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COUNCIL Comments

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Hello residents and readers

I trust everyone had a happy, safe and enjoyable Easter holiday. For the town, it was good to see many tourists choosing to stop and stay and enjoy our beautiful surrounds. As the temperatures continue to drop, and like all years previous, more and more tourists will be stopping which will be great for all our local businesses.

ANZAC day in Mount Magnet was a beautiful day with both a dawn and lunch time services conducted. On behalf of the Shire, I would like thank all of those who attended, and especially, all of those involved in the preparation and delivery of the services. I would especially like to thank Mr Kent Lucy for being the front man and his thoughtful, well researched speeches which help to provide such depth to the meaning of ANZAC.

The month of April was rounded off with the first race meet of the year from the Mount Magnet Race Club. The weather was fantastic and the community cheer was even more so. Congratulations to all members of the Race Club for putting on a fantastic day and I am looking forward to the next meet later in the year.

On the business front, Council had its meeting on Friday 28 April of which one item for discussion needs mentioning. Every year local governments are required to set its fees and charges for the financial year and Council has resolved to adopt the charges for the coming 2017/18 year. Many charges experienced no change at all; however, other charges have had to increase to reflect the true costs of services. The fees and charges will be advertised in the coming weeks so I encourage you all to review where possible.

I must also comment that I have met with Horizon Power in relation to the consistent "brown-outs" that have been occurring. It was an insightful meeting of which I am sure their proposed solutions will improve the issues at hand. I have been provided with a written summary which you will be able to read further back in this edition.

There are some interesting events happening in the month of May which are noted in this edition. I look forward to seeing you at those events.

Adam Majid
Chief Executive Officer

MEETING DATES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Next Meeting to be held on
FRIDAY, 26 May 2017

Commencing at 1:00pm
Council Chambers, 90 Hepburn Street, Mount Magnet

Agenda available online at www.mtmagnet.wa.gov.au

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

Next Meeting to be held on
TUESDAY 13 June 2017

Commencing at 1:00pm
Council Chambers, 90 Hepburn Street, Mount Magnet

Agenda available online at www.mtmagnet.wa.gov.au

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SUNDAY – No Flights Scheduled

MONDAY

Flight no.	Depart	Time	Arrive	Time
HK3033	Mt Magnet	8:10am	Perth	9:20am
HK3034	Perth	3:00pm	Mt Magnet	4:10pm

TUESDAY – No Flights Scheduled

WEDNESDAY

Flight no.	Depart	Time	Arrive	Time
HK1935	Perth	7:35am	Mt Magnet	8:55am
	Mt Magnet	9:25am	Meekatharra	10:00am
	Meekatharra	10:45am	Wiluna	11:15am
	Wiluna	12:00pm	Perth	13:45pm

THURSDAY – No Flights Scheduled

FRIDAY

Flight no.	Depart	Time	Arrive	Time
HK3033	Mt Magnet	8.40am	Perth	9.50am
HK3034	Perth	3.00pm	Mt Magnet	4.10pm

SATURDAY – No Flights Scheduled

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REGISTRATIONS

All dogs and all cats residing in the Shire of Mount Magnet must be registered. All dogs and cats over 3 months old need to be registered. Shire of Mount Magnet Schedule of Fees & Charges are as follows:

Unsterilised	Fee/Charge	GST	16-17 RATE
-1 year	50.00	-	50.00
-3 years	120.00	-	120.00
-Lifetime	250.00	-	250.00

Sterilised	Fee/Charge	GST	16-17 RATE
-1 year	20.00	-	20.00
-3 years	42.50	-	42.50
-Lifetime	100.00	-	100.00

Concessions

Pensioner - 50% of above fees.

Working dog - 25% of above fees.

Registration after May 31 in every year - 50% of registration year.



CATS & DOGS





INVITATION

Badimaya Book Launch

Nganang Badimaya Wangga: Yarns with Gami Ollie George

Over the past five years, the Bundiyarra-Irra Wangga Language Centre has worked with one of the last fluent Badimaya Language speakers left on country. Gami Ollie George has told his story to linguists Rosie Sitorus and James Bednall and it has been recorded and captured in Badimaya and English in this stunning book produced by the Bundiyarra-Irra Wangga Language Centre.

You are invited to join Gami Ollie, his family and community for the launch of his book of yarns about his journey growing up on Badimaya Country.

Wednesday, 24 May 2017

11am - 2pm

Kirkalocka Station, via Mount Magnet

RSVP to Jenni or Nadine on 9920 7900

by Wednesday, 17 May 2017

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED



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This activity was supported by the Australian Government's Indigenous Languages and Arts Program and the City of Greater Geraldton. This program is supported by the Departments of Culture and the Arts and Regional Development, Royalties for Regions and Country Arts WA.

HISTORY

DRAWN TO MT MAGNET

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SECOND EDITION

ANZAC Day 2017

As the sun rose in Mount Magnet on Tuesday 25 April 2017 the ANZAC dawn service commenced at the Anzac Memorial Gardens. The large crowd who attended the service portrayed the unspoken respect and honour of our veterans on this solemn day of remembrance.

During the service forty three members from the audience were called upon to place a poppy on our honour board to remember those from our district who joined the forces to fight for our freedom. From here a guard of honour was formed whilst a very moving poem of Flanders Field was recited.

Prior to the day the hall was decorated with war stories, books, posters and memorabilia collected from community members. The students from Mount Magnet District High School again provided a huge display of artwork and stories and were highly commended for their fantastic work.

After the service a huge barbecue breakfast with beans was served in the Anzac Hall where locals and visitors praised the displays and were able to converse and reflect on this remembrance day.

The Anzac Day morning service commenced with the march from the Police Station down the main street to form outside the Anzac Memorial Gardens where another large crowd attended. The service was opened by Mr Kent Lucy and whilst the instrumental music of Flanders Field played forty three participants from the crowd were again called upon to join together in the garden amongst the rows of poppies in the lawn.

During this service we had the extreme honour of Mr Graham Morphett on the bugle for The Last Post and The Rouse. We cannot thank him enough for his special contribution to our ANZAC day.

After the service lunch was served and was thoroughly enjoyed by those who attended and again enjoyed the atmosphere of the hall.

The Anzac Day services held in Mount Magnet hold a special place in our hearts and show a reflection of our community spirit. We come together on this day to remember, respect and honour all those who have involved or affected by war.

‘LEST WE FORGET’



ANZAC Day In Pictures



MEETING WITH HORIZON POWER

On 26 April 2017, the Shire CEO met with representatives of Horizon Power in regards to the intermittent outages. Horizon Power were asked to provide a written summary which is provided below for the benefit of community knowledge.

The town of Mount Magnet has been experiencing a spate of town outages in recent months. Although these outages have lasted only for a few seconds they are causing much frustration to the residents and the businesses operating in this region. The cause of this outage has been identified as a peak load caused by automatic start of a 55kW pump under very lightly loaded conditions.

The pump has been in situ for several years however outage is being caused as there is less spinning reserve available in the new power station for handling peak demand in order to run the station with higher efficiency. Spinning reserve is essentially spare on-line capacity which is drawn upon when demand increases quickly

Horizon Power is working with Water Corporation and the Independent Power Producer Contract Power to determine a long term solution for this problem.

Water Corporation

The pump station has an auto start mechanism that turns the pump based on water level in the tank. Water Corporation has implemented an interim solution which inhibits the pump from starting between 9.30am -3.30 pm when the town is lightly loaded.

This is the time during the day when the load is less and the outages are more commonly occurring.

IPP (Contract Power)

In the short term the IPP has implemented control changes to increase the amount of time that additional generators are online and can be run at lighter loads.

The IPP permanent solution will be the installation of a battery (energy Storage) for the enhancement and optimisation of spinning reserve.

Attention: Ladies

**We have gone from WIG to WAG and a few in between
but now we have a name for our new group**

W O M E N

"Women of Midwest Evolve NOW"

**A committee is needed to become an associated body and we now ask
for the support of all the wonderful women in our community.**

Please come along and join us for our

**1st Annual General Meeting
Friday 19 May 2017
6.00pm
Commercial Hotel**

**Looking forward to seeing you there!!
'Embrace Engage Enjoy'**



MOUNT MAGNET POLICE BEAT

MtMagnetPolStnSMail@police.wa.gov.au



Hi.

After 6 weeks here I am quickly gaining a better acceptance of my position and the challenges facing local police. The month of April 2017 has seen some interesting days and at times very busy for local police.

The Mt Magnet Police Station has been fortunate to finally obtain a 6th staff member, a new female officer will be joining us soon. This will greatly assist station numbers and our ability to police the sub-district, (incorporates Paynes Find, Sandstone.)

Friday 21st April Mt Magnet witnessed one of the largest family funerals of a respected local elder seen in Mt Magnet for many years. At the initial request of the family, police in partnership with local licensees and as part of the local Liquor Accord implemented a Liquor Restrictions Notice in an attempt to curb the excessive alcohol abuse with large numbers of family and friends coming into town. The day went without incident until unfortunately in the early hours of Saturday morning (you may have been awoken) police were called out to numerous street fights erupting around the town, several persons have been charged for fighting and disorderly offences.

Police will not accept disorderly behaviour, we can serve on the spot \$500 fines, arrest or summons to court. We aim to keep the streets safe for all and will prosecute where possible.

Police efforts resulted in 17 persons being charged in March, for the month of April we have preferred 19 charges, the previous 12 months the station averaged 8 per month. A large increase and evidence that local police are working to address crime issues and improve community safety and harmony.

Your police are part of the community and we rely upon reliable credible information to address criminal activity, we are always keen to hear from you. Please be aware of the [Crimestoppers 1800 333 000](https://www.crimestoppers.com.au).

Locally we promote and advertise our efforts on Twitter, I strongly encourage you all to join our twitter account [Mount Magnet Police@MtMagnetPol](https://twitter.com/MtMagnetPol). This site is linked to the [Mid West-Gascoyne District WA Police Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/MtMagnetPolice), it is the best forum for the Mt Magnet community to view your local Police activities, including law and order issues. Both sites are informative and can provide an accurate oversight of factual information.

We remain committed with the Shire to implement future programs for youth, this can be a slow formal process, grant funding etc. We hope to activate recreational evening programs soon and provide local youth positive activities rather than walking the streets, resulting in anti-social behaviour, ginging, damaging property, graffiti etc.

Compliments to the Shire and all involved for the excellent Anzac Day Dawn Service and morning March, great to see so many locals joined by a large number of mining workers.

It is a special day and great to see local veteran's present, special thankyou to Kent Lucy (Town Butcher) for his leading role during the ceremony.

Further congratulations to the Mount Magnet Race Club, a great community event that was well organised and went without incident. Good to see so many socialising and enjoying the day.

Mike DEARNLEY
Sergeant - Officer in Charge
Mount Magnet Police Station





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14th May 2017



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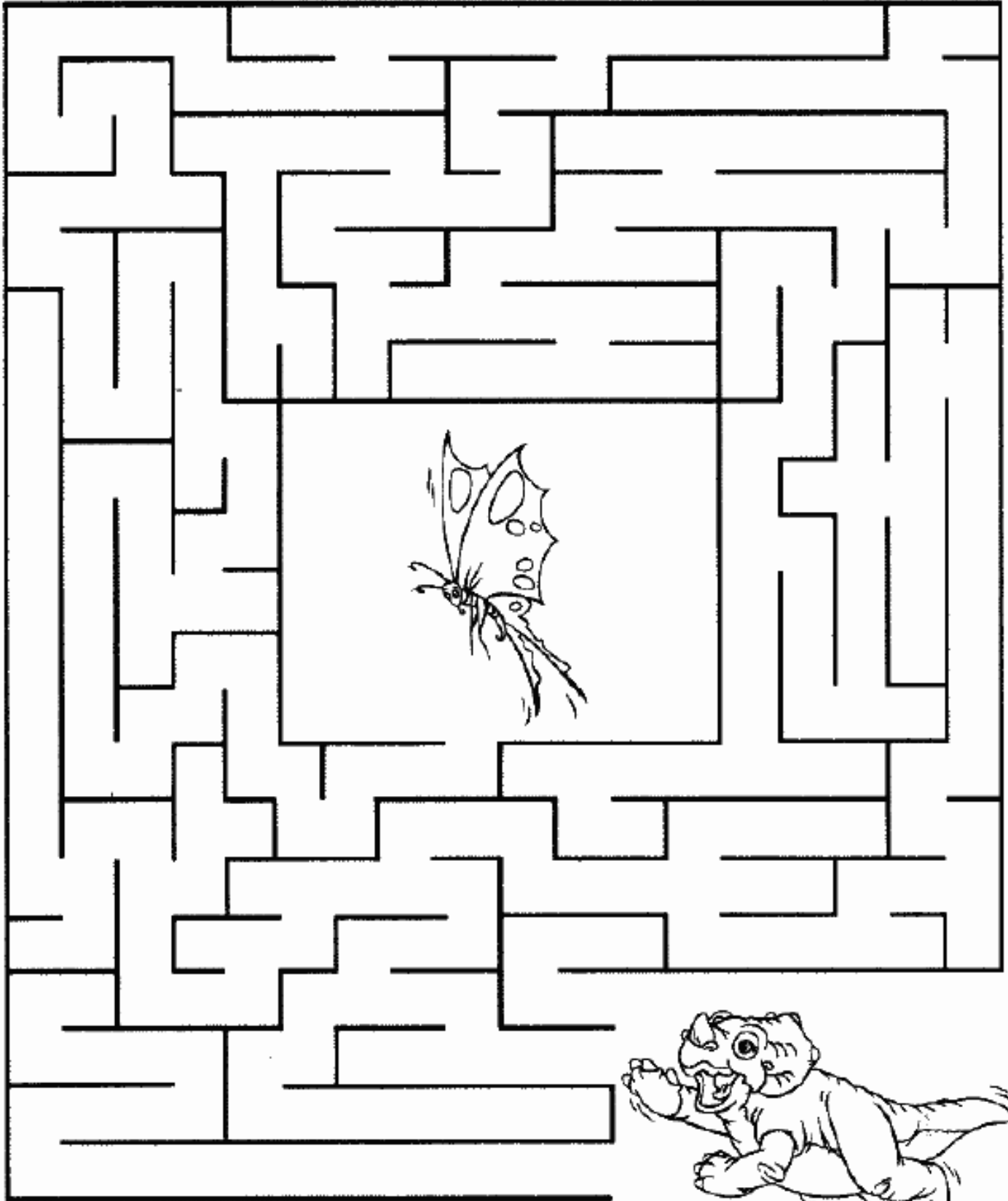


COMMUNITY GROUPS

Group	Contact no.
Bidi Bidi Centre	9963 4508
Freemasons Zenith Lodge	9963 4004
Isolated Children's Parent's Association	9963 5828
Mount Magnet Aboriginal Corporation	0447 074 220
Mount Magnet District High School	9963 4081
Mount Magnet Gymkhana Club	0407 572 208
Mount Magnet Historical Society	9963 4244
Mount Magnet Markets	0400 711 615
Mount Magnet Op Shop	9963 4244
Mount Magnet Race Club	9963 5361
Mount Magnet Seniors Group	0400 711 615
St Johns Ambulance Association	0437 681 562
Presbyterian Inland Mission	9963 4125
Rangeland Fibre & Produce Association	9963 5827
St Brigid's Catholic Church	9963 4179
WACRH	0424 414 744

KIDS CORNER

Help Cera catch the butterfly.



Mother's Day Word Search

G	L	L	O	F	B	E	F	H	C	Z	R	Z	L	P
W	N	P	J	R	P	S	X	E	A	E	E	U	U	R
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11am -1pm (Free Workshop)



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CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA 2017



The Shire of Mount Magnet held a 3 day Clean up of the town commencing on Thursday 6th April 2017 with a kerbside collection of large items.

Friday saw the removal of a total of 13 derelict vehicles.
A huge thank you to the Works crew for making this possible.

On Saturday 8th April we had 18 keen volunteers register and set out with gloves and bags to tidy our town. They set out at 8.30am and did a 2 hour clean up picking up several bags of litter.
After the clean up the participants enjoyed a well deserved sausage sizzle.

A **huge thank you** to all the volunteers and Shire Works crew for helping keep our town clean and tidy.



2nd Ladies Day

Save The Date

Saturday 24th June

More details to follow soon

“Bags and Bling”

Embrace Engage Enjoy



**BLING
bling**

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please contact us*



*We will be looking for old hand
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Mount Magnet Post Office*

Contact Jade 99634219

Council Comments is published on the first Friday of each month. If you would like to advertise a community event please contact the Shire office on 9963 3000 or email the details to shire@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au. Adverts must be received by 3pm on Thursday prior to publication.

WHAT'S ON

May 2017

Mon

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1	2 <i>Seniors Lunch</i>	3	4 <i>Op Shop 1.00 - 2.30pm</i>	5	6	7 <i>Presbyterian Service 9.30am St Brigids Liturgy 10.00am</i>
8	9 <i>Seniors Lunch</i>	10	11 <i>Ray Ryder Concert Op Shop 1.00 - 2.30pm</i>	12	13	14 <i>MOTHERS DAY Presbyterian Service 9.30am St Brigids Liturgy 10.00am</i>
15	16 <i>Seniors Lunch</i>	17	18 <i>Op Shop 1.00 - 2.30pm</i>	19	20	21 <i>Presbyterian Service 9.30am St Brigids Liturgy 10.00am</i>
22 <i>Free Garden Wise Workshop</i>	23 <i>Seniors Lunch</i>	24	25 <i>Op Shop 1.00 - 2.30pm</i>	26 <i>Council Meeting</i>	27	28 <i>Presbyterian Service 9.30am St Brigids Liturgy 10.00am</i>
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