

Katanning Shire Matters

August 2020



PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

Staff and Councillors are working toward budget adoption by August OCM. The Premier of Western Australia requested that all Local Governments attempt to achieve a budget with 0% rate increase to acknowledge the financial effects of COVID-19.

The Shire of Katanning will respect Mr McGowan's request, and set the rate in the dollar as the same as last year. Whilst this represents a 0% rate increase, the nature of valuations changing from year to year some individual properties will increase, some will go down.

Next month we will be able to give you all the details of coming projects that have been resourced. For now we are looking forward to the conclusion of the of the Rotary gardens project and the Piesse Park project.

You will also notice that there is activity in the rural subdivision on Synnott Avenue. 30 Lots are being created, and the Shire of Katanning have funding for 3 Key workers houses and 4 Independent Living units. So much activity in our wonderful town.

Please note I'm available to meet with individuals and

community groups by phoning the Shire on 9821 9999 and asking for Sophie or Sue to organise an appointment.

Shire President - Liz Guidera



SHIRE NOTICES

2019/20 Shire Tip Passes Remain Valid

Shire tip passes for the 2019/20 Financial Year will remain valid until the next Budget is adopted in August 2020.

Waste facility staff will therefore accept tip passes with an expiry date of 30 June 2020. For more information please contact the Shire on 9821 9999.

Katanning Welcome Precinct Project (All Ages Playground) Wins Three Awards

On Friday 31 July 2020 at the 2020 AILA WA Landscape Architecture Awards, landscape architects, Plan E, won three awards for the Katanning Welcome Precinct Project (All Ages Playground) in the following:

- Landscape Architecture Award for Parks and Open Space

- Award of Excellence for Play Spaces
- Regional Achievement in Landscape Architecture Award

The AILA WA jury appreciated the celebration and retention of the iconic giant play equipment which maintains community connection to the All Ages Playground.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

At the July Ordinary Council Meeting for the Shire of Katanning, held on Tuesday 28 July 2020, the following items were approved:

Licence Agreement - Katanning Community Cinema Inc.

Council approved the Licence Agreement for Katanning Town Hall with Katanning Community Cinema Inc.

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New Policy - Financial Hardship (Rate Relief)

Council approved a Financial Hardship Policy as presented. Council acknowledges that due to exceptional circumstances ratepayers may at times encounter difficulty in paying rates and service charges as they fall due.

Katanning Environmental - Purchase of Old Saleyards Land

Council agreed to sell property on Dore Street, Katanning, to Katanning Environmental Inc for the purposes of developing a packing shed on the site.

The full minutes of the Shire of Katanning's Ordinary Council Meetings can be found on the Shire's website.

KATANNING LIBRARY

Story Time - Every Tuesday

Held at the Katanning Library at 10:00am. Story Time is a fun opportunity for families to introduce their children to reading and language.

At Story Time, children listen to beautiful stories, participate in sensory activities, engaging craft projects, sing songs and interact with other children.

Genealogy - Every Thursday

Held at the Katanning Library from 2:30pm - 3:30pm.

Have you ever wanted to trace your family history but don't know where to start? Have you already begun the journey but have hit a wall? Do you have the skills, time and know-how to help others in their ancestry search? Drop in on Thursday afternoons during school terms to meet Irene from the Katanning Genealogical Society.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 3 - Saturday 22 August 2020, Katanning Youth in Isolation Exhibition

See the amazing art and engineering by youth in Katanning during recent isolation. Displayed at the Katanning Art Gallery, located at 16 Austral Terrace, Katanning.

Tuesday 25 August 2020 Katanning Public Ordinary Council Meeting

Held in Council Chambers in the Shire of Katanning Administration and Civic Centre, located at 52 Austral Terrace, Katanning, commencing at 6:00pm.

The agenda of upcoming Shire of Katanning's Ordinary Council Meetings can be found on the Shire's website on the Thursday prior.

Wednesday 2 September 2020, Disability Access & Inclusion Meeting

For community members with a disability, carers and disability support services to join and discuss Disability Access and Inclusion within the Shire of Katanning. Held at the Community Meeting Room in the Katanning Library, located at 16 Austral Terrace, Katanning, from 2:00pm - 3:30pm. All welcome. Please contact Georgia on 9821 9999 or cydo@katanning.wa.gov.au for more information.

KATANNING HIGHLIGHTS



GIRLS FOOTBALL IN COLLIE

Katanning Youth partnered with WAPOL, Stephen Michael Foundation and Baldjamaar Foundation to provide 10 young girls with the opportunity to play Football in Collie. Congratulations to the girls that got selected to play with the South Fremantle Colts and Reserves sides.



BARISTA COURSE FOR KATANNING YOUTH

Three barista courses were held over two days at the Katanning Leisure Centre for Katanning Youth during the July School Holidays.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 15 August 2020

Katanning Farmers Markets
8:00am - 12:00pm (noon)
Shearing Shed, Katanning
Leisure & Function Centre

Thu 20 - Fri 21 August 2020

WA Sheep Expo & Ram Sale
Ram Pavilion, Katanning Leisure
& Function Centre

Sunday 23 August 2020

Katanning Miniature Railway
Open, 11:00am - 4:00pm
Located at All Ages Playground
Cnr Clive St & Great Southern
Hwy