police who believe it or not do think of themselves as part of the community and feel the pain the community suffers because of the mindlessness of a small group of "wannabe gangsters". It is not just one department's issue. We as Police do try our very best and yes we don't always get things right but we learn and adapt.

Police like the general public know who these youths are but we cannot just go up to them and accuse them without proof. The Police need evidence and are an evidence led organisation. To get someone charged with an offence requires evidence and enough to put the case to a Magistrate and prove beyond reasonable doubt...any doubt and the case fails.

Again this can be frustrating for all and I can assure the good people of Mount Magnet that the local Police feel the same frustration at times.

Good Parenting is what's required for a start. Do you know where your kids are at all times and if not why not? There has been instances that children as young as 8 years old are on the streets of Mount Magnet at 3 am....my goodness how can that be in this day and age....where is the parent/parents and/or responsible persons at that ungodly hour?

Why should others suffer because a parent is not parenting and doesn't know where their children are?



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I know it's not just about parenting but good parenting and parents taking responsibility would certainly help with the issues we have been and still are dealing with.

It's all about taking small steps so let's take them and keep Mount Magnet going forward in a positive way.

After a recent spate of graffiti and as the picture say's grow up and stop making your town look terrible. If you are dying to express or improve your writing talent, spelling and colouring, try going to school more often. They let you write, spell and colour until your hearts content.

Martin REID
Senior Constable
Mount Magnet Police Station

State Graffiti Taskforce

Only babies scribble on walls
Grow up and stop the graffiti

Report graffiti
www.goodbyegrffiti.wa.gov.au



Help us spread the message that could save people's lives this bushfire season...

You **CANNOT** rely on scheme water during a bushfire

Residents living in or near bushland are reminded that they cannot rely on public water supplies if they plan to stay and defend their homes during a bushfire.

If you plan to stay and defend your home you must have an INDEPENDENT water supply and pumping capability. Scheme water may not be available due to damaged infrastructure, extreme demand depleting supply and pressure, or a cut to power which is used to pump water.

**ARE YOU
BUSHFIRE
READY?**

areyouready.wa.gov.au

Water Corporation has made preparations for the 2016-17 bushfire season by readying equipment and systems to cope with extreme conditions. Despite these efforts, it is likely there will be a reduction in water pressure, and scheme water supply tanks may run empty in the event of fire.

For more information about preparing a bushfire survival plan and what you will need to actively defend your home, visit the Department of Fire and Emergency Services website www.emergency.wa.gov.au/prepare

A message from the Department of Water

The Department of Water has advised people in bushfire prone areas with bores and access to surface water that they can take and store water to support bushfire plans.

For more information on how the Department of Water's rules support bushfire preparedness, visit www.water.wa.gov.au/fireplanning

Emergency Numbers

Fire or life threatening emergencies	000
SES Emergency Assistance	132 500
Emergency Information	13 DFES (13 13 37)

watercorporation.com.au
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MT MAGNET HEALTH CENTRE
 22 Welcome Street, Mount Magnet
 P: (08) 9963 3100 F: (08) 9963 3150
 E: debora.oliphant@health.wa.gov.au

March 2017	
Podiatrist	20 th
Physiotherapist	28 th
Child Health	7 th , 13-14 th , 20 th , 27-28 th
Paediatrician	TBA
Optometrist	TBA
Dietician	TBA
Audiologist	TBA
Psychologist	13-15 th , 27-29 th

GRAMS OUTREACH
 56 Attwood Street, Mount Magnet
 P: (08) 9940 3220 F: (08) 9963 4311
 E: Thelma.Kelly@grams.asn.au

March 2017	
Dr Anna Stuart	8 th & 9 th
Cardiologist	TBA
Psychologist	3 rd
Diabetes Nurse	14 th
Podiatrist	20 th
Hearing	TBA
Dentist	TBA
Dietician	20 th
Midwife	7 th
Sonographer	7 th

WALK-INS - WED & THUR MORNINGS
 No appointment necessary, first in first served. - If not seen before lunch time

MURCHISON DENTAL SERVICES
 M: 0427 386 647

2017 Schedule		
Town	1st Day	Final Day
Mt Magnet	21-Feb-17	02-Mar-17
Yalgoo	28-Mar-17	06-Apr-17
Meekatharra	26-Apr-17	11-May-17
Mt Magnet	23-May-17	02-Jun-17
Sandstone	06-Jun-17	08-Jun-17
Meekatharra	20-Jun-17	29-Jun-17
Cue	18-Jul-17	27-Jul-17
Burringurrah	07-Aug-17	11-Aug-17
Meekatharra	14-Aug-17	24-Aug-17
Mt Magnet	12-Sep-17	21-Sep-17
Meekatharra	10-Oct-17	19-Oct-17
Mt Magnet	07-Nov-17	23-Nov-17
Meekatharra	12-Dec-17	21-Dec-17

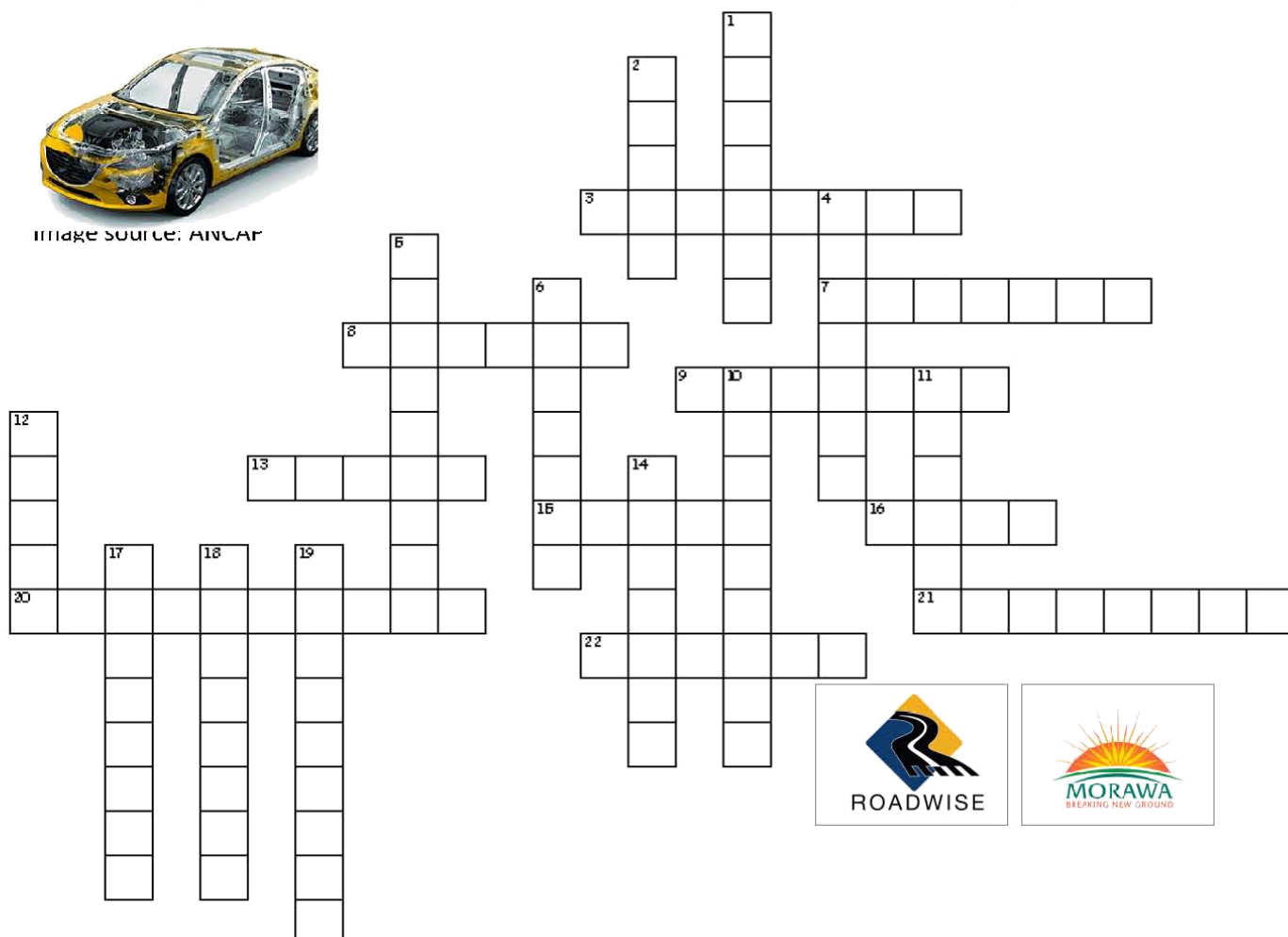
**ATYEO'S ENVIRONMENTAL
 HEALTH SERVICES**
 P: (08) 9963 3000 F: (08) 9963 4133
 E: aehswa@gmail.com

2017 Schedule	
1st Day	Final Day
23-Jan-17	25-Jan-17
13-Feb-17	17-Feb-17
13-Mar-17	17-Mar-17
10-Apr-17	13-Apr-17
8-May-17	12-May-17
12-Jun-17	16-Jun-17
10-Jul-17	14-Jul-17
7-Aug-17	11-Aug-17
September - No Scheduled Visit	
16-Oct-17	20-Oct-17
13-Nov-17	17-Nov-17
11-Dec-17	15-Dec-17

How good is your car crossword



Image source: ANCAP



Across

3. A seat belt ----- system alerts the driver when a seat belt is not being worn
7. For ----- safety buy cars with front, side, curtain and knee airbags
8. Auto Emergency Braking (AEB) can apply the ----- to avoid a crash
9. A white car is more ----- than a darker coloured car
13. Three point lap/sash seat ----- are safer than two point lap seat -----
15. ABS is particularly useful on ----- surfaces or in wet conditions
16. Head rests help to prevent ---- lash in rear end crashes
20. Active head restraints assist in ----- injuries during a rear-end crash
21. ESC reduces the danger of ----- when a driver over-steers
22. Cars with ANCAP 5-star ----- are safer in a crash than lower rated vehicles

Down

1. An Anti-lock Braking System (ABS) prevents the wheels from ----- while braking
2. Crumple ----- in new vehicles absorb crash energy to protect occupants
4. Crash test ----- are used to measure likely injuries during a crash
5. ESC can detect that the vehicle is not travelling in the ----- intended
6. If you have a safe -----, you still need to drive with care
10. Structural ----- is important for the shell of a vehicle
11. Daytime Running ----- (DRLs) make vehicles more visible
12. Australasian New Car Assessment Program
14. If buying a troop carrier choose one with ----- facing seats
17. Check what safety ----- your vehicle has
18. Modern ----- can have up to 8 or more airbags
19. Electronic ----- Control (ESC) reduces the risk of a driver losing control of the vehicle

For more information and answers to clues visit the following source ANCAP website;

- ANCAP <https://www.ancap.com.au/safety-ratings>

If you are interested in road safety in your area or finding more about RoadWise committees, please contact Samantha Adams email; sadams@walga.asn.au, mob; 0419 953 583, or web; www.roadwise.asn.au