

Nimmie-Caira Market Partner Sought

Department of Primary Industries (DPI) Water has appointed a market consultant to the Nimmie-Caira Project, tasked with identifying potential partners to utilise the natural resource site, as the expression of interest process for the area gets ready to commence.

“Palladium has been appointed as the consultant to help approach the market and gauge suitable candidates to take ownership of the site as both a natural resource and commercial opportunity”, said Mr Jack Chubb, DPI Water Project Leader.

“An open tender expression of interest process is due to commence over the coming months which is significant step in securing the long-term prosperity of the site.”

Palladium will further develop a Land and Water Management Plan for the site, working with the market toward a partnership, to ensure innovative solutions to this divestment.

Edward River Council Business Forum

The General Manager attended the Edward River Council Business Forum on Monday 10th April, where John Wagner, Director of the Wagner Group, delivered the keynote address.

The Wagner Group owns and operates the Brisbane West Wellcamp Airport at Toowoomba. Edward River Council has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Wagner Group to develop an international freight post at the Deniliquin Airport to link in with the Toowoomba Airport.

Mr Wagner stressed that Deniliquin will need to engage the regional communities and Councils if the proposal is to succeed. Council has provided a letter of support for the proposal.

The Hon Melinda Pavey MP Minister for Roads and the Hon Sussan Ley MP were also in attendance and spoke on the subject urging a regional approach.

The forum was very positive with over 200 in attendance.

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY (FESL)

On the 1st July the NSW State Government is changing the way it funds the emergency services in NSW. Currently the bulk of funding for emergency services is raised through levies collected as part of insurance policies based on property insured values called the Emergency Services Levy (ESL).

The State Government has made the decision to change this to the standard approach used by other states to collect the funding of emergency services based on land values and property usage, and is collected as part of land owner’s annual rates.

This new levy will be titled the ‘Fire and Emergency Services Levy’ (FESL) and will commence on the 1st July 2017, and be included in all rates notices for the 2017-2018 year.

Ratepayers will receive in the mail a FESL assessment of the current land use based on the defined categories set out by NSW Treasury being Residential, Farmland, Industrial, Commercial or Public Benefit.

Included in the notice will be property details, Council assessment number and FESL classification along with further information regarding the details of the levy.

If residents require further information on the levy please visit fesl.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 78 78 72.

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April

28 Operation Art 2017

29 Community Markets

29 SSAA Hay Branch Clays

State Titles - Day 1

30 SSAA Hay Branch Clays

State Titles - Day 2

May

6 Booligal Campdraft

7 A Day of Wine & Roses

20 Italia Day in Hay

20 CanAssist Trivia Night at Hay Services Club

HAY SUN FARM

Community Information Session

OVERLAND Sun Farming invites you to attend a community information and feedback session on the proposed Hay Sun Farm, 6 kilometres north-east of the town of Hay.

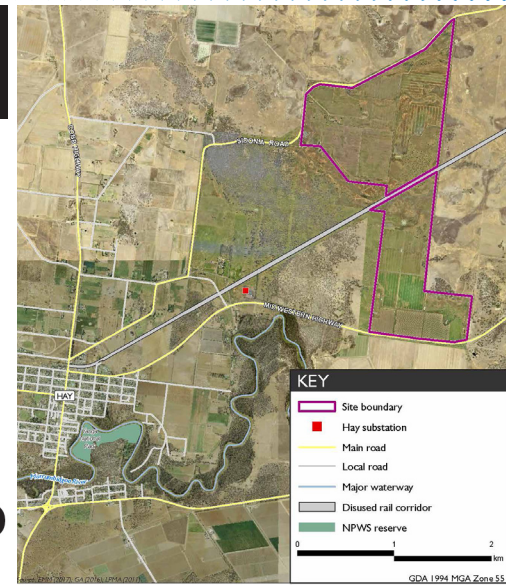
Date: Tuesday 2 May - 3 - 5pm

Venue: Hay Shire Council Chambers, 134 Lachlan Street, Hay

Representatives from OVERLAND and the project team will be available to discuss the project, answer your questions and hear your views.

For further information about the Hay Sun Farm, please visit OVERLAND’s website.

www.overlandunfarming.com.au/Hay-sun-farm



Defibrillator for No.1 Oval

Council at its April Ordinary Meeting of Council resolved to assist Hay Junior Rugby League with its endeavours to purchase a defibrillator for the community.

The Club, through fund raising efforts and a donation from NSW CRL, had almost achieved their financial goal when they requested financial assistance from Council.

The machine will be accessible to anyone in the vicinity of the No.1 Oval and Kiosk area requiring the defibrillator during a medical emergency. Council congratulates the Club on its community initiative.

Library News

Visiting Author: The Hay Library will be hosting a visit from best selling Australian author Tricia Stringer on Wednesday 10th May commencing at 2.00pm. Tricia's visit to Hay is part of a promotional tour for her new book 'Jewel in the North'. Anyone interested in meeting with Trish are more than welcome to come along.

Knitting: Next Knit In's will be on Wednesday 3rd and 17th May. Keen knitters are invited to join the Knit In's.

Scrabble Group: Scrabble sessions will be held Wednesday 10th and 24th May.

Children's Reading: Children's reading and activities held every Tuesday commencing at 10.30am.



Honouring Anzac Day Display at the Hay Library

Council Works in Progress

The status of Council's operations is as follows:

- Grader – Reconstruct and seal 340m section of Headons Lane from Cobb Highway.
- Grader – Gravel re-sheeting 7.5km section of Booligal/Gunbar Road.
- Reconstruct and seal shoulders along with drainage improvements in Edward Street between Murray and Macauley Streets.
- Trees – Removal of trees in Hay Park pond area. Trees will be replaced with a corridor of Manchurian Pear.
- Trees – Raising the low hanging branches of the peppercorn trees in Lachlan Street.
- Bridges – Connect road to major culvert replacement on Main Road 319.

Shearers Hall of Fame

Congratulations to the recent inductees into the Shearers Hall of Fame. It is a great honour to be recognised by your peers in your chosen vocation and one the inductees and their family would be justifiably proud.

Well done to Shear Outback on their Festival of the Blades event, which included the yard dog trials. Council has received many favourable comments from those that attended the events over the Easter weekend.

Development Applications February-April 2017

No.	Address	Development	Decision
2017/25	16 Meakes Street	Fence and Shed	Approved
2017/26	345 Leonard Street	Carport	Approved
2017/27	469 Cadell Street	Shed/Awning/Verandah	Approved
2017/28	388 Alma Street	Shed	Approved
2017/29	513 Clay Street	Carport	Approved

New Ranger Appointed

Council has appointed Shayne Kennedy to the position of Council Ranger. Anyone needing to contact the Ranger should do so through the Council Administration Centre on 02 6990 1100.

Are you a HACC client?

If you are frail aged or disabled, or care for someone who is frail aged or disabled (who lives in their own home), you may be entitled to receive the assistance of the HACC services.

If you feel you may be in need of HACC services, call down to the HACC offices at the Library Complex and discuss your needs with either Paula or Rebecca. An assessment will be carried out to determine your eligibility to receive these services.

The HACC office is located at Offices 1 and 2, Hay Library 204-216 Lachlan Street, Hay. Alternatively you can give the staff a call on 6993 3222 or 6993 2297.

Meals on Wheels Roster

1 May	Jim & Beryl Bisset
2 May	Shirley Lewis, Beryl Porter, Gwen Harris
3 May	Rebecca Tumolero & Partner
4 May	Cheryl Marmont & Gayl Munn
5 May	Ray Harris & Jenny Brown
8 May	Lauren Hicks & Di Congdon
9 May	Shirley Edwards & Marg Beckwith
10 May	Pynors Accountants Staff
11 May	Cheryl Marmont & Gayl Munn
12 May	Sally Smith & Wendy Harvey

Meals to be picked up by 11.45am from Riverina Hotel.

If volunteers notice any discrepancies between this list and the one provided by HACC please refer to your HACC roster.