

COUNCIL CATCH-UP

Message from the Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi



Winter is upon us and with that comes the icy weather. I would like to take the opportunity to remind road users in the area to take care in the changed conditions - slow down, use your lights and drive with caution.

We are of course coming up to the anticipated Queens Birthday public holiday and as you can read below, Griffith is in for a massive weekend of markets, special events, exhibitions and much more.

If you are traveling out of the region, please take extra precautions. Many people take to the roads over long weekends, increasing the risk of accidents. Ensure you take regular breaks,

drive to the conditions and arrive alive.

Of course with the public holiday comes double demerits. Double demerits start midnight Friday 7 June and run through to Monday 10 June (inclusive).

Over this weekend there are several sporting activities taking place, demonstrating the need for our Sporting Precinct. It is a very exciting time for sport in Griffith, and we are working towards having the tender documents out soon.

Griffith Regional Theatre's local production of Legally Blonde has hit the stage and what a production it is! I would like to congratulate the Theatre staff,

performers, back stage staff, and everyone involved in this fantastic musical - if you haven't seen it, be sure to get your tickets at griffithregionaltheatre.com.au

Griffith Sale Yards has set a new Australian record with lambs at the Friday Griffith sheep sale making \$345 a head. The 10-month old lambs averaged 92kg and were from Kikoira near Lake Cargelligo. This comes after Wagga set a high of \$315 last month. It's pleasing to see strong prices for our farmers during the drought with their ever increasing feed and running costs.

Work is continuing on Yambil Street and while this is an inconvenience to road users, it

will be worth it once completed. I would like to remind drivers that there is limited parking, however many businesses can be accessed from Banna Lane. We ask that people always respect the road rules as it is imperative that people refrain from parking across driveways which is not only illegal, but dangerous.

It's good news for the Griffith community as Sharp Airlines prepares to commence direct flights between Griffith and Melbourne from Monday 15 July 2019.

Sharp Airlines has partnered with Australian regional airline investment and marketing specialist EastWest Aviation in

developing the service. Sharp will operate 12 weekly services between Griffith and Melbourne (Essendon) providing over 11,000 seats a year. This is an important new service that will benefit the residents of Griffith and surrounding regions. Longevity of this service is dependent on patronage and I encourage businesses and the community to support it.

Regards,
Councillor John Dal Broi
Mayor

Busy weekend ahead for Griffith

Griffith knows how to put on a show and this June long weekend is no exception according to Councillor Christine Stead, Chair Tourism Management Committee for Griffith City Council.

"The June long weekend is always a big one for Griffith and we are really excited about the range of upcoming events," said Councillor Stead.

"From sporting events, winery celebrations and the traditional Shaheedi Tournament, our residents and visitors will not be short of activities."

Saturday 8 & 9 will see Ted Scobie Oval transformed for the Shaheedi Tournament, which the Sikh community host every year. Come along and enjoy traditional Indian cuisine, soccer, tug-o-war, athletic events for the kids, and Kabbadi - a traditional wrestling sport originating from early Indian civilisation.

"Council is pleased to be able to once again support the Shaheedi Tournament, a very important event on our calendar. Every year the event grows with participants and spectators traveling from all over the country attending - I would encourage you to stop by and enjoy the festivities," said Councillor Stead.

The MIA Tennis Tournament is also being held Saturday and Sunday, one of the longest running regional tennis tournaments in NSW. Held at the Noorilla Street Tennis Complex, spectators are welcome to attend with the canteen operating all day and evening meals also available.

What's a June long weekend without Shiraz? Come along to Last Leaf at Yarran Wines on Sunday 9 from 12pm - 5pm and enjoy a drop or two of local wines, live music and plenty of delicious food with thanks to 3

Brothers.

Griffith Regional Art Gallery will be open all weekend, showcasing the spectacular Through our own eyes exhibition featuring the works of three contemporary Aboriginal Artists. The Gallery is open from 10am - 2pm Saturday and Sunday.

Griffith City Library will be open Saturday from 9am - 4pm and is hosting the Art of Aging exhibition as part of the NSW Ageing Strategy 2016-2020 to demonstrate the diversity of older people in NSW. The photographic exhibition celebrates the value, experience and contribution older people bring, and challenges out-dated perceptions of ageing.

Why not take a step back in time and visit Griffith Pioneer Park Museum? Open from 10am - 3pm Saturday, Sunday and 9.30am - 4pm Monday, it's the perfect stop for the entire family. Learn all about the earliest settlers from our region while strolling through the picturesque bush surroundings. Griffith Rotary Markets will be held Sunday morning from - high quality locally grown fruit and vegetables, garden furniture, bread, cakes and slices, fresh flowers, cheese, olive oil and more is on offer at this popular local Market. Located at the Griffith Showgrounds, the market operates from 7am - 12pm.

"This is just a small taste of events happening across the region, but you can see it is once again gearing up to be a memorable long weekend," said Councillor Stead.

"You can view all the events via our website at visitgriffith.com.au or drop in to the Visitor Information Centre on Jondaryan Avenue which is open every day from 9am - 5pm."



More support for Griffith youth

Griffith youth searching for ways to overcome addictive behaviours now have greater access to help.

Justice for Youth (J4Y), in partnership with Griffith City Council, Griffith CDAT and St Vincent's Community Private Hospital, will support young people overcome problematic behaviours with nine (9) new SMART Recovery facilitators now ready to offer practical advice.

SMART Recovery is a FREE group program assisting individuals overcome addiction to drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, gambling, food, shopping, internet games and others.

SMART is a self-managed and recovery treatment where participants own their recovery pathway.

"Guided by qualified facilitators, participants aged 12 to 18 years help themselves and help each other using practical skills, tools and supports to manage their addictive behavior, improve their health and social wellbeing," Sister Tricia Johnson said.

"Motivating young people to support

each other in a group setting increases the chance of positive lifestyle choices."

Starting 17 June the group will meet weekly on a Monday evening at 5pm at PCYC. During the 90 minute meeting participants focus is on their behaviours, identifying goals and setting their own achievable plan for the week ahead.

The aim is to always look forward and not think about the past, instead taking small achievable steps to reach their identified goal.

"The SMART Recovery program has an 83 per cent success rate and we look forward to rolling out the youth focused program," Sister Johnson said.

The first evening will begin with a BBQ. For all inquiries from participants, parents and carers please phone 0437 257 755 or 0409 913 167.

The training was funded by Griffith City Council, St Vincent's Community Private Hospital, Australian Alcohol and Drug Foundation and the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network.



GET connected



Use Council's FREE WIFI Service at:
Griffith City Library,
Griffith Regional Theatre, Griffith Regional Art Gallery, Griffith Visitor Information Centre, Griffith Regional Airport, and Council's Administration Building



POSITIONS VACANT

Are you looking for a rewarding career? Then join our team and make a difference to your community. Griffith City Council offers the chance to work in a stable and secure environment while providing excellent opportunities to develop your skills and career potential. Council is proactive and passionate about creating ongoing opportunities for our growing population. Council is seeking applications from enthusiastic motivated individuals for the following positions:

Marketing and Education Officer (Permanent)

The Marketing and Education Officer is responsible for leading the design and delivery of marketing, promotions and digital engagement goals for the Theatre, Art Gallery and Pioneer Park Museum, reaching marketing and engagement objectives including the development and implementation of the annual marketing plans. Certificate IV in either marketing, business, communications, arts management or similar fields. Substantial experience creating and implementing marketing and advertising campaigns also experience coordinating and implementing education and workshops. Please include copies of all relevant licenses and qualifications with your application. Hours of work are a spread of hours, 38 hours per week Monday to Sunday with a commencement annual salary range from \$65,793.00 to \$72,373.60 (Grade 12) and a rostered day off once a fortnight. If you have any questions, please contact Raina Savage, Regional Arts and Museum Manager on 6962 8100.

Visitor Information Centre Coordinator (Permanent)

The purpose is to manage the operations of the Visitor Information Centre and Tourism hub precinct. To ensure a high quality customer experience as well as assisting the Tourism Manager to increase visitation and expenditure in Griffith & region. The successful applicant will require to hold a Certificate IV in Leadership and Management or equivalent or relevant extensive experience in Office Management, experience in Tourism Operations and or Hospitality and experience in the supervision of staff and rostering. Please include copies of all relevant licenses and qualifications with your application. Hours of work are 35 hours per week with a commencement annual salary range from \$65,793.00 to \$72,373.60 (Grade 12). If you have any questions, please contact Mirella Guidolin on 6962 8100.

Applications for these positions close 4pm Monday 24 June 2019.

To apply or for more information about these positions, log on to griffith.nsw.gov.au or contact Council's Workforce Planning Administrator on 6962 8100. Only those with current rights to work in Australia may apply. *Council is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer and welcomes diversity in the workplace.*

PUBLIC NOTICES

Draft revised Debt Recovery and Rates Processing Management Policies

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 14 May 2019, it was resolved that the draft revised Debt Recovery and Rates Processing Management

Policies be placed on public exhibition for 28 days. Council is required to notify the public and provide the opportunity for submissions regarding these policies. The Debt Recovery and Rates Processing Management Policies may be viewed at the Council Chambers, 1 Benerambah Street Griffith, the Griffith City Library and on Council's website at griffith.nsw.gov.au Anyone wishing to make comment on the above policies can do so in writing addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council. Comments or submissions will be received up to **4pm, Friday, 21 June 2019.**

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Lake Wyangan & Catchment Management (LW&CM) Committee

Council currently has a Community Membership vacancy on the LW&CM Committee. If you possess an interest in the restoration of Lake Wyangan, Council would now encourage you to apply for Community Membership to this Committee. Nomination forms available on Council's website www.griffith.nsw.gov.au under Council Forms or by contacting Council's Senior Governance Officer on 6962 8100. Nominations must be returned by **4pm, Friday 28 June 2019** addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485 Griffith NSW 2680.

NOTICE OF TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Notice is hereby given under the Roads Act 1993, Section 122, for the temporary closing of:

Sara Road between Murray Road and Bob Irvin Road from 11 June until 12 June 2019 for the removal of a water pipeline by Boots Construction. Detours around the worksite will be provided and spotters will be used to assist pedestrian and local residents.

Scott Road between Boorga Road and Kalinda Road. Scott Road will be closed from 6 June until 31 July 2019 for bridge works undertaken by Joss Construction. Access for residents will be provided and speed restrictions will also be in place.

NOTICE OF CLOSURE

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday - Monday June 10 2019

Griffith City Council offices will be closed on Monday 10 June 2019 for the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. The Council offices will re-open on Tuesday 11 June 2019. The following facilities will also be closed on 10 June 2019: Griffith City Library, Griffith Regional Theatre, Griffith Regional Art Gallery, Griffith Regional Aquatic and Leisure Centre, Griffith Stadium and Griffith Saleyards.

The Visitor Information Centre and Griffith Pioneer Park Museum will be open as normal. Emergency only after hours numbers are 02 6964 1160 or 02 6969 4832. For all fire emergencies telephone 000. For emergencies relating to dog attacks or stock on roadways call 0408 210 196.

Waste Collection and kerbside recycling will remain as normal. The Tharbogang Waste Management Centre will be open on the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday.

EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

For Urgent Council issues contact J&J Security:

(AH) 6964 1160	
(BH) 6969 4832	
All fire emergencies	000
SES	13 2500
Country Energy	13 2080
MIA Rural Fire Service	6966 7887

NOTIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED (Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979)

DA No: 101/2019(1)	Applicant: Nazland Partners
	Address: Lot 27 Sec 5 DP 758476, 178 Yambil Street GRIFFITH
	Description: Proposed Commercial Premises

Copies of the Development Application and associated plans are available for inspection at Council's Customer Service Centre located on the ground floor of the Griffith City Council's Administration Building, 1 Benerambah Street, Griffith. This documentation may be viewed between the hours of **8:15am - 4:00pm, Monday to Friday up until 21 June 2019.**

PLEASE NOTE: Section 10.4 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979 requires the disclosure of any Political Donations & Gifts made in the two years prior to the application date. A form is available from Council's Customer Service Centre or Council's website – www.griffith.nsw.gov.au

Written submissions regarding the Development Application should be addressed to the General Manager and will be received by Council up until **4.00pm on Friday 21 June 2019.** Submissions should include a contact name, address and telephone number. Submissions made on behalf of a company should also include the names and addresses of all company directors. If submissions are received raising concerns with the proposed development a report will be presented to an Ordinary Meeting of Council for determination. As such, copies of all submissions (including the writer's name and address) will form part of Council's Business Paper and be available to the public. Should you wish to have your contact details withheld it is recommended that you request this in your submission.

SHOOSH FOR KIDS



Show respect to kids and officials.
Remember, sport should be fun!

Support the campaign by using [#shooshforkids](https://twitter.com/shooshforkids)



SMART Recovery Meeting for 12 to 18 years Australia



TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR ADDICTIVE BEHAVIOURS

Free weekly meetings at Griffith PCYC every Monday

SMART (Self Management and Recovery Training) Recovery is a free group program assisting any problematic behaviours, including drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, gambling, food, shopping, Internet and others. Guided by trained peers and professionals, participants come to help themselves and help each other using a variety of cognitive behaviour therapy (CBT) and motivational tools and techniques.

Visit our website to find out more
www.smartrecoveryaustralia.com.au
Or call 02 9373 5100

Griffith PCYC every Monday from
5pm to 6.30pm
If you require transport please call or text
0437 257 755 or 0409 913 167