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President Neil Guscott

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Public comment sought on rating review

Rating options that could influence how Murrindindi Shire Council sets its future rating categories is on exhibition and open for public comment.

MacroPlan Australia was engaged by Council to review the current rates strategy that was developed in 2009.

Mayor John Walsh said the rates strategy determined how rate revenue is shared across the community and did not determine the amount of money raised through rates. The review proposed a number of options in determining an equitable rating structure as well as opportunities to grow Council's rate base.

"The review explores a range of options Council should consider in terms of economic development and supporting key industries as well as providing indicative bench-marking that compares Murrindindi Shire Council with smaller rural and neighbouring Councils in terms of their rating categories," Cr Walsh said.

"It is important to note that the review only proposes options, and Council has not made any decision on changing its rating structure.

"Alternatively Council could remain with its current rating system.

"However we do recognise there is a need to be proactive and look at the bigger picture in terms of maximising opportunities to grow our ratepayer base into the future.

"There are a number of considerations that Council needs to take into

account including revenue changes following a steep reduction in Government grants as the bushfire rebuilding process comes to an end; the impact of natural disasters on business and communities and their ability to pay; and equity in the existing rating structure between and within the different rating categories of residential, commercial and rural."

The Murrindindi Rating Strategy Review can be downloaded from Council's website

www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au (home/public comment) and copies are available from Council's Alexandra, Yea and Kinglake offices.

The review will remain on public exhibition until Friday 10 August. Comments on the findings of the review will also be accepted until the end of the exhibition period. Written submissions can be made via email at msc@murrindindi.vic.gov.au, or by writing to Murrindindi Shire Council PO Box 138 Alexandra, Victoria 3714.



Grow the Lions Rose

Fully double, creamy white rose was launched at the Lions National Conference in Perth in May.

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The shrub rose can be bought in Australia for \$18.95 (\$79.75 for five plants) from Treloar Roses. Order forms and further information are available at www.treloarroses.com.au

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What's on When in August

Friday 27th July - Intrepid Triangle Bushwalkers - see notice

Saturday 28th July - Dance Night at Taggerty Hall - see notice

Wednesday 1st - Lions Business Meeting 8pm

Thursday 2nd - Buxton Reserve Committee - 7.30 - see notice

Sunday 5th - CFA Buxton - General Meeting - 9.00am
- Sunday Roast- M&DFNC Thank You Lunch

Monday 6th - Narbethong Progress Assoc. Narby Hall - 7.30pm
- Community Dinner, Marysville Golf Club - 6.20pm

Tuesday 7th - SES Training /Meeting - 7.30pm

Sunday 12th - Marysville Community Market

Tuesday 14th - Narbethong History Group Narby Hall - 10am

Wednesday 15th - Lions Dinner Meeting

Thursday 16th - CFA Narbethong - Meeting 8.00pm

Annual General Meeting
Gallipoli Park Precinct
Committee of Management
(Special Committee of Council)



The Gallipoli Park Precinct Committee of Management advises that the
Annual General Meeting will be held Tuesday 28 August 2012, commenc-
ing 5.30pm at the Marysville Community Centre, Gallipoli Park, Marysville.

Murrindindi Shire Council seeks nominations for the following:

Community Representatives (x 3)

All interested persons and user group representatives are invited to attend.

Nomination forms are available from the Murrindindi Shire Council website
www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au and should be forwarded to Co-ordinator
Administration, Lisa Elward, PO Box 138, Alexandra 3714, or email
lelward@murrindindi.vic.gov.au.

Nominations will be accepted until 5pm on Monday, 27 August 2012.

Enquiries should be directed to either the Deputy Chairman, Tony
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When:- Thursday 2nd August 2012 at 7:30 pm

Where:- Niche Bistro room (next to Buxton General Store)

This meeting is open to the public, residents and members of
community organisations are invited to attend.

For further information, contact Peter Cureton 57747316
President, Buxton Reserve Committee

Tom Hafey at Villains last game.

Legendary AFL/VFL Coach Tom Hafey will be a surprise guest at Marysville Veteran's last game for 2012 against Upwey Tecoma, at Trevor Harrow Oval, Gallipoli Park on Sunday 5th August.

This date is not only significant for the Marysville Villains but it also happens to be the Supercoach's birthday, when the still superbly fit Hafey turns 81 years of age.

All are welcome to The Villains 'Thanks to Sponsors' Lunch from 12.30, during which Tommy will auction a signed Matthew Richardson jumper and other special Footy memorabilia. He will then give a pre match address to the players.

Twenty passes to this special address will be drawn as door prizes to ticket holders at the Lunch.

Tom played with Richmond from 1954 – 1958, after which he went to the powerful Goulburn Valley Football League as playing coach of Shepparton, resulting in a hat trick of premierships from 1963 to 1965. He then returned to his beloved Tigerland in 1966 and the result was the following amazing list of career achievements:

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Tom also coached at Collingwood (4 Grand Finals), Sydney, Geelong and took charge of VFL representative sides in 1971 and 1981.

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Councillor comment

Attracting and retaining young families across the shire is a challenge for our communities and for Council.

What is exciting about the recently launched Early Years Initiative, is that it is not only the first major project under the Advancing Country Towns program, but it is driven by community members keen to see resources strengthened in the Eildon, Thornton and Alexandra area to cater for families.

There has been a strong willingness by everyone working on the project to share their knowledge, experiences and resources to achieve the best outcomes for our local communities. The \$83,600 State Government contribution to the Early Years Initiative will support local service providers to develop and improve services for children and families.

This initiative is the first from the \$890,000 grant provided to the Eildon, Thornton and Alexandra community under the State Government's \$9.4 million Advancing Country Towns Program.

The end result of this campaign will be a range of services that will encourage families to remain in the region and in the longer term, will help to attract families to this area.

As the chair of the strategic steering group, it is pleasing to see this dynamic team developing a range of ideas and initiatives that can now be implemented with the support of the project funding. We look forward to presenting our results in the future.

The Advancing Country Towns program is a partnership between the Department of Planning and Community Development and the Murrindindi Shire Council. The Early Years Initiative partners, Berry Street, Alexandra Kindergarten and the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, are excited by the recently launched Early Years Initiative that will strengthen access to family services and childcare in Eildon, Thornton and Alexandra.

The project is one of four priority areas identified by a strategic Steering Group of the Eildon-Thornton-Alexandra Advancing Country Town project. The others include Building Sustainable and Responsive Businesses, Customer Service and Innovation and; Skills, Training and Workforce Development.

We are excited about the benefits that will accrue for the communities of Eildon, Thornton and Alexandra, and for the shire as a whole, as a result of our participation in the Advancing Country Towns program.

Cr Bob Flowers
Redgate Ward

Monday, 6 August

Triangle Community Dinner

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Murrindindi Shire Council



Community Visioning Day

Murrindindi Shire Council will be talking to residents about the issues and priorities most important to the community as it sets about developing a vision for 2030 and beyond.

Sunday 12 August 2012
1pm – 5pm

Sacred Heart Parish Primary School Hall, Yea
(enter from Lyons St)

The Visioning Day will provide the platform to improve the amenity and well being of our citizens and is the first step in developing a 2030 Vision for Murrindindi.

The Visioning Day will provide significant support in the development of future Council plans.

Numbers are limited for the Visioning Day, and to attend you must register by:

Phone: (03) 5772 0333

Email: msc@murrindindi.vic.gov.au (insert 'Visioning Day' in the subject line and include your name and phone contact).

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A key role of the position is to lead the implementation and continual development of Council's Environment Strategy and to provide specialist advice to other Council departments.

The position is full time, and classified Band 7 under the Victorian Local Authorities Award. The position is based in Alexandra. Some work outside normal hours will be required.

Applications are invited from individuals who can demonstrate relevant tertiary qualifications and/or substantial experience in environmental management (or a related discipline), community and stakeholder engagement, strategy and policy development and project and administrative management. Experience in local government will be well regarded.

A position description is available from Council's website www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au or by contacting Jessica Lucas on 5772 0318. Applications should be marked 'Confidential – Co-ordinator Environmental Programs' and addressed to Michael Chesworth, General Manager Sustainability, PO Box 138 Alexandra VIC 3714.

Applications close 5pm on Wednesday 8 August 2012.

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Mayor's Chair

The petition circulated by the Murrindindi Ratepayers Group Inc is supported by statements that are either the result of lazy investigation or selected to manipulate residents into giving up their democratic rights.

In stating that Council has received \$100 million in bushfire specific grants, the petitioners make no mention of the total cost of the recovery to provide any comparison of Council's performance. Council has always welcomed the funding but it did not cover the full extent of the support required during recovery and rebuilding, hence our continuing efforts to gain additional support from the State Government.

The claim that Employee Benefits exceeded rate income was true for the past two years when many of the employee costs were covered by bushfire grants and the State Government's rate subsidy. But the statement ignores the turnaround in this year's budget where employee benefits are only 88 per cent of rate revenue and still include contributions from bushfire and other grants. Next year the percentage will be even smaller as the full results of the Services Review flow through.

Council has been open about the financial difficulties that we face. Councillors and staff are working hard to overcome these difficulties and we are continuing to press for more support from the State Government. Our long term viability is shown in the Strategic Resource Plan and the Budget. It is interesting that a group, that says it represents ratepayers, was not present at any of the Budget briefings in May nor at last week's Rating Strategy Review Report presentation in Yea.

The petition offers no solution. The petitioners want everyone to forego their right to elect their Local Government representatives and to have outsiders appoint an unknown panel to determine our future. I believe that as a Shire we are best able to make the most of our opportunities and deal with any problems. But it takes dedication and effort by all the community to fully assess the issues and to nominate and support their representatives.

A group of nay-sayers who want to handball responsibility, contribute nothing.

Cr John Walsh, Mayor

Murrindindi Shire Council PUBLIC NOTICE



Proposed Sale of Various Parcels of Land

Council gives notice under section 189 of the *Local Government Act 1989* of the proposed sale of the parcels of land shown listed below:

The land commonly known as "Alexandra Saleyards" at 1 Shamrock Street, Alexandra, being Volume 03779 Folio 706 and Volume 03370 Folio 875.

The land commonly known as "Industrial Land" at 42 North Street, Yea, being Volume 09609 Folio 939.

The land at 4 Vaughan Close, Eildon, being Volume 10021 Folio 605.

The land commonly known as "Alexandra Butter Factory" at 9 Downey Street, Alexandra, being Volume 10238 Folio 680.

A person has a right under section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* to make a submission to Council on the proposed sales. Such submission must be submitted by 5.00pm on 24 August 2012. Submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Murrindindi Shire Council, P.O. Box 138, Alexandra, 3714.

A person making a submission is entitled to request in the submission that the person wishes to appear in person, or to be represented by a person specified in the submission, at a meeting to be heard in support of the submission.

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Wetlands importance will be interpreted in many ways

Telling the story of the Yea Wetlands will take many forms with Murrindindi Shire Council awarding the interpretive design consultancy to Hierophant Communications.

Mayor John Walsh said it was a significant milestone in the Yea Wetlands Discovery ECentre project.

“We can now turn our attention to those elements of the centre that will tell the story of the wetlands, its importance to the natural diversity of Yea and the community efforts in creating a nature-based tourism attraction,” Cr Walsh said.

“This is the start of developing the displays and hands-on features of the facility.”

The Tasmania-based Hierophant Communications has worked on a number of high profile campaigns including Tourism Tasmania’s interpretive strategy for World Heritage nominated convict sites of Tasmania. interpretive strategy for World Heritage nominated convict sites, Port Arthur Historic Site, Puffing Billy Railway (VIC): brand application, interpretive strategy development, implementation planning and training and Flagstaff Maritime Museum’s (Warrnambool) interpretation planning and guide training.

“The interpretive design will support the centre featuring static and interactive displays to inform visitors about the importance of water, local wetland ecology and biodiversity retention in supporting floodplain, catchment and water resource management,” Cr Walsh said.

The \$2 million Yea Wetlands Discovery ECentre includes a Visitor Information Centre and the environmental interpretation component.

“Council has recognised the benefits of nature-based tourism and through the Yea Wetlands committee is supporting the project that aims to give visitors a range of tourism experiences,” Cr Walsh said.

The development of the project is being supported by Regional Development Victoria.

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Marysville Golf Report

The Marysville golf course was playable last week despite the high rainfall and although there were no Wednesday golfers able to play the Thursday and Saturday competitions proceeded as normal.

The Thursday nine holers played Par on the front nine holes and the winner was Dean Connell with +2. The nearest the pin on the 4th hole was won by Adam Delarue.

On Saturday in challenging conditions some men played the third round of the individual match play event and Robbie Coleman, Alan Howard, Brad Simpson and Yewls Kuan will go through to the fourth round to be played at a later date. The men who were no longer in the individual match play played a par round as did the ladies.

The men's winner was Daniel Archibald (11) with +5 followed by Ron Jones (27) with +3. The ladies winner was Heather Jenkins (34) with -1 and Helen Howard (23) with -5 was the runner up. The nearest the pins were won by Beau Simmons (2) Rob Christie and Len King. Congratulations to all our weekly winners.

Next Saturday the men will play a stableford round for the third round of the Barton Cup and the ladies will play a stroke round for the third round of the Barton Shield.

A Trivia and Pasta night will be held at the club on Friday 20th July at 7.00pm. For bookings please contact Barbara at the club on 59633241. There is a good selection of winter golf clothing available at the club shop. For information about the shop, membership, and room hire contact Barbara or visit the website on www.marysvillegolfandbowls.com.au

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Mayor John Walsh said the facilitated day would be an interactive opportunity to discuss and develop the issues and priorities most important to the community.

"The Visioning Day will provide the platform to improve the amenity and well being of our citizens and is the first step in developing a 2030 Vision for Murrindindi Shire," Cr Walsh said.

"The day will bring community leaders and community members together to determine what makes Murrindindi Shire special and to gather ideas about how they experience life today and what they would like to see into the future.

"The Visioning Day will provide significant input to future Councils in developing their four year plans," Cr Walsh said. "While new Councils will have their own goals and objectives, the Visioning Day will provide an outline of the needs, wants and aspirations of the community.

"It is important that people do register for the day. This will allow the Council and its facilitator to develop a program that is all inclusive."

To be part of this exciting Visioning Day, you must register by:

Calling: (03) 5772 0333

Emailing: msc@murrindindi.vic.gov.au with the subject Vision Interest (please include your name and telephone contact)

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